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2	16.12.1942 from Stoeve to US JCS (Washington)	<i>Ground personnel for NEI squadron in SWPA.</i> Canberra has been requested to confirm Furstner's communication that Australia will supply ground crew provided crews do not include Asians.
3	17.12.1942 from Loudon (Washington)	<i>Post-war International Relations.</i> US press suggests that USA, USSR, Great-Britain and China already actively work out principles for post-war relations.
4	17.12.1942 Flaes	<i>Armistice terms.</i> Talks in <i>Comité Interallié de l'Armistice</i> on withdrawal of the enemy from occupied territories have come to a deadlock on the question of withdrawal or internment of enemy forces.
5	17.12.1942 to Wunsz King	<i>China: mutiny of Chinese seamen at Freemantle.</i> The Government concludes from reports that Chinese crew of 'Saroena' was mutinying on 31.3.1942. Claims of IV, no. 473 refused; compensation is restricted to Chinese casualties on another ship.
6	17.12.1942 from Loudon (Washington)	<i>Reconstruction of the Kingdom: 7 December speech.</i> US press and nearly all radio commentators favourable to V, no. 434. Equal rights for overseas territories made deep impression. Prevalent American ideal of immediate independence of colonies now pushed into the background. Van Mook's explanation of speech (cf. V, no. 433) was enlightening. Also Hull and Welles very enthusiastic.

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7	17.12.1942 Van den Broek	<i>Printing currency notes.</i> Immediate decision on handling of paper money in circulation and the exchange rate of the guilder towards pound sterling and US dollar is undesirable during liberation operations in Western Europe. Therefore issue of currency notes to meet currency needs of allied forces.
8	17.12.1942 from Fraser to Ronald	<i>Post-war Economic Relations.</i> Discussion with Lamping with reference to V, no.413. The latter's opinion tends to grouping of western powers. Seems to advocate economically strong <i>Germany</i> to balance USSR. Envisaged a leading part to be played by U.K. in post-war Europe.
9	18.12.1942 from Van Panhuys to Van Bylandt (Madrid)	<i>Spain: Dutch internees.</i> Time ripe to enforce release.
10	18.12.1942 from Foote to Hull (Melbourne)	<i>Reconstruction of the Kingdom and 7 December speech.</i> Van Mook has had long arm in preparation of 7 December speech. Diversity of opinions in Dutch circles on implementation of promised autonomy for NEI no cause for concern.
11	19.12.1942 from Loudon (Washington)	<i>Post-war Reconstruction: Raw Materials Board.</i> Shares Van Mook's opinion that proposal of V, no. 456 cannot be put forward but in private talks. Suggestion important as an attempt to guarantee <i>the position of the Netherlands among leading powers</i> in reconstruction. Casual, diplomatic sounding of intentions on this point among the Big Four.
12	19.12.1942 from Lovink	<i>China: international position.</i> Presentation of no. 12A.
12A	18.12.1942	<i>China: international position.</i> Analysis of China's contribution to war in Pacific in light of probable anti-Japanese strategy of Allied Powers. Possibility of Chinese participation in <i>recapture of NEI</i> . Urges supply of strong armed force to NEI as soon as possible.
13	19.12.1942 from Foote to Dunn (Melbourne)	<i>Dutch authorities in Australia.</i> Air of depression, also due to attitude of US and Australian forces. MacArthur insists on <i>posting headquarters BSO to Australia</i> . Tense relations between Dutch authorities and External Affairs due to supposed <i>Australian territorial aspirations with respect to NEI</i> . Doubts about <i>restoration Dutch authority in NEI</i> after US recapture. Employment of KNILM staff in SWPA failed.
14	20.12.1942 from Loudon (Washington)	<i>NEI: monetary policy after reconquest.</i> From Van Mook to Crena de Iongh. Exchange rate of new government guilder and old Java Bank notes should not yet be fixed. Consensus with US Treasury and State

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		Department on <i>finance after reconquest of occupied territory</i> . Ask Van den Broek if an indication of the exchange rate of guilder to US dollar can already be given.
15	20.12.1942 from Loudon (Washington)	<i>Royal Decree A 1: vesting orders by US Alien Property Custodian</i> . Asks to be authorized to take steps of V, no. 430 in connection with recent attachments.
16	21.12.1942 from Loudon (Washington)	<i>USA: protection of Dutch patents</i> . US administration has confiscated all enemy patents and taken over patents owned by individuals in occupied territory. APC is authorized to issue compulsory licences free of royalties for the duration of the patent or up to six months after the war. Proposal to point out in memorandum the competence of Dutch government to manage patents under Royal Decree A 6.
17	21.12.1942 from Loudon (Washington)	<i>Staffing NEI Government after liberation</i> . To Gerbrandy and Van Lidth from Van Mook. In connection with the aim to govern NEI without assistance by a third party after reconquest, it is theoretically necessary to reserve conscripts with NEI experience in USA and Canada for NEI by assigning them to KNIL. US forces are training staff for administrative and economic jobs in Far East.
18	22.12.1942 Council of Ministers	<i>Reconstruction of the Kingdom: 7 December speech</i> . US press predominantly favourable. Express appreciation to British Bomber Command of precision of <i>bombardment of Philips factories Eindhoven</i> . Issue of <i>currency notes for the Netherlands and NEI</i> adopted.
19	22.12.1942 from Van Aerssen (Melbourne)	<i>Conduct of war Australasia: Dutch contribution</i> . With a view to preparations for reconquest of NEI, presence of Helfrich as only person with adequate prestige in Australia, urgently required in Australia for co-operation with MacArthur. Continuation of present situation detrimental to politico-military co-operation with SWPA-command.
20	23.12.1942 to Loudon	<i>The Netherlands: loan from US Administration</i> . The Minister of Finance prefers loan backed by Dutch gold or frozen assets to get disposal of dollar-reserves for future expenses. Check assent of US Treasury.
21	23.12.1942 Draft letter to Ward.	<i>Joint Allied declaration on forced transfer of property</i> . Dutch government prefers own envoys to announce text of interallied declaration in allied and neutral countries.
22	23.12.1942 from Furstner	<i>USA: disposition of prizes by United Nations</i> . Question of disposition of prizes regarding enemy vessels

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23	23.12.1942 from Loudon (Washington)	must be solved without damage to effectiveness of the Allied Powers' conduct of war at sea. <i>IPR-conference at Mont Tremblant</i> . Reproduction report of Hart. Discussions especially on implementation of article 3 of <i>Atlantic Charter</i> , establishment of <i>Council for South-East Asia, future of colonies and mandated territories</i> . Most positive reception of Queen Wilhelmina's <i>7 December speech</i> .
24	24.12.1942 to Loudon	<i>Bombardment Philips Eindhoven</i> . Answer to V, no. 442. RAF-bombardment fits Government policy towards companies working for German Wehrmacht in The occupied Netherlands. Bombardment was carried out with the utmost care.
25	24.12.1942 To Methöfer	<i>Venezuela: violation of territorial waters Curaçao (Nelson Affair)</i> . Irresolute handling of this affair by Methöfer (cf. V, no. 431). A forceful representation to be made to Venezuelan Government that Dutch Government hopes there will be no need for her to re-open this case of violation of territorial rights after ruling to be given by Venezuelan Court.
26	24.12.1942 from Schuller tot Peursum (Madrid)	<i>Spain: Dutch refugees from France</i> . Spanish attitude towards refugees has improved in spite of German pressure. Legation has taken several steps in order to speed up departure of refugees.
27	25.12.1942 from Deane to Stoeve (Washington)	<i>Airplanes for NEI squadrons in SWPA</i> . Temporary JCS make 8 airplanes B-25 available in reserve for NEI squadron. Further delivery will be decided on after arrangement of <i>ground crew for NEI squadrons in SWPA</i> .
28	26.12.1942 from Loudon (Washington)	<i>The Netherlands: loan from US Administration</i> . Considers loan backed by frozen assets (no. 20) dangerous due to implicit admission of confiscable character of <i>Royal Decree A 1</i> . Advocates a loan in cash under <i>Lend-Lease</i> or sale of <i>gold owned by De Nederlandsche Bank</i> .
29	26.12.1942 from Van Zeeland	<i>Europe: post-war economic reconstruction</i> . Presentation of no. 29A under the authority of Comité des Ministres des Affaires Etrangères. Asks for response to this interim report, so that Van Zeeland can judge whether it is fit to be worked out in detail.
29A	no date Van Zeeland	<i>Europe: post-war economic reconstruction</i> . Post-war economic reconstruction on the basis of international co-operation under common policy. Room for various forms of regional and interregional co-operation and grouping. Stimulating of economic co-operation by <i>reduction of trade barriers</i> and by increase of production. Deregulation of trade requires

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		stable <i>international monetary system</i> . Europe cannot isolate itself economically from the rest of the world. International organizations are necessary for <i>post-war relief and reconstruction</i> , financed mainly by USA. Successful economic reconstruction depends entirely on a generally shared prospect of lasting peace.
30	28.12.1942 to Wunsz King	<i>China: abolition of extraterritorial rights</i> . Presentation of no. 30A.
30A	28.12.1942 Draft treaty	<i>China: Abolition of extraterritorial rights</i> . Abolition of consular jurisdiction and extraterritorial rights. Recognition of private rights of ownership on a most favoured nation basis; no discrimination against Dutch subjects with regard to trade and navigation. Pending conclusion of treaty on commerce and navigation, mutual subjects treated on a most favoured nation basis. Provisions for establishment of Dutch consular posts in China.
31	28.12.1942 from British Embassy to Netherlands Ministry for Foreign Affairs.	<i>Spain: evacuation Dutch subjects</i> . Spanish Government willing to relax arrangement concerning treatment of soldiers and civilians of belligerents. Concerning civilians who escaped from occupied territory a statement of non-participation in hostilities after leaving Spain for neutral country is required. Eden recommends acceptance of this arrangement as only possibility of a speedy release of many internees.
32	28.12.1942 from Methöfer (Caracas)	<i>Venezuela: violation of territorial waters Curaçao (Nelson Affair)</i> . no. 32A presented. Dilatory treatment in accordance with earlier instructions with regard to action by Venezuelan coastguard holding up Dutch ships. Due to lack of reliable information it was not clear until at a very late stage that violation of territorial waters of Curaçao had taken place with reference to 'Nelson'.
32A	28.12.1942 from Methöfer (Caracas)	<i>Venezuela: violation of territorial waters Curaçao (Nelson Affair)</i> . Dutch territorial rights were violated at seizure of 'Nelson'. Dutch Government trusts this will be confirmed by Court ruling. Demands release of 'Nelson' crew and compensation.
33	29.12.1942 to Loudon	<i>Post-war Reconstruction: Raw Materials Board</i> . No objection to circulation of ideas of V, no. 456 in accordance with no. 11. After presentation of plan in Washington by Loudon, the same will happen in London. Involve USSR and China in soundings at a later stage.

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34	29.12.1942 from Beyen to Van den Broek	<i>Post-war Financial Position.</i> National debt is growing considerably as a result of German occupation. Outline of post-war financing possibilities. Monetary policy will also be affected by <i>foreign exchange requisition</i> for financing of imports, <i>dollar loan from US Administration</i> , <i>reparations by Germany</i> and <i>war damage allowances</i> .
35	29.12.1942 Interallied monetary subcommittee	<i>Interallied monetary consultations: post-war currency problems.</i> Advice from Belgian, Luxemburgian, Dutch, Norwegian and French members on monetary policy in period after liberation operations aimed at fixed exchange rates, consumer spending limits and inflation prevention. To be achieved through mutual tuning of policies by governments concerned.
36	29.12.1942 from Van der Plas (Melbourne)	<i>Australia: position towards NEI.</i> Presentation of no. 36A. Thinks De la Valette's remarks might be aimed at interesting the Netherlands in <i>subversive propaganda in the Far East</i> .
36A	29.12.1942 Van der Plas (Melbourne)	<i>Australia: position towards NEI.</i> De la Valette repeated Foote's warning of territorial aspirations against NEI in Australian army circles aiming at political and economic ascendancy in S.W. Pacific. Subversive propaganda is a means of tempering Australian aspirations.
37	30.12.1942 to Loudon	<i>NEI: Rubber Recovery Programme.</i> From Blom to Hart and Van Mook. USA plans to store supplies required for resumption of rubber production in NEI. Not clear if the Netherlands will be called in. Discussion with Britons resulted in offering participation in British plan for strategic supply.
38	30.12.1942 from Van Bylandt to Michiels van Verduynen	<i>KLM: intermediate landing British Guiana.</i> Approach British government to receive permission for intermediate landing in Georgetown on flights Paramaribo-Trinidad by KLM.
39	30.12.1942 Beyen	<i>Post-war international monetary system.</i> A solid international monetary system is indispensable for harmonious development of financing of reconstruction loans. List of conditions. Advises against aiming at universal and uniform system and advocates regional and bilateral arrangements on a universal basis of fixed exchange rates and full convertibility. International institution is essential to its effective operation. Advises introduction of dollar as international reserve currency and central position of USA in this new system.

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40	31.12.1942 to Loudon	<i>Persecution of the Jews.</i> Report to Netherlands Jewish Society in New York that emergency of Jews in Europe has undivided attention of the Allies and Dutch Government undertakes any feasible action.
41	31.12.1942 to Loudon	<i>British-Netherlands Special Operations Organization Ceylon.</i> To Van Mook from Blom. Furstner reached agreement with British SOE on organization of joint SO in Ceylon. Approval deliberately requested.
42	.12.1942 Van Kleffens	<i>Post-war treatment of Germany.</i> Allied Powers have not yet developed a distinct policy on treatment of enemy states. Partition of Germany impracticable as a means of making it co-prosperous and co-peaceful. Nor should be counted on sudden change of German soul. International administration of Ruhr-region and Upper Silesia might give reason for revanchism. Develops <i>plan for regulation of iron, steel and nitrogen production</i> of allied and enemy states on the basis of military and civil needs in combination with assignment of necessary raw materials. Effective control on German production possible. Discrimination against Germany is excluded by enforcing this system on all countries.
42A	no date Van Kleffens	<i>USSR: possible position towards post-war treatment of Germany.</i> As USSR profits most from a non-aggressive and yet strong Germany, it is not likely to receive the <i>plan for regulation of iron, steel and nitrogen production</i> with disfavour.
43	2.1.1943 from Lovink	<i>Military Mission Washington.</i> Presentation no. 43A. Blom agrees to content of no. 52 after a few amendments. Draft telegram on Staffing NEI.
43A	30.12.1942 Cabinet Committee on Warfare	Drafting a telegram to Van Mook and Loudon on <i>Military Mission Washington.</i> Gerbrandy considers <i>staffing NEI</i> as in no. 17 not in line with <i>allied Germany First-strategy.</i> Different opinions on <i>development war in Far East after German defeat.</i>
44	2.1.1943 Draft cabinet order	<i>Co-ordination Post-war Affairs.</i> Study group for post-war reconstruction affairs set up to be instructed by and reporting to the Council of Ministers. The intention is that it will contribute to long-term policymaking in the Netherlands after liberation. Integration of Rijkens study group will result in joining of forces for post-war reconstruction studies.
45	2.1.1943 Council of Ministers	<i>Bombardment of Philips factory. Persecution of the Jews.</i> Discuss Polak's proposal to attempt emigration of young Jewish persons to Palestine first with British committee. <i>Colonial policy.</i> Michiels van

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46	5.1.1943 to Schuller tot Peursum	Verduynen will make a further inquiry into Britain's post-war colonial politics. Discussion survey <i>reconstruction problems</i> . Discussion exchange note <i>ad-journed</i> . Van Angeren insist on larger commission, also including Foreign Affairs. <i>The Netherlands – Spain: implementation Royal Decree A 1 and Royal Decree A 6</i> . Advice requested whether reference to Royal Decrees A1 and A6 could prevent enemy disposal of bank balances in the Netherlands as ordered by German Trans Atlantic Bank to Bank for London and South America, Barcelona branch.
47	5.1.1943 from Van den Broek	<i>Post-war treatment of Germany</i> . Neither proposal of no. 42 nor check on import of strategic metals considered realistic means of preventing German rearmament. Annexation of degermanized Ruhr basin by Belgium, the Netherlands and France is only effective remedy for German peril and a contribution to industrial development of the Netherlands to compensate decreasing significance NEI.
48	6.1.1943 to Loudon	<i>Air route Curaçao-Miami</i> . From Crena de Iongh and Mühlendorf to Van Mook. Grant PAA temporary landing permission for refuelling in Curaçao. Inquire whether KLM can participate in new <i>air route Galapagos-Clipperton</i> .
49	6.1.1943 from Van den Broek	<i>The Netherlands: loan from US Administration</i> . Disagreement with Loudon (no. 28) that use of foreign exchange backed by <i>Royal Decree A 1</i> would cast serious doubt on conservatory character. Owners of foreign exchange will receive compensation on return of Government to the Netherlands. In case US Treasury is opposed to loan as mentioned, <i>gold owned by the Bank of the Netherlands</i> is preferable.
50	6.1.1943 from Speekenbrink	<i>China: terms of employment Chinese seamen</i> . Presentation of no. 50A. Rejection of Chinese proposal for renewed expert consultations. Dutch draft agreement nearly completed.
50A	31.12.1942 Memorandum	<i>China: terms of employment Chinese seamen</i> . As payment should be based on performance, Chinese seamen are in fact paid on equal terms with Europeans. The Netherlands cannot pay more than British-Chinese agreement in this respect, as nearly all Dutch ships are chartered by the British Ministry of War Transport. No objection to retention of present higher pay on oil-tankers in the Caribbean. Reduction of exacted pay rises, granted in order to keep ships in service for the benefit of common war ef-

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51	7.1.1943 to Loudon	fort, to proposed standard of 7.15.0 pounds. <i>Staffing NEI Government after liberation.</i> To Van Mook from Gerbrandy. Shares opinion committee Co-ordination Conduct of War that – in accordance with allied Europe First-strategy – establishment of Dutch military and civil system for reconquest NEI (cf. no. 17) can take place after liberation.
52	7.1.1943 to Loudon	<i>Military Mission Washington.</i> To Van Mook. Further description position Minister of General Warfare towards Mission. Mission under direction of two, with attachés acting as advisers. Appointment NEI army not in accordance with <i>moving BSO to Australia.</i>
53	8.1.1943 from Coster to Furstner (Melbourne)	<i>SWPA: field intelligence NEI.</i> Along with Van der Plas and Van Aerssen in principle advocate of setting up own field intelligence organization within SWPA-headquarters, as this implies a considerable share in warfare in NEI. Explanation of consequences in both personal and material spheres.
54	9.1.1943 to Bosch van Drakestein	<i>Evacuation of Jewish children from occupied territory.</i> Inquiry into entry requirements for Jewish children from the occupied Netherlands to Palestine and to what extent the Government can promote execution of the plan.
55	9.1.1943 from Kerstens	<i>International position Netherlands.</i> Disappointment with V, no. 451, due to unequal treatment of the Netherlands in Pacific War Council. Demand from Great Britain a different treatment from other exiled governments in London. No particular preference for the Netherlands on the part of USA. Not side with USA or Great Britain, as they seek consensus between them before entering into obligations to the Netherlands. Expectation that Dutch and British interests will parallel each other in the future, but objection to British tendency to represent the Netherlands in USA. Draft telegram to Steenberghe: inquiry into Lehman's appreciation of own purchase policy for postwar relief Netherlands.
56	9.1.1943 from Biddle to Van Troostenburg de Bruyn	<i>Royal Decree A 1: action against transfer of property by enemy.</i> Message from Bern that Germans have ordered Dutch Jews to transfer their property in blank in neutral or allied countries. If import of this message is correct, the enemy will endeavour to trade property in neutral countries. Does the Netherlands intend to take action to prevent this, for instance on the basis of Royal Decree A 1? Request for further information on success Royal Decree A 1.

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57	10.1.1943 from Loudon (Washington)	<i>Military information for CCOS-representatives.</i> US military disappointed with lack of information on the occupied Netherlands that is needed for <i>preparations of invasion by the Allied Powers</i> . US military abhor co-operation with non-military intelligence. Dutch influence on armistice terms also determined by contribution of military intelligence and attitude of civil population by means of resistance, sabotage and the like.
58	11.1.1943 from Meyer Ranneft to Furstner (Washington)	<i>SWPA: field intelligence NEI.</i> From Van Mook to Helfrich. Accept proposal of no. 53 unconditionally. Staffing and ordnance supply have precedence over other tasks except for the air force.
59	11.1.1943 from Van Bylandt to Wunsz King	<i>China: incidents with Chinese seamen in Curaçao.</i> Request for residence permit for 52 striking Chinese seamen will not be passed to Colonies as CPIM and representative of Chinese Government are discussing their departure.
60	11.1.1943 from Warners	<i>Spain: Dutch refugees from France.</i> Shorten stay of refugees who are not of military age in Spanish prisons and camps by promoting their fast departure to destination where they can be set to work.
61	11.1.1943 from Van Asch van Wijck	<i>Switzerland: payments agreement with Dutch Government.</i> Sounding of V, no. 436 is connected with British-Swiss negotiations on availability of Swiss francs for payments in Switzerland to British empire and exiled allied governments in Switzerland. Swiss proposal for separate agreement with Dutch Government.
62	12.1.1943 Council of Ministers	<i>Bombardment of Philips factory.</i> The Queen will be informed of exchange of telegrams A. Philips. Long discussion on establishment <i>Study group for Reconstruction Affairs</i> (cf. no. 44). Matter referred back to Gerbrandy, who will contact Van Mook.
63	12.1.1943 to Kerstens	<i>International position Netherlands.</i> Take an independent position towards USA and Great Britain. Avoid impression in USA that the Netherlands would follow British policies. Gear co-operation with both countries to promotion of Dutch interests.
64	12.1.1943 from Van den Broek	<i>Lend-Lease Administration.</i> Agrees with proposal of V, no. 415. Proposal to establish interdepartmental Lend-Lease Committee.
65	13.1.1943 from Kerstens	<i>Post-war relief.</i> Belgian Government will submit no. 65A, supported by Norwegian Government and CNE, to British Foreign Office. Request for Dutch participation in this initiative.

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65A	no date Draft memorandum	<i>Post-war relief.</i> Proposal to start joint consultations between interallied military authorities and Dutch civil administration in London, in order to develop a provisioning plan for the Netherlands after liberation.
66	14.1.1943 to Bosch van Rosenthal	<i>Treatment of Dutch subjects in NEI.</i> Inquire what steps have been taken by the International Red Cross for dispatching of delegate to NEI and whether Japanese Government is only one to blame for lack of results.
67	14.1.1943 from Flaes	<i>Joint Allied Declaration on forced transfer of property.</i> As the technical sub-committee will be concerned with collecting and sorting out data, De Beus' appointment as Dutch delegate is preferred to Beyen's.
68	14.1.1943 from Michiels van Verduynen	<i>Japan: retention hospital ship.</i> Retention 'Op ten Noort' led to allied consultations. Possible decision to take reprisals of same kind postponed awaiting more favourable military position. The Netherlands should document that Japan did not substantiate accusation of violation of the Hague Convention.
69	14.1.1943 Kerstens	<i>Post-war relief.</i> Former president Hoover's articles on food supply after the first World War form the basis for considerations with regard to financial aspects (pooling), duration, organization and supply position of the relief. Drafting of possible consequences for the Netherlands.
70	15.1.1943 to Van den Broek	<i>Lend-Lease administration.</i> Reply to no. 64. Administration in USA to be assigned to NPC. Agreement to establishment Lend-Lease Committee in London for policy co-ordination.
71	15.1.1943 from Van Troostenburg de Bruyn to Biddle	<i>Royal Decree A 1: action against transfer of property by enemy.</i> Ref. no. 56. Confirmation and clarification of German methods to force Jews to transfer property to unspecified third party. No indication so far of German trade in blank transfers. In that case the Netherlands will make a preventive appeal to Royal Decree A 1.
72	no date (exh. 16.1.1943) from Van Asch van Wijck	<i>France: relief to Dutch people.</i> Presentation of no. 72A. Would like to hear in due course whether Government holds to its stand that support from London is restricted to Dutch people in unoccupied territory.
72A	21.12.1942 from Fraser to Beyen	<i>France: relief to Dutch people.</i> Trading with the Enemy Department has received requests for permits for remittances to occupied Vichy France. Requests came from Dutch subjects who remitted through the International Red Cross before occupa-

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73	16.1.1943 from Gerbrandy to Council of Ministers	tion. Would like consultations to find solution, as permits are not granted on an individual basis. <i>Co-ordination Post-war Affairs</i> . Further explanation of no. 44 in connection with no. 62. Responsibility of Cabinet Committee mainly concerns interdepartmental and international problems with optimum use of sparsely available expertise. Definitive terms of reference should be fixed first.
74	18.1.1943 to Bosch van Rosenthal	<i>Royal Decree A I: transfers US assets for refugees in Switzerland</i> . Verify with Swiss authorities whether the Swiss National Bank accepts and changes frozen dollar amounts if payment in free dollars is definitely impossible.
75	18.1.1943 from Loudon (Washington)	<i>Japan: treatment Dutch people in NEI</i> . From Van Mook to Gerbrandy, Blom and Van Kleffens. Now that it is clear that Japan aims at starvation of Dutch people in NEI, try to persuade Japan to change conduct and even consider direct support or evacuation of women and children. Publication of facts in case of unfavourable result.
76	18.1.1943 from Van Boetzelaer (Washington)	<i>Post-war relief: relief purchases</i> . Ref. V, no. 308. Presentation no. 76A.
76A	11.1.1943 Department of State to Loudon (Washington)	<i>Post-war relief: relief purchases</i> . Pleased with Dutch agreement to interim procedure for provisioning (cf. V, no. 152A). Recognition of Steenberghé Mission as representative of Dutch Government concerning post-war stockpile purchases. Requests for relief purchases to be judged by Raw Materials Board and Food Board. With reservation of war conditions, US will not thwart Dutch relief programme.
77	19.1.1943 Council of Ministers	<i>Post-war relief</i> . no. 69 accepted. <i>Allied Tonnage Replacement Scheme</i> . British offer of 14 ships sailing under Dutch colours accepted in spite of restriction. Comments no. 62 incorporated in latest memorandum of Study Group for Reconstruction Affairs. Possession of foreign exchange. Draft Royal Decree accepted. <i>Loss of Dutch nationality</i> . Draft Royal Decree held.
78	19.1.1943 from Loudon (Washington)	<i>The Netherlands: loan from US Administration</i> . Acheson and Feis consider it extremely difficult to obtain loan from Treasury, due to required approval by Congress. Advise on procedure for military and other expenses. Further exploration of possibilities requires statement of government expenses and revenues. <i>Lend-Lease</i> . Treasury asks for statement of receipts and expenditure in pounds sterling and

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79	19.1.1943 from Loudon (Washington)	dollars because Lend-Lease programme is under discussion in Congress. <i>USA: protection of Dutch patents.</i> Presentation of nos. 79AB. Consultations with Norwegian and Belgian ambassadors implied urgency of protest against actual confiscation of rights of ownership on patents of owners in occupied allied territory. Doubtful whether US Administration will accept Belgian counterproposal no. 79B.
79A	29.12.1942 from Loudon to Hull (Washington)	<i>USA: protection of Dutch patents.</i> Refers to APC's purchase of patents owned by Dutch private and legal persons in occupied territory. Loudon assumes that US authorities have prepared arrangements to compensate Dutch owners.
79B	no date Draft from Belgian embassy to Hull (Washington)	<i>USA: Protection of Belgian patents.</i> Belgian Government fails to see the need for actual confiscation of Belgian patents in USA, however, endorses the necessity of use for allied warfare. Proposal for use in USA under Belgian control.
80	20.1.1943 to Van Aerssen	<i>Ground personnel for NEI squadrons in SWPA.</i> Instruction for démarche to obtain Australian ground personnel for 2 NEI squadrons in connection with possible racial problems.
81	21.1.1943 from Loudon (Washington)	<i>Air route Curaçao-Miami.</i> From Van Mook to Crena de Iongh. Grant of permission to PAA (cf. no. 48) held up in order to promote delivery transport aircraft to KLM.
82	21.1.1943 from Middelburg	<i>Turkey: wealth tax.</i> Advice to seek alliance with British and Americans regarding measures against Turkish Government with reference to new Taxation Law that also affects Dutch people.
83	22.1.1943 to De Decker	<i>Japan: implementation of Geneva Convention.</i> Have Swedish envoy in Tokyo gather information on transport of Dutch prisoners of war in war zone against international custom. Insist that the Netherlands receive neutral information on the situation in NEI, for instance from the International Red Cross.
84	22.1.1943 from Hardeman	<i>USA: disposition of prizes by United Nations.</i> Ascertain whether prevailing prize law requires that riparian state carries out prize suit over ship captured in territorial waters. In that case, reciprocity as proposed by USA (V, no. 166) does not concern the Netherlands.
85	22.1.1943 from Loudon (Washington)	<i>Venezuela: refineries Curaçao and Aruba.</i> Alerted Atherton to the large political risk of liquidation of refineries on Netherlands Antilles and concentration of refining capacity in Venezuela, because of

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		safety Panama Canal and feared German influence in Venezuela. State Department opposes Venezuelan demands.
86	23.1.1943 to Loudon	<i>Post-war monetary transactions.</i> Crena de Iongh will visit USA for discussions with US Treasury about post-war monetary transactions and assistance in foundation of <i>branch Foreign Exchange Institute New York.</i>
87	23.1.1943 from Lamping to Johnstone	<i>Post-war economic relations.</i> Reply to questionnaire (cf. V, no. 413). Dutch Government will give priority to <i>full employment, food supply, sufficient raw materials</i> for industry, agriculture and reconstruction of merchant fleet. Comment on protection, most favoured nation clause – customs unions and measures to avoid future economic exploitation. Attaches great importance to being informed of British and American views.
88	26.1.1943 from De Visser (Ankara)	<i>Turkey: wealth tax.</i> New Turkish Taxation Law aimed at foreigners, Jews and minorities, without distinguishing Axis powers from Allies. Protest practically without result so far.
89	26.1.1943 from Van Bylandt to Loudon	<i>USA: protection Dutch patents.</i> Steenberghe made complaint to Kerstens for not being involved in realization of V, no. 310. Instruction to mention in all correspondence if there were <i>consultations between embassy and Steenberghe Mission.</i>
90	26.1.1943 from Van Troostenburg de Bruyn to Kleyn Molekamp	<i>USA: protection Dutch patents.</i> Requests an explanation for very late sending of V, no. 310. Points out that similar incidents are grist to the mill of ministries aiming at <i>transfer of tasks from the Trade Department of the embassy to the Steenberghe Mission.</i>
91	26.1.1943 from De Bruyne to Van Lidth de Jeude	<i>Armistice terms.</i> no. 91A not in line with principal demand for speedy evacuation. Presentation of nos. 91BC. Opinion of Minister requested.
91A	6.1.1943 Comité Interallié de l'armistice	<i>Armistice terms.</i> Proposals with respect to disarmament and evacuation of enemy forces, conveyance of armaments and supplies, condition of connecting roads, services and telecommunication as well as the clearing of explosives and barriers.
91B	20.1.1943 De Bruyne	<i>Armistice terms.</i> Execution of no. 91A requires formation of a large number of committees of military and civil experts and bringing 13 battalions for security services into action.
91C	23.1.1943 De Bruyne	<i>Armistice terms.</i> Dutch personnel for execution of no. 91A under terms of no. 91B is not available in UK nor in the Netherlands. Execution takes up too much time and conflicts between allied and German

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		forces are not to be ruled out. Advises against acceptance of proposals of no. 91A.
92	27.1.1943 from Loudon (Washington)	<i>Far East: political Warfare by OSS.</i> From Van Mook to Gerbrandy. Proposal to make Warners available for handling NEI-matters in OSS.
93	27.1.1943 Michiels van Verduynen to Edén.	<i>War crimes.</i> In V, no. 362A the Dutch Government states: task of fact-finding commission should not be restricted to enemy subjects; elaboration of term 'atrocities'; restriction to principal war crimes undesirable; commission should not give legislative advice; it is not clear whether members hold their seats on the part of their governments or in a private capacity.
94	28.1.1943 to Loudon	<i>The Netherlands: loan from US Administration.</i> With reference to no. 78 Van den Broek wants to know why US Treasury was not consulted first and which countries are awaiting a decision concerning a loan. Requests clarification of purpose of advice on government expenditure. Statement of future national revenue and expenditure is very hard to give. Undesirable to supply US. Treasury with information on <i>Lend-Lease</i> .
95	28.1.1943 from Van Angeren	<i>USA: protection Dutch patents.</i> Norwegian and Belgian authorities consider American action of no. 16 unacceptable. Proposal to make a joint démarche in Washington and consult lawyers of embassy on legality of measure.
96	29.1.1943 to Loudon	<i>Far East: political warfare by OSS.</i> To Van Mook from Gerbrandy. Warners in principle available for position with OSS. Further consultations after Van Mook's return to London.
97	29.1.1943 to Schuller tot Peursum	<i>Spain: Dutch refugees from France.</i> Comments on the part the Legation played in evacuation of refugees from France. Insists on full co-operation.
98	1.2.1943 Star Busmann	<i>USA: disposition of prizes by United Nations.</i> Ref. no. 84. New American law recognizes right of riparian state of disposition of prizes regarding vessels seized in its territorial waters. Propose to USA to state this in agreement. Direction to territorial waters and capture by US warships allowed for the purpose of common warfare.
99	2.2.1943 Council of Ministers	<i>Refugee aid.</i> Refugee aid concentrated in Ministry of Home Affairs.
100	2.2.1943 from Van Bylandt to Van den Broek	<i>USA: implementation of Royal Decree A 1.</i> Loudon tries to obtain data on A 1 assets direct from the banks.

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101	2.2.1943 from De Booy	<i>Venezuela: refineries Curaçao and Aruba.</i> Presentation of no. 101A.
101A	1.2.1943 Royal Dutch/Shell Group	<i>Venezuela: refineries Curaçao and Aruba.</i> Explanation of motives for establishment refinery in Curaçao in 1917 and recent plans for Venezuela. Group not prepared to meet Venezuelan demand for liquidation of refining capacity in Curaçao; the same goes for Standard Oil in Aruba. Co-operation with US advisers might cause Venezuela to change its mind.
102	4.2.1943 from Kerstens to Gerbrandy	<i>Allied Tonnage Replacement Scheme.</i> As a result of discussions of no. 77, presentation of no. 102A with attention requested for paragraphs on <i>post-war transport of relief goods</i> and <i>most-favoured nation clause</i> regarding distribution of ships.
102A	4.2.1943 Ministry of Trade, Industry and Shipping to British Ministry of War Transport.	<i>Allied Tonnage Replacement Scheme.</i> Dutch Government prepared to accept share offered to her, but not in a position to judge its proportion to losses of 1942. Wants to include in Replacement Scheme the losses in Far East due to conduct of war. Ships that are not needed for revictualling of Europe during first six months after end of hostilities will become available for merchant navy. However, as Dutch Government attaches interest to revictualling NEI, means to this end must be available at the proper time. Regarding Replacement Scheme the Netherlands demands most-favoured nation treatment.
103	6.2.1943 to Schuller tot Peursum	<i>The Netherlands - Spain: implementation Royal Decree A 1.</i> Ref. no. 46. Reason for conveyance to Germany of collection of Dutch claims in Spain is defrayal of cost of Spanish raw materials for benefit of the enemy. On account of contravention of Royal Decree A 1, Dutch Government is considering empowering Consul General in Madrid to collect claims and to render legal aid in case of legal action by the enemy.
104	6.2.1943 from Van Bylandt to Van Mook	<i>Surinam: competence of pilots.</i> Proposes to take measures as in nos. 104AB for the <i>protection of bauxite transports</i> , in spite of departure from Dutch maritime law. Opinion requested.
104A	5.2.1943 from US Embassy to Ministry for Foreign Affairs	<i>Surinam: competence of pilots.</i> US troops in Surinam cannot undertake duty of <i>protection bauxite transports</i> unless captains pass command in Surinam waters to pilots and US Transit Guards are authorized to enforce pilots' orders. The two Governments should work out claim settlement for consequences.

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104B	6.2.1943 from US Embassy to Ministry for Foreign Affairs	<i>Surinam: competence of pilots.</i> From the first start of <i>protection of bauxite transports by US troops in Surinam</i> , US guards on ships have supervised the execution of pilots' orders. Now this has been forbidden by the Governor. Consequently US military authorities have requested discussion on cabinet level.
105	6.2.1943 from Van Mook to Donovan (Washington)	<i>NEI: Psychological warfare.</i> The OSS will be charged with development of plans for psychological warfare by US forces. Requests co-operation OSS with Dutch experts and suggests setting up a Working Committee NEI.
106	9.2.1943 Council of Ministers	<i>Lend-Lease.</i> Request of no. 78 to be handled 'with restraint'. Lend-Lease hardly ever put to use so far.
107	9.2.1943 from Loudon (Washington)	<i>USA: implementation of Royal Decree A 1.</i> Informal soundings by USA if Government would consent to recognition as fiduciary owner, trustee or custodian of A 1 assets, i.e. administration without use. In that case, <i>assets De Nederlandsche Bank</i> to be counted under A 1. Opinion requested.
108	9.2.1943 from Loudon (Washington)	<i>The Netherlands: loan from US Administration.</i> Ref. no. 94. White and Acheson think loan requires approval by Congress. Advises production of detailed account of desired amount, purpose, terms and liquid assets in dollars.
109	9.2.1943 from Loudon (Washington)	<i>The Netherlands: loan from US Administration.</i> Supplement to no. 108. White does not rule out that Congress will regard Dutch loan as the first of a post-war series and therefore agree. Better not bring up guarantee, as <i>recognition Royal Decree A 1</i> fails to occur. Prominent congressman has been sounded out.
110	9.2.1943 Van Bylandt to Legal Affairs	<i>Permanent Court of International Justice.</i> Wonders whether problem of future Permanent Court of International Justice is ripe for discussion. Establishment tribunal is chiefly political question that must first be solved in that sphere.
111	9.2.1943 from Van den Broek	<i>Lend-Lease.</i> Supply of details as requested in no. 78 inconvenient as it would create possibility of unacceptable US interference in National Affairs.
112	9.2.1943 from Mühlenfeld	<i>Surinam: competence of pilots.</i> Co-operative with regard to measure for the <i>protection of bauxite transports</i> as required in no. 104. Claim settlement to be arranged with US Administration.
113	10.2.1943 from Loudon (Washington)	<i>USA: obtaining bases in Pacific.</i> Statement made by Knox on necessity of obtaining of US bases in Pacific after war finds support in Congress.

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114	10.2.1943 to Michiels van Verduynen	<i>Armistice terms for Germany.</i> Request for statement of desiderata in connection with armistice consultations between governments of occupied territories and CNLF.
115	11.2.1943 from Loudon (Washington)	<i>Military intelligence for CCOS representatives.</i> From Dijkhoorn and Stoeve for Van Lidth. Important reports from Dutch sources being supplied to US Naval Attaché in London, CCOS representatives find themselves objectionably behind in information. They request same intelligence from London on a weekly basis at least.
116	11.2.1943 to HM the Queen	<i>Post-war problems: treatment of Nazis.</i> Polish Government has no clear-cut plans and questions practicability of deportation.
117	11.2.1943 from Van Bylandt to Van Angeren	<i>USA: implementation of Royal Decree A 1.</i> Ref. no. 107. The question is: which are the exact powers of fiduciary owner, trustee or custodian according to US legal conception. No objection to idea provided that adequate administration of assets is possible.
118	11.2.1943 from Furstner	<i>Belgium: ensure post-war navigability of Western Scheldt.</i> Because of Dutch interest in navigability, prepared to take appropriate steps in consultation with Belgian authorities as soon as possible.
119	11.2.1943 from Mühlenfeld	<i>Surinam: visit Brazilian committee.</i> Presentation of no. 119A. <i>Stationing of US troops</i> to be phased out because of reduced foreign threat.
119A	21.10.1942 from Kielstra to Van Mook (Paramaribo)	<i>Surinam: visit Brazilian committee.</i> Brazil extremely keen on equal position alongside USA in defence Surinam. Has received US penetration into Latin America with mixed feelings. Reinforcement of trade and shipping relations to meet Brazil's wish for more important position in Surinam alongside USA. Admission Brazilian consul is first step. Renewed visit by Committee unnecessary. Proposal for return visit from Surinam.
120	11.2.1943 from Lovink to Gerbrandy	<i>Far East: political warfare.</i> Further explanation on no. 120A. Required amounts merely allow for possibility to make contacts with NEI; more money is needed for <i>relief to Dutch subjects in NEI.</i>
120A	25.1.1943 from Lovink	<i>Far East: political warfare.</i> Embassy in China offers opportunity to make secret contacts with NEI through Chinese channels and study internal developments in China and Japan. This requires secret funds as well as adequate supply of information to Embassy.
121	12.2.1943 Lovink	<i>Recognition of naturalization to foreign subject.</i> Objects to draft Royal Decree that prevents loss of

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		Dutch nationality in case of naturalization to citizenship of non-recognized state as this very sanction should be imposed on individuals doing so in bad faith.
122	12.2.1943 to Lie	<i>Post-war International Organization</i> . Presentation of no. 122A.
122A	No date Van Kleffens	<i>Post-war International Organization</i> . The League of Nations, still in existence will be impracticable in the future. Its international economic, financial and social responsibilities must be carried on by a new worldwide organization. Police tasks will rest with regional organizations.
123	12.2.1943 from Loudon (Washington)	<i>NEI Commission of Economic Mission</i> is acting too independently, which harms national interest. <i>Political propaganda</i> insufficiently regulated. Central direction with Foreign Affairs and <i>propaganda in USA</i> conducted by Ambassador. Temporary arrangement made for co-ordination with <i>NIB New York</i> . <i>Allocation of tasks between Embassy and Economic Mission, NEI Commission, NIB and other government offices</i> obscure. Embassy is to continue all political duties; contacts of other agencies with US authorities exclusively technical. <i>Royal Decree A 1: implementation in USA</i> . Administration of A 1 assets, if any not to be assigned to Economic Mission but to separate administrative authority. <i>Reconstruction of the Kingdom: 7 December speech</i> had positive effect that must be made the most of by keeping public opinion pro-Dutch, i.a. through Netherlands-America Foundation. Argument with Van Mook on publication of V, no. 433.
124	12.2.1943 from Daniëls (Rio de Janeiro)	<i>Brazil: intermediate landing in Surinam/Curaçao</i> . Request by Brazilian Government for permission regular services to land in and overfly Surinam and Curaçao. In principle Brazil agrees to reciprocity for possible post-war Dutch regular service on Brazil.
125	13.2.1943 from Loudon (Washington)	<i>USA: obtaining bases in Pacific</i> . Off the record, Knox argued in favour of building chain of air and naval bases in Pacific to prevent aggression against USA, also in territory of allies. Suggested to initiate talks on that matter.
126	13.2.1943 to Loudon	<i>International security organization</i> . It should be pointed out constantly that international security not only depends on adequate organization, but also on a firm will to achieve fruitful results.
127	13.2.1943 from Loudon (Washington)	AACC. Talked to US AACC member Dubois. Considers Caribbean economic and social unity still in

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128	15.2.1943 to HM the Queen	the future. There is no point in Dutch entry into AACC; however, advisable to make contacts in the field of research (rubber, forestry and sugar). Advice to make inquiries on Caribbean research at State Department. <i>Permanent Court of International Justice.</i> Ref. no. 110. Considers participation in interallied consultations desirable in order to express Dutch views with regard to reorganization of the Court and to promote pursuit of co-operation. Asks for authorization to appoint candidate.
129	16.2.1943 Council of Ministers	<i>Persecution of Jews.</i> Institution of advisory committee.
130	16.2.1943 from Van Boeyen	<i>Internationalization telegraph communications.</i> Thinks US proposal refers especially to telegraph communications significant to navigation and aviation. Analyses US and Dutch interests regarding the entirety of radiotelegraphic communications. Proportional attention is needed for broadcasting and telephone service. The Netherlands should insist on adequate say. Asks for discussion.
131	16.2.1943 from Gerbrandy	<i>Far East: political warfare.</i> Reaction to no. 120. Considers expenses, which are to the account of Foreign Affairs, well-considered.
132	16.2.1943 from Kielstra to Van Mook (Paramaribo)	<i>USA: obtaining bases in Pacific and Caribbean.</i> Idea inconsistent with Atlantic Charter. US base in Surinam would seriously undermine Dutch policy. Prospect of this being agreed would have adverse effect on population's dedication to conduct of war.
133	17.2.1943 from Loudon (Washington)	<i>Post-war recovery of the Netherlands.</i> Steenberghe opposed to transfer of Dutch relief goods to possible pool, as goods supply is insufficient for pooling on world market. Continue own purchases for relief. Loudon hesitant about financing relief with Lend-Lease with regard to <i>US desire to obtain bases in Pacific</i> in exchange.
134	17.2.1943 from Van Bylandt to Van Angeren	<i>USA: protection of Dutch patents.</i> Opinion on no. 79 requested, bearing in mind the proposal of a later date to effect the same arrangement with USA as with Great Britain. (cf. V, no. 343).
135	17.2.1943 from Chinese Embassy to Trade, Industry and Shipping	<i>China: terms of employment Chinese seamen.</i> Agreeable to basic wage as suggested in no. 50A provided that present wages will not be reduced to this new basic wage level. Wage increases of European seamen on Dutch ships and Chinese seamen on British ships will automatically apply to Chinese seamen on Dutch ships. Presentation draft agreement.

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135A	Draft agreement	<i>China: terms of employment Chinese seamen.</i> Draft agreement based on equal treatment of Chinese and Dutch seamen.
136	18.2.1943 to Gerbrandy	<i>Exchange of German internees.</i> Question whether Gerbrandy is also of the opinion that proposal to exchange Dutch Jews in the occupied Netherlands for German internees in Surinam and Bonaire must either be refused or fundamentally discussed in the Council of Ministers.
137	18.2.1943 from Kerstens	<i>Disposal of liberated Dutch ships.</i> Proposal to start discussions with British Government on transfer of Dutch ships that are regarded as hostile and will pass into allied hands during liberation operations.
138	19.2.1943 to Loudon	<i>USA: obtaining bases in Pacific.</i> Van Kleffens considered judgement on expediency of publication Aneta interview with Vinson beyond his competence. Personally not against use of NEI bases by allies, provided on a basis of reciprocity and not leased.
139	19.2.1943 from Helfrich to Furstner (Colombo)	<i>Exchange of Japanese internees.</i> Exchange of remaining Japanese internees in NEI in preparation. Most important to get certain persons from NEI for intelligence jobs by including them in exchange.
140	19.2.1943 from Spaak	<i>Post-war security organization.</i> Proposals of IV, no. 486 and V, no. 411 to be discussed soon.
141	20.2.1943 Council of Ministers	<i>Lend-Lease.</i> Van Kleffens supports Van den Broek's proposal to make an appeal to Lend-Lease for the benefit of War, Navy and Colonies budgets because of depletion of the Exchequer. Other channels (loan and loan from private persons) only theoretically available. Repayment Lend-Lease 'only make-believe'. Further discussion after return Van Mook.
142	20.2.1943 to Loudon	<i>Steenberghe Mission.</i> Request to give impressions on Mission's activity and expertise, its relation to the Embassy and job demarcation with respect to the Embassy and its contacts with US authorities.
143	20.2.1943 to Schuller tot Peursum	<i>Internees in Spain.</i> Request for explanation with respect to deterioration of situation in internment camp at Miranda and with respect to complaints about worse treatment of Dutch subjects compared to Belgians and Poles.
144	22.2.1943 to Spaak	<i>Post-war security organization.</i> Supports proposal no. 140 given the remaining necessity of developing plans in this regard with a view to influence on post-war world order.
145	22.2.1943 from Wunsz King	<i>China: abolition of extraterritorial rights.</i> Presentation of nos. 145AB.

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145A	22.2.1943 Draft treaty	<i>China: abolition of extraterritorial rights.</i> Abolition of Dutch consular courts in China, termination of so-called Boxer Protocol (1901), transfer of Dutch rights regarding International Settlements at Shanghai and Amoy, status of judgements by Dutch consular courts and titles of ownership, position of Dutch subjects and consuls in China and negotiations on treaties regarding commerce, shipping and consular rights.
145B	22.2.1943 Draft note	<i>China: abolition extraterritorial rights.</i> Treaty implies that system of treaty harbours and special courts in International Settlements and other privileges have expired.
146	22.2.1943 Van Kleffens	<i>China: abolition extraterritorial rights.</i> Promised to Wunsz King to consider no. 145A. Remarks on text no. 145A; consular article is outside the sphere of abolition extraterritorial rights. Reply by the Netherlands to be prepared in the short term in consultation with Colonies and Lovink.
147	22.2.1943 from Schuller tot Peursum (Madrid)	<i>Spain: Dutch refugees from France.</i> Reaction to no. 97. In its entirety, defence of actions by Legation with respect to evacuation of Dutch refugees.
148	23.2.1943 Council of Ministers	<i>Persecution of Jews.</i> Van Kleffens opposes considering De Kadt's plan for exchange of Jews for German internees, because of nature of preferential treatment. Gerbrandy fears even worse treatment of persons concerned in case of failure.
149	24.2.1943 from Van Aerssen (Melbourne)	<i>Ground personnel for NEI squadrons in SWPA.</i> Reply to no. 80. Australian Government will make ground personnel available for two new squadrons and counts on these to include whites only. Advises assignment of Indonesian airmen to exclusively NEI squadron.
150	24.2.1943 to Council of Ministers	<i>USA: military administration of liberated areas.</i> Indications that US Army and other civil authorities are preparing direct involvement in the administration of liberated areas without any consultation of governments in question. Steps should be taken against this.
151	25.2.1943 from Loudon (Washington)	<i>UN Food Conference at Hot Springs (VA).</i> Welles has expressed his concern about Roosevelt's announcement of a food conference, because no preparations have been made. Series of food and raw materials conferences should aim at the marginal areas of economics and politics and subsequently of political organization and security. Food conference has to be technical.

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152	25.2.1943 from Loudon (Washington)	<i>USA: obtaining bases in Pacific.</i> With reference to New Zealand's offer, Welles declared that USA has not yet laid down any principles with regard to peace keeping. Advises preparation position of the Netherlands.
153	25.2.1943 from Van den Broek	<i>The Netherlands: loan from US Administration.</i> Nos. 107 and 109 justify the opinion that US Treasury should be approached first. There is a fair chance of a loan. With regard to guarantee on the basis of <i>Royal Decree A 1 assets</i> , request for further explanation in the light of post-war currency laws. Information on army and navy expenses on an annual basis and still available resources. Supplement to be asked through Lend-Lease.
154	25.2.1943 from Van Angeren to Gerbrandy	<i>Recognition of naturalization to foreign subject.</i> Objections of no. 121 to draft Royal Decree hardly convincing. Sole purpose is prevention of undesirable consequences of Dutch nationality regulations in present war. The question whether individuals should lose Dutch nationality has no connection with this.
155	26.2.1943 from Loudon (Washington)	<i>Post-war international financial relations.</i> Report of Riemsdijk's visit to informal meeting, organized by Board of Federal Reserve Bank, with the object of starting discussion with allies on resumption of international financial relations. Advice to continue contact, request for information on intended post-war financial policy of the Netherlands.
156	27.2.1943 to Van Angeren	<i>Royal Decree A 1: implementation in USA.</i> Once the administration of A 1 assets is assigned to the Dutch Government, it should be assigned to an organization side by side with the Embassy and the Economic Mission under general supervision of the Ambassador.
157	27.2.1943 from Loudon (Washington)	<i>Steenberghe Mission.</i> Reply to no. 142. Good relations with Steenberghe; those with Hart still leave much to be desired. Dutch and NEI commissions to be formed in Embassy in due course, in order to prevent autonomous foreign activities by Economic Affairs and Colonies to the detriment of the indispensable unity of foreign policy. Contacts between Mission and Embassy incidental due to lack of time Kleyn Molekamp. No objection to aviation matters being handled by Mission.
158	27.2.1943 from Berle to Loudon (Washington)	<i>USA: establishment of Netherlands Maritime Court.</i> Proposal of V, nos. 352 and 375 refused. US Administration has taken or is preparing measures to make

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159	27.2.1943 from Steenberghe to Kerstens (Washington)	sure that desertion and undisciplined conduct by seamen will be tried by exiled allied governments. <i>Post-war economic world order.</i> According to Welles' speech, the US basic principle in post-war international economic policy studies is 'Freedom from Want'. US Administration is adopting a somewhat reserved attitude and guarantees it will open discussions with other UN governments.
160	.2.1943 from Albarda to Council of Ministers	<i>Post-war Air Transport.</i> Due to national and international restrictions, 'free' air traffic is out of the question in real practice. Regulation of air traffic will promote its development. International consultations are necessary to determine everyone's rights and to materialize regulation. Also bring up <i>post-war civil aviation</i> of Germany, Italy and Japan. US committee has worked out principles of post-war air transport. Execution of all desiderata would lead to a monopoly of USA due to its position in aircraft industry and availability of pilots. This might also lead to US control of Dutch connection with NEI and Curaçao. A ban on grants is a threat to Government's grip of exploitation of loss-making lines and will involve ruin of many companies, including KLM. International consultations are necessary for regulation of post-war international air traffic. Settlement in bilateral US-British consultations must be prevented. First issue is existence Aviation Convention of 1929. Authority to land not to be negotiated during war. Will discuss future policy with other ministers responsible. Suitability of Dutch airports for modern aeroplanes; air fleet KLM and aircraft industry in post-war Netherlands; training personnel for resumption KLM services.
161	1.3.1943 to De Decker	<i>Japan: treatment of Dutch subjects in NEI.</i> Inquire after opinion Swedish envoy in Tokyo on need for support Dutch women and children in NEI and on possibility of distributing funds among them in a verifiable way.
162	1.3.1943 Van Bylandt	<i>Diplomatic and Consular Services.</i> Because of absence of regular extension of services, decreasing work force since 1940 and the anticipated post-war increase of activities, measures to overcome this personnel problem must be taken right now.
162A	1.3.1943 Van Kleffens	<i>Staffing ministry and Diplomatic and Consular Services.</i> Problems to be overcome by liberalization of regulations; assigning good temporary employees a permanent appointment. Consult Josselin de Jong about interpreters service.

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163	1.3.1943 from Van Boetzelaer (Washington)	<i>USA: post-war international economic relations.</i> Presentation of no. 163A. <i>UN Food Conference at Hot Springs</i> announced by Roosevelt.
163A	26.2.1943 from Steenberghe to Loudon (Washington)	<i>USA: post-war international economic relations.</i> Pasvolsky indicated the following elements of post-war policy: (1) regulation of trading relations, (2) monetary arrangement and (3) investments. Does not adhere to collective consultations. Recommended strengthening of <i>Dutch</i> trading relations with surrounding countries.
164	1.3.1943 Rijkens Study Group	<i>Economic grouping.</i> Report on advisability of economic grouping, economic prospects of the Netherlands in case of affiliation to a western (Atlantic) group and financial and monetary measures to be taken.
165	2.3.1943 Council of Ministers	<i>Naturalization.</i> Draft Royal Decree with regard to naturalization of Dutch subjects in other countries and loss of Dutch nationality upon pronouncement by the Dutch Government accepted with dissenting vote of Gerbrandy.
166	2.3.1943 from Van Boetzelaer (Washington)	<i>US views on post-war Soviet policy.</i> Two directions of thought: (1) post-war USSR will concentrate on tremendous domestic reconstruction problems and therefore desire security, i.e. good neighbours. US policy must not give the impression that it is aiming at isolation USSR. (2) USSR will continue ideologic warfare against democracies through communist parties, and – despite <i>Atlantic Charter</i> – demand strategic borders on account of great contribution to final victory.
167	3.3.1943 to Embassy Chungking	<i>Far East: political warfare.</i> Nindicom Washington wants all available information from Japanese sources on Japan's economic, political and social measures in occupied territories.
168	3.3.1943 from Loudon (Washington)	<i>USA: assets De Nederlandsche Bank.</i> State Department wants to deal with transfer of assets according to Royal Decree A 1.
169	3.3.1943 Van Kleffens	<i>USA: obtaining bases in NEI.</i> It is to Dutch advantage to interest USA and Great Britain in division NEI. US naval and air forces should have right of use of bases in NEI provided there is a reciprocal basis: facilities for the Netherlands in US bases. <i>Standardization of armament</i> to be considered.
170	3.3.1943 from Kerstens	<i>UN Food Conference at Hot Springs (VA).</i> Allied preparations fail to occur due to lack of US co-operation in <i>Leith-Ross Committee</i> . Approval of formulation Dutch position. Advocates contacts with Bel-

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171	3.3.1943 from Michiels van Verduynen	gian, French and Norwegian Governments. <i>Relief occupied Netherlands.</i> Together with Kerstens called on Selborne and discussed supply of food for undernourished children in the Netherlands under supervision of neutral countries. Refutation of British arguments with regard to lengthening of war. Selborne will present request to War Cabinet upon receipt of further details. Discussed matter with Eden as well.
172	4.3.1943 to Breugel Douglas at Cairo.	<i>Instruction for Ambassador to USSR.</i> Take up post as quickly as possible. Attempt to paint a favourable picture of position of Kingdom by pointing out resistance to occupation, national unity and immediate participation in Far Eastern war. Though convinced of the necessity of international co-operation, the Netherlands will take an independent position after liberation of territory. Do not emphasize relations with British and US Ambassadors but seek alliance with Free French and Czech delegates.
173	5.3.1943 from Van Aerssen (Melbourne)	<i>Conduct of war Australasia: reconquest of NEI.</i> Insists that position taken by the Minister of Naval Affairs to the effect that Helfrich is not allowed to transfer headquarters to Australia should be revised. Helfrich's leaving Australia will produce detrimental political and military consequences for the Netherlands because of its negative effect on MacArthur and Australian Government.
174	5.3.1943 Cabinet Committee on Warfare	<i>Military Mission Washington.</i> Decision on instructions to Military Mission is held up at Van Mook's suggestion because after discussions in Washington he came to the conclusion that the Mission has to engage in non-military matters as well. Promises memorandum.
175	5.3.1943 from Gerbrandy	<i>Armistice terms for Germany.</i> In accordance with no. 114, allow for long-term armistice. Principle of Germany's responsibility for any damage it caused should be included.
176	6.3.1943 from HM the Queen to Roosevelt	<i>Post-war treatment of Germany.</i> Supports Roosevelt's intentions to suppress nazism in post-war Germany. Asks for co-operation in forming ideas on this matter. Reports on <i>situation in occupied Netherlands.</i>
177	6.3.1943 from Van Haersma de With	<i>Evacuation of Jewish children from occupied territory.</i> Because of urgent nature of the matter, ask British Government if they are prepared to admit 750 Jewish children from the Netherlands into Palestine apart from no. 54.

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177A	3.3.1943 from Van Haersma de With to Sluysen	<i>Evacuation of Jewish children from occupied territory.</i> Reference to no. 177. Government prepared to support evacuation plan financially. Asks if there is a chance of German co-operation.
178	6.3.1943 from Methöfer (Caracas)	<i>Venezuela: oil policy.</i> New oil law provides for alterations in exploration and exploitation of oil fields. National revenues from oil will increase. Oil companies committed to post-war refining capacity of 200.000 barrels a day; this largely removes the threat to the existence of <i>refineries in Curaçao and Aruba.</i>
179	8.3.1943 from Loudon (Washington)	<i>USA: obtaining bases in Pacific.</i> Welles declared that security in Pacific is an affair of all concerned peace-loving states as part of future international security arrangement. Pacific is not an American lake.
180	8.3.1943 from Van Mook	<i>UN Food Conference at Hot Springs (VA).</i> In order to avoid overburdening of small number of personnel, conference to be held in small town near Washington or New York instead of Casablanca. Strongly opposed to exclusion of relief problems. Discussion in Council of Ministers necessary.
181	8.3.1943 from Van Mook	<i>USA: obtaining bases in NEI.</i> Agreeable to no. 169 concerning preparation of position and views. Problem of bases is closely connected with post-war worldwide military organization. Military agreement with USA, Great Britain and Australia for defence of NEI very attractive. Agreement is to fortify defence system of all participants.
182	9.3.1943 Council of Ministers	<i>Persecution of Jews.</i> Evacuation of Dutch Jewish children to Palestine has to be done under general arrangement that does not apply to Jews exclusively. Issue of visas for Jews for Surinam.
183	9.3.1943 from Furstner	<i>USA: obtaining bases in NEI.</i> Reply to no. 169. Bases to be organized at their own expense and to be exploited on their own authority. Place facilities at disposal of USA and Royal Navy. Basis for co-operation of the three navies. Co-operation to be intensified gradually.
184	10.3.1943 from Van den Broek to Gerbrandy	<i>The Netherlands: loan from US Administration.</i> Now that Government will definitely not have the disposal of <i>gold owned by the De Nederlandsche Bank</i> , financial policy to be discussed in Council of Ministers; particularly appropriation of NEI finances before opening talks with USA.
185	11.3.1943 from Van Pallandt (Lisbon)	<i>Internees in Spain.</i> Proposal to ask for help of US Embassy in Madrid to effect release of Dutch internees, now that vigorous US action has proved to be successful.

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186	12.3.1943 from Van Boetzelaer (Washington)	<i>The Netherlands: loan from US Administration.</i> Acheson considers loan practically out of the question. <i>Lend-Lease</i> restricted to purchase of goods and repair of ordnance but personnel expenses outside USA are excluded. Only solution is disposal of assets De Nederlandsche Bank. (cf. no. 168). Acheson's concrete advice soon to be expected.
187	13.3.1943 Council of Ministers	<i>Post-war repatriation of Dutch subjects abroad.</i> Acceptance of memorandum Van den Tempel for the formation of a new agency in preparation of repatriation. Van Kleffens indicates chance that repatriation will be impossible. <i>Post-war foreign policy.</i> According to Van Kleffens central issue is realization of peace and security. With respect to Germany this cannot be achieved by annexation or division of Germany in states or prohibition of importation and production of weapons. Solution to be sought in check on quantity of production and use of iron, steel and nitrogen. Does not believe in re-education. Security to be realized on an international level through regional organizations. Van den Broek advocates annexation of Ruhr region without Germans by the Netherlands and Belgium.
188	15.3.1943 to van Mook	<i>USA: obtaining bases in NEI.</i> Presentation of no. 188A with request for amendments with reference to placing on the agenda of Council of Ministers.
188A	15.3.1943	<i>USA: obtaining bases in NEI.</i> Voices are heard in USA for obtaining bases in Pacific region. Formulation of Dutch position desirable. Mutual use of bases to be regulated in military agreement with USA, Australia and Britain. Exploitation of bases NEI to be conducted by the Netherlands; no leasing or cession of bases to USA.
189	16.3.1943 Council of Ministers	<i>Post-war foreign policy.</i> Resumption discussion no. 187. Division of opinions on treatment of Germany and organization of international security on regional or worldwide basis.
190	17.3.1943 from Van Boetzelaer (Washington)	<i>UN Food Conference at Hot Springs (VA).</i> Pasvolsky self-contained about number of conferences. Food and monetary conferences planned. Advised to take a position on post-war economic relations.
191	17.3.1943 from Warners	<i>Internationalization of telegraph communications.</i> Presentation of no. 191A.
191A	19.3.1943 to Loudon	<i>Internationalization of telegraph communications.</i> Knowledge of full implications and underlying US intentions with regard to internationalization of telegraph communications indispensable for for-

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192	17.3.1943 from Van Mook to Cabinet Committee on Warfare	<p>mulation of Dutch position. Extreme caution with regard to obtaining information in order to prevent US action for the time being.</p> <p><i>Military Mission Washington.</i> No formation of military mission, but a member of Royal Dutch East-Indian Army to be added to CCOS representatives and military attaché under the instructions of War and Colonies. Better co-ordination to be effected from Embassy.</p>
193	18.3.1943 from Van Boetzelaer (Washington)	<p><i>Post-war monetary stabilization.</i> Morgenthau has sent White plan for monetary arrangement to Ministers of Finance of exiled governments. Wants discussions to result in agreement of principles before convening conference. Is also acquainted with British Keynes plan. Inquires about relevant Government plans.</p>
194	20.3.1943 Council of Ministers	<p><i>Post-war foreign policy.</i> Resumption discussion no. 187. Remaining ministers having stated their positions, Government concludes as follows: 1. International co-operation important to the Netherlands; 2. disarming and demilitarization of Germany and Italy; 3. combination of international and regional groupings; 4. extension of autonomy of Eastern European states, e.g. through diplomatic support. <i>National funds:</i> Financing of especially military government spending will be discussed by Van den Broek in USA.</p>
195	20.3.1943 from Loudon (Washington)	<p><i>USA: implementation of Royal Decree A 1.</i> Not yet known when and how State Department will answer question about powers of fiduciary owner. Probably implies full powers with the exception of alienation.</p>
196	20.3.1943 Flaes	<p><i>Interallied Subcommittee on Acts of Dispossession.</i> Recommends dropping of proposal to investigate legislation on acts of dispossession in neutral countries because of reluctance on the part of Britain.</p>
197	20.3.1943 from Van Bylandt to Van Boeyen	<p><i>Spain: evacuation of Dutch refugees.</i> Ref. no. 185. Asks whether possibilities of co-operation with Dutch delegation must be explored, especially on behalf of Dutch refugees of military age.</p>
198	20.3.1943 from G. Beelaerts van Blokland to Van Bylandt	<p><i>USSR: post-war Europe.</i> Moscow wants the Netherlands and France to counterbalance a non-communist Germany, because – contrary to USA and Britain – these countries are nowhere in Europe in the way of USSR.</p>
199	22.3.1943 from Van Asch van Wijck	<p><i>Currency arrangement and establishment Currency Institute.</i> Proposal to appoint diplomatic and consular officials as special investigators into offences</p>

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200	23.3.1943 Council of Ministers	against 1943 Currency Decree. <i>Civil Affairs.</i> US Army is training personnel for military administration of liberated territories. Proposal Van Kleffens to make US Administration acquainted with measures prepared by Government. Agreed under the condition that British Government will be informed as well.
201	23.3.1943 from Methöfer (Caracas)	<i>Venezuela: violation of territorial waters Curaçao (Nelson Affair).</i> Release of crew requested. As Minister of Finance is delaying judgement, a new memorandum must express Venezuelan Government's responsibility for violation of territorial waters and demand release and compensation. Venezuela may well be aiming at a dispute in order to generate publicity for smuggling in Curaçao.
202	23.3.1943 from Lamping	<i>USA: protection of Dutch patents.</i> Presentation of no. 202A agreed to by Lamping.
202A	11.3.1943 Koeleman	<i>USA: protection of Dutch patents.</i> Main objection to measure of APC (cf. no. 79B) is its discrimination against patent owners in occupied territory by forcing them to make patents available free of charge either for their duration or up to six months after the war. As well as the Netherlands and Belgium, USA is a party to the Treaty for Protection of Industrial Property (1925) which requires equal treatment of foreigners and nationals. Corvo must be empowered but not obliged to exercise patent rights.
203	23.3.1943 from Methöfer (Caracas)	<i>Venezuela: violation of territorial waters Curaçao (Nelson Affair).</i> Explanation proceedings regarding smuggling as in case of Nelson crew. Both defender and envoy have pleaded a preliminary case, i.e. if this is a matter of violation of international law with the inevitable consequence of handling in accordance with the 1933 Dutch-Venezuelan arbitration treaty.
204	24.3.1943 from Albarda	<i>Post-war international air traffic.</i> It looks as if the UK is prepared to give some support in post-war restoration of Dutch civil aviation. Apprehension of US monopoly. In negotiations with USA on international air routes cautiously press the point of reciprocity, without frustrating contacts. Meeting desirable.
205	24.3.1943 from Kerstens	<i>China: terms of employment Chinese seamen.</i> Agreeable to comment on Chinese draft agreement (no. 135A). Allowance of shore bonus to Chinese meets with objections by British Government, which fears repercussions for British-Chinese agreement.

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206	24.3.1943 from Kleyn Molekamp to Van Troostenburg de Bruyn (Washington)	Wunsz King has suggested discussion between Lord Leathers, Wellington Koo, Kerstens and himself. <i>USA: protection of Dutch patents.</i> Dispatch of V, no. 310 held up in anticipation of simultaneous dispatch of report on positive discussion with APC. Requests to be kept informed of <i>criticism of efficiency of trade department</i> , which he repudiates as undeserved.
207	25.3.1943 Van Kleffens	<i>Post-war international security.</i> Letter to the Editor of the Times in which Van Kleffens gave his ideas in reaction on an article on the relation between great and small nations.
208	25.3.1943 to Van Angeren	<i>USA: implementation of Royal Decree A 1.</i> Ref. no. 195. Proposal to instruct ambassador to accept US suggestion. Specification of exact powers of fiduciary owner must be determined by mutual arrangement between the Netherlands and USA. Exclusion of assets De Nederlandsche Bank.
209	25.3.1943 from Methöfer (Caracas)	<i>Venezuela: refineries Curaçao and Aruba.</i> New Oil Law published. Royal Dutch/Shell and Standard Oil have made promises concerning build-up of refining capacity in Venezuela. According to Shell envoy the great Dutch interest in preservation of refineries in Aruba and Curaçao was never enunciated to Venezuela as explicitly as alleged in no. 101A.
210	26.3.1943 Nuboer	<i>Military Mission Washington.</i> Consent with no. 192, but objection to KNIL representative to CCOS and OSS contacts for Sumatra and the Netherlands.
211	26.3.1943 Cabinet Committee on Warfare	<i>NEI: oil rehabilitation:</i> establishment of oil battalions. <i>Exchange of 40 Dutch subjects sentenced to death for Germans:</i> consultations with Foreign Office. <i>Military Mission Washington:</i> Discussion of no. 192 to organize Military Mission as a military representative body. Decision to stress internal co-ordinating function in instruction. Creation of <i>Liaison Committee with OSS</i> led by Warners.
212	26.3.1943 from Biddle	<i>UN Food Conference at Hot Springs (VA).</i> Invitation to attend interallied discussions on post-war economic questions. First conference on food and other essential agricultural products at professional level. Definition of main issues.
213	27.3.1943 to Bosch van Rosenthal	<i>Switzerland: implementation of measures with regard to Dutch currency.</i> After return from London the Government will rescind invalidation of Dutch paper currency by Germans. Notify Swiss Government that the Netherlands consider co-operation of

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214	27.3.1943 from Loudon (Washington)	Swiss Bank with German measure reprehensible. <i>USA: Dutch loan.</i> Discussion in State Department has shown practical impossibility of a loan and necessity of complete specification of government spending for Lend-Lease. <i>Assets De Nederlandsche Bank.</i> US administration considers transfer to Dutch Minister of Finance not right away acceptable.
215	27.3.1943 from Loudon (Washington)	<i>USA: assets De Nederlandsche Bank.</i> Position of no. 214 is probably based on fear that transfer includes acknowledgement of Royal Decree A 1. US Administration in favour of solution by means of transfer of statutory domicile De Nederlandsche Bank or amendment of Dutch Bank Act.
216	29.3.1943 from Star Busmann to Kerstens	<i>USA: protection of Dutch patents.</i> Suggests with regard to no. 202A to base protest against APC measures (no. 79B) on Treaty for Protection of Industrial Property. Speed up draft Royal Decree empowering Corvo to exercise patent laws based on Royal Decree A 6 in order to increase possibility of US acceptance of Dutch position. Requests specified instruction for Loudon, who will be informed of state of affairs.
217	29.3.1943 from Albarda	<i>KLM: concession air route Britain-Madrid.</i> Informal discussions concerning possible new air routes have taken place between KLM and Spanish airline. Points out that the possibility of political motives of Spain and Axis powers must not be ruled out. Information requested.
218	30.3.1943 Council of Ministers	<i>Peace conference.</i> Van Kleffens requested reaction US to no. 207. Department of State reacted favourably. <i>Conference Hot Springs.</i> Ref. no. 212. Accept invitation, but sound out opinions of other governments. <i>Relief:</i> Difficulties between Departments of Trade, Industry and Shipping and Finance concerning funds made available for relief purchases without consulting Finance Department.
219	30.3.1943 from Loudon (Washington)	<i>Dependent peoples.</i> Hull showed draft declaration of <i>Atlantic Charter</i> on political principles of freedom and their application to dependent peoples, which he had discussed with Eden. <i>Reconstruction of the kingdom in accordance with 7 December speech</i> is consonant with this. Philippines will serve as an example. Mandates and countries without self-government under international <i>trustee administration</i> in which the Netherlands can participate.

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220	30.3.1943 from Kerstens	<i>Post-war relief: relief purchases.</i> Presentation no. 220A. Although food production in USA is being stepped up, no definite arrangements for post-war provision of Europe as yet. Pressure by continental Allies in Leith-Ross Committee will probably speed up consultations.
220A	no date Report Steenberghe Mission	<i>Post-war relief: relief purchases.</i> Explanation of US part in food supply. In 1942 British-American Combined Food Board was established for the purpose of co-ordination of food purchases. US food production up to standard, but expected increase of food demand after liberation of occupied territories makes immediate storing up of supplies essential.
221	31.3.1943 Boissevain	<i>China: abolition of extraterritorial rights.</i> Comment on no. 145AB, discussing departures in Chinese-British treaty in relation to draft treaty. Attention for obtaining position of most favoured nation and restricting consular regulations to the Netherlands.
222	31.3.1943 to Van Mook	<i>Surinam: competence of pilots.</i> Measure of no. 104 must come into force as soon as possible <i>for the protection of bauxite transport.</i> Compensation settlement with US Administration to be effected afterwards.
223	31.3.1943 to Loudon	<i>Royal Decree A 1: implementation in USA.</i> Incorporation department NSTC New York concerned with implementation of A 1 as a department of the Embassy is not merely a matter of organization. Finance Department wants to reserve A 1 assets for any <i>post-war requisitioning of private currency property</i> and for that purpose assign the Economic Mission as a branch in the USA of the Currency Institute. Further ministerial consultations on either the necessity of immediate transfer of <i>management A 1 assets to Economic Mission</i> or preference for realization of Loudon's reorganization plan.
224	31.3.1943 from Van Mook	<i>UN Food Conference at Hot Springs (VA).</i> no. 212 leaves uncertainty as to whether Conference will also deal with general economic questions or which agricultural products will come up for discussion. Relevant to composition and instruction of delegation.
225	31.3.1943 from Van Haersma de With	<i>Dutch subjects under foreign arms.</i> Presentation of no. 225A with request for response.
225A	29.3.1943 from Beelaerts van Blokland to Gerbrandy	<i>Dutch subjects under foreign arms.</i> Advisory Board urges to make arrangements for Dutch subjects under allied arms to retain their nationality.

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226	31.3.1943 from Schuller tot Peursum (Madrid)	<i>Spain.</i> Closing of Spanish-French border to travellers without required papers promulgated under firm German pressure. Vigorous protest by USA. Schuller expects rigid enforcement of measure.
227	31.3.1943 from Steenberghe to Hart	<i>Economic and Financial Mission Washington.</i> Crena de Iongh will negotiate <i>loan from US Administration</i> in his capacity as a Mission member. <i>Representatives Currency Institute in USA</i> will come under the Mission as well.
228	31.3.1943 from Steenberghe and Philips to Van den Broek	<i>Currency arrangement and establishment Currency Institute.</i> Steenberghe Mission will act as representative of Currency Institute in USA. Pursuit of consistent policy is being seriously hampered because currency elements of <i>Royal Decree A 1 assets</i> are kept outside the competence of Currency Institute.
229	1.4.1943 from Van Mook	<i>USA: obtaining bases in Pacific.</i> Agreeable to no. 188A. Similar agreement also possible for Antilles and Surinam.
230	2.4.1943 from Kerstens	<i>UN Food Conference at Hot Springs (VA).</i> No. 212 requests further explanation concerning the objective of discussion general financial, commercial and other arrangements. Lamping has sounded out Free French, Norwegians and Belgians on their views.
231	3.4.1943 from Loudon (Washington)	<i>Germany: post-war treatment.</i> Deportation of Nazis has never been advocated in any speech.
232	5.4.1943 from Gerbrandy	<i>Visit to USA and Curaçao.</i> Will leave for a six weeks' visit to USA and Curaçao on 15th April. Washington to be informed.
233	6.4.1943 Council of Ministers	<i>Bombardment Rotterdam. Merchant vessels to be placed at disposal of Great Britain.</i> Aspect of cost: Ask for hire or to be considered a contribution to 'war effort'? <i>UN Food Conference at Hot Springs (VA).</i> Van Kleffens: conference to be considered limited or as a first meeting to draw up a world-wide scheme. Acknowledgement consumer interests 'good unprecedented fact'. Kerstens: post-war food policy to be brought up as well. No decision on composition and instruction of delegation.
234	6.4.1943 to Loudon	<i>Military Mission Washington.</i> As proposed formation only aims at internal co-ordination of activities and optimum benefit from officers present in USA, it was decided to set up a military co-ordination committee of CCOS representatives and attachés. KNIL attaché will become general military attaché. Opinion requested.
235	6.4.1943 from Loudon	<i>Post-war international security.</i> The intent of no. 207 was mostly not understood in Dutch circles in USA.

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236	8.4.1943 Bataafsche Petroleum Maatschappij	Loudon's interpretation: in principle all states have equal rights, but in practice small states are prepared to accept certain limits in sovereignty. Ref. IV, no. 486A. <i>Mexico: oil conflict.</i> Decided to aim at compensation agreement between Dutch and British Governments on the one hand and Mexican Government on the other hand for dispossession of Mexican Eagle Oil Company properties. Subsoil rights to be brought up at a later stage, and decide whether or not to give them up on the basis of circumstances at that time.
237	9.4.1943 Star Busmann	<i>Free French: dollar sale to Dutch Government.</i> Pleven will investigate availability of dollar surplus for sale.
238	10.4.1943 from Loudon	<i>Military Mission Washington.</i> Previous to receipt of no. 234 CCOS representatives and attachés had decided on co-operation, mutual exchange of information and data. Suggests name of Military Mission. Has serious doubts about success of this gentlemen's agreement.
239	10.4.1943 to HM the Queen	<i>Relations with Ethiopia.</i> With regard to application for appointment as honorary consul in Ethiopia Van Kleffens observes that the Netherlands never had permanent consular or diplomatic representatives at that location. Nor is there any present reason for establishment of such a post.
240	10.4.1943 from Van Kleffens to Loudon	Reply to nos. 123 and 157. Characterizing description of <i>personnel Ministry of Foreign Affairs</i> and mutations. Appointment Rechteren Limpurg as <i>envoy in Stockholm</i> . Regulation of <i>relation Embassy-NIB</i> committed to writing. <i>Political propaganda</i> is responsibility of Prime Minister, but Foreign Affairs has much influence. <i>Transfer of A 1 assets from Embassy to Economic Mission</i> explained in no. 157. <i>Japan: bad treatment of Dutch subjects in NEI.</i> Van den Broek to USA to <i>obtain US loan</i> and for <i>White plan for post-war monetary relations</i> . Intended <i>visit Queen to Canada and USA</i> . <i>Post-war treatment of Nazis and re-education German people</i> . <i>Disarming Germany: nitrogen scheme Van Kleffens</i> . <i>Planning post-war relief in Committee on Post-war Requirements</i> has come to a standstill. <i>Reconstruction of the Netherlands</i> to be promoted by adoption by an American state. Forthcoming <i>UN Food Conference at Hot Springs (VA)</i> arouses high hopes.

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241	12.4.1943 from Van Angeren to Kerstens	<i>Protection of Dutch patents.</i> Presentation of no. 241A, which with reference to no. 216 empowers Corvo to exercise patent laws by virtue of Royal Decree A 6. Accounts for definition of Corvo's competence which is especially connected with differences between British and US legislation.
241A	no date Draft Royal Decree	<i>Protection of Dutch patents.</i> Corvo is entitled to exercise rights with regard to industrial property belonging to natural and artificial persons in occupied Dutch territory insofar as these rights do not come under Royal Decree A 1.
242	12.4.1943 from Stoeve to Furstner (Washington)	<i>USA: obtaining bases in Far East.</i> Advises to have problem of bases studied by Military Commission in Washington. Prefers for NEI a network of air bases in combination with naval bases.
243	13.4.1943 Council of Ministers	<i>Peace conference:</i> Eden subscribes to Van Kleffens' view with regard to role of Big Four. Eden favours general association of states 'with closer commitments of specified circles'. <i>Steenberghe Mission:</i> Kerstens: further consultation of ministers concerned is desirable. Kerstens advocates restoration of Economic Committee in Council of Ministers. Van den Broek urges Van Kleffens to accompany him to USA.
244	13.4.1943 from Coster to Furstner (Melbourne)	<i>Australia: NEI policy.</i> To Van Kleffens from Van Aerssen. Evatt left for Washington with private post-war plan with the intention of annexing the area from Timor up to and including New Guinea.
245	13.4.1943 from Kerstens	<i>Economic mission to South America.</i> Proposal to send Welter out to South America to investigate post-war economic perspectives.
246	13.4.1943 from Vanier to Mackenzie King	Discussion with Van Kleffens in which the latter expressed his disappointment with <i>Leith-Ross Committee</i> . As building up food stocks for post-war relief has not started yet, the Netherlands refuses to deposit national stock in pools. Analysis of origin British reserve with regard to immediate relief. Discussion of <i>refugee</i> problems, especially in Spain.
247	14.4.1943 to Kerstens, Van den Broek and Van Mook	<i>USA: Reverse Lend-Lease agreement with the Netherlands.</i> Authorized for signing V, no. 385 provided amendments are accepted by US Administration.
248	14.4.1943 from Lamping	<i>China: abolition of extraterritorial rights.</i> Agreeable to draft treaty cf. no. 281A. Request for further procedure as previously followed in The Hague on account of <i>HNS responsibility for trade policy</i> .

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249	14.4.1943 from Michiels van Verduynen	<i>Relief occupied Netherlands.</i> Drogheda could not give a definite answer as to chances of proposal of no. 171. Michiels van Verduynen fears in this respect the Netherlands is kept in suspense.
250	14.4.1943 from Van den Broek to Council of Ministers	<i>Benelux: monetary union.</i> Dispatch of no. 250A. Exchange rates were fixed for an extended period for the promotion of post-war international trade. Guilder-belga rate dependent on result of monetary discussions with Britons. Future monetary discussions of United Nations will by no means rule out bilateral agreement. Negotiations for economic agreement with Belgium started as well.
250A	no date	<i>Benelux: monetary union.</i> Draft text monetary agreement between Belgium and the Netherlands.
250B	22.3.1943	<i>Benelux: monetary union.</i> Report of Dutch-Belgian discussion on monetary agreement. Now experts have to draw up agreement for Economic Union. Signing previous to departure from London and ratification soon afterwards.
251	15.4.1943 from Van Bylandt to Kerstens	<i>USA: protection of Dutch patents.</i> Advice as requested in no. 95 dissuades from review of constitutionality of measures of APC (cf. no. 79) for procedural legal reasons and advises cogent diplomatic representation. With regard to no. 216 proposal to base démarche on 1925 Treaty for Protection of Industrial Property. Previous consultations with Belgium and Norway if necessary.
252	15.4.1943 from Biddle	<i>UN Food Conference at Hot Springs (VA).</i> Presentation of draft agenda with major items: 1. consumption levels and requirements; 2. expansion of production and adaptation to consumption needs; 3. facilitation and improvement of distribution and 4. recommendations for continuing and carrying forward the work of the conference.
253	15.4.1943 State Department to Loudon (Washington)	<i>Relief occupied Netherlands.</i> If considerations that have up to now impeded food transports to occupied territories are no longer applicable according to the competent authorities, State Department will dedicate itself to improvement of the situation of civilian population in occupied territory.
254	16.4.1943 from Van Angeren	<i>Post-war extradition war criminals.</i> Presentation of no. 254A, which avoids difficulties of existing extradition treaties. Requests Van Kleffens' opinion.
254A	16.4.1943 Draft convention	<i>Post-war extradition war criminals.</i> Text of draft convention stating procedure and conditions of extradition.

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255	17.4.1943 from Lovink (Chungking)	<i>Far East: political warfare.</i> Agreed with BSO to exchange intelligence and send it on to Australia. Anticipates large possibilities of gathering intelligence on occupied NEI, Japan and occupied China.
256	19.4.1943 to Bogomolov	<i>Soviet Union: establishment of Dutch Embassy.</i> Appointed ambassador to USSR is accommodated in Cairo due to lack of material arrangements. Soviet help requested; request for admission of Dutch commercial attaché.
257	19.4.1943 from Bland	<i>International refugee care: Bermuda Conference.</i> Announcement of participants and basic principles British-American talks on refugee problem in Bermuda. Close intergovernmental co-operation considered necessary, especially in the field of transport facilities and repatriation. Unlike the Americans, the Britons consider Intergovernmental Committee as it stands now not fit for this purpose.
258	19.4.1943 from Wunsz King	<i>China: mutiny of Chinese seamen at Freemantle.</i> Also after no. 5, Chinese Government sticks to demands of IV, no. 473 as mutineers have not been warned before they were fired at.
259	19.4.1943 from Van Panhuys (Madrid)	<i>The Netherlands - Spain: implementation Royal Decree A 1.</i> Consultations with Spanish lawyer Soler result in recommendation to prevent transfer of Dutch claims in Spain to Germany. Advises renewed formal presentation of Royal Decree A 1 to Spanish Government. Meanwhile, Royal Decree A 1 has been brought to notice of all Spanish parties concerned.
260	19.4.1943 from Moolenburgh to Furstner	<i>Allied bombings on occupied Netherlands.</i> When selecting targets of aerial bombardments allied authorities will avoid the risk of inflicting heavy casualties on civilian population.
261	20.4.1943 Council of Ministers	Gerbrandy discussed <i>war situation</i> with Churchill.
262	20.4.1943 from Loudon to Van Kleffens (Washington)	<i>Royal Decree A 1: implementation in USA.</i> Presentation of no. 262A, which had been composed previous to very disappointing decision on <i>transfer of management A 1 assets to Economic Mission</i> . Recommends proposal of no. 262A.
262A	20.4.1943 Loudon (Washington)	<i>Royal Decree A 1: implementation in USA.</i> Review of Embassy activities since May 1940 with regard to implementation Royal Decree A 1 and relevant contacts maintained with US authorities and banks. Explanation of proposal to place management in hands of special authority working for the Embassy. Against <i>transfer to Economic Mission</i> . Proposal for

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		<i>abolishing Economic Mission</i> and its integration into structure of Embassy with a view to unity of policy. Preparation of <i>activities of Dutch Currency Institute in USA</i> to be kept strictly internal and through the Embassy.
263	20.4.1943 from Van Boetzelaer to Van Bylandt (Washington)	<i>Royal Decree A 1: implementation in USA.</i> Decision of Council of Ministers to <i>convey management A 1 assets to Economic Mission</i> offensive to Embassy as a whole. Adherent to <i>integration of Economic Mission into Embassy</i> . Clear regulation of <i>relationship of governmental CCOS-representatives to military attachés</i> desirable. Transfer Rechteren to Stockholm.
264	21.4.1943 Council of Ministers	<i>Bombardment of Haarlem. Benelux: draft monetary agreement.</i> Kerstens promises memorandum. <i>Post-war world order.</i> Report Van Kleffens on meeting with Eden and other Ministers of Foreign Affairs. Americans and Britons are considering an organization operating by one-member-one-vote including an steering committee of Big Four and eight smaller nations taking turns. Peace-keeping responsibility for regional groupings. USSR agreeable. Japan and Germany to be put through drastic measures: ban on civil aviation. Gerbrandy worried about admission USSR into international organization. <i>Civil aviation:</i> interallied consultations at a later stage.
265	21.4.1943 from Loudon (Washington)	<i>Post-war recovery of Europe.</i> According to Acheson US memorandum on relief and rehabilitation nearly finished. International conference still uncertain. Further information to be obtained from Hall of British Ministry of Economic Warfare. Matter being held up due to position USSR.
266	21.4.1943 from Van Bylandt to Van Mook	<i>NEI: support for Dutch internees.</i> Opinion requested on money transfer to NEI for the support for civilian internees through the agency of the <i>Vatican</i> .
266A	13.4.1943 from Michiels van Verduynen	<i>Japan: support for civilian internees.</i> Japan agreeable to plan for financial support British civilian internees through the agency of the <i>Vatican</i> . Recommends that identical action by the Netherlands will be considered.
267	22.4.1943 from Michiels van Verduynen	<i>Allied bombings on occupied Netherlands.</i> Protest with Lord Sherwood against RAF bombing of residential areas has resulted in promise of no. 267A.
267A	21.4.1943 from Sherwood to Michiels van Verduynen	<i>Allied bombings on occupied Netherlands.</i> In case of bombardments Air Staff will pay more attention to consequences for civilian population.

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268	22.4.1943 from Loudon (Washington)	<i>Post-war problems: economic control enemy.</i> Speech by Loudon on his ideas of post-war economic control of enemy territory, which received elaborate press coverage. Considers this moment of vagueness in plans of Big Allies opportune for propagating <i>Dutch view on post-war period.</i> Requests further information on this subject.
268A	28.3.1943 Loudon to Daughters of the American Revolution	<i>Post-war problems: economic control of enemy.</i> German industry to be placed under control of Allies and sound social policy to be pursued. Security of United Nations is best guaranteed by means of <i>regional security organizations.</i>
269	26.4.1943 from Lovink (Chungking)	<i>China: post-war international position.</i> Newspaper reports make obvious that China will use its post-war position as one of the Big Four to assert its influence in South-east Asia through the Chinese communities. Instead of disputing China's position as a big power, it is better to contribute to its post-war reconstruction in order to help it come out economically in East Asia.
270	27.4.1943 to Loudon	<i>Royal Decree A 1: implementation in USA.</i> In ministerial consultation was decided on eventual <i>transfer of management A 1 assets to Economic Mission</i> in consideration of <i>post-war currency policy.</i> Loudon and Steenberghe will be charged with formulation of proposal for interim regime. Authority with regard to A 1 (cf. I, no. 83) remains with Loudon.
271	28.4.43 Memorandum for Council of Ministers	<i>Netherlands-Switzerland recognition of Royal Decree A 1 and clearing of occupied Netherlands - Switzerland.</i> Discontinuance of clearing occupied Netherlands - Switzerland has resulted in financial problems of Dutch subjects living in Switzerland. Despite Swiss Government's suggestion of partial continuation, the Netherlands should consider adopting an aloof attitude. Protested before against clearing on account of Swiss payments by resources that under Royal Decree A 1 belong to The Kingdom of The Netherlands. Approval of Swiss proposal may be interpreted as an indirect recognition. In case of standing aloof the Dutch Government should render financial support to those involved.
272	28.4.1943 to Van Mook	<i>Japan: treatment of Dutch subjects in NEI.</i> Presentation no. 272A with request to propose answer. Opinion asked on British proposal to give publicity to attitude of Japanese Government towards civilian population.

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272A	16.4.1943 from De Decker (Stockholm)	<i>NEI: financial support for internees.</i> Reply to no. 161. Propose to Japanese Government to have Dutch funds distributed among Dutch subjects in NEI through an impartial committee under Japanese supervision.
273	28.4.1943 from Kerstens to Van den Broek	<i>Benelux: monetary union.</i> As yet withholding his reaction to contents of no. 250A. Wording no. 250B asks for a few substantial objections. Continuation of talks should be preceded by discussion if future governments will be committed by such an agreement and if bilateral agreement is preferable to solutions in a multilateral framework.
273A	20.4.1943 Lamping	<i>Benelux: customs union.</i> Talks with Vanlangenhove about customs union. For permanent agreement on trading relations with Belgium, both economic and political long-term consequences should be considered as well. Customs union has far-reaching consequences. Analysis of the problem has led to following course of action: study possibility of common interim regime concerning tariffs and quota restrictions towards third countries including provisional exemption for relief goods and regulation of mutual tariffs. Advocates establishment of tariffs committee and requests further instructions.
274	29.4.1943 from Loudon	<i>Post-war finance and currency problems.</i> From Crena de Iongh to Van den Broek, Van Mook and Beyen. If White Plan discussions work out favourably, this should lead to intergovernmental conference. Information requested on possible British-American cooperation as uncertainty about this complicates Dutch negotiation possibilities.
275	29.4.1943 from Loudon (Washington)	<i>The Netherlands: loan from US Administration.</i> White considers Dutch loan possible. Requests specification of amounts and more detailed description of purposes. Loudon suggests to include post-war expenditure. Consideration to be suspended until after arrival Van den Broek.
276	30.4.1943 Council of Ministers	<i>Post-war use of Dutch naval bases.</i> Approbation of memorandum concerning use by UN forces, intended for instruction of Dutch officials in their contacts with foreigners. <i>Benelux: draft monetary agreement.</i> No decision on ratification. Both Van Kleffens and Kerstens think it has to be postponed until after the war considering term of validity, which extends to 1.1.1949.
277	30.4.1943 to Loudon	<i>Post-war treatment of Germany: economic control.</i> Conception of no. 268 is closely related to plan of

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		Kovacs and Straus, which is based on pre-war German debts. Loudon should elaborate his idea for internal study before it can be presented as a government plan.
278	30.4.1943 from Van Boetzelaer (Washington)	<i>AACC: research co-operation.</i> With reference to no. 278A, he will ask State Department what is done in the field of research in Caribbean Area.
278A	8.4.1943 from Welles to Loudon (Washington)	<i>AACC: research co-operation.</i> Official US directions for co-operation in agriculture, forestry and fishing in Caribbean Area have been determined. The <i>Office of Foreign Agricultural Relations</i> advocates participation of Surinam and Netherlands Antilles.
279	30.4.1943 from Le Rougetel to Michiels van Verduynen	<i>KLM: intermediate landing in British Guyana.</i> Request of no. 38 can, if approved by Washington, only be granted for limited number of categories of non-paying passengers for the duration of the war.
280	30.4.1943 from Moolenburgh to Furstner et al.	<i>Allied bombings on occupied Netherlands.</i> Protest against air attack on railway workshops in Haarlem (16.4) and resulting casualties in residential area in contravention to quite recent arrangements. Had talks with responsible authorities.
280A	21.4.1943 from Moolenburgh to Beaumont	<i>Allied bombings on occupied Netherlands.</i> Attack on Haarlem (16.4) was continuation of medium level attacks in formation flights in spite of arrangements to stop these to prevent civilian casualties. Demands interview with officer responsible for present bombing operations.
280B	30.4.1943 from Moolenburgh to Beaumont	<i>Allied bombings on occupied Netherlands.</i> Permanently available for provision of local details about chosen targets and their surroundings. Information on targets wanted in particular.
281	1.5.1943 Van Bylandt	<i>China: abolition of extraterritorial rights.</i> Report of discussion with Wunsz King at presentation of no. 281A. Points that came up for discussion: the reciprocal basis of the treaty, regulation of position consular officials and treatment of the Netherlands as most-favoured nation.
281A	22.4.1943 Draft treaty	<i>China: abolition of extraterritorial rights.</i> Abandonment of consular jurisdiction that was granted to the Netherlands in treaties and of rights under 1901 Boxer Protocol; co-operation in transfer of administration of diplomatic Quarter Peiping and International Settlements at Shanghai and Amoy; recognition of rights of ownership of Dutch subjects in China and rights of trade and establishment of corporations; negotiations on commercial, shipping and consular treaties; treatment as most-favoured

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281B	22.4.1943 Draft note	nation preceding commencement of these treaties. <i>China: abolition of extraterritorial rights.</i> List of abandoned Dutch extraterritorial rights in China. Most-favoured nation treatment for vessels in ports of both countries; definition of 'nationals'.
282	1.5.1943 from Van Mook	<i>NEI: financial support for internees.</i> He thinks with reference to no. 266 that Dutch Government should try through the agency of the Vatican to send money to NEI for relief of Dutch prisoners of war, internees and women and children.
282A	1.5.1943 Ministry for the Colonies	<i>Japan: treatment of Dutch subjects in NEI.</i> Dutch men in prisoners-of-war camps and internment camps; women and children not in camps. In total 165,000 prisoners of war, male civilian internees and women and children in need of help. Required monthly amount of £151,000. Proposal to ask Vatican to attempt to distribute £50,000 by analogy with no. 265.
283	2.5.1943 from Loudon (Washington)	<i>Lend-Lease.</i> From Crena de Iongh to Van den Broek and Van Mook. Further delay in provision of data on national revenue and expenditure (cf. no. 78) could endanger Lend-Lease help. Proposal for way of calculating. Data remain confidential and will not be released for publication unless, with the permission of the Netherlands.
284	2.5.1943 from Van Aerssen (Canberra)	<i>The Netherlands - USA: jurisdiction over Dutch vessels under SW-pacific Army Command.</i> Presentation of no. 284A with previous history. Aims at compromise with Americans.
284A	1.5.1943 from Van Aerssen (Canberra)	<i>The Netherlands - USA: jurisdiction over Dutch vessels under SW-Pacific Army Command.</i> Considers decision in US memorandum that vessels in the service of allied conduct of war fall under US military jurisdiction unacceptable. As Australia chooses to stand aloof, start informal protest. Interim discussion with Welch resulted in agreement to inform USA of exertion of Dutch jurisdiction aboard the vessels.
284B	29.4.1943 from Van Aerssen (Canberra)	<i>The Netherlands - USA: jurisdiction over Dutch vessels under SW-Pacific Army Command.</i> Dutch Government holds on to sovereignty and jurisdiction over Netherlands vessels unless in necessity of war. List of possibilities offered by compulsory sailing injunction (Royal Decree C 19) to try criminal offence aboard vessels. Extension of Netherlands Indies Native Militia Act for Indonesians outside NEI territory and relevance of Royal Decree C 19 to Indian seamen to be anticipated.

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285	3.5.1943 from Van Boeyen	<i>France: support Dutch subjects.</i> British Government willing to co-operate in remittance of money to Dutch subjects in the South of France provided support passes off through the agency of Sweden. If Treasury complies with request for provisional help in an actual case, please ask assistance of Swedish Government.
286	3.5.1943 from Van Boeyen	<i>Evacuation of Jewish children from occupied territory.</i> Determine German readiness for co-operation in evacuation by quickly asking Sweden to take action to this end in Berlin.
287	3.5.1943 from Van Mook	<i>Japan: counter-propaganda.</i> Van Mook makes proposal to expedite reaction by Dutch and British Governments to Japanese readiness for co-operation in Mohammedan pilgrimage to Mecca. Requests to get Van Kleffens to contact Foreign Office.
288	3.5.1943 from Van Panhuys (Madrid)	<i>The Netherlands - Spain: implementation of Royal Decree A 1.</i> Ref. no. 259. Collection and investment of outstanding claims by Dutch Government may perhaps prevent German legal action. At discovery of transfer of claims to German banks, Dutch Government should object and lay attachment if possible.
289	3.5.1943 from Teixeira de Mattos to Van Troostenburg de Bruyn	<i>Mexico: oil conflict.</i> Draft memorandum for Mexican Government concerning assessment of compensation for Mexican Eagle Oil Company will be presented to Bateman first. Comments of Dutch Government requested. Halifax will inform Welles.
290	3.5.1943 from Van Lidth de Jeude to Van Angeren	<i>UK: Civil Affairs Agreement.</i> Consultations on action to be taken by Dutch military command at liberation of Dutch territory are being held with British Government. No. 290A was drawn up in preparation to official consultations on legal aspects.
290A	[3.5.1943] Draft memorandum	<i>UK: Civil Affairs Agreement.</i> As soon as German occupation ends, Dutch sovereignty will revive. For the implementation of its authority the Dutch Government has prepared a military command. Course of action will also be determined by whether liberation is effected by military operations on Dutch territory or by German capitulation. Presence of British troops calls for special legal arrangements.
291	4.5.1943 Council of Ministers	<i>Dutch internees North Africa.</i> Departure of examining committee.
292	4.5.1943 to Loudon	<i>Royal decree A 1: implementation in USA.</i> From Daubanton. Van Kleffens refuses co-operation in abolishing <i>Economic Mission</i> as proposed in no. 262A. Proposal concerning interim regime for

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293	4.5.1943 from Moolenburgh to Furstner et al.	<i>transfer management A 1 assets to Economic Mission</i> should be based on its implementation at termination of conservatory attachment. <i>Allied bombings on occupied Netherlands.</i> Report of consultations with British authorities on bombings of power stations in support of strikes in the Netherlands.
294	5.5.1943 from Lovink (Chungking)	<i>Far East: political warfare.</i> Adequate information available for investigation of Japanese South Sea politics. Requests funds for payment of two translators.
295	5.5.1943 from Kerstens	<i>UN Food Conference at Hot Springs (VA).</i> Presentation nos. 295AB, approval of which is requested.
295A	[5.5.1943]	<i>UN Food Conference at Hot Springs (VA).</i> Instruction for Dutch delegation concerning internal organization and relation to Washington Embassy. No authorization to conclude binding agreements.
295B	[5.5.1943]	<i>UN Food Conference at Hot Springs (VA).</i> Instructions for opening speech. Emphasize that food problem is primarily a distribution problem. As to the Netherlands, after the war the emphasis will continue to be on cattle-breeding, market-gardening and finishing industry and will consequently remain to be importer of farinaceous food and fats.
296	6.5.1943 to Loudon	<i>Economic Mission.</i> Assuring that Loudon does not personally stand in the way of proposed <i>incorporation of Economic Mission into Embassy.</i>
297	6.5.1943 from Loudon (Washington)	<i>OWI: Bureau of San Francisco.</i> Démarches to Davis concerning dismissal of three disloyal Indonesians at San Francisco Bureau for broadcasting to NEI were unsuccessful. Therefore presentation of no. 297B to Welles.
297A	24.4.1943 from Lattimore to Taylor (Washington)	<i>OWI: Bureau of San Francisco.</i> Dismissal of three Indonesians not necessary as their activities are satisfactory. OWI does not tolerate Dutch interference in employment policy.
297B	4.5.1943 from Loudon to Welles (Washington)	<i>OWI: Bureau of San Francisco.</i> Account of contacts between OWI and Dutch authorities concerning dismissal of three disloyal Indonesian workers.
298	7.5.1943 to Van Aerssen	<i>Australia: NEI policy.</i> Instruction for démarche to Curtin regarding Evatt's speeches in USA. The Netherlands prepared to control security together with other power in South-West Pacific, but partnership with any power in development NEI is out of the question. This does not exclude co-operation

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299	7.5.1943 to Michiels van Verduynen	with foreign elements. It should stand out clearly that the Netherlands set great store by undisturbed, very friendly relations with Australia. <i>Mexico: oil conflict.</i> It should be expressed in draft memorandum to Mexican Government that British Government acts as a law agent for the Netherlands as well.
300	7.5.1943 to Loudon	<i>USA: protection of Dutch patents.</i> Instruction to protest to US Administration against APC measures (cf. no. 16), which are a violation of the Treaty for Protection of Industrial Property. Dutch Government demands full compensation for effects of issue of compulsory licences on Dutch patents by US APC and demands cancellation of these measures. Belgian and Norwegian ambassadors must be informed of this step.
301	7.5.1943 from Teixeira de Mattos to Blom	<i>Exchange of Japanese internees.</i> The British Government has enquired the number of Japanese internees demanded by Japan. Decided to give Japan one week to reply. Then Britain will take the matter up again. Hong Kong's involvement in the exchange is not detrimental to the Netherlands.
302	8.5.1943 from Van Mook	<i>Surinam: mission to Brazil.</i> Backs Kielstra's proposal for mission to Brazil for reinforcement of economic relations and gaining insight into Brazilian defence system. Van Kleffens' opinion requested. (cf. no. 119)
303	10.5.1943 from Lovink (Chungking)	<i>Japan: counter-propaganda.</i> Japanese radio message on emigration from Java to Sumatra as a solution to overpopulation is good opportunity for counter-propaganda.
304	10.5.1943 to Van Lidth de Jeude	<i>UK: Civil Affairs Agreement.</i> Comments on no. 290A, especially on commencement of special state of siege, sovereignty and legal autonomy for British forces on Dutch territory.
305	11.5.1943 Council of Ministers	<i>Benelux: monetary agreement.</i> Authorize Van Kleffens to sign after acceptance Belgian amendments. Van Mook wants security that US Administration has no objections and note in preamble that agreement does not stand in the way of entry into a broader scheme. Memorandum Albarda concerning acquisition of goods and materials for <i>post-war reconstruction</i> . In connection with amount of expenditure Van den Broek insists on priority scheme with priority for military expenses.

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306	11.5.1943 Van Bylandt to Bentinck van Schoonheten	<i>Relations with Ethiopia.</i> Recognition of Italian king as Emperor of Ethiopia (1938) has been nullified by recapture.
307	11.5.1943 Van Mook	<i>UN Food Conference at Hot Springs (VA).</i> Further instructions. Insist on establishment of independent international institution for data collection. Unofficial talks on relief problems. Prices of agricultural products to be regulated by allowing a limited degree of quantitative protectionism and production regulation in combination with ample prospects for export. Advocates international and regional consultations on food problems.
308	12.5.1943 from Van Bylandt to Vanlangenhove	<i>UK: Civil Affairs Agreement.</i> Discussions are going on between Dutch and British military authorities. From Dutch side establishment of a Dutch military authority in liberated territory is taken for granted.
309	13.5.1943 Star Busmann	<i>Venezuela: violation of territorial waters Curaçao (Nelson Affair).</i> As the so-called Nelson Affair is dealing with the question whether violation of territorial waters has actually occurred, Venezuela cannot refer to stipulation in arbitration agreement (1933) concerning exclusive competence of national courts. Request explanation from Venezuela about this matter.
310	13.5.1943 to Van Angeren	<i>Royal Decree A 1; implementation in USA.</i> Discussion with Daubanton no reason for reconsidering decision concerning conveyance of management A 1 assets to Economic Mission. At preparation of interim regime the possibility of attachment by APC must be taken into consideration.
311	13.5.1943 from Schuller tot Peursum (Madrid)	<i>Spain: evacuation Dutch subjects.</i> Departure to Britain of Dutch subjects staying in Spain is being delayed by Portuguese authorities. Request for reprisals.
312	13.5.1943 from Schuller tot Peursum (Madrid)	<i>Spain: Dutch internees.</i> More vigorous action towards Spanish Government by allied envoys in Madrid after German-Italian defeat in North Africa. Another démarche was made concerning release of Dutch subjects. Public opinion to be influenced by press reports on conditions in internment camps.
313	13.5.1943 from Sargent to Michiels van Verduynen	<i>UK: Civil Affairs Agreement.</i> Presentation of no. 313A with proposal to start discussions on Civil Affairs Agreement.
313A	13.5.1943 Foreign Office memorandum	<i>UK: Civil Affairs Agreement.</i> Discussions on purely military arrangements concerning administration of liberated Dutch territory are going on among military authorities. Proposal to raise all other matters in

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		special British-Dutch committee, whose proposals will be presented to governments ad referendum. Dutch military authority referred to in draft Decree on the special state of siege must be subordinate to Commander-in-Chief of Allied Expeditionary Force and cannot take action until after first phase of liberation operations.
314	13.5.1943 from Hart to Van Mook (Washington)	<i>IPR</i> . Presentation of no. 314A.
314A	11.5.1943 De Voogd	<i>IPR</i> . Informal discussion on post-war collective security. Participants are advocates of all-round organization which will work on a long-term basis. Good will of participants is basis for good functioning. List of possible conflicts.
315	14.5.1943 to Loudon	<i>Lend-Lease</i> . Statement of national expenditure in pounds sterling and dollars in first six months of 1943, of cash in currencies mentioned and of gold supply in reply to no. 283.
316	14.5.1943 from Loudon (Washington)	<i>Second Washington Conference</i> . Presence of Gerbrandy in view of military character of discussions between Roosevelt and Churchill unnecessary. Outline information on progress expected in meeting PWC on 19th May.
317	14.5.1943 from Van Bylandt to Harinxma	<i>Allied bombardments on Antwerp</i> . Unlike the Belgian Government, Dutch Government will not raise an official protest against American bombardments on populous occupied territory. It will do so informally to the proper military authorities.
318	14.5.1943 from Van Mook	<i>School for administrative and business studies Brisbane: exchange with US Navy School</i> . Opponent of proposed exchange on account of differences in object of training, but considers refusal impossible without arousing suspicion of US authorities.
319	14.5.1943 from Michiels van Verduynen to Godfrey	<i>Vatican: mediation in aid to Dutch subjects in NEI</i> . Dutch Government will greatly appreciate Vatican's readiness to act as an intermediary for sending and local distribution of financial aid to NEI. To start with 50,000 pounds by way of trial.
320	14.5.1943 from Van Mook to Gerbrandy	<i>Military Mission Washington</i> . Objection to division of tasks between government representatives CCOS and attachés as in no. 320A. Amendment.
320A	8.5.1943 to Loudon	<i>Military Mission Washington</i> . Decision on establishment Military Committee Washington of government representatives CCOS and attachés. The former will aim activities at warfare in general and the latter at contacts with US Departments of War and

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321	15.5.1943 from Loudon (Washington)	Navy and study of US forces. <i>Second Washington Conference.</i> Atmosphere of Conference determined by British fear of US wish to move centre of warfare to Asia. Invasion into European continent is not yet possible in 1943 due to lack of ordnance. Local invasions are possible, but no mention of the Netherlands.
322	15.5.1943 from Loudon (Washington)	<i>OWI: Netherlands Bureau.</i> Urgent advice to allow Van Schreven to accept the position he has been offered as head of the Netherlands Bureau that will be established. Very important to have a trusted person with OWI.
323	15.5.1943 from Van Bylandt to Michiels van Verduynen	<i>Exchange in Far East.</i> Agreeable to principles and quota formulated by British Government. Ask an assurance of British Government that in case of exchange of individuals from NEI a sufficient number of Japanese will stay at disposal of Dutch Government.
324	15.5.1943 from Kerstens	<i>Benelux: customs union.</i> Arranged with Gutt planning of further discussions Lamping – Vanlangenhove concerning economic agreement. Agreement does not apply to overseas territories; during relief period ‘no customs’; strive for unification of tariffs external borders; maintenance of quota and notification to USA and Great Britain.
325	17.5.1943 from HM the Queen to Roosevelt	<i>Situation in occupied Netherlands.</i> Asks attention for consequences of German measures for population of occupied Netherlands. Requests to bring the subject up for discussion with Churchill.
326	17.5.1943 from Albarda	<i>KLM: intermediate landing in British Guyana.</i> Agree to conditions of no. 279 on account of importance of showing of the flag. Endorses advisability of reciprocity in case of possible aviation concessions to Brazil (ref. no. 124) in view of priority in requests for air routes West Indies – South America with respect to American interests.
327	17.5.1943 from Van Boetzelaer (Washington)	<i>International refugee care: Bermuda Conference.</i> Report of Bermuda Conference. Proposals that would delay warfare too much, such as massive evacuation of Jews and food aid, were declined. Solutions for separate groups of refugees in Europe were considered. Decided to apply the so-called Evian Comité, more allied in nature than before, for international co-ordination of refugee care.
328	17.5.1943 from Van Angeren to Van Lidth de Jeude	<i>UK: Civil Affairs Agreement.</i> Express more positively in no. 290A that authority by allied supreme command is exercised on the basis of Dutch sover-

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329	18.5.1943 Council of Ministers	eighty. Definition of allied authorities in Dutch statutory order with special attention to position of non-Dutch members of allied expeditionary force. <i>Consular powers</i> of civil servants in USA: draft Royal Decree accepted. <i>Co-ordination Committee reconstruction problems</i> . Cf. no. 77. At the suggestion of Van Mook variable composition in relation to subjects to be discussed.
330	19.5.1943 Kerstens	<i>Relief for occupied Netherlands</i> . According to Selborne aid to the occupied Netherlands cannot be detached from aid to other occupied territories. Relief supplies primarily concern of USA, but opinion of USSR important as well. According to Selborne US decision forthcoming.
331	20.5.1943 from Gerth van Wijk (Tanger)	<i>The Netherlands: Tanger</i> . In violation of Paris Convention (1923) Spain occupied Tanger zone in 1940. This implies threat to major routes to British and Dutch possessions in Near and Far East as, despite its neutrality, Spain is sympathetic towards Axis powers. Post-war administration of Tanger zone under Anglo-American authority.
332	21.5.1943 from Michiels van Verduynen	<i>Relief for occupied Netherlands</i> . According to Droggheda the content of no. 253 is not in the least in conflict with Foote's statement in the House of Commons that the blockade remains politically unchanged as this statement refers to present policy without anticipating its possible revision.
333	21.5.1943 from Van der Vijver to Gerbrandy	<i>UK: Civil Affairs Agreement</i> . British Government wants to discuss a few arrangements with regard to military administration over occupied Netherlands in Dutch-British study group. No. 333A is basis of Dutch contribution.
333A	21.5.1943 Draft memorandum	<i>UK: Civil Affairs Agreement</i> . Legal authority of Dutch Government not affected by occupation. Exertion of authority by Military Authority after evacuation by occupier. Make arrangement for powers of allied troops with regard to allied soldiers and Dutch population.
334	22.5.1943 to Loudon	<i>Military Mission Washington</i> . Decision to establish internal Military Committee Washington of government representatives CCOS and attachés. Charged with co-ordination of tasks of members. Government representatives charged with handling of allied warfare in general; attachés with contacts with US departments of War and Navy and advising the Ambassador on political-strategic affairs. Government counts on full co-operation of all those involved.

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335	24.5.1943 Star Busmann	<i>UK: Civil Affairs Agreement.</i> Draft decree special state of siege is workable as basis of Civil Affairs Agreement during liberation operations.
336	24.5.1943 from Van Bylandt to Star Busmann	<i>International refugee care.</i> Presentation no. 336A. Requests to sound out Massigli on expediency of discussion proposed in no. 336A now that Bermuda Conference is closed.
336A	30.4.1943 Masaryk to Massigli	<i>International refugee care: Bermuda Conference.</i> Suggests to inform British and American authorities of the interest that governments of occupied countries attach to solution of the refugee problem and their wish to participate in related operations.
337	24.5.1943 from Van Aerssen (Melbourne)	<i>Australia: NEI policy.</i> Instruction of no. 298 carried out. No. 337A unsatisfactory.
337A	14.5.1943 from Curtin to Van Aerssen (Melbourne)	<i>Australia: NEI policy.</i> In his Holland House speech Evatt merely intended to outline the advisability of friendly postwar co-operation of Australia and NEI.
338	24.5.1943 from Godfrey to Gerbrandy	<i>The Netherlands - Vatican: restoration of diplomatic relations.</i> Vatican would appreciate restoration of mutual diplomatic relations, which have been interrupted since 1926. Requests a guarantee for renewed relations to be of a permanent character.
339	25.5.1943 Council of Ministers	<i>Vatican.</i> Decision to accept proposal by Holy See (cf. no. 338) to restore diplomatic relations. <i>Relief.</i> Kerstens requests démarche at FO as British Government withholds permit for transport to the Netherlands of anything breaching the blockade, for instance fish oil.
340	25.5.1943 from Daniëls (Rio de Janeiro)	<i>Brazil: protection of Dutch bonds.</i> Brazilian Government does not seem to intend to resume payment of interest on bonds as of October 1943. Britons are aiming at discussions. Advice to inform Brazilian authorities of Dutch wish to be a party to these.
341	26.5.1943 from Steenberghe (Hot Springs, VA)	<i>UN Food Conference at Hot Springs (VA).</i> Survey of informal contacts. Talks about establishing agency <i>Steenberghe Mission</i> in Brazil and restoration of trade with USSR.
342	27.5.1943 from Lovink (Chungking)	<i>China: post-war reconstruction.</i> Warns of impression created from Chinese quarters that reconstruction will shut the door on large-scale emigration from China.
343	28.5.1943 from Van Bylandt to Flaes	<i>Portugal: protection of Dutch securities.</i> Instruction for consultations with British Embassy on approaching Portuguese Government in accordance with no. 343A.

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343A	21.5.1943 from Van Angeren	<i>Portugal: protection of Dutch securities.</i> It is advisable to prevent remittance of interest on Portugese loans to the Netherlands. Take steps in consultation with British Embassy.
344	29.5.1943 from Van Boetzelaer (Washington)	<i>Palestine: settlement of Jews.</i> Has pointed out to Elink Schuurman that the position he takes in no. 344A is not supported by government position.
344A	20.5.1943 Elink Schuurman (New York)	<i>Palestine: settlement of Jews.</i> The Netherlands has a moral duty to contribute actively towards solution of the Jewish problem, especially towards liberalization of Jewish immigration into Palestine.
345	29.5.1943 from Loudon (Washington)	<i>OWI: San Francisco Bureau.</i> Discussion with Lattimore and Taylor has not resulted in dismissal of staff members who displease the Netherlands, but their activities will be restricted. Expects improvement of present relations.
346	.5.1943 Steenberghe (New York)	<i>Relief for occupied Netherlands.</i> Explained the matter of relief purchases in an interview with the Queen on 6th April and insisted on steps with British and US Governments for limited food supplies in aid of women and children in occupied Netherlands.
347	.5.1943 Steenberghe (New York)	<i>Relief for occupied Netherlands.</i> Explained to the Queen in an interview on 14th April that the Netherlands should make propaganda in USA for relief to occupied Netherlands. Press British Government to reply to proposal of no. 171. Van Kleffens has been informed.
348	1.6.1943 from Loudon (Washington) to Michiels van Verduynen	<i>Relief for occupied Netherlands.</i> In view of sympathetic mood of State Department, Van Kleffens requests detailed plan for dispatch of powdered milk to the Netherlands (cf. no. 253).
349	1.6.1943 Van Bylandt	<i>China: mutiny of Chinese seamen at Freemantle.</i> On the authority of Van Kleffens proposed to Wunsz King to make a gesture by granting a compensation, provided that this closes the matter. King's suggestion to settle <i>mutiny at Alexandria</i> and <i>incident in Curaçao</i> simultaneously was rejected.
350	1.6.1943 Van Kleffens (Washington)	Discussion on <i>relief</i> with Lehman and together with Van den Broek in the Treasury on <i>monetary agreement between the Netherlands, Belgium and Luxemburg; Keynes and White Plans</i> and <i>the extraction of bauxite.</i>
351	1.6.1943 from Steenberghe to Kerstens et al. (Hot Springs. VA)	<i>UN Food Conference at Hot Springs (VA).</i> British delegation propagates a very expansionist post-war trade policy based on the principle of efficient producers. The territories now occupied would suffer

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352	2.6.1943 from Loudon (Washington)	as a result of this policy. Hart has opposed this approach (cf. no. 369C). <i>UN Food Conference at Hot Springs (VA)</i> . From Steenberghe to Kerstens, Michiels and Van Mook. Dutch delegation has declined proposal by Free French to make a statement in the final session on behalf of all occupied countries and has together with Belgium, Luxemburg and Norway recommended an encouraging passage in final speech by chairman. Free French are trying to present themselves as a great power.
353	2.6.1943 from Loudon to Groenman (Washington)	<i>Meeting Wilhelmina - Roosevelt</i> . From Van Kleffens to G. van Tets. Roosevelt has invited Wilhelmina to discussions in Hyde Park, i.a. on <i>post-war division of Germany</i> .
354	2.6.1943 Van Kleffens (Washington)	Was requested by Roosevelt to invite HM the Queen to a <i>visit to Hyde Park</i> , i.a. to discuss no. 325.
355	3.6.1943 Van Kleffens (Washington)	Writer has addressed the Commission for Foreign Affairs. Informal talk with Hopkins on <i>international aviation and obtaining planes for KLM</i> .
356	4.6.1943 from Loudon to Michiels van Verduynen (Washington)	<i>Post-war international air traffic</i> . To Gerbrandy, Michiels, Albarda and Kerstens, from Van Kleffens: Americans prepared to have informal discussions on international transport matters (shipping/aviation). Request for quick assignment of experts and for directions. This does not rule out simultaneous discussions with Britons.
357	4.6.1943 Van Randshuyzen (Alger)	<i>Recognition CFLN</i> . CFLN asks recognition by the Dutch Government.
358	4.6.1943 from Moeton to Kerstens	<i>Post-war requirements: inland transport</i> . Plan for post-war 'Inland Transport System' must provide for coherent allied organization offering maximum transport capacity. Pool system will gear transport materials according to need. The Netherlands could have disposal of railway equipment from pool in case of deficiency. Advice to agree to basic principle.
359	6.6.1943 from Loudon to Michiels van Verduynen (Washington)	<i>The Netherlands - Vatican: restoration diplomatic relations</i> . To Michiels and Gerbrandy. Van Kleffens advocates restoration diplomatic relations. Will present matter to Queen Wilhelmina, who was against earlier on. Preliminary investigation into position of Italy and views of Dutch Protestants. Government cannot guarantee that States General will accept permanent nature of mission.
360	7.6.1943 from Wunsz King to Van Bylandt	<i>China: abolition extraterritorial rights</i> . Presentation of no. 360A.

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360A	7.6.1943 Report of discussion delegations	<i>China: abolition extraterritorial rights.</i> Discussion on mutual plans for regulations concerning reciprocity as well as need and scope of regulation concerning consular officials. New Chinese plan promised.
361	7.6.1943 from Hart to Van Mook (Washington)	<i>UN Food Conference at Hot Springs (VA).</i> Delegation was successful. Recommendations of conference (cf. no. 369) make important principles for future international agricultural policy. Serious conflict of opinions with British delegation concerning commodity agreements and buffer stocks. British view is liberal-conservative and not representative of UK.
362	8.6.1943 Council of Ministers	<i>Vatican.</i> Discussion of no. 359. <i>KLM.</i> Mediation Van Kleffens called in for post-war acquisition of aircraft in connection with crash of KLM-plane. <i>Post-war Reconstruction.</i> Formulation priority scheme not possible; decided on regular consultations in this matter.
363	8.6.1943 from Albarda	<i>KLM: concession air route England-Madrid.</i> Although charter contract KLM-BOAC is blocking air route England - Madrid at the moment, keep up contact with Spanish Government with a view to possible new post-war air routes to the West Indies.
364	9.6.1943 Van Kleffens (Washington)	Has addressed Commission for Foreign Affairs on <i>situation in occupied Netherlands and NEI.</i> Attended meeting <i>PWC.</i> Steenberghe and Hart reported on <i>Food Conference Hot Springs.</i>
365	10.6.1943 from Michiels van Verduynen to Loudon	<i>The Netherlands - Vatican: restoration diplomatic relations.</i> Reply to no. 359. To Van Kleffens. Restoration diplomatic relations with Vatican mainly advantageous. Good case to refute Queen's counter-arguments. Gerbrandy expects support from Protestant quarters to restoration relations.
366	10.6.1943 from Loudon (Washington)	<i>Supply aircraft for Dutch squadron in Australia.</i> To Van Mook and Furstner from Stoeve and Dijkhoorn. Munitions Assignment Committee Air has rejected request for 30 P.38 aircraft. Proposal for new request for 24 as offered alternative is unsuited for fighter squadron.
367	10.6.1943 from Biddle to Michiels van Verduynen	Presentation of draft agreement for <i>United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration</i> with commentary. Possibility of exchange of views on contents agreement, which will come into force after approval by all United Nations.
368	10.6.1943 Dutch-Belgian tariff committee	<i>Benelux: customs union.</i> Inauguration tariff committee. Given the difference in ways of levying between the Netherlands (ad valorem rights) and Belgium (specific rights), the committee will investigate

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369	10.6.1943 Dutch delegation	<p>the possibility of a collective tariff on the basis of Geneva nomenclature. Further consultations Lamping - Vanlangenhove on relief goods and regulation of quota restrictions necessary.</p> <p><i>UN Food Conference at Hot Springs (VA)</i>. Final report commences with survey of organization and procedure of conference, impressions of other delegations and procedure Dutch delegation. Summary of discussions in sections. Major result concerns establishment of interim committee in preparation to a permanent body with principal aim of improving prospects for agricultural products on international market. Attitude of British delegation towards production agreements disappointing.</p>
369A	18.5.1943 Steenberghe	<p><i>UN Food Conference at Hot Springs (VA)</i>. Dutch Government welcomes initiative USA and praises choice of subject at first outward manifestation UN. Establishment impartial UN 'Fact-finding organization' considered important in preparation to international economic agreements.</p>
369B	25.5.1943 Peters	<p><i>UN Food Conference at Hot Springs (VA)</i>. Restoration Dutch agriculture can best be accomplished on the pre-war model: intensive agriculture and stock breeding. Conditions for this are both political and economic security with necessary 'exchange of commodities' guaranteed by international organization.</p>
369C	25.5.1943 Hart	<p><i>UN Food Conference at Hot Springs (VA)</i>. Points out dangers of unlimited production increase as propagated by Britons. Advocates production control at a national and international level. Resulting measures and agreements to be supervised by new international body.</p>
369D	27.5.1943 Philipse	<p><i>UN Food Conference at Hot Springs (VA)</i>. Proposal to admit occupied countries back to the international market after liberation and restoration of agricultural production. Improvement trade conditions by combination of 3 methods: 'bilateral negotiations', 'commodity agreements' and 'regional understandings'.</p>
369E	no date Dutch delegation	<p><i>UN Food Conference at Hot Springs (VA)</i> International commodity problems. Experience of the Netherlands. Economic depression of the thirties and German occupation disastrous to production and export of Dutch agricultural products. Future restoration must be aimed at restoration of production machinery and obtaining foreign markets. International co-operation (on a UN-level) thought advisable.</p>

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369F	no date Dutch delegation	<i>UN Food Conference at Hot Springs (VA)</i> . International commodity problems. Experience of the Netherlands Indies. Problems as under no. 369E. Particularly exports were effected by severe price reductions and tariff barriers in the thirties. International 'agreements for quantitative control' offered satisfactory solution. Continuation of international co-operation will make revision of present agreements necessary.
370	11.6.1943 from Loudon (Washington)	<i>UNRRA</i> . From Van Kleffens to Michiels van Verduynen. Voiced objections to Welles and Acheson to the fact that only Big Four and none of the occupied countries are represented in Central Committee. Insists on fast formulation of Dutch attitude towards main points. Fast reaction expected to be favourable for Dutch position.
371	11.6.1943 Acheson (Washington)	<i>UNRRA</i> . Ref. no. 370. Account of discussion with Van Kleffens concerning relief plan. Refutation of the latter's objections.
372	12.6.1943 Van Kleffens (Washington)	<i>UNRRA</i> . Directions for action towards UNRRA plan of 10th June 1943, among other things must be determined who advocated Central Committee of Big Four.
373	12.6.1943 Dutch-Belgian tariff committee	<i>Benelux: customs union</i> . Pressure from Belgian side on fixing single uniform tariff in London. The Netherlands fears that uniformation of excise duties will create great problems. Decision: The Netherlands will investigate possibility of making a start with placing tariffs in Geneva nomenclature. Belgium will make effort to transform specific rights into ad valorem rights.
374	12.6.1943 Trade department Washington	<i>USA: protection of Dutch patents</i> . Discussion of no. 300. Contrary to instruction, decision is made to restrict actions to (1) agreement on obligation to settle payment of royalties and (2) stipulation for restoration of all rights once the Netherlands is liberated.
375	13.6.1943 Van Kleffens (Ottawa)	Her <i>meeting with Roosevelt</i> prepared together with HM. the Queen. <i>Restoration of diplomatic relations with Vatican</i> met with great objections; Van Kleffens threatened with his resignation.
376	14.6.1943 from Loudon to Michiels van Verduynen (Washington)	<i>The Netherlands - Vatican: restoration of diplomatic relations</i> . To Gerbrandy and Michiels. Van Kleffens' attempt to convince Queen Wilhelmina of the benefit from restoration of diplomatic relations with Vatican met with severe objection. Van Kleffens turns down compromise proposal to send political agent and threatens with his resignation in case of

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377	15.6.1943 from Flaes (Lisbon)	repeated refusal. Reveals course of action and inquires about government position. <i>Portugal: protection of Dutch securities.</i> Too little information available as yet to make démarche in accordance with no. 343. Supply in Portugal of gold that was probably <i>stolen by the Germans in occupied territories</i> must be included in démarche.
378	16.6.1943 from Ministry for Foreign Affairs to Swiss Legation	<i>Recognition of naturalization to foreign subject.</i> Survey of relevant sections of the law.
379	17.6.1943 from Kerstens to Van den Broek	<i>Benelux: monetary union.</i> Underlines that he wants to await result of international consultations before concluding monetary agreement. Comment on date of commencement; monetary union only useful when exchange rate belga-guilder compared to third countries has been fixed after binding consultations on this issue.
380	17.6.1943 from De Gaay Fortman to Kerstens and Van den Broek	<i>Germany: armistice terms.</i> State of discussions in Financial subcommittee of Comité interallié pour l'Etude de l'Armistice. Instructions requested concerning duration of period of German compensatory deliveries in kind, German industrial capacity, allied control of German industry, powers of interallied Reparation Committee and assumption of share in hostile projects.
380A	9.6.1943	<i>Germany: armistice terms.</i> Belgian-Dutch-Luxemburgian draft article on repayment.
380B	no date	<i>Germany: armistice terms.</i> Belgian draft article concerning allied property on enemy soil.
381	18.6.1943 Council of Ministers	<i>Restoration of diplomatic relations with Vatican.</i> In deliberations on no. 376 the Council of Ministers decides to take the consequences of earlier initiative and to second possible resignation of Van Kleffens. <i>UNRRA.</i> Proposal (cf. no. 367) ends private initiative of small UN. Matter conducted by Big Four; pooling inevitable though problematic. Comment by Kerstens concerning position of the Netherlands in new organization; current arrangement too much based on military relations of this moment.
382	18.6.1943 from Michiels van Verduynen to Godfrey	<i>The Netherlands - Vatican: restoration of diplomatic relations.</i> Dutch Government cannot guarantee permanent basis of diplomatic relations, these being subject to approval by Estates General. Government's belief in restoration relations follows from expectation that majority of Dutch population shares this belief.

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383	18.6.1943 from Michiels van Verduynen to Eden	<i>Great Britain: disposition of liberated Dutch ships.</i> Dutch Government wants to know whether British Government has paid attention to problem of treatment Dutch and NEI ships that fall into the hands of Allies at liberation operations.
384	19.6.1943 to Hopkins (Washington)	<i>KLM: acquisition of aircraft.</i> Size air fleet KLM severely affected by occupation and because aircraft are put at disposal of allied warfare. Request for three commercial planes for KLM.
385	19.6.1943 from Van Mook	<i>NEI: Rubber Recovery Programme.</i> Informal discussions of semi-official American committee, Ministry of Colonial Affairs and a few British government departments aimed at fast recovery of rubber production in Malaya and NEI. Presentation no. 385A.
385A	16.6.1943 Rubber Arrangements Far East	<i>NEI: Rubber Recovery Programme.</i> Proposals to set up Tripartite planning for recovery of rubber production in Malaya and NEI during first period after military recapture. Proposals provide for British-American-Dutch committees charged with relevant preparations, co-ordination and supervision under the aegis of Raw Materials Board.
386	22.6.1943 Council of Ministers	<i>Restoration of diplomatic relations with Vatican.</i> According to Visser 't Hooft the Protestant segment of the Dutch nation will react favourably to restoration of relations. Van Kleffens anticipates HM. will reconsider her attitude. Approval of draft declaration pointing out to Dutch population the inescapability of <i>bombing war targets</i> . <i>UNRRA.</i> Unlike Kerstens, Albarda considers continuation of Dutch <i>relief purchases</i> improper pending negotiations.
387	22.6.1943 from Van Bylandt to Van Lidth de Jeude	<i>North Africa: camp for refugees from Spain.</i> British Government has not yet decided on plan to establish refugee camp near Alger. According to reports US Supreme Command objects. British Government persists in exerting pressure on Americans.
388	22.6.1943 Draft treaty	<i>China: abolition extraterritorial rights.</i> Chinese amendment proposals to no. 281A, especially concerning consular rights and treatment as most-favoured nation in anticipation of treaties of friendship, commerce, navigation and consular relations.
389	22.6.1943 from Michiels van Verduynen to Eden	<i>UK: Civil Affairs Agreement.</i> Proposal of no. 313 approved; Dutch members appointed. Explanation of Dutch opinion on legal authority and responsibilities of Military Authority after liberation.

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390	23.6.1943 from Loudon to Michiels van Verduynen (Washington)	<i>Meeting Wilhelmina – Roosevelt.</i> To Gerbrandy and Michiels from Van Kleffens. Discussion with Roosevelt went off satisfactorily. It included the latter's approval of enlargement central committee UNRRA and preparedness to start food aid immediately and to give warnings to and if necessary take <i>reprisals against Germany and Japan</i> in case of persisting violation of lives and property.
391	23.6.1943 from Michiels van Verduynen to Bland	<i>Allied bombardments on occupied Netherlands.</i> Dutch Government prepared to alarm population in occupied territory of intensified allied bombardments. This assent does not mean Allies are free to bomb as they like and the Government desires continued consultation on targets: minimum damage to civil population should remain the objective.
392	23.6.1943 from Moolenburgh to Gerbrandy	<i>Allied bombardments on occupied Netherlands.</i> Discussed question of priority targets with British authorities. Attacks as much as possible as precise daylight-attacks/low level. Previous arrangements remain applicable for other targets.
393	24.6.1943 from Van Angeren	<i>Royal Decree A 1: vesting orders from US Alien Property Custodian.</i> Proposal to hold steps as referred to in no. 15 until definite result of attempted conveyance of shares of subsidiary company in Great Britain to Dutch Government.
394	24.6.1943 from Teixeira de Mattos	<i>Exchange in Far East.</i> Japanese Government not prepared to reduce number of Japanese evacuees from NEI now in Australia who qualified for exchange.
394A	23.6.1943 from Wallinger to Teixeira de Mattos	<i>Exchange in Far East.</i> Japanese Government has rejected Dutch Government's request for repatriation of Dutch subjects in Far East.
395	26.6.1943 from Michiels van Verduynen to Loudon	<i>Benelux: monetary union.</i> Van Mook agreeable to proposed amendment section 14 monetary agreement. Gerbrandy and Kerstens suggest sharper formulation concerning multilateral agreement.
396	26.6.1943 from Godfrey to Michiels van Verduynen	<i>Holy See: mediation in relief for Dutch subjects in NEI.</i> Japanese Government wants details of distribution of aid among regions and groups.
397	28.6.1943 from Michiels van Verduynen to Loudon	<i>Currency arrangement and establishment Currency Institute.</i> Previous to signing Van Angeren wants to make sure that implementation of currency arrangement will have no repercussions in USA.
398	28.6.1943 from Loudon (Washington)	<i>Military intelligence for CCOS representatives.</i> From Van Kleffens to Gerbrandy. Dijkhoorn and Stoeve are lacking intelligence on SWPA from Dutch sources, and BSO is of little help here. Situation of Gov-

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399	28.6.1943 from Van Boeyen to Council of Ministers	ernment representatives CCOS is becoming impossible if Dutch commanders are withholding intelligence from them. To be discussed in Cabinet Committee on Warfare. <i>Portugal: care of Dutch refugees.</i> Report of Van Boeyen's visit to Portugal in June 1943 for the benefit of Dutch refugees.
400	28.6.1943 Loudon to Hull (Washington)	<i>UNRRA.</i> Reaction to draft UNRRA. Composition Central Committee inconsistent with democratic principles because of non-representation of occupied countries. Proposal is a dangerous precedent for future UN-organizations. Two or three small powers to take turns at representation in Central Committee. Activities UNRRA in consultation with and with consent of governments concerned. Consumer countries also to be admitted to Supply Council.
400A	28.6.1943	<i>UNRRA.</i> Suggestions by Dutch Government for possible textual revision Draft Agreement.
401	29.6.1943 Council of Ministers	<i>Refugees Portugal.</i> Report of Van Boeyen's visit to Portugal: care has been sufficient. <i>Refugees Spain.</i> Has come across financial mismanagement in Madrid; reorganization necessary. Illegal refugee care neglected due to opposition envoy. Decided on conference in London i.a. on financial policy. <i>UNRRA.</i> Further information from Michiels van Verduynen.
402	[30].6.1943 Steenberghe Mission (Washington)	<i>Activities Steenberghe Mission.</i> Report of activities September 1942 - June 1943 by Economic and Financial Departments and contacts with US authorities. Subjects discussed: establishment of Industrial Committee in connection with preparations for recovery of Dutch industry, <i>post-war provisioning</i> and food purchases; increase of activities aimed at Latin America and Canada, Dutch frozen assets, advice on handling of securities after liberation, <i>taking over management of A 1 affairs from Embassy, Dutch loan in USA</i> and <i>White Plan.</i>