

8. On November 3rd, having had no reply, the Germans wirelessly to the Passport Control Officer that they had "reached agreement on points raised and on reply received from London"(see paragraph 5 above). They ^{requested} regarded views of His Majesty's Government regarding persons acceptable to conduct negotiations.
9. The considered views of His Majesty's Government, which had been submitted to the War Cabinet for approval, were accordingly sent to The Hague on November 6th. They will be found at Flag C. Monsieur Corbin was informed of the main lines of this communication on the following day.
10. The message seems to have crossed one from The Hague despatched on November 7th, which stated that "Coup d'état will be definitely attempted, probably a week or ten days hence according to circumstances". General Wiedersheim, it went on to say, would "probably" meet our representatives on November 8th "to form personal opinion of our bona fides and to give further details". The last message we had from the Passport Control Officer was on November 9th by telephone. He then said that "the big man" had not been able to come on the previous day but was expected that afternoon. At 4 p.m. on November 9th (as we now know) he and his companion were ambushed at Venlo. Since then there has been no direct news of him. The bomb explosion at Munich took place at 9.10 p.m. on November 8th.
11. There followed a pause which lasted till November 13th. Late in the evening of that day the operator in The Hague picked up a message from the Generals which read as follows:-

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