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MEMORANDUM FOR COLONEL COOK:

I was not surprised today to hear Captain Stephenson say that you would not be able to provide me with exact translations of the messages in question. My purpose, of course, was to avoid the necessity of asking you to check the paraphrases. However, it is either that now or no further progress.

Accordingly, I am forwarding herewith a copy of the ONI brief of State Department telegrams with the request that you have these paraphrases checked insofar as practicable against the exact translations. It should not be necessary to do them all, but I would appreciate as comprehensive an analysis as you may find practicable.

I would not like to have the State Department know about this matter since it is at the moment a matter strictly between me and ONI. I shall have to be guided by the conclusions at which your representative arrives and so request that he not submit any conclusions which will put me out on a limb.

Respectfully,


 R. L. DENSFORD

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*Densford's office advised
5/4 that msgs have been
paraphrased following
investigation by Capt Noah.
R.L.*