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No. 50. Most Secret. The Dutch and Belgian Governments are thoroughly alarmed over new German manage. It is still possible, however, that the Germans do not plan immediate attack but have only made one more move in the war of nerves. There is no apparent increase in the forty-four German divisions recently massed against the frontiers of the Low Gountries. It is the view of the Ghief of the General Staff here that although existing low temperatures might induce the Germans to launch attack, conditions are not altogether favourable particularly on icy roads in the Ardennes. The existing frost in Holland would not impede inundation as defensive measure. The Allied High Command most anxious that the political situation will make it possible for Allied forces to occupy Namur, Wavre, Antwerp line before any German attack could be launched.

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