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From: Chief of Naval Operations  
(Director of Naval Intelligence)  
To : Commandant, Fifth Naval District.  
  
Subject: Subversive Activities in Norfolk Navy Yard.  
  
References: (a) Com. Norfolk Navy Yard conf. ltr. AS(21-CNI-8/12)  
of 30 July, 1940.  
(b) CNO conf. ltr. Op-16-B-1, M-3, (SC)AS-5,  
Serial No. 0138016, of 6 July, 1940.

1. In reference (a), the Commandant of the Norfolk Navy Yard requests the services of the Federal Bureau of Investigation for the purpose of investigating Fifth Column and Bund activities in and near the Navy Yard.

2. Paragraph V. of the enclosure to reference (b) sets forth the investigational responsibilities of the Office of Naval Intelligence in connection with the Naval Establishment, including civilians under Naval employ or control.

3. If it is found that the investigation requested by the Commandant of the Norfolk Navy Yard is beyond the capacity and facilities of the District Intelligence Service, the assistance of the Federal Bureau of Investigation should be requested through the Agent in Charge of the Norfolk Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The Federal Bureau of Investigation headquarters in Washington have been advised of this request and the action we are taking.

4. This should in no way be construed as relieving the Office of Naval Intelligence of its responsibility as prescribed in reference (b).

5. A suitable candidate for Agent in the Fifth Naval District Intelligence Office has been found and will be available after a period of instruction in the Office of Naval Intelligence.

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U. S. Anderson,  
By direction.

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CC: Comdt., Norfolk Navy Yard.

Dictated by Capt. Phillips

" 8 August, 1940

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