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MESSAGES BETWEEN WAR DEPARTMENT AND HAWAII FROM JULY 8 to SEPTEMBER 7, 1941

- (9) 27 November 1941 from Marshall to MacArthur. Subject: Warning.
- (9) Priority

COMMANDING GENERAL,

U. S. Army Forces in the Far East, Manila, P.I.

Negotiations with Japan appear to be terminated to all practical purposes with only barest possibilities that Japanese Government might come back and offer to continue period Japanese future action unpredictable but hostile action possible at any moment period If hostilities cannot comma repeat cannot comma be avoided the United States desires that Japan commit the first overt act period This policy should not comma repeat not comma be construed as restricting you to a course of action that might jeopardize the successful defense of the Philippines period Prior to hostile Japanese action you are directed to take such reconnaissance and other measures as you deem necessary period Report measures taken period Should hostilities occur you will carry out the tasks assigned in revised rainbow five which was delivered to you by General Brereton period Chief of Naval Operations concurs and request you notify Hart

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MARSHALL