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JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF
WASHINGTON 25, D.C.

6 March 1946

MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARIES, STATE-WAR-NAVY
COORDINATING COMMITTEE:

Subject: Claim of the Government of Bulgaria for
Certain Japanese Liabilities.

Reference: SWN-3918

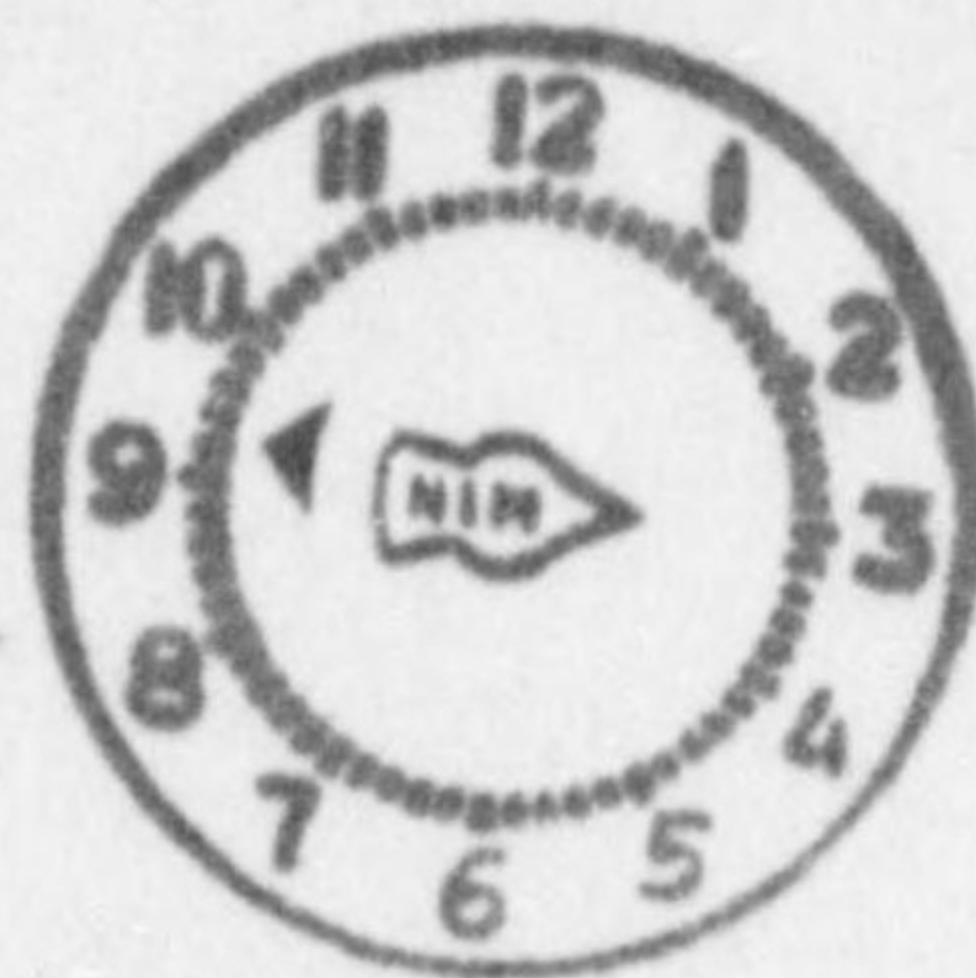
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The Enclosure is forwarded for your information.

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Mr. J. P. Gardiner	-----
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Col. C. R. Peck, Inf.,
W.D. Ext. 77500

4 March 1946

Chief Military Representative
U. S. Representation, Allied Control Commission
Sofia, Bulgaria

Number: WAR 99221

TOPSEC to Crane from the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

With reference to your letter dated 12 December 1945,
subject: Claim of the Government of Bulgaria for Certain
Japanese Liabilities, File A-562, Supreme Commander for the
Allied Powers has already been directed to take proper pre-
cautions for safeguarding property interests of foreign
governments and their nationals in Japan.

The ultimate disposition of such assets will presumably
be made at a later time.

End.

ORIGINATOR: General McFarland

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SM-4642
3 January 1946

MEMORANDUM FOR THE STATE-WAR-NAVY COORDINATING COMMITTEE:

Subject: Claim of the Government of Bulgaria
for certain Japanese Liabilities.

The enclosed letter and enclosures from the U. S. Delegation on the Allied Control Commission Bulgaria is forwarded with a request for any guidance which it is considered desirable to send to the Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers in connection therewith.

A. J. McFarland
A. J. McFARLAND,
Brigadier General, U. S. Army,
Secretary.

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THE JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF
Washington 25, D.C.

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/s/ A. J. McFarland

A. J. McFARLAND,
Brigadier General, U. S. Army,
Secretary

**U. S. Delegation
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION BULGARIA
APO 512, U. S. Army**

12 December 1945

Ref. A- 562

**Subject: Claim of the Government of Bulgaria for certain
Japanese Liabilities**

Thru : Joint Chiefs of Staff, Washington, 25, D.C.

To : Supreme Allied Commander in Japan

1. There is forwarded herewith a "Pro Memoria" Note No. 9059-III from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Cults of the Government of Bulgaria on the subject of Bulgarian claims with regard to Japanese liabilities to a local firm received by this headquarters through the United States Representative in Bulgaria.

2. It is requested that whatever action is deemed appropriate be taken and this headquarters advised of the results in order that such information may be transmitted to the Government of Bulgaria.

3. For your information there is also inclosed a copy of the Armistice Agreement to which reference is made in the "Pro Memoria" Note herewith.

/s/ J. A. Crane

**JOHN A. CRANE
Major General, U.S.A.
Commanding**

2 Incls:

- 1 - Pro Memoria Note**
- 2. Armistice Agreement**

Ministère
des Affaires Étrangères
et des Cultes

Sofia, le 3 XII 1945

No. 9069-III

Commissariat for the
Fulfillment of the
Armistice Agreement.

PRO MEMORIA

"Bank Bulgarski Kredit", Aktsionerno D-vo - Sofia, with letter No. 26825 of November 30, 1945, advised the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Cults, respectively the Commissariat for the Fulfillment of the Armistice Agreement, of the following:

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The Bank's correspondent in Zurich, "Crédit Suisse", with letter dated March 25, 1942, informed it that the Yokohama Specie Bank Ltd. at Kobe, had paid to the above supplier the sum of 211,400.- yens for the delivery of 100 /hundred/ tons electrolytic copper cylindrical wires.

United States Mission in Bulgaria,
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The Bank states that, in spite of its inquiry at the "Credit Suisse" in Zurich, it obtained no information regarding the fate of the goods paid for and stored at its disposal in Kobe, nor about the unused remainder of the credit. It, therefore, requests the inclusion of the following items in the list of the Japanese liabilities to Bulgaria: a) 100 tons of electrolytic copper cylindrical wires amounting to 211,400 Japanese yens or 49,612.93.- dollars, and b) the unused remainder of the credit amounting to 390,400.- yens or 91,789.20.- dollars.

The same Bank "Bulgariski Kredit", with a second letter No. 25828 dated November 20, 1943, advised the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Cults, respectively the Commissariate for the Fulfillment of the Armistice Agreement, of the following:

With credit letter No. 501 dated June 20, 1941 and through its correspondent "Société des Banques Suisses" in Zurich, the Bank opened an account at the Yokohama Specie Bank Ltd. - Tokio, in favour of Mitsui Kaisha Ltd. - Tokio, amounting to 622,950 Swiss francs or 144,500.- dollars, for the delivery of 5,000 automobile tires and 5,000 pneumatic automobile tires.

The Bank's correspondent in Zurich, "Société des Banques Suisses", with telegram dated October 6, 1941, informed it that the entire sum of the above account, amounting

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Since the Armistice Agreement, signed between Bulgaria and the United Nations on October 28, 1944 in Moscow, recognizes Bulgarian government, public and private property, wherever it might be found, the Commissariate for the Fulfillment of the Armistice Agreement avails itself of this opportunity to bring to the knowledge of the United States Mission in Bulgaria the claims tendered with regard to the above two Japanese liabilities to a Bulgarian firm, and to request its intervention before the respective United States Occupational Authorities in Japan for the protection of the interests of the Bank "Bulgarski Kredit" - Aleksandarski D-vo, Sofia, by taking the necessary steps to establish the whereabouts and present condition of the goods, stated in the above two letters, as well as to ascertain where the credited sum, mentioned in letter No. 25825, is to be found.

Sofia, December 3, 1945.

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together with a copy of the message proposed to be sent to the U. S. Delegation Allied Control Commission Bulgaria.

H. Freeman Matthews
H. Freeman Matthews,
Acting State Member,
State-War-Navy Coordinating Committee.

ADDRESS OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS TO
THE SECRETARY OF STATE
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE
WASHINGTON



MEMORANDUM FOR THE STATE-WAR-NAVY COORDINATING COM-
MITTEE FROM ACTING DEPARTMENT OF STATE MEMBER

Subject: Claim of the Government of
Bulgaria for certain Japanese
Liabilities.

1. With reference to JCS Memorandum No. SM-4642
of 3 January, 1946, on stated subject, it is recom-
mended that the following message be sent the U.S.
Delegation Allied Control Commission Bulgaria:

a. SCAP has already been directed to
take proper precautions for safeguarding
property interests of foreign governments
and their nationals in Japan.

b. The ultimate disposition of such
assets will presumably be made at a later
time.

2. The memorandum of 12 December 1945 to SCAP
from the U.S. Delegation Allied Control Commission
Bulgaria should be forwarded to SCAP for information,
together

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STATE-WAR-NAVY COORDINATING
COMMITTEE

STATE

_____ Mr. Cox
_____ Mr. Moseley
_____ Mr. Gardiner

WAR

_____ Colonel Reid
_____ Colonel Schulgen
_____ Lt. Col. Field
_____ Major Karbel
_____ Lt. Weiner

NAVY

_____ Commodore Austin
_____ Commander Richardson
_____ Ensign Whiteside

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REMARKS:

*This is one of those
Memos we passed to
State for answer.
The publication of the
armistice agreement
would be a little difficult.*

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SWN-3018
23 February 1946

MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY, JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF:

Subject: Claim of the Government of Bulgaria
for Certain Japanese Liabilities.

1. With reference to JCS Memorandum No. 221-4642 of 3 January 1946, on stated subject, it is recommended that the following message be sent the U. S. Delegation, Allied Control Commission, Bulgaria:

a. SCAP has already been directed to take proper precautions for safeguarding property interests of foreign governments and their nationals in Japan.

b. The ultimate disposition of such assets will presumably be made at a later time.

2. In view of the provisions of paragraph 45 a (2) of SWNCC 52/7 (Basic Directive for Post-Surrender Military Government in Japan Proper), it is not considered desirable that any guidance be furnished to the Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers in connection with this matter. It is recommended, however, that SCAP be furnished a copy of the message proposed to be sent to the U. S. Delegation, Allied Control Commission, Bulgaria.

For the State-War-Navy Coordinating Committee:

A. D. REID,
Secretary

1 Enclosure:
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THE JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF
Washington 25, D.C.

SK-4642
3 January 1946

MEMORANDUM FOR THE STATE-WAR-NAVY COORDINATING COMMITTEE:

**Subject: Claim of the Government of Bulgaria
for certain Japanese Liabilities.**

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/s/ A. J. McFarland

A. J. McFARLAND,
Brigadier General, U. S. Army,
Secretary

U. S. Delegation
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION BULGARIA
APO 512, U. S. Army

12 December 1948

Ref. A- 562

Subject: Claim of the Government of Bulgaria for certain
Japanese Liabilities

Thru : Joint Chiefs of Staff, Washington, 25, D.C.

To : Supreme Allied Commander in Japan

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3. For your information there is also inclosed a copy of the Armistice Agreement to which reference is made in the "Pro Memoria" Note herewith.

/s/ J. A. Crane

JOHN A. CRANE
Major General, U.S.A.
Commanding

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- 1 - Pro Memoria Note
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Ministère
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Sofia, le 3 XII 1945

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United States Mission in Bulgaria,
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Sofia, December 3, 1945.

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28 May 1946

MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY OF STATE:

Subject: Extracts of Reports on Current Situation in Rumania and Bulgaria for the Foreign Economic Administration.

Mr. Crowley, Foreign Economic Administrator, has indicated an urgent need for information on the current situation in Bulgaria and Rumania for consideration in connection with the amount of economic assistance the United States Government might decide to render Soviet Russia in the near future. Enclosed are expurgated copies of reports from the United States representatives to the Allied Control Commission for Bulgaria and for Rumania which the Joint Chiefs of Staff have no military objection to furnishing to Mr. Crowley. However, the Secretary of War and the Secretary of the Navy are of the opinion that the Secretary of State should decide the appropriateness of furnishing Mr. Crowley this information.

For the State-War-Navy Coordinating Committee:

CHARLES W. McCARTHY
Secretary

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Campbell

May 30, 1945

EUR - Mr. Gardner:

These are our comments which you requested.

As I mentioned to you before we should like to get copies of the two reports for our own files, even though most of the material in them we already have in another form. However, General Schuyler's report on clearances (Tab "C" to Annex to Appendix "A"), which we do not have, would be of great use to us.

~~Cavendish W. Cannon~~

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THE JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF
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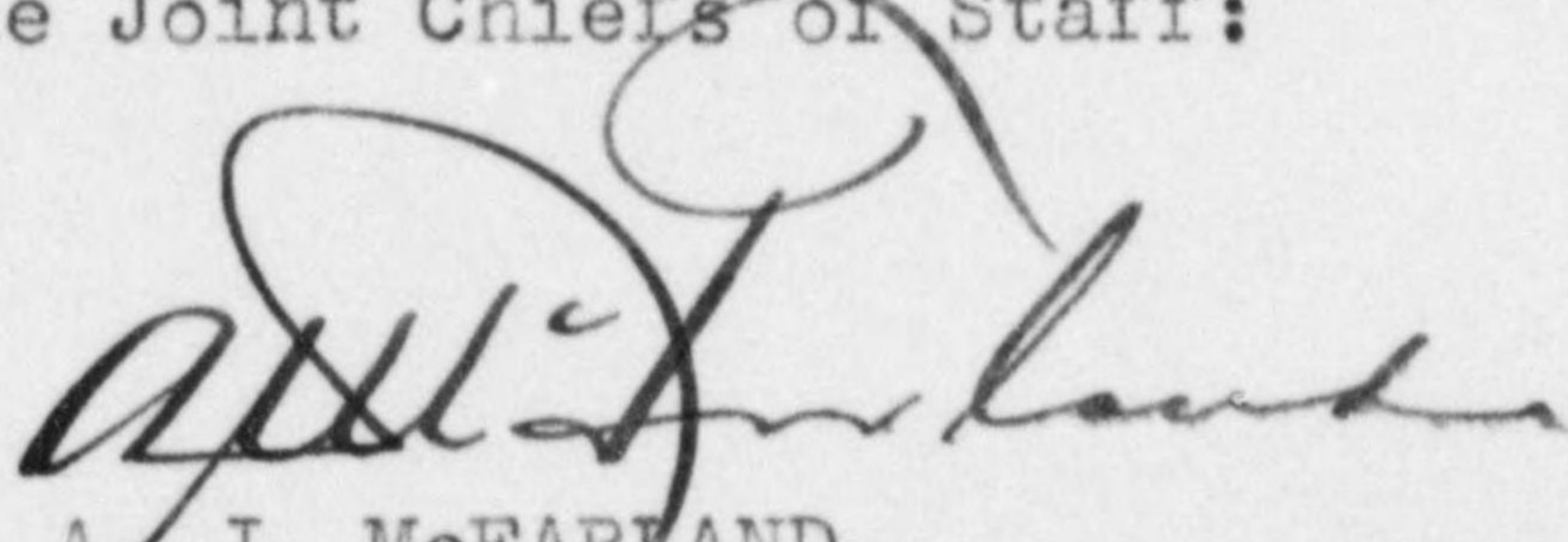
MEMORANDUM FOR THE STATE-WAR-NAVY COORDINATING COMMITTEE:

Subject: Extracts of reports on current situation in Rumania and Bulgaria for the Foreign Economic Administration.

The Joint Chiefs of Staff request that the Secretary of State be informed as follows:

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For the Joint Chiefs of Staff:


A. J. McFARLAND,
Brigadier General, U.S.A.,
Secretary.

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30 May 1945

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. LEO T. CROWLEY, ADMINISTRATOR,
Foreign Economic Administration.

Attached hereto are copies of reports from the United States representative on the Allied Control Commission for Bulgaria and Rumania, which the Joint Chiefs of Staff have passed on to this Committee for transmission to you.

The Department of State believes that these reports should be put in the highest secret classification, and wishes to point out that the opinions and recommendations contained therein are not necessarily those of the Department of State.

For the State-War-Navy Coordinating Committee:

ALVIN F. RICHARDSON
Acting Secretary

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THE STATE-WAR-NAVY COORDINATING COMMITTEE
WASHINGTON, D. C.



28 May 1945

*Memo by
SE:JCC:HM
5-30-45*

MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY OF STATE:

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For the State-War-Navy Coordinating Committee:

CHARLES W. McCARTHY
Secretary

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22 May 1945

MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY OF STATE:

**Subject: The Current Situation in
Rumania and Bulgaria.**

The attached copy of JCS 1350 on the above subject, dated 13 May 1945, and a copy of the JCS approval are forwarded to you as requested by the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

For the State-War-Navy Coordinating Committee:

ALVIN F. RICHARDSON
Acting Secretary

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE STATE-WAR-NAVY COORDINATING COMMITTEE:

Attention: Mr. Cox.

SE has no objection to the transmission of the attached reports from the American Military Representatives on the Allied Control Commissions for Rumania and Bulgaria to Mr. Crowley. In transmitting them, however, we think that the Department should state that the expressions of opinions and the recommendations contained in the reports are those of the reporting officers and not of the Department of State. Since these expressions of opinions on political and economic questions remain in these "expurgated" copies, it would be desirable to put the highest secret classification on the reports in transmitting them to Mr. Crowley.

For the Acting Secretary of State:

Cavendish W. Cannon
Chief, Division of
Southern European Affairs

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ADDRESS OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS TO
THE SECRETARY OF STATE
WASHINGTON, D. C.



DEPARTMENT OF STATE
WASHINGTON

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ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
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In reply refer
to SE

January 26, 1945

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The Acting Secretary of State presents his compliments to the Honorable the Secretary of War and encloses herewith a paraphrase of a telegram being sent today to the United States Representative in Bulgaria, in reply to a telegram from him referring to certain documents described as "annexes to the armistice with Bulgaria" as furnished to the British delegation in Bulgaria.

The Department has been informed that Major General Crane, the American representative on the Allied Control Commission for Bulgaria, telegraphed to the Joint Chiefs of Staff under date of January 20 on this same matter.

A similar letter is being addressed to the Secretary of the Navy.

Enclosure:

Paraphrase of
telegram to Mr.
Barnes at Sofia.

Noted-Asst. Secy. of War



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Letter drafted 1/26/45

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Secretary of War

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PARAPHRASE OF TELEGRAM SENT

FROM: Secretary of State, Washington

TO: United States Representative, Sofia, Bulgaria

The Bulgarian armistice has no annexes (reference your telegram no. 36 of January 18). In addition to the Armistice Agreement proper there was a four-point protocol, which was also published and which covered the definition of war material, the delivery of food supplies to Yugoslavia and Greece, the disposition of Allied merchant ships, and supplies and services for Allied representatives. The significant related unpublished documents would appear to be the following: (1) the exchange of letters regarding the intention of the United States to bring up for discussion at a later date the detailed implementation of Article 18; and (2) the Soviet or British records of that portion of the Eden-Molotov discussions dealing with Bulgaria which were held at Moscow. These latter documents are probably the ones to which reference is made in your telegram.

Some knowledge of the Eden-Molotov discussions is available to us. These discussions related to a variety of subjects and we have learned that in the course thereof Mr. Eden reported that he had found it necessary to concede a predominating influence in Bulgaria to the Soviet Government in return for concessions to the British in Yugoslavia made by the Soviets. Accordingly it was important for us to make it clear that we should not be bound by the Eden-Molotov deal. Although the compromise text of Article 18 was accepted by us, we were party to neither the "understandings" nor "interpretations" between the Soviet and British Governments with respect to the significance

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of the word "participation". It was our feeling that our position on the Control Commission during the military period would necessarily be similar to that on the Rumanian Control Commission and also similar to the position in Italy of the Soviets but that, since we were not bound by any interpretation on which the Soviet and British Governments may have agreed in connection with their general agreements on Balkan matters, the substance of our requirements could be secured under the word "participation" as contained in the terms.

In particular we were not willing to accept for the second period a status which would allow our representatives to function hardly more than in observer and liaison capacities. Therefore, we directed Mr. Winant to apprise his Soviet and British colleagues in the European Advisory Commission that he had been instructed to state that the United States Government continued to feel that an additional provision should properly have been included in Article 18 providing that during the second period the regulation and supervision by the Control Commission of the execution of the armistice would be pursuant to instructions of the three Governments concerned. Thereafter the exchange of letters referred to above took place. The Soviet answer referred to the discussions in Moscow with Eden and continued by stating that the direction of the Control Commission as belonging to the Soviet Command during both periods was signified by the provision for the chairmanship, although the leading rôle of the Soviet High Command in the second period would be "limited to a certain degree" in favor of the British and American representatives. The Soviet reply further expressed the Soviet Government's unwillingness

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to accede to a proposal designed to supplement Article 18, as this could be interpreted to mean that the three Governments would share equally in the practical responsibility and activity although the only troops in Bulgaria were Russian, and no zones of occupation for the country have been established. The Soviet letter went on to state that such interpretation would ultimately eliminate the Soviet Command from the direction of the Allied Control Commission, and the Soviet Government in accepting the present form of Article 18 based its attitude on the necessity for preserving the dominant rôle of its High Command "likewise during the second period, although in a somewhat different form".

Inasmuch as the Soviet reply closed with an assumption that the United States delegation would not insist on discussing this article further, Mr. Winant was instructed again to affirm the position set forth in his first letter. Mr. Winant was directed to state that the considerations which the Soviet Government advanced did not constitute a convincing reason for this Government to abandon its intention to discuss the matter and that they did not alter in any material sense the wish of our Government at an appropriate time to reexamine the implementation of Article 18 during the second period together with the Soviet and British Governments.

Our information indicates that the language used in the Soviet letter was similar to that employed in Molotov's letter to Eden of October 15 and, although we were advised that Eden in reply sent merely a "simple acknowledgment", it is possible nevertheless that the Soviet position was accepted in such reply. It is important to note

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that although the British may or may not have accepted certain restrictions on their own account, our representation on the Control Commission is governed by the published language of the armistice together with such additional advantages as we may claim pursuant to the reservation we have made.

We realize that as a practical matter the Soviets may find it difficult to distinguish between the British and Americans in their treatment of the respective delegations. Your appreciation of this situation is shown in your recent telegrams. Bearing in mind these considerations, General Crane should feel no hesitation in maintaining, as he has so capably done heretofore, his insistence on participating in regular meetings of the Control Commission of a sufficient frequency, for the right to secure information from the respective sections thereof and for advance knowledge of decisions of importance announced in the name of the Commission even though the Soviet representation may not feel under the obligation to accept his advice or recommendations since it retains executive and administrative power at least in the initial period. We anticipate that as a consequence of Harriman's conversations with Molotov related to the Hungarian discussions, measures will be taken designed to give more adequate attention to the needs of our Bulgarian missions.

We are advising the Joint Chiefs of Staff of the foregoing for their information in answering a telegram from General Crane concerning the subject matter.

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Subject: The current situation in Rumania
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