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In view of Madrid telegram to Foreign Office number 707 (repeated to Tangier as 51) I should be grateful to receive a directive as to how you wish British United Kingdom press to treat Tangier [grp. undec. ? German] question in order that I may give advice to such local press correspondents as seek it. Meanwhile I understand certain rather violent articles have been sent from here. Mr. Yencken apparently wishes agreement to be hushed up so as not to humiliate Germans and Spaniards. While I can of course understand this from Madrid standpoint we here would like to make as much capital out of it as possible through our publicity organs.

2. B.B.C. and Gibraltar radio have been giving out that Dr. Reith is still in his Consulate General Tangier. Might they be informed that Reith left Tangier October 1943 and has not returned since because we stopped him from doing so. Mohr is present Chargé d'Affaires.

O.T.P.