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The file consists of correspondence regarding the proposed purchase of two British ships by the Persian Government for trade between the Gulf ports and ports in India and Europe.

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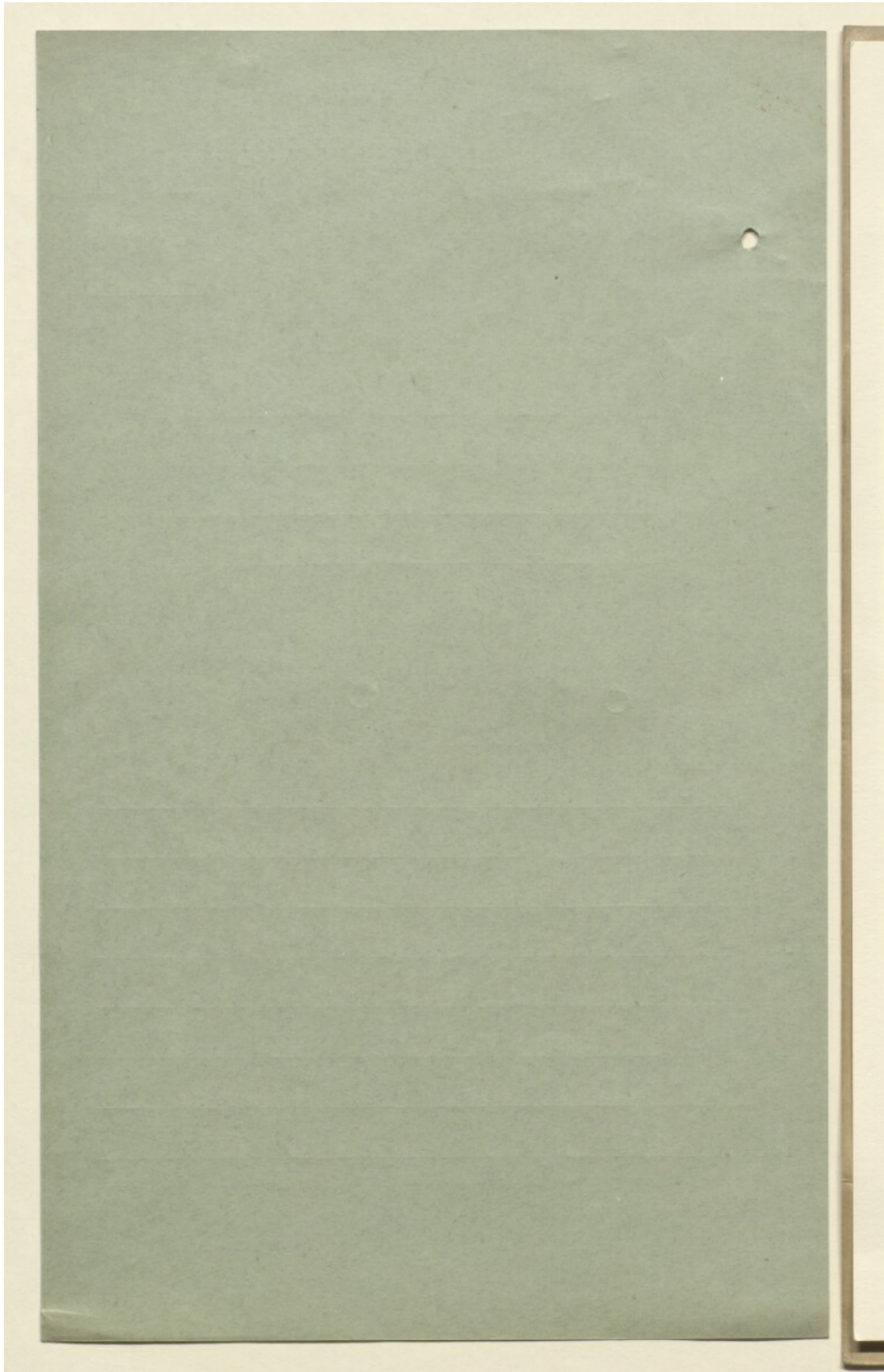
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D. H. R. T. Khan

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No. E1797/159/34 528
and address—*not to any person by name* but to—
"The Under-Secretary of State," Foreign Office, London, S.W. 1.

INDEXED THE Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs presents his
compliments to **FILE COPY** *The Under Secretary of State for*
India and, by direction of the Secretary of State,
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Foreign Office,
20th March 1939.

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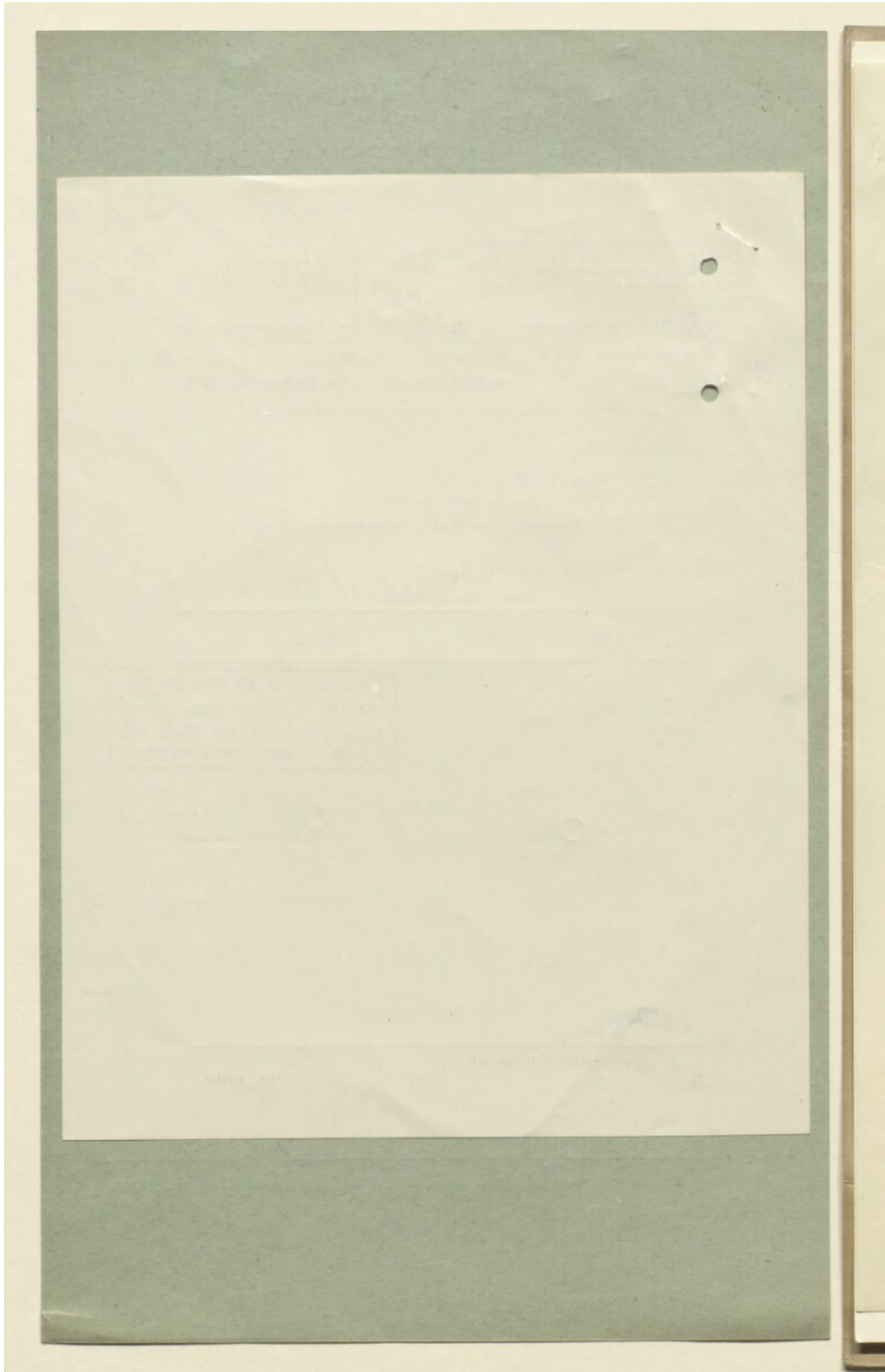
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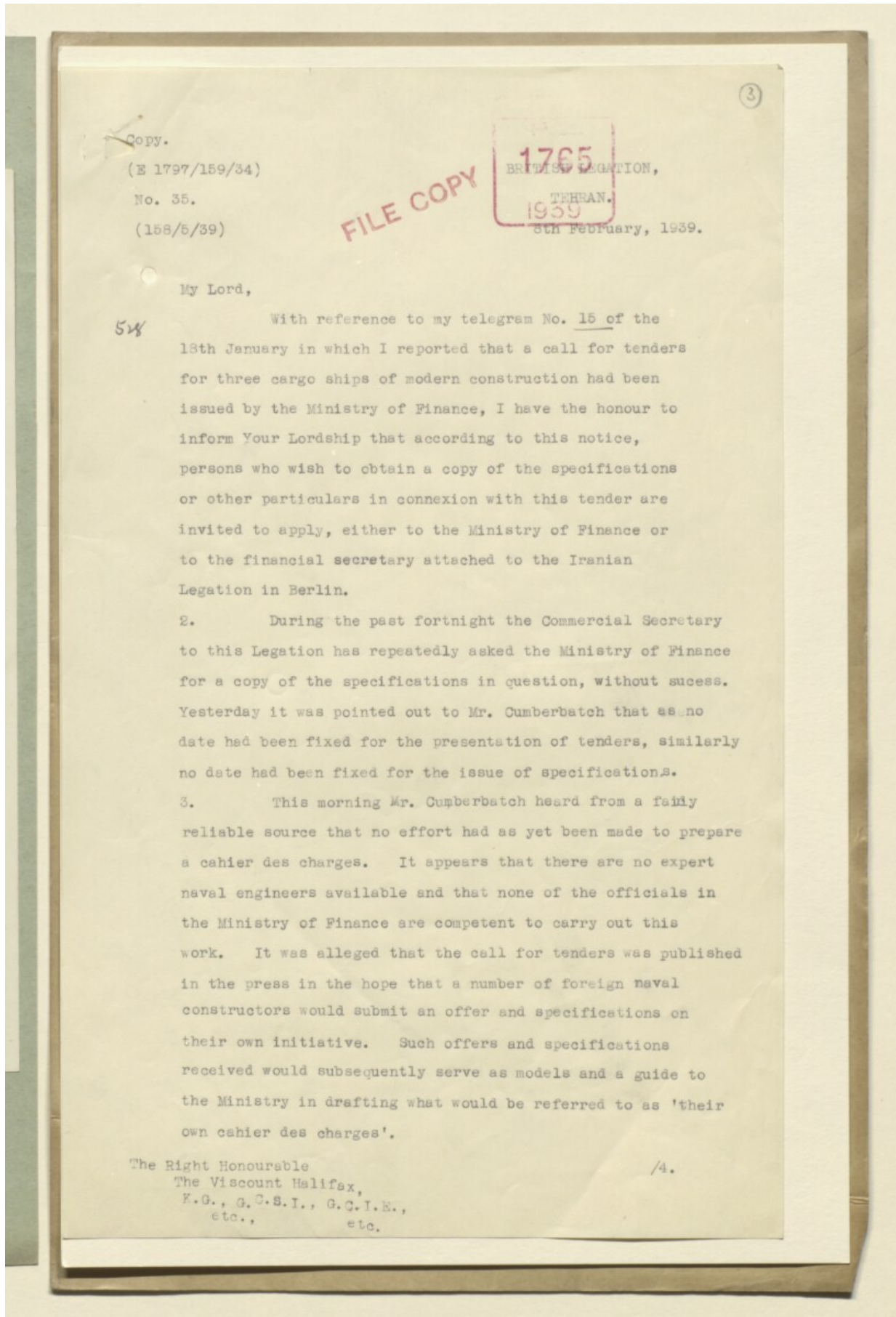
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<p><i>Despatch</i></p> <p>from D. H. R. T. Khan.</p> <p>No. 35.</p> <p>8th Feb. 1939.</p>	<p style="border: 1px solid red; padding: 5px; text-align: center;">ENCLOSURE IN AIR MAIL LETTER NO. 13 24.3.39 FROM SECRETARY, POLITICAL AND SECRET DEPT. INDIA OFFICE</p> <p><i>Cargo ships required</i></p> <p><i>by Persian Government.</i></p>

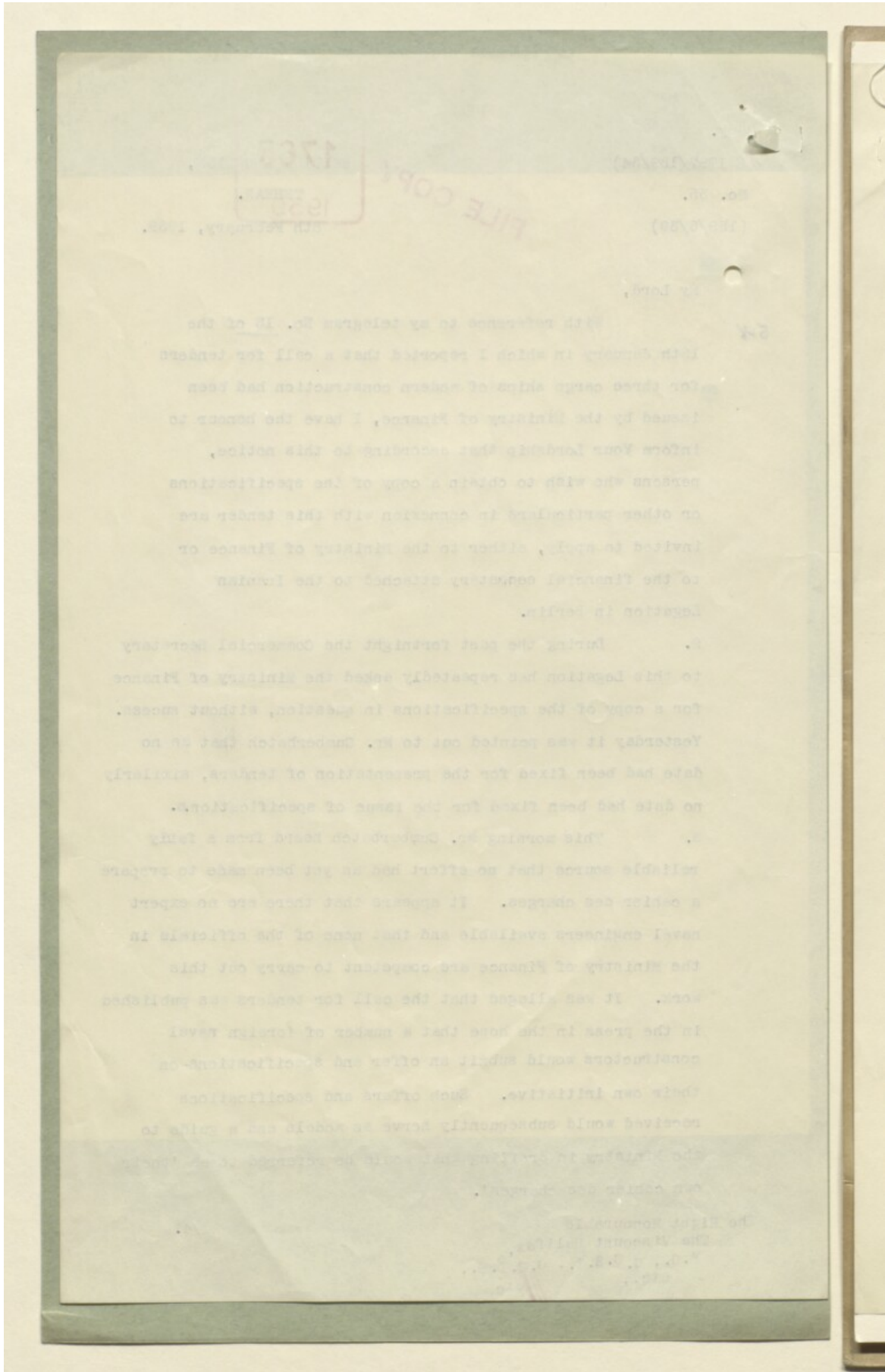
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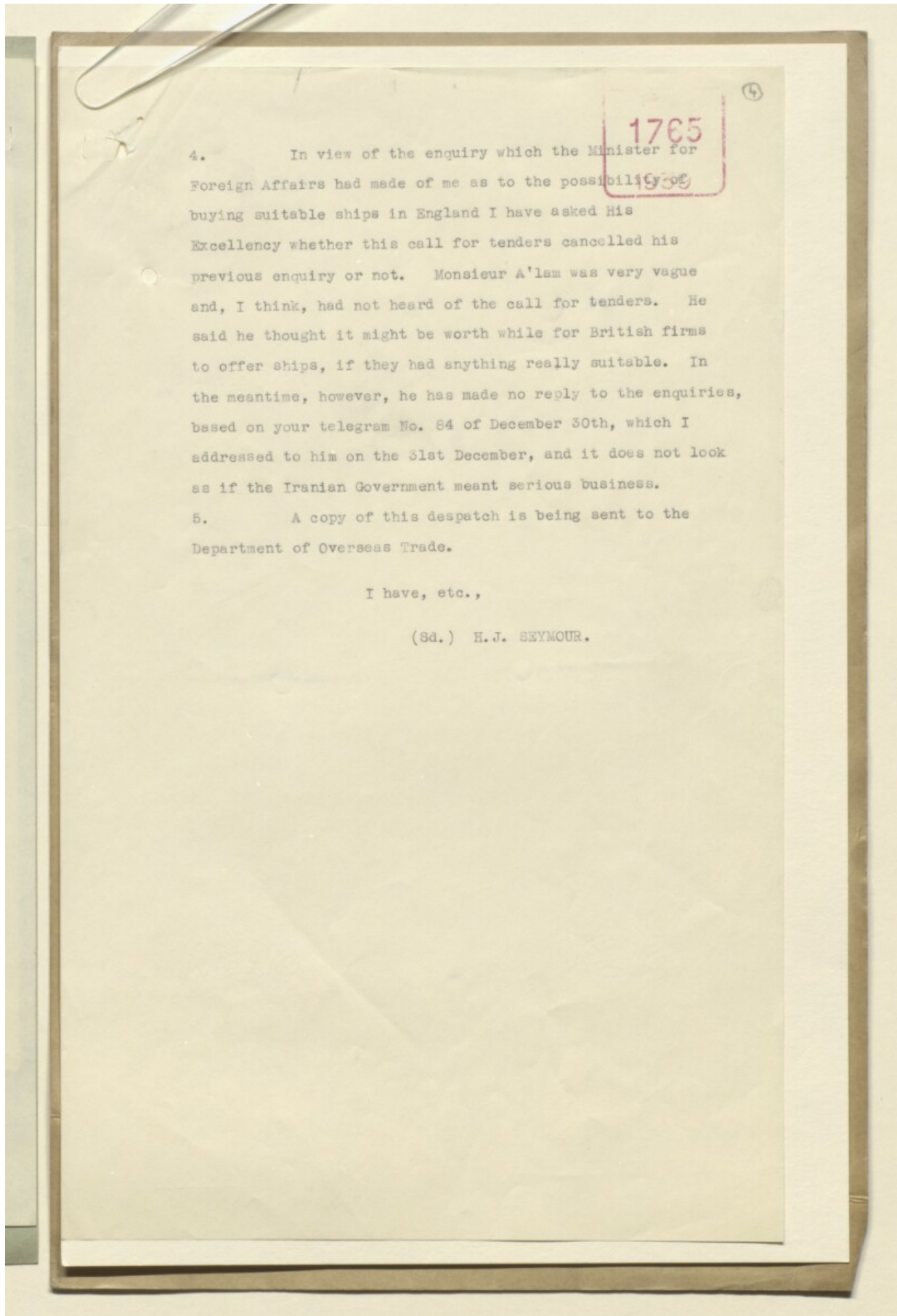
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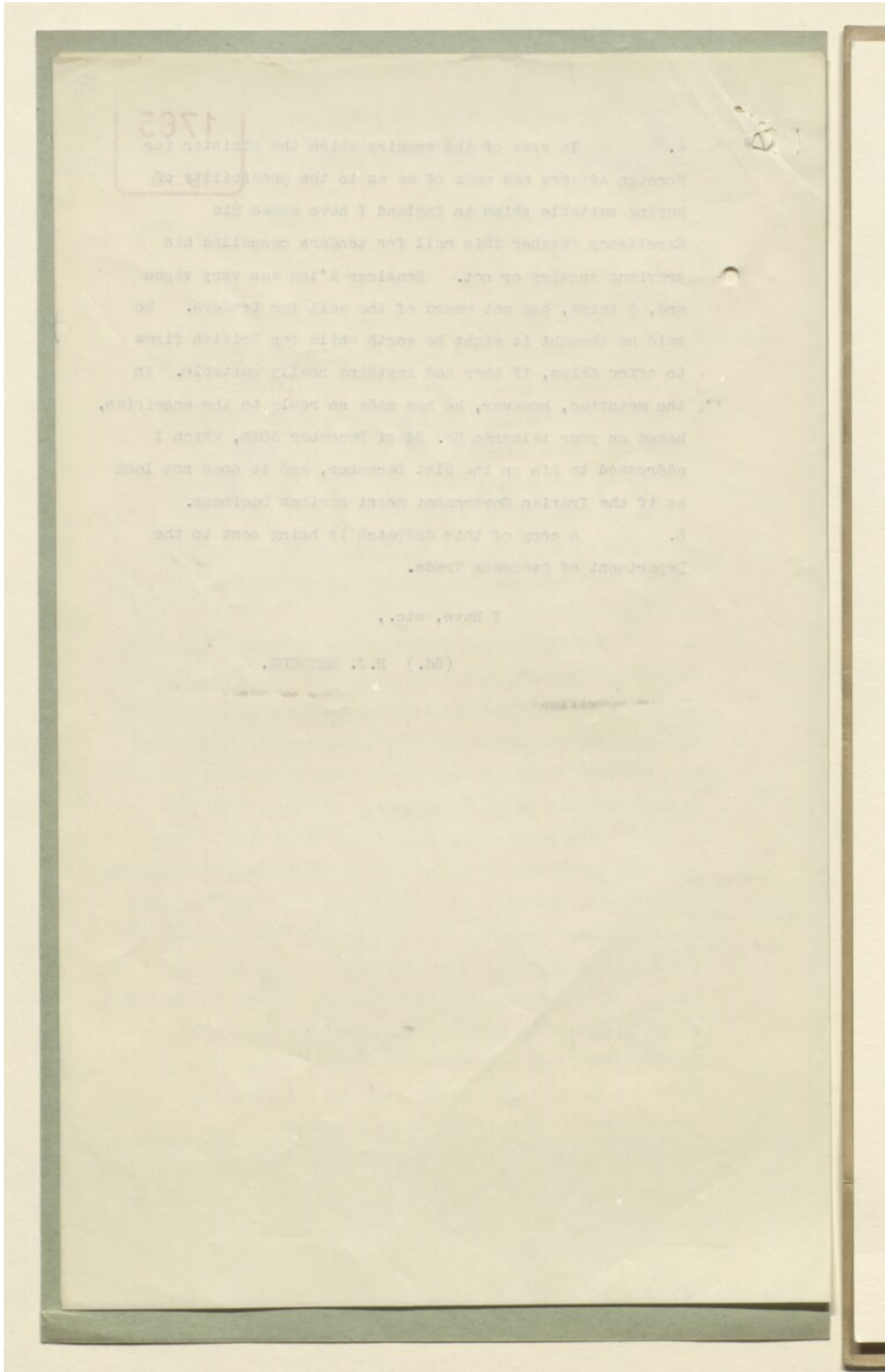




4. In view of the enquiry which the Minister for Foreign Affairs had made of me as to the possibility of buying suitable ships in England I have asked His Excellency whether this call for tenders cancelled his previous enquiry or not. Monsieur A'lam was very vague and, I think, had not heard of the call for tenders. He said he thought it might be worth while for British firms to offer ships, if they had anything really suitable. In the meantime, however, he has made no reply to the enquiries, based on your telegram No. 84 of December 30th, which I addressed to him on the 31st December, and it does not look as if the Iranian Government meant serious business.
5. A copy of this despatch is being sent to the Department of Overseas Trade.

I have, etc.,

(Sd.) H.J. SEYMOUR.





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undersecretary

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compliments to *the Under-Secretary of State*
for India and, by direction of the Secretary of State,
transmits herewith copies of the under-mentioned paper.

Foreign Office, 31
January 23, 1939.

Reference to previous correspondence: *sb*
F.O. letter, E7740/49/34 of 2 January.

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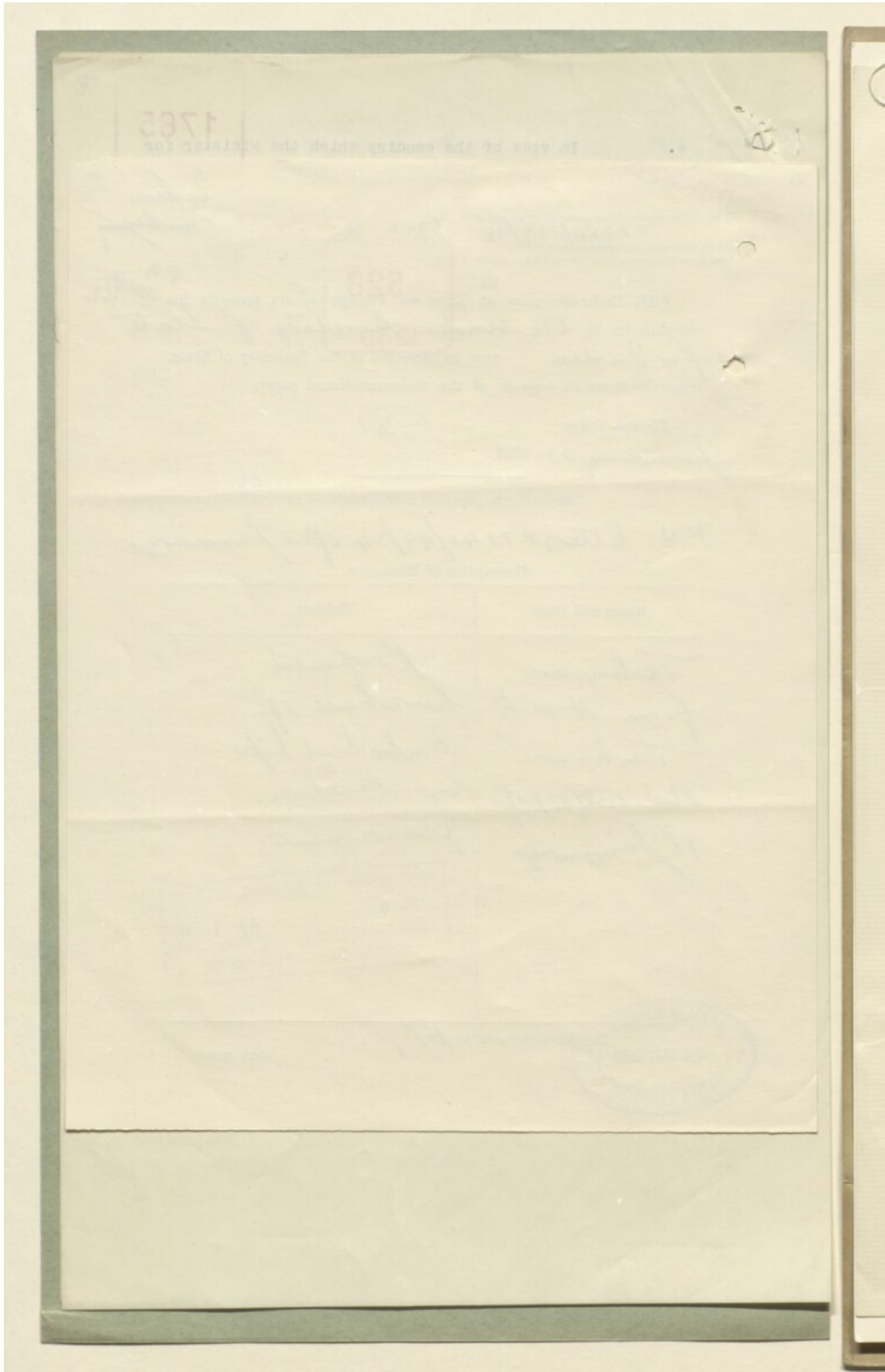
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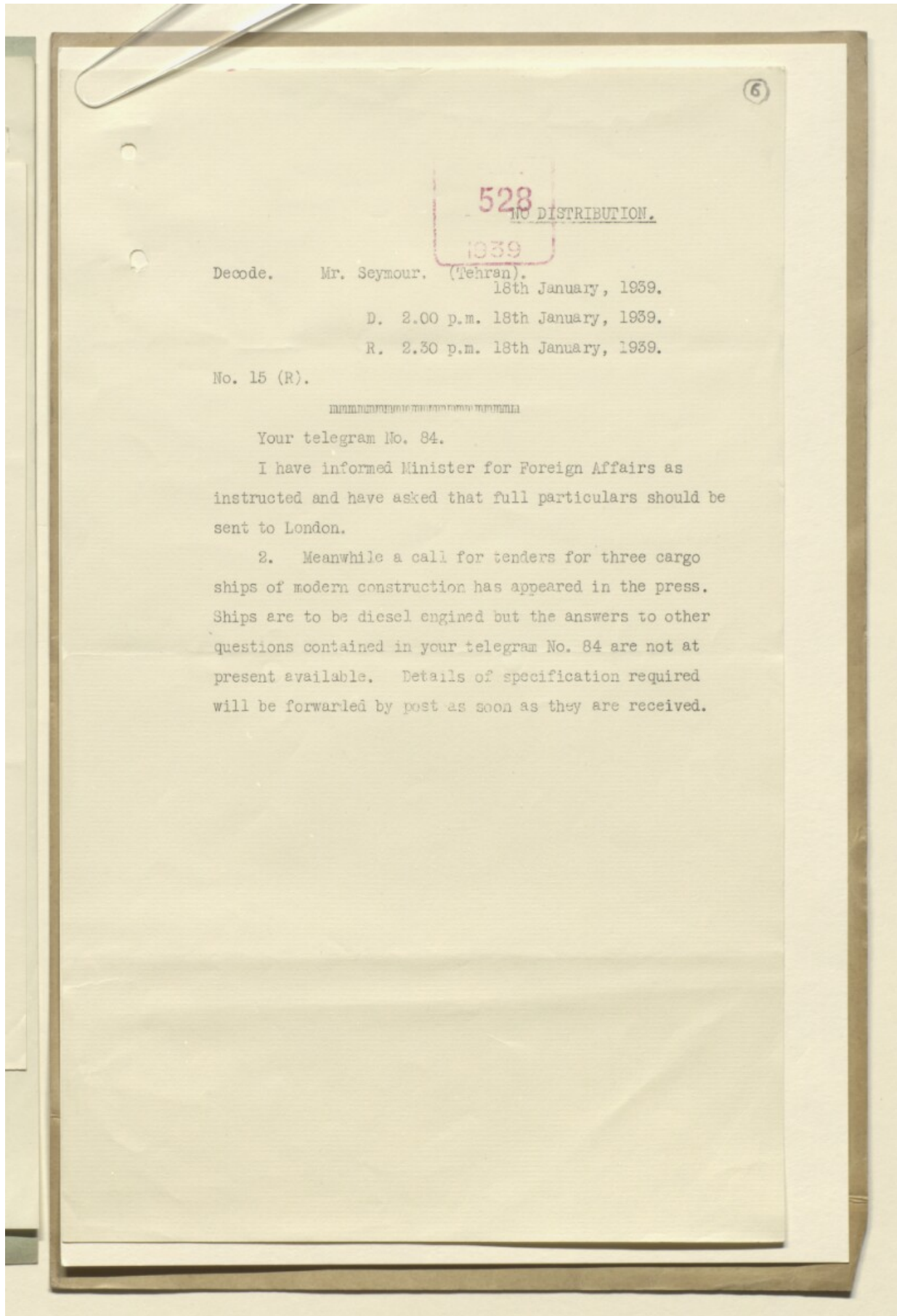
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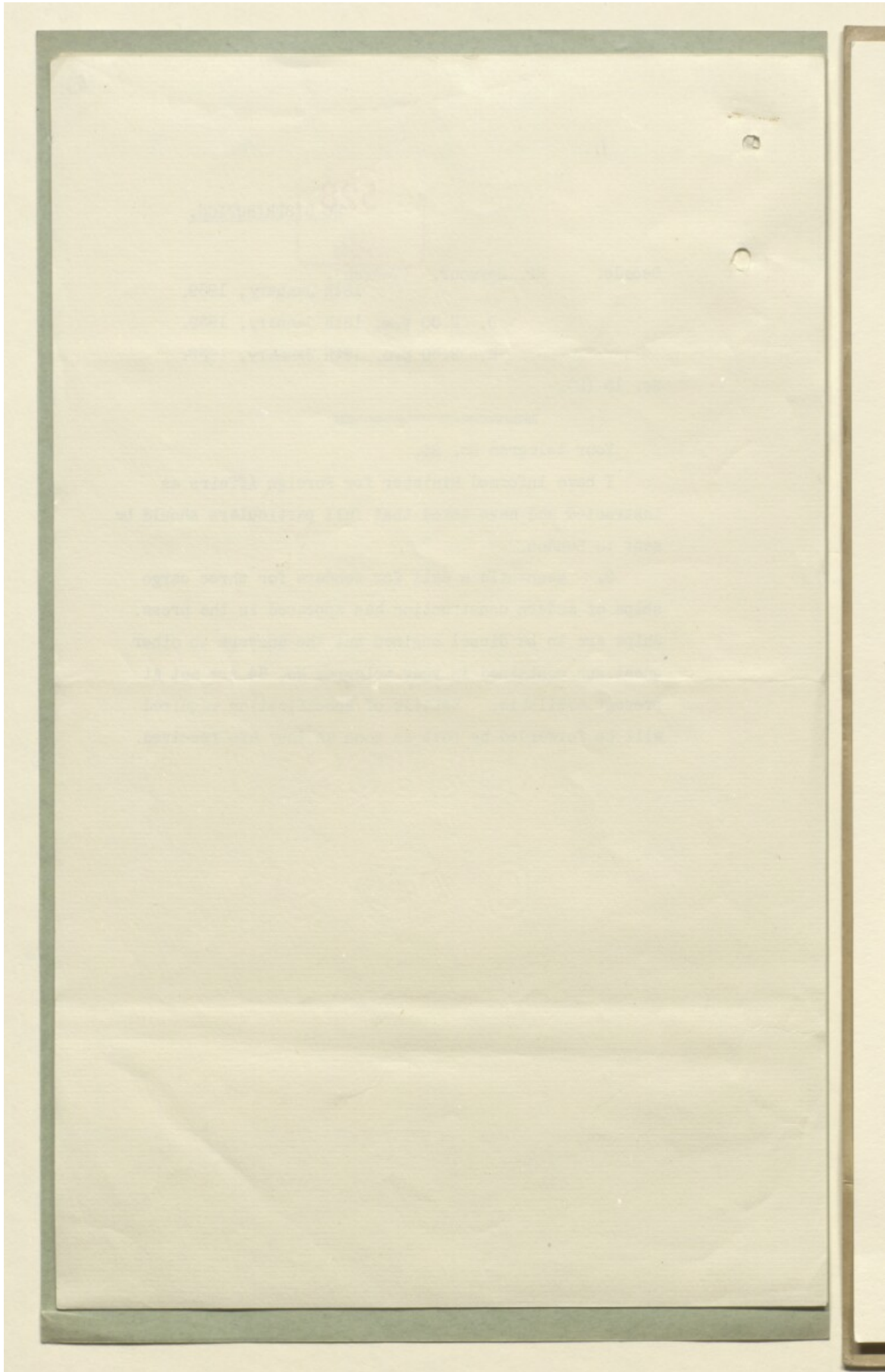
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W. H. Murray
PA.
C. H. W. 5/1

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THE Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs presents his compliments to *the Under-Secretary of State, India Office* and, by direction of the Secretary of State, transmits herewith *copies* of the under-mentioned paper.

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Foreign Office, *(30)*
January 2nd, 1939.

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Foreign Office letter of December 23, 1938. (E7727/49/34).
Foreign Office letter, E7740/49/34, of 24 December, 1938.

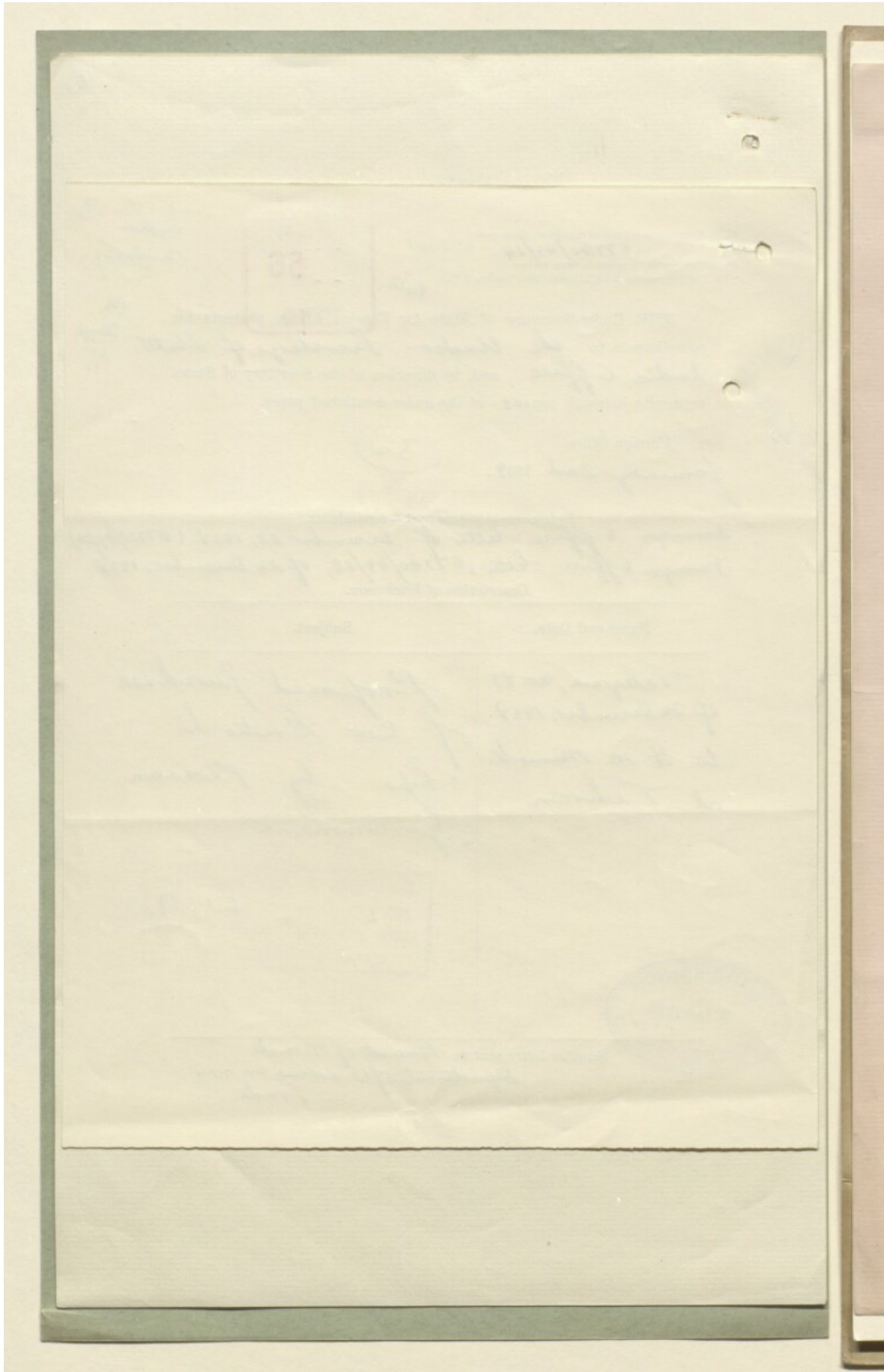
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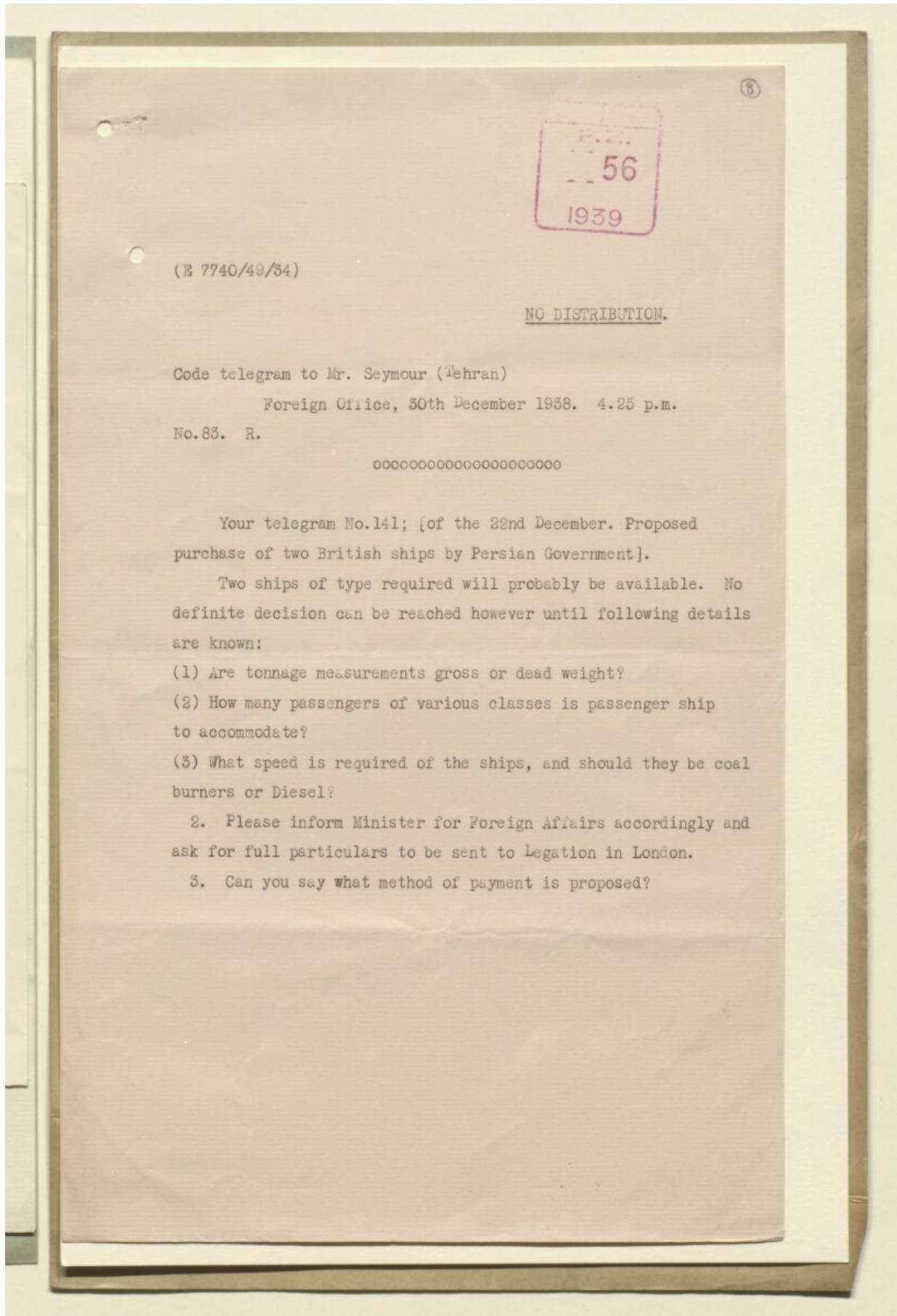
Name and Date.	Subject.
<i>Telegram, no. 83 of 30 December, 1938 to H. M. Minister at Tehran.</i>	<i>Proposed purchase of two British ships by Persian Government.</i>

ENCLOSURE IN AIR MAIL LETTER
No. 2 *6.1.39.*
FROM SECRETARY, POLITICAL AND
SECRET DEPT. INDIA OFFICE

MAILS BRANCH
2 JAN 1939
INDIA OFFICE

Similar letter sent to *Board of Trade*
Department of Overseas Trade 6130 17930 (4)





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Code telegram to Mr. Seymour (Tehran)

Foreign Office, 30th December 1938. 4.25 p.m.

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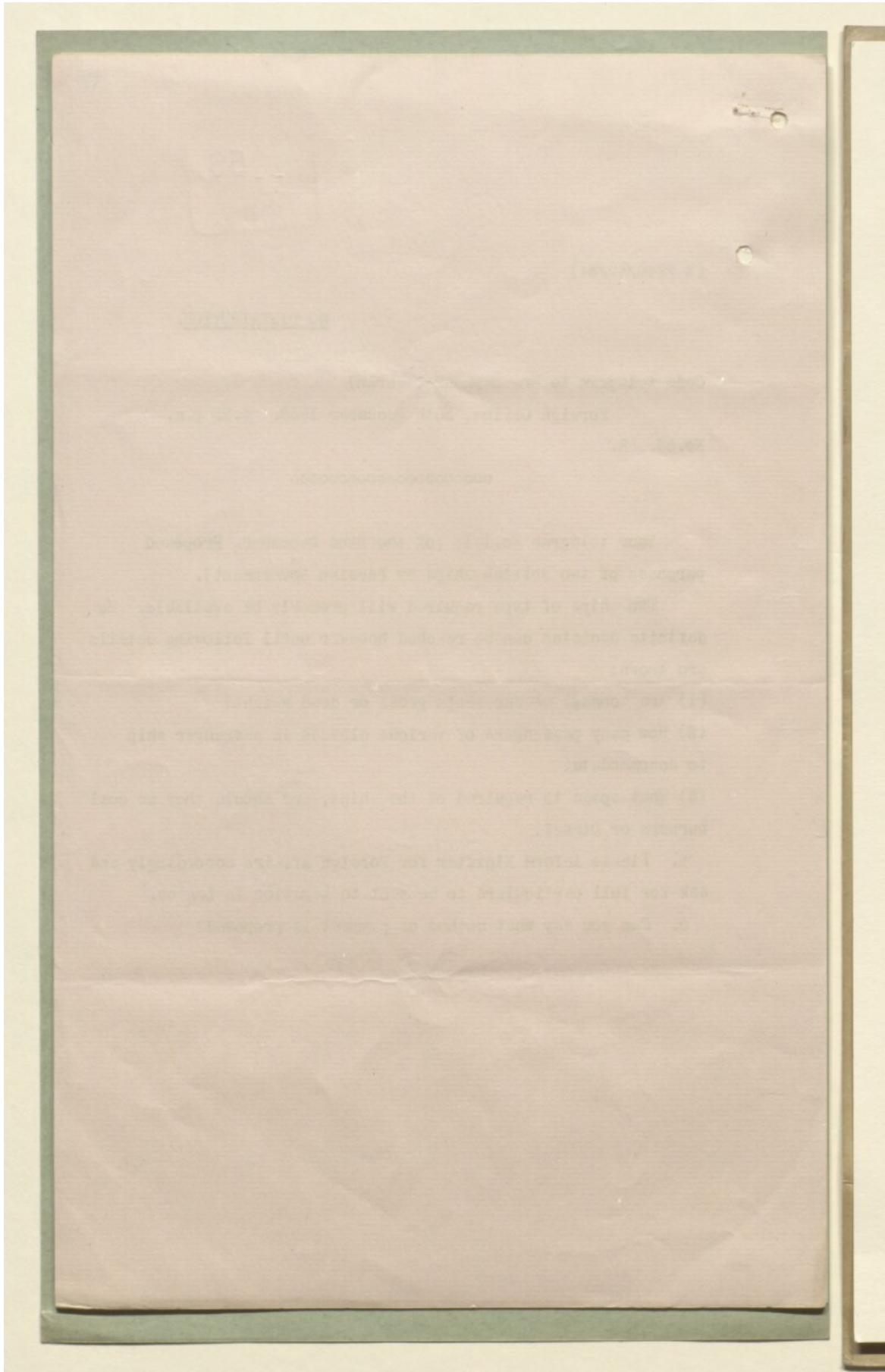
Your telegram No.141; [of the 22nd December. Proposed purchase of two British ships by Persian Government].

Two ships of type required will probably be available. No definite decision can be reached however until following details are known:

- (1) Are tonnage measurements gross or dead weight?
- (2) How many passengers of various classes is passenger ship to accommodate?
- (3) What speed is required of the ships, and should they be coal burners or Diesel?

2. Please inform Minister for Foreign Affairs accordingly and ask for full particulars to be sent to Legation in London.

3. Can you say what method of payment is proposed?





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India
Mr. [unclear]

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Foreign Office,
24th Dec, 1938

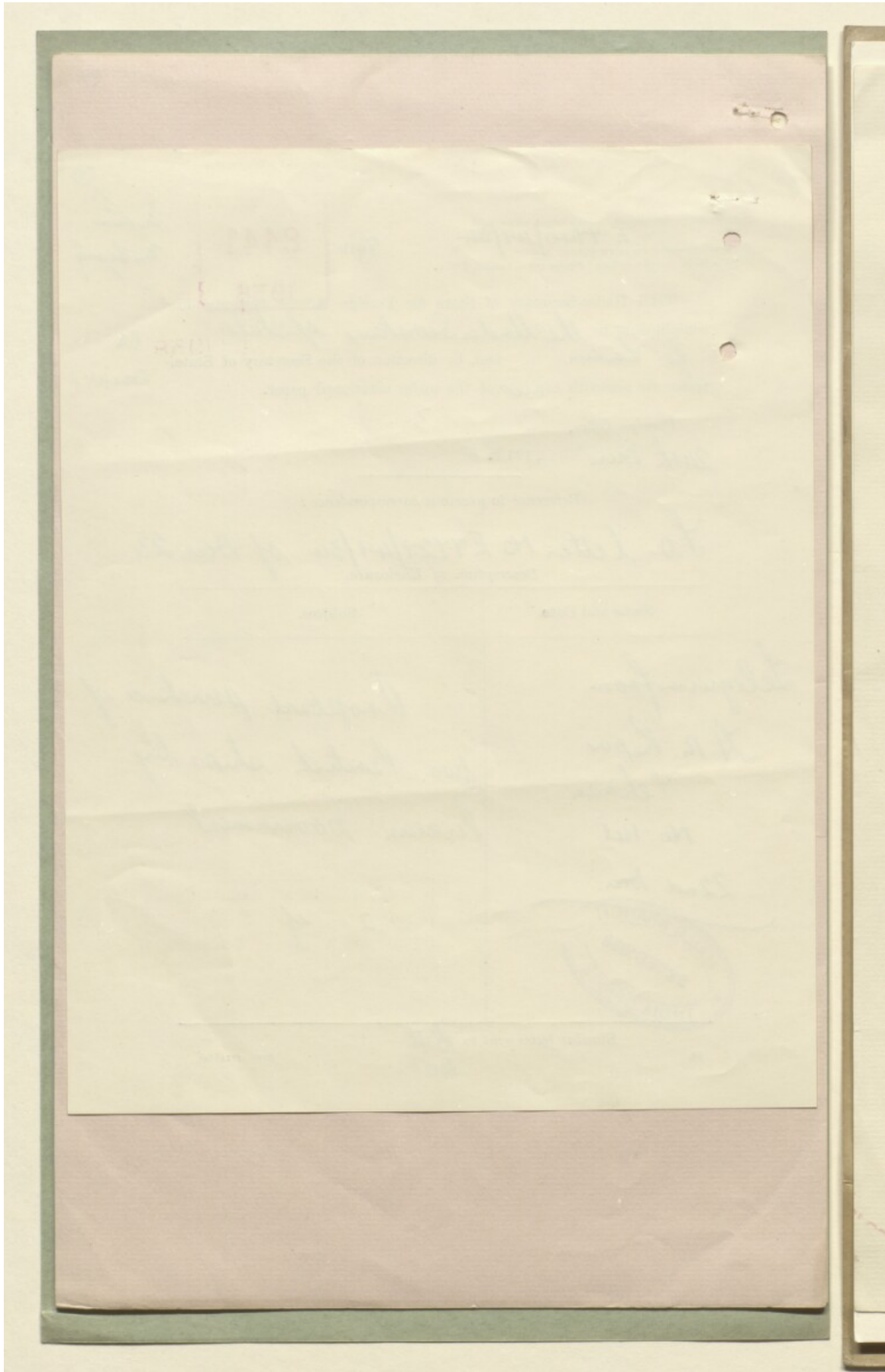
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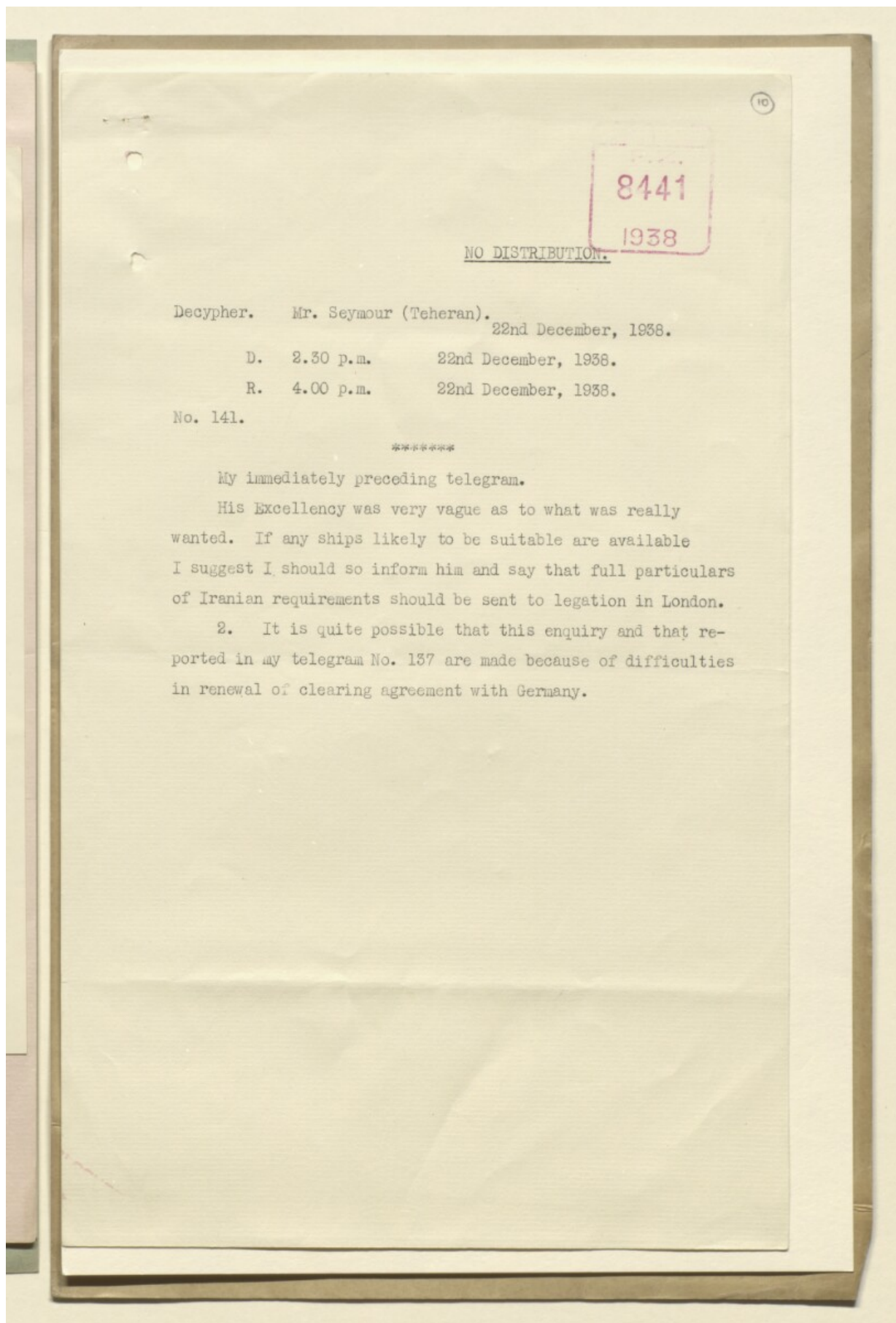
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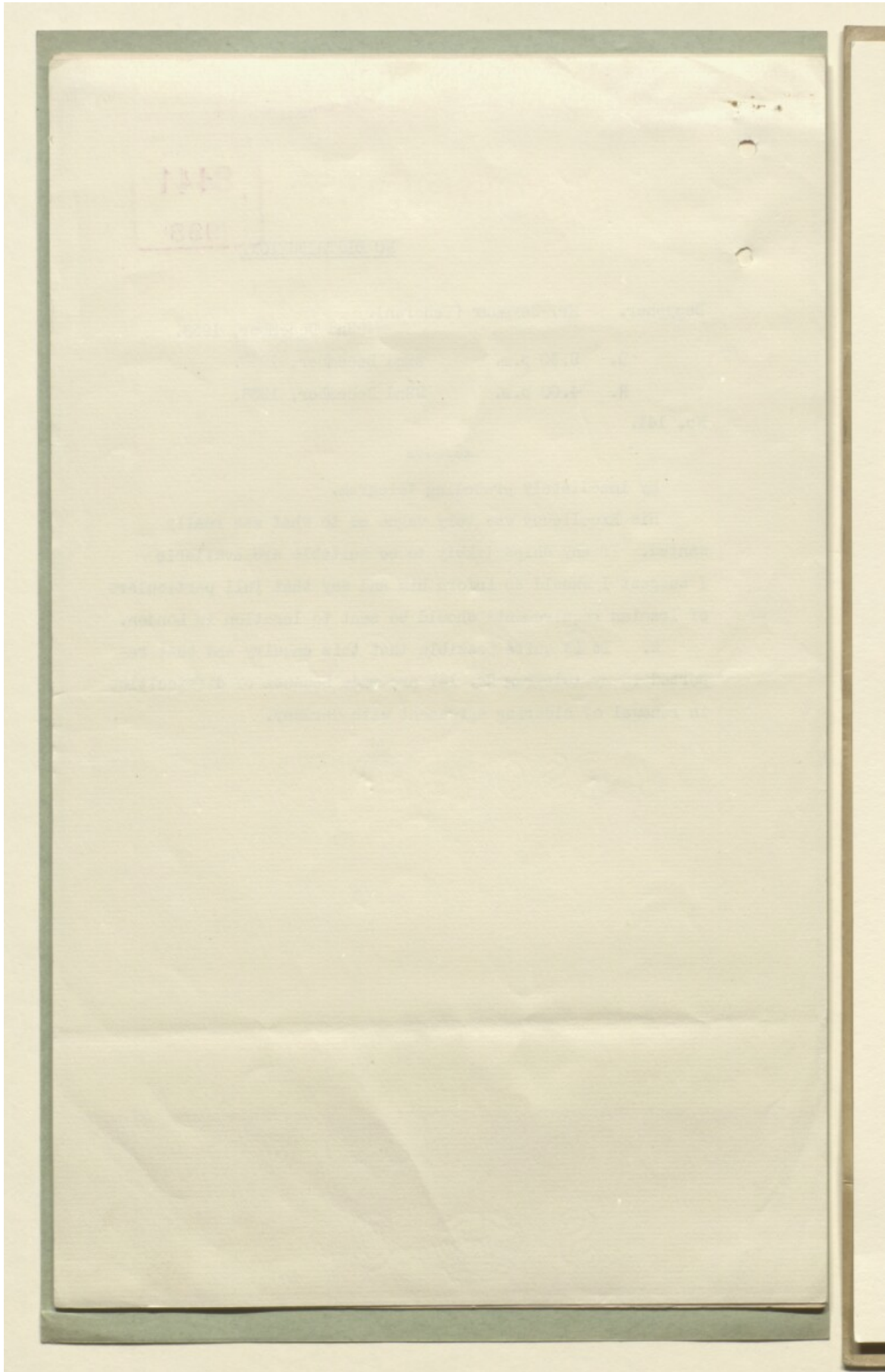
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The Secretary

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Foreign Office,
Dec 23, 1938. 32

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Reference to previous correspondence :

Description of Enclosure.

Name and Date.	Subject.
<u>Telegram</u> <u>From Mr Lehman</u> <u>no. 140 Dec 22</u>	<u>Proposed purchase of</u> <u>two British ships by</u> <u>Persian Govt</u>

REC'D. POL. SECT.
24 DEC 1938
INDIA OFFICE

ENCLOSURE IN AIR MAIL LETTER
NO. 53. d 30 DEC 1938
FROM SECRETARY, POLITICAL AND
SECRET DEPT. INDIA OFFICE

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