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No. 32. Following addition to my telegram No. 30 of even date. After its meeting Belgian Government issued communique stating merely that international situation had been (word omitted). It was rumoured this morning that an isolated invasion of Holland was imminent. Impossible to obtain any information these rumours. It is felt here that an isolated invasion of Holland is not likely and that an attack, if launched, will cover Belgium as well. Rumours emanating from various quarters, especially Italy and the Balkans, would lead to think that situation might evolve rapidly. It is felt action in the Balkans might coincide with an offensive on Western Front.

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