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EXHIBIT NO. 32

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

(2) 25 July 1941 from CNO to Kimmel et al. Subject: Economic Sanctions against Japan.

(2) Drafter: Op-12.
From: Chief of Naval Operations. A

Rleased by: H.R. Stark. Date: July 25, 1941

Addressees

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For Action

SPENAVO LONDON

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This is a joint dispatch from the CNO and the Chief of Staff US Army X Appropriate adees deliver copies to Commanding Generals Hawaii Philippines and Caribbean Defense Command and to General Chaney in London XX You are advised that at 1400 GCT July twenty-sixth United States will impose economic sanctions against Japan X It is expected these sanctions will embargo all trade between Japan and the United States subject to modification through a licensing system for certain material X It is anticipated that export licenses will be granted for certain grades of petroleum products cotton and possibly some other materials and that import licenses may be granted for raw silk X Japanese assets and fund in the United States will be frozen except that they may be moved if licenses are granted for such movement X It is not repeat not expected that Japanese merchant vessels in United States ports will be seized at this time X United States flag merchant vessels will not at present be ordered to depart from or not enter ports controlled by Japan X CNO and COS do not anticipate immediate hostile reaction by Japan through the use of military means but you are furnished this information in order that you may take appropriate precautionary measures against possible eventualities X Action being initiated by the United States Army to call the Philippine /rmy into active service at an early date XX This despatch is to be kept secret except from immediate Navy and Army subordinates X SPENAVO informs CNS but warn him against disclosure X. Action addees this dis are Cincpac Cinclant Cincaf Com Fifteen Spenavo London XX Secret

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