

NAVY DEPARTMENT  
WASHINGTON.

Address reply to  
The Secretary of the Navy  
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From: The Secretary of the Navy.  
To: All Ships and Stations.  
Subject: Subversive activities.

1. I am concerned over the possibility of subversive activity and sabotage aboard ships and at shore stations.

2. I desire that Fleet Commanders, Commandants of Naval Districts and Commanding Officers of Units not attached to Fleets or Districts take the utmost precautions to eliminate subversive elements and to prevent sabotage.

3. While I have the highest respect for our personnel, I feel it necessary to call attention of all concerned to the possibility of subversive elements and saboteurs joining the Navy at this time of great expansion.

FRANK KNOX.

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