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**INFORMATION FROM THE NORWEGIAN AIR ATTACHE
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To SEVERNLY[i].

According to information from the Norwegian Air Attaché[iii]:

1. In central and southern NORWAY on 18th January [7 groups unrecovered] 150 to 200 aircraft[a]. [2 groups unrecovered] these are fighters and auxiliary[b] aircraft[a]; bombers are few in number.
2. OSLO airfield - 10 aircraft[a].
- GARDERMOEN[iv] - 30 aircraft[a] (evidently the reserve),
 [12 groups unrecovered]
- KRISTIANSUND[KRISTIANZOND] - 10 aircraft[a].
- SOLA[SOLA][iv] and STAVANGER: a large airfield [7 groups unrecovered].
 The number of aircraft is [2 groups unrecovered].
- TRONDHEIM[TRONDHEJM] - 30 aircraft[a]. A large airfield and an important naval base.
- BURGEN - 3 to 5 aircraft[a].

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At the remaining airfields there are

- [23 groups unrecovered]
- [63 groups unrecoverable]
- [11 groups unrecovered]

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AKASTO[v]

Notes: [a] Literally "machines".

[b] Presumably liaison, transport and other types of aircraft not used in combat.

Comments: [i] SEVERNIIJ: ✓ i.e. "NORTHERN"; MOSCOW addressee and signatory; probably Northern Department.

[ii] The Norwegian Air Attaché in STOCKHOLM at this time was Major Ragnar GUNDERSEN.

[iii] GARDERMOEN: Military air base near OSLO.

[iv] SOLA: Airfield near STAVANGER.

[v] AKASTO: ✗ Col. N.I. NIKITUSHOV, Soviet Military Attaché in STOCKHOLM.