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PROTEST AGAINST A SHIP'S CAPTAIN BEING
BRIEFED TO GIVE FALSE SAILING INFORMATION

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To SEMEN.

The captain of the S.S. "BRYANSK", FEDOROV, before leaving PROVIDENIE was briefed by some one in the shipping office to misinform the Americans by declaring his arrival as from PETROPAVLOVSK [11]. This unnecessary deceit of the local authorities was easily discovered as they are well informed about the departure [1 group unrecovered] [D% from the U.S.S.R.] before the arrival of Soviet vessels at this [C% coast] [2 groups unrecovered]. Please ascertain the purpose of the misinformation [and] [a] take steps to put a stop to it.

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MAY [MAJ][111] .

T.N.: [a] Inserted by the translator.

Comments: [i] A port in CHUKOTKA, at the Northern end of the East coast of Russia.

[11] A port in KAMCHATKA, some 1,000 miles South of PROVIDENIE.

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