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To: Washington
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Office Chief's Code.

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(1) In the case of Japanese-American relations (HIGASHI NO KAZEAME).

(2) In the case of Japanese-Soviet relations (KITA NO KAZEKUMORI).

(3) In the case of Japanese-British relations (including their implications in Thai along with Malaya and the Netherlands East Indies), (NISHI NO KAZEHARE).

Hence you will know that you are suitably to destroy codes, documents, etc.

You will please guard this in strictest secrecy.

This for Voice Broadcast -
"Twice in middle and twice at end"

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   (HICASHI NO KAZEAME).
   East Wind, Rain

(2) In the case of Japanese-Soviet relations
   (KITAN NO KAZEKUMORI).
   North Wind, Cloudy

(3) In the case of Japanese-British relations
   (including their implications in Thai along with Malaya and the Netherlands East Indies),
   (NISHI NO KAZEHARE).
   West Wind, Clear

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