Reference: 3/PPDE/242

1. BOMBING AND AIR-RAID SHELTERS IN LONDON

- 2. DICK'S VISIT TO NORTHOLT AERODROME
- 3. REPORTS FROM THE PRIENDS
- 4. REPORT FROM SOVIET AMBASSADOR'S DEPUTY

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I was in the CITI yesterday. A Sarge number of roads are closed up garbled fires continue [to burn][a]. There are many blitsed houses T ROAD, OLD STREET and HOLDORN. Bombs have demolished houses next to r Ministry. Traffic and the Underground have been partly disrupted.

In the evenings I have seen many people standing around good rs waiting for them to be opened, since they are opened only if there alert. Now the people quickly take refuge in a shelter, which was not se previously.

I was on NORTHOLF Aerodrome during an alert; fighters are located (as I reported earlier [ii]). After the alert a squadron of antist took about 15 minutes to take off and form up, after which they iff to LONDON in open formation. About three or four squadrons remained. The pilots sat in and beside their aircraft - the engines were not

The British FRIENDS [DEUZITa][iii] have reported that warships

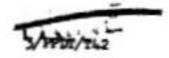
A. gums have been stationed in the THANES near the docks, which has
pensed before. They have also reported that during a visit by

LL to the EAST END (which has suffered badly from the SAUSAGE-DEALERS'

SHIKI][iv] bombing) the person in charge [1 group unidentified] suggested latter that he should drive off quickly because of the throng of

[1 group garbled] to take the law into their own hands with

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The deputy to the MASTER of the METRO [ENGSYALN METRO][v] has ported that parts of the VICKERS Aircraft Factory at WETHRIDGE have been molished by the SAUSAGE-DEALERS.

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- es: [a] Inserted by translator.
 - [b] "The aerodrome" has obviously been omitted here,
- sents: [1] JOHN: Unidentified MOSCOW addressee 6th July 1940 16th September 1940.
 - [11] See LONDON's No. 943 of 26th August 1940 for the previous visit to NORTHOLT Aerodrame.
 - [iii] FRIENDS: members of the Communist Party.
 - V[1v] SAUSAGE-DEALERS: the Germans.
 - [v] MASTER of the METRO: the Soviet Ambassador.
 - [vi] DICK: Covernanc of unidentified LONDON signatory and addresses between 6th July 1940 and 19th October 1940.