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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRIME MINISTER

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I am enclosing copy of a despatch from Vanier (Poland No.3 of April 21st), reporting his first conversation with General Sikorski. It is an interesting and rather disturbing letter, particularly in the light of events of the week that has elapsed since it was written.

Mr. Wrong, who is in Washington attending a meeting of the Joint War Production Committee this week, is seeing Berle at the State Department this morning. I asked him to make a point of finding out what action, if any, the United States is taking in connection with plans which had been arranged for the observance in Washington of May 3rd as Polish National Independence Day. I have asked Massey to make similar enquiries in London.

It will be easier to answer Podoski's difficult and very pathetic letter asking you to issue a statement about Poland on May 3rd when we know how the situation looks from London and Washington.

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*See teletype no. 2004 attached*