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This report is based on information received between May 1st and May 4th from the same persons who supplied the data for my memo of March 18th 1940.

Of all I mentioned there nothing has to be taken back, much of it and even things which at that time appeared most incredible like the occupation of Denmark and Norway have come true; the rest is unfortunately on the best way.

Progressively with the realization of Hitlers aims - as I outlined them on March 18th - the danger for the USA becomes more real, actually increases, my informant said.

I should mention that he also had told me that the plan was to "wake up" the heads of the Scandinavian countries in the middle of the night to advise them that german troops were marching through the streets of their capitals. I left these absurd sounding details out of my memo of March 18th because I was afraid they would shake the confidence in the reliability of my informant.

Pointing to the proofs showing that his information was correct even in details, he repeated his advice that the United States must assist the Allies at once with everything possible : credits, raw materials and any goods they need, not to forget our "elan", as they otherwise will probably not win the war which without a question would mean, that the USA have to fight this war one day alone.

To believe all that I stated before, he said, and what I am going to tell you now, you must fully realize that the sole responsible of all this, Hitler, is a mad man, an actually insane, although in certain respects a genius and that without exception he has surrounded himself with absolute criminals.- A true plebiscite in Germany permitting full freedom of speech would give Hitler not more than 15% of the vote.

But for the time being there is no hope for a revolution in Germany, not even for an uprising, not on account of shortage of raw material and still less for food. Germany has enough to carry them until the winter and perhaps longer with all - especially foodstuff - they found and squeezed out of Austria, Czechoslovakia, Poland, Denmark and Norway.

No revolution in Germany is possible unless Hitler has suffered two or three setbacks. The first one will only wake the German people up.

But without a setback which only arms can bring about, Hitler will not stop and without a stop the danger is creeping closer and closer on to the United States. There is no compromise with

Hitler. They are gangsters and use gangster methods.

My informant insisted the Allies cannot win the war without the full support of the United States arguing as follows : If South and Middle Norway is given up by the Allies (what unfortunately has been the case in the meantime ) three events will follow :

1 ) the European Neutrals will from the experience of others probably consider the best to play ball with Germany. Sweden let already pass german ambulance trains filled with -- ?? -- through her territory. They all will come to the conclusion that a compromise with Hitler is perhaps possible after all and therefore the best solution for them.

2 ) Italy will enter the war at once, take Jugoslavia and Greece, probably also Malta and Cyprus and perhaps even capture or destroy the British and French fleet in the Mediterranean.

3 ) the attack of the British Isles from Denmark and Norway as my informant pictured it to me according to my memo of March 18th which was planned for May 1st counting with the immediate occupation of Denmark and Norway - will begin now middle of June, when the airports in Norway are sufficiently rebuilt.

At the same time ,he said the Germans will march through Holland and Belgium and my informant believes it very uncertain whether France can stop the German troops as she can attack them only from the flank.

And if the British are not very quick in destroying the Railroad Narvik - Lulea and get the Swedish mine workers to strike by paying them their living through the english Labor Unions or use other methods of stopping the Swedish iron mines to operate, Germany will have this rich ore, which is probably now transported to Lulea to be taken from there with a great fleet to Germany in the summer and Britain will not have one ton of it.

Germany's attack on the British Isles with air torpedos, new-explosives, new armed huge airplanes will in Hitler's mind lead to a peace with Britain this fall, and consequently with France as I described it in my memo of March 18th.- That such peace will bring Germany colonies, permitting the erection of Flyingfields and Submarine Bases thereby becoming an increased threat to USA , would be the obvious result.

But every peace, every truce with Hitler, my informant said, is only the start of further enormous rearming of Germany on land and on the sea; and where will Britain still be able to build ships and manufacture arms if its factories, shipyards, harbours, breakwaters etc.. are destroyed ?- Where could the United States even lend help ?.

Practically all the large arm factories in Europe are in German hands. The english have not yet destroyed the norwegian plants which now work for the Germans too.

And in a year or two, if not before, my informant said, Germany

will take the northern part of France including Normandy and Brittany. "The rest of France " , Hitler says " is enough for 40 million people " .

If the West of Europe is in Germanys hands then she will turn towards Russia, grab Ukraine and Easter Russia, possibly as far as the Ural, he said and went on : that Russia cannot resist if Germany stirs up the Japs and leaves the Dutch East Indies to them, seems certain.

To undermine South America further, which Germany already started, see Brazil, see Argentine, will be the next step and easy. The United Staes , he continued, are not so much liked in South America and South America has raw materials which the German can barter for finished products. " Germany must export or die " .

The United States, he said, may , may go together with Canada, perhaps Mexico and live in " Splendid isolation ", but in constant fear of Germany.

This is what the Americans have to face if they do not help the Allies as quickly and as extensively as possible, and it may be too late if they wait still longer, he said.

It seems possible that somebody will say : why should the United States help the Allies if they are so stupid - for instance knowing that only the Alkmar incident prevented the invasion of Norway at that time, knowing all about the German or at least mysterious ships along the Norwegian coast and not doing anything about it - or so incapable as to make such a blunder in regard to Norway.

The United States unfortunately have to do it as they otherwise would apparently commit , he said , the same mistake as the European Neutrals who believed that they could save their interest not better than not to mix into any troubles as long as they do not concern them directly. But there is no compromise, no truce, no peace with these gangsters who are out for power by way of rape, murder, treacheries, lies, kidnapping, torturing and all the other gades of criminals. Already 100 000 Danes are forced to work in Germany and \*700 000 Poles who were brought to Germany many work behind iron bars in german munition factories. This my informant told me is a certain fact.

There is no end to it because Hitler has no goal, he is a fanatic who doubled his efforts as he lost sight of his goal, if he ever had one - except unlimited power - .

These aims, these methods must be stopped. In our customary way of measuring time one might say Hitler will disappear before all this. But at this pace he may need less than 2 or 3 years for all he said.

We are at the beginning of a world conflagration and if the United States , he said , do not help the Allies as quickly as pos-

sible they will themselves be caught and will have to fight alone and perhaps unsuccessfully.

To be honest , he said, the United States have no army and no arms to fight such a machinery alone, especially if it comes so far that they have against them Germany with Italy and Japan, - a Germany reaching from the Atlantic to the Ural with a Roman Satrapy controlling the Mediterranean and Africa about as far down as the Congo and Japan with Manchuko and Nanking.-

Both - the Isolationists and the Interventionists, he said can agree to help the Allies because this might still keep the United States out of war, provided they supply the Allies with everything the latter - might - perhaps - eventually need.

If the United States wait long they will have to mobilize themselves.

The conclusions , he said, are : The Allies can not win without the United States, they must bare this in mind.

Liberty and peace are lost for them too and their children if these gangsters subdue France and Great Britain.

This is the second chapter of my letter of March 18th based on the information of the same persons who were unfortunately so correct with everything they told me as my letter of March 18th shows.