MEMORANDUM TO MR. JUSTICE JACKSON

SUBJECT: Denmark Report on War Crimes

4 September 1945

AT 4:00 o'clock this afternoon I held a conference
with Dr. Schramm-Nielsen at the Danish Embassy regarding the
Danish war crimes report, pursuant to Dr. Justice Jackson's
letters of 5 and 6 July 1945. Dr. Schramm-Nielsen explained
that prior to July 22, 1945, Denmark was not a member of the
War Crimes Commission and for that reason it did not receive
copies of the Justice's above mentioned letters, nor did it
receive a copy of the corresponding letter from the British
War Crimes Executive. Dr. Schramm-Nielsen now has copies of
the Justice's letters through the kindness of Colonel Hodgson.

The result is that Denmark has not started work on
its report. It does have the basic investigations and informa-
tion, but it will be necessary to summarize these in a con-
densed report with annexes referring to the basic documents,
information, etc., and Dr. Schramm-Nielsen says it will take
some time to get this done.

He briefly outlined what he thought they could show
under the four main heads of the Justice's letter, as follows:

1. Infiltration through the strong German minority
   in Jutland: economic and political penetration.
   The main difficulty about this branch is that
   the Germans burned most of the pertinent docu-
   ments.

2. The Germans certainly made a non-aggression
   agreement with Denmark a few months before she
   was invaded, and certainly never intended to
   keep the agreement. This is deemed very impor-
   tant from the Danish point of view.

3. The actual invasion of Denmark.

4. Practically all of the Jews and practically all
   of the police were removed from Denmark and taken
   to Germany, and the police was replaced by the
   worst element of gangsters and criminals.

Dr. Schramm-Nielsen will undertake to have his Govern-
ment furnish its report in English, properly and officially
authenticated as a governmental report, by about the first of
October. He says it will be impossible to get it to us sooner.

SIDNEY S. ALDERSHAW

cc: Colonel Hodgson
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