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Message in following terms has been broadcast to all Dutch and Belgian merchant ships at sea.

Following instructions are from Royal Netherlands and Belgian Governments; "Holland and Belgium are at war with Germany. Dutch and Belgian merchant ships bound for Holland, Belgium and Germany are to proceed to nearest British or French port for instructions. Other Dutch and Belgian merchant ships are to continue their voyages." Ends.

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