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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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LONDON, January 5, 1940.

Circular D. 7

Circular D. 7. Most Secret. Following for your
Prime Minister, Begins:

With reference to my immediately preceding telegram,
communication to Norwegian Government would be to the effect
that we view with grave concern recent flagrant violation of
Norwegian territorial waters in cases of British ships "Thomas
Walton" and "Thomas Deptford" and Greek ship "Jarafoulia" all
of which were torpedoed last month within the three-mile limit
without warning and with loss of life, and that it cannot be
reasonably expected while thus violating Norwegian territorial
waters Germany should continue to benefit by their protection
for shipping carrying goods to her. We therefore intend to
take appropriate measures to prevent shipment of goods to
Germany down the Norwegian coast for which purpose it would
at times be necessary for naval forces to enter and operate
in Norwegian territorial waters. We are most reluctant to
do this but see no other means of applying direct and effective
retaliation for German action. Ends.

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SECRETARY OF STATE FOR DOMINION AFFAIRS.

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