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From THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR DOMINION AFFAIRS
To THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS, CANADA

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CIRCULAR B. 322

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LONDON, 3rd September, 1939.

Most Secret. Circular B. 322. Following for your
Prime Minister, Begins:

Please treat this telegram with extreme secrecy.

With reference to my telegram Circular C. 48 of
yesterday, containing Prime Minister's statement at 7:45 p.m.
yesterday, the Cabinet, meeting after midnight, have decided
that the British Ambassador in Berlin should at once ask to
see Ribbentrop at 9:00 a.m., today, Sunday, and at that
interview inform him that unless the Chancellor's reply is
received by 11:00 a.m., today, Sunday, His Majesty's
Government in the United Kingdom will from that hour regard
themselves as at war with Germany.

Prime Minister proposes to make a statement in the
House of Commons at noon today, Sunday. Ends.

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR DOMINION AFFAIRS.

Received Ottawa
11:35 p.m. D.S.T.