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| FO 371/43535 | Gentleman's Agreement on use of a Hellschreiber machine by British Legation in Sweden (1944) |
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| Ref. 161A | Telegram from Ministry of Information, London, to [British Legation in] Stockholm, Sweden, dated 7 th October 1944, 1 page. Summary: Foreign Office and Post office have no objection to grant reciprocal facilities to the Swedish Legation [in London] on stated conditions. A "gentleman's agreement" is suggested, instead of a Royal Decree. Request to be notified of permission from Reuters London for reception of Globereuter [Reuters International News Agency], and whether subscription is required. |
| Ref. 161B | Telegram from Press Attaché of British Legation in Stockholm to Ministry of Information in London, dated 11 th October 1944, 1 page. Summary: Swedish authorities concur in gentleman's agreement. Chancellor has given Reuter's Stockholm representative informal authority for Legation to proceed without asking for subscription. No formal permission can be given as T.T. [Swedish news agency Tidningarnas Telegrambyrå] has exclusive rights in Sweden. |
| Ref. 161C | Letter to Anthony Haigh (Foreign Office, London) from G. Kirk (Director of Communications Broadcasting Division of Ministry of Information, London), dated 19 th October 1944, 1 page. Summary: Swedish authorities are content to let the issue of reception of Hell transmission by the British Legation in Stockholm merely be the subject of a gentleman's agreement. |