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London

Dated February 24, 1945

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Secretary of State
Washington.

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1947, February 24, 7 p.m.

FOR DEPARTMENT CROWLEY AND FLEMING FEA FROM STONE.

One. Boheman made a formal call on me this morning. During our conversation he indicated that he believed there might be some problems in final conclusion of tripartite agreement arising out of section on declaration 6, Bretton Woods and Anglo-American supervision over Swedish trade with Finland.

With regard to Bretton Woods proposal he pointed out that it appeared to Swedes there were 2 sections to this problem: (A) The gathering of information in regard to enemy assets in Sweden; and (B) the disposition of these assets. With reference to latter, he suggested that there might well be Swedish claims as well as Allied. He indicated therefore that it might be more satisfactory to have a separate agreement covering resolution VI. (REEMBS 1909, February 23).

With regard to supervision of Finnish trade he suggested it might well be made reciprocal.

Two. Swedish exports to Norway and Denmark: As you have already been informed, enemy resources experts of MEW do not find any objection to the goods covered by the various Swedish lists being exported. For this reason Ministry sees no gain in reference of all items to London and Washington.

EWD believes it is unlikely that the gain which will accrue to us from reference of every item to London and Washington will offset the labor cable

Note: Telegram 1909 has not, as yet, been received by this office.

cc: 3/2/45

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expense and delay involved. It feels that our interests would be covered by reference to Washington and London of export programs on a quarterly or bi-monthly basis. It believes that Stockholm is generally equipped to make decisions on individual exports and as in cases of processing applications that reference to Washington and London should be made in doubtful cases only.

This message was repeated to Stockholm as our 223, February 24, 7 p.m.

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