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Sir P. Nichols
(The Hague) to
Mr. Crosthwaite

Top Secret
Dated 30 Dec: 1948
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Evidence before Committee of
Enquiry concerning conduct of
clandestine operations in the
Netherlands during the war.

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(210567/10408/G/68)

Mr. Street - For observations please.

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I attach a suggested draft
reply which is, I hope, self-explanatory.

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D by Sir P. Nichols
(The Hague)
from Mr. Stuchburgh

John Street
12 Jan.

Jan: 15th

I have no comments on Mr. Street's
draft.

2c sent to
Mr. Street

Jan: 17th

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BRITISH EMBASSY,
THE HAGUE.

30th December 1948.

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My dear Mome.

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With reference to my Top Secret letter of 23rd December about the statement for the Enquete Commissie Regeringsbeleid 1940-1945, my Military Attaché has now been informed by General Kruls that he has handed a copy of the statement to the Chairman of the Commission of Enquiry, that the Chairman was very grateful for the statement, and that its effect had been "very good".

At the same time, General Kruls said the Chairman had asked if he might have a copy of Lord Selborne's Report. I hardly suppose that we can comply with this request, but I should be grateful if you would confirm that this is so: and perhaps give me material for a civil answer which Kruls could pass on to the Chairman.

Yours ever

Stuart Nicolson

P.M. Crosthwaite, Esq.,
Western Department,
Foreign Office.

any fear what it would be misused.

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Yours sincerely
sgd) John Russell
for CAE. Shackburgh

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Draft letter to:

Sir Philip Nichols,
The Hague.

from:

~~Mr. Grootenboer.~~

Mr. Shuckburgh.

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Mr. Street.

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my dear Ambassador/DC, 15 Jan. 14-1
I have now taken over this
department from Croc Rawati & am accordingly
writing to answer your letter to me
Thank you for your letter of 30th

December about the statement for the Enquete
Commissie Regeringsbeleid 1940-1945.

I have consulted Hayter's friends about
General Kruls' request for a copy of "Lord
Selborne's report". They presume that General
Kruls means the enquiry mentioned in the state-
ment which has already been handed to him.
Perhaps you could confirm that this is the case.
Hayter's friends would be willing to supply a
copy (in English) of the report, provided that
it were ^{is} handed to the Chairman of the Commission
of Enquiry for his personal perusal and return,
but they wish to emphasise that the report was
written before the liberation of Holland and
before the relevant German Archives had become
available: *They are not sure?* Hayter's friends therefore wonder ^{will} whether it would be of much assistance.

At the same time, they know little of
the procedure which is being adopted by the
Committee of Enquiry, nor are they familiar with
the individuals comprising it, and they would
be grateful for your opinion whether the com-
position of the Committee is such that they
could pass the report to the Chairman without
any fear that it would be misused.

Yours sincerely
(sgd) John Russell
for CAE. Shuckburgh
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FOREIGN OFFICE, S.W. 1.

15th January, 1949.

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Yours sincerely,

(sgd.) John Russell,

for
(C.A.E. Shuckburgh)

Sir Philip Nichols, K.C.M.G., M.C.,
The Hague.

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Evidence before Committee of
Enquiry concerning clandestine
operations in the Netherlands
during the war.

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BRITISH EMBASSY,

THE HAGUE.

6th January, 1949.

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Dear Department,

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Your Top Secret letter (Z 10445/10408/G) of 31st December about clandestine operations in Holland during the war has crossed the Ambassador's letter to Crosthwaite of 30th December. We are glad that Hayter's friends are prepared to consider publicity. At the moment however the Dutch press is entirely preoccupied with the Indonesian question, and we should want to learn more about the probable findings of the Commission, and its future procedure before deciding on our plan of action. Meanwhile we are making the necessary enquiries and the two officers mentioned in your letter are putting their heads together.

Yours ever,

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Western Department,
Foreign Office.

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Sir P. Nichols
(The Hague) to
Mr. Shueburgh.
150/3/49 Top Secret
Paid 24 Feb 1949
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Supply of copy of Lord
Selborne's report to President
of Committee of Enquiry: question of
issue of public statement about "Englandspiel"

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L.S.P. Nichols (The Hague)
for...
March 23

Mr. Dawson, the President of the
Committee of Enquiry has now given the
assurance regarding Lord Selborne's report
which was requested in Mr. Russell's letter
to Sir Philip Nichols. (See 259)

Would Mr. Klafford please obtain a
copy of the report for transmission to
The Hague?

As regards the issue of a public state-
ment on the allegations in "Het Englandspiel"
we must, I think, await the recommend-
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Mr. Klafford.
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In Mr. Street's Minute 169/a of 19th March.

3 copies of Lord Selborne's report have
not been received from Mr. Sturt.

See draft to Sir P. Nichols

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23/March

2 copies of Lord Selborne's Report
were sent to The Hague by Dutch
diplomatic bag on 23rd March.

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See also pp. on £ 2734 G about Sir P.

Nichols suggestion that a statement
be issued to counter the allegations in
the "Englandspiel".

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BRITISH EMBASSY,

150/3/49.

THE HAGUE.

24th February, 1949.

My dear Evelyn,

On the 15th January you wrote to me (your No. Z.59/1051/29G) about the statement for the Enquete Commissie Regeringsbeleid 1940-1945.

On this matter we have been in touch with Colonel Pock, who is well known to and whose official job is Adviser to the Prime Minister on Foreign Affairs. Through him we have been sounding the President of the Committee of Enquiry, Mr. Danker, and put to him the conditions Hayter's friends feel they must impose in regard to supplying a copy of Lord Selborne's report. As a result Danker, after consulting his colleague on the Committee, is prepared to give an undertaking in writing, if necessary, that he alone will see the report. If, therefore, you now send me a copy of the Selborne Report I will see that it is given to Mr. Danker, together with the comments contained in the final sentences of para. 2 of your letter under reply.

Meanwhile as regards issuing a statement here about the "Englandspiel" - which I still personally have much at heart - there have been certain developments. In the first place Major Bingham, who you will find mentioned in the statement we handed to the Committee, is reported in the Press to have come here himself and to have given oral evidence before the Committee. My staff have been trying to ascertain whether this report is well-founded, and if it is why on earth Bingham did not report to us before giving evidence; or why we were not warned from your end, if, indeed, your people knew anything of this visit. Unfortunately I shall not be able to obtain this information before the bag shuts this evening.

Secondly, a book has been published here by a young Dutch lawyer named van der Staap on the "Englandspiel", which we are told reproduces, in a rather extreme form, the familiar allegations against British officers. We are having this book translated at once, and it looks as though we shall have to take it into consideration in any statement we may eventually put out.

A little delay is unlikely to be harmful as Dutch public opinion at the moment is entirely concentrated on Indonesia; but the "Englandspiel" has not been forgotten and sooner or later a public statement on our part should be useful.

C. A. E. Shuckburgh, Esq.,
Foreign Office,
London, S. W. 1.

Yours ever

Hubert Nicolson

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Mr. Halford.

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By minute no. 148/B of today about the "Anglandspial". I now attach three copies of the edited version of the Selborne report with Appendices. I suggest that two copies should be sent to The Hague, one for Mr. Banker and the other for Chancery. As Western Department will see, if they have time to read the report in full, it is a most complicated and technical story, which shows clearly the difficulties of producing an official statement which will be acceptable to the general public.

I hope to get in touch with Western Department on Monday.

John Street
J.S.S. Street.

18th March 1949.

*Mr. Churchman
Western Dept*

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*2 copies of the report sent to The Hague
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[Yours]

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[Dear] 23 March

Draft. Letter to
Sir Philip
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The Hague

from
^{Russell}
Mr. ~~Stewart~~

In reply to your
letter 150/3/49 of 24th February
about the Sta copy of ~~Lord~~
~~Lord Selk~~ statement for the
Enquete Commissie Regerings-
beleid 1940-1945. I enclose ~~you~~
two copies of Lord Selborne's report,
one of which is for Mr. Danker.

The answers to the other questions
in your letter are being dealt with
separately. ^{I hope to be able to}
~~let you know some time~~ ^{we} ~~are~~ ^{will be}
~~hearing further from us about them~~
before very much longer I hope. ^{Very soon.}

This letter and the enclosed papers
are being sent by courtesy of the
Netherlands Embassy in their diplo-
matic bag, as we ^{shall} ~~will~~ not have
another confidential bag until
Monday.

[Yours]

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THE HAGUE.

30th March 1949

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My dear Russell,

Many thanks for your letter (Z.1783/1051/29G) of the 23rd March forwarding two copies of Lord Selborne's report.

We are sending one of these copies on to Mr. Danker via our friend Colonel Fock. The latter is explaining to Danker that the report was written before the liberation of Holland and before the relevant German archives had become available; we are not therefore sure of how much assistance it will be to them.

Meanwhile Evelyn Shuckburgh has written to me separately about the issue of a statement on the "Englandspiel" and I am replying to that letter direct.

Yours ever
Philip Nichols.

J.W. Russell, Esq.,
Western Department,
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 Sir P. Nichols
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 & Mrs. Shuckburgh
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 d. 25. Feb.
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Note on 'Englandspiel's' allegations
 of wartime Treachery of certain British
 Officers in S.O.E. in the Netherlands.

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THE HAGUE.

25th February, 1949.

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Yours ever

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Z BRITISH EMBASSY,

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THE HAGUE.

25th February, 1949.

My dear Evelyn, Z 1783/1051/29 G

Please refer to paragraph 3 of my letter (150/3/49) of the 21th February about the Enquete Commissie Regeringsbeleid 1940-1945. We have now learned that Bingham, who was reported in the Press to be giving oral evidence before the Committee, is a Dutch Subject who is a distant relation to the Major Bingham mentioned in the statement we handed to the Committee. So that hare does not run any more.

Meanwhile a Colonel Charles Seymour, lately employed by Hayter's friends, has informed us that he has been called by the Committee as witness; I have directed that he is not to give any evidence without prior authority from London.

Mr. Danker, President of the Committee of Enquiry, has now seen the book by van der Staap on the "Englandspiel", and is reported to consider it to be "a pack of lies". He has apparently asked the Committee's permission to issue an immediate statement of five lines to the effect that the information contained in this book is false; should such a statement be, in fact, issued, we will let you have a copy.

What is all this about? (D)

Yours ever

John Nichol

C.A.E. Shuckburgh, Esq.,
Foreign Office,
London, S.W.1.

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Sir P. Nichols
(The Hague) to
Mr. Shuckburgh
150/13/49 Top Secret
Dated 10
Recd 29 March 1949

Accusations against the British
in connection with the "Englandspiel"
suggested preparation of comprehensive
statement to be issued by H.M. Government

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Letter to Sir P. Nichols suggesting
that we should, if possible, avoid
issuing a statement.

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(1) Sir P. Nichols, The Hague to
Mr. S. & A. Shuckburgh 150/21/49 of 20/3.

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Mr Mason Englandspiel

Sir P. Vickers rang up to say that he hoped we wd be able to get out our statement soon, as ~~the~~ moment for publication might shortly arrive. He wd like discretion as to when he shd publish (after getting Dutch consent)

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P.S. See attached letter

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C.A.E. Shuckburgh, Esq.,
Western Department,
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BRITISH EMBASSY,
THE HAGUE.

TOP SECRET

10th March, 1949.

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Z 2737 G

My dear Evelyn,

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When your top secret letter Z 1783/1051/29G of the 4th March reached me I was on the point of writing to you to let you know that there have been several developments here about the Englandspiel. In the first place the Manchester Guardian article which you enclosed stirred up considerable interest in the Dutch press which had already had its interest in the subject revived by the publication of a book called "The Englandspiel" written by Mr. J.E. van der Starp, the former defence counsel of the traitor, van der Waals, who has recently been tried and condemned to death. There is now considerable public interest in the matter which has moved the liberal newspaper "Algemeen Handelsblad" to say that the Manchester Guardian's opinion is personal and that they would now like to hear the explanation from an official British source.

..... A summary is attached showing the three main occasions on which we have been accused. I also attach a copy of a précis of the operative parts of van der Starp's book prepared by the Press and Information Service of this Embassy. This précis contains the three criticisms most generally levelled against the United Kingdom in conversation and in press references, namely:-

(a) When two of the captured S.O.E. operators escaped via Lisbon in 1943 and came to England to report that the Organisation had been betrayed they were immediately clapped in prison by the British Government.

(b) /

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(b) The first operator to be dropped in Holland when he was caught, deliberately failed to send the security check; and although he repeatedly used the word "caught" in his messages, so far from the London end of the Organisation realising what had happened they merely wirelessed back saying he did not know his morse code properly.

(c) The Dutch members of the Organisation in London were not allowed to see all the relevant telegrams.

I now think it essential that a comprehensive statement should be prepared, dealing with these points in non-technical language readily comprehensible by the general public. It should be issued as an official statement by the British Government, and provided that we can obtain the assent of the Dutch to its terms, I think it would be most effective if put out from this Embassy. Otherwise, it should be issued first in London. It is particularly important that all dates referred to should be very carefully checked as the Dutch are likely to be very quick in picking up any small inaccuracies. The précis enclosed in your letter is, I am sure you will agree, hardly suitable for our purpose. What is required is something more comprehensive which also answers the points (a), (b) and (c) above.

I should perhaps add that I personally have not yet had time to read the précis of Starp's book, as it only reached me today and I have spent all day on Indonesia.

Yours ever
Philip Nichols

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9th March, 1949.

THE ENGLANDSPIEL

Accusations Against the British

Britain has been accused on three separate occasions, in connection with the war-time Englandspiel.

(a) Van der Starp's Theory

The Council for the defence of a notorious Dutch collaborator (van der Waals) J.A. van der Starp, has accused Britain of devising the Englandspiel, together with Schreider, for the purpose of wiping out resistance workers. Britain, van der Starp argued, was afraid that the solidarity and the renewed national feelings in Western Europe would threaten post-war British influence on the Continent. By supplying arms to the resistance movement during the latter stages of the war, when large numbers of criminals and demoralised elements had infiltrated into the resistance movement in Holland, Britain found a means of breaking down the reputation of the movement as a whole. In this manner, van der Starp argued, Britain succeeded in breaking the feelings of solidarity.

(b) Noel de Gaulle's Accusation

Major K. de Graaf, Acting Head of the Bureau for Special Assignments in London during the war, has written a brochure under the pen name of Noel de Gaulle on the same subject. The brochure appeared in the shape of a novel, and centres around a plot in which Major Bingham of the British Intelligence Service collaborated with a cousin working for Schreider in The Hague. De Graaf has said since that both Bingham have disappeared, and cannot be found. He has described van der Starp's theory as wilful nonsense.

(c) The Alkmaarsche Courant Theory

An entirely new theory was explained in a recent edition of the Alkmaarsche Courant, which broke down the story contained in the Manchester Guardian. The fault for the death of hundreds of Dutch underground workers, this paper announced, lay with certain British authorities, who disregarded messages sent to London by the resistance movement, via Switzerland. If due notice had been taken of these messages, many lives could have been saved. Alkmaarsche Courant rejected the theories put out by Manchester Guardian and van der Starp, but made no mention of the novel written by Noel de Gaulle.

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THE ENGLANDSPIEL

by

J.E. van der Starp

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The "Englandspiel"

by

J. E. v. d. Storp

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INTRODUCTION

This is not a novel, although the title - 'The Unmasking of the Vau-men' - is rather suggestive. This sub-title, however, is a deviation from Noel de Gaulle's story: "The Desperado's Carnival". The reason why my story is not a novel, is because its purpose is to give an account of what actually happened. I chose the title for the following reasons:

Noel de Gaulle deceives his readers, and plainly tries to lay a smoke-screen around the so-called Englandspiel. The time has come to publish the truth about this Englandspiel and the story of Anthony van der Waals.

The solution to the mysterious E-spiel lies in the unmasking of the Vau-men. These Vau-men, the executors of the British betrayal are responsible for a highly intricate situation. The notorious Johnny Ligton was sent to the Argentine by the Bureau of National Security. Antonious van der Waals received his papers from Captain Pittcock of the Intelligence Service, in co-operation with the Bureau of National Security, and was sent to Germany as a Captain of the Intelligence Service. Colonel van Einthoven, the head of the Bureau of National Security, organised a wild-goose chase all over Europe but carefully avoided looking for him in the spot where he was then safely hidden: the villa in Bonn, which had been arranged for him by the Intelligence Service.

The notorious Vau-men, Sweerts, the Belgian opposite of van der Waals, was twice sentenced to death by default; it now appears that during all that time he was in Holland. There does not appear to be a single legal expert in Belgium who remembered that there existed a treaty of extradition between Belgium and Holland, and.....a few months ago Sweerts left for safer regions on a Greek ship, equipped with British papers.

Equally notorious was Van-man Mans and far more guilty than Antonious van der Waals. Without much further ado, he was released by Public Prosecutor Zaayer, - the same man who so mercilessly prosecuted minor Dutch National Socialists.

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them to the outside world. We should deplore the inevitable attendant association of the Foreign Office or of our Diplomatic Missions with such practices. I refer particularly to the use of "double double agents."

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3. If we are to ~~revert~~ at all on a technical, historical or factual statement, we feel sure that anything less than a full explanation would evoke a flood of questions and lead to the accusation that we were trying to conceal something