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NAVY OFFICE—COPY OF MESSAGE

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TO U.C.A.S.FROM A.C.N.B.[FYL
CODE
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TRANSMISSION

W/T

T.O.O. 130517Z/SEPT'45

SECRET

PERSONAL FOR COMODORE COLLINS FROM FIRST NAVAL MEMBER.
THE RUMOUR THAT CREW OF HMAS "SYDNEY" MAY HAVE FALLEN INTO
THE HANDS OF THE JAPANESE HAS BEEN REVIVED HERE.

THE MINISTER DESIRES THAT YOU SHOULD MAKE SUCH ENQUIRIES
AS YOU ARE ABLE TO ASCERTAIN WHETHER JAPANESE CAN GIVE ANY
LEAD AS TO THE FATE OF HMAS "SYDNEY" AND HER CREW.

REQUEST YOU WILL REPORT RESULT BY SIGNAL.

Distribution: 1st RM 

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YEAR 1945

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NAVY OFFICE—PLAIN LANGUAGE

TO

A.C.N.B.

FROM

C.C.A.S.

METHOD OF
TRANSMISSION

T.P.R.

T.O.O. 210347/
SEPT '45.IMMEDIATE

I HAVE JUST LEARNT THAT THE A B C ANNOUNCED ON NIGHT 13/14
SEPTEMBER WM QUOTE COMMODORE COLLINS IS MAKING ENQUIRIES AT
TOKYO AS TO THE FATE OF H.M.A.S. "SYDNEY" UNQUOTE. THIS UNTRUE
STATEMENT MAY GIVE RISE TO UNFOUNDED HOPES BY NEXT OF KIN
ALTHOUGH IT IS RATHER LATE SUGGEST A DENIAL AND INVESTIGATION
AS TO ORIGIN.

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