

Q. Now will you look, Mr. Hawkins, at State Exhibit 50, which is underneath your memorandum? Is that the Darlington memorandum, the original of the Darlington memorandum that went along to Mr. Sayre with your memorandum—

A. Yes, sir.

Q. —of January 8, 1938? A. Yes, sir.

Q. If you can tell us, how long had this matter been in the Trade Agreements Section being worked on by people in your Section? A. My memorandum to Mr. Sayre indicates that. It states that, "I am returning the German Aide Memoire which you sent me on November 23rd." My memorandum is dated January 8th.

Q. So that the German Aide Memoire, together with certain papers, came along from Mr. Sayre's office to your office on November 23, 1937? A. Yes, sir.

Q. And then there was certain work done, resulting in Mr. Darlington's memorandum to you dated December 31, 1937, which is State Exhibit 50? A. Yes, sir.

[1785] Q. Then you reviewed the papers, I take it?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. And following that, you dictated your memorandum to Mr. Sayre of January 8, 1938, which is State Exhibit 48? A. Yes, sir.

Q. I notice on the second page of the memorandum there is an "s" added to the word "division." I think it is the sixth line from the bottom. Is that yours?

A. I don't know, sir.

Q. Now will you tell us what the practice of the Department—or your Department was at that time with reference to whether or not any duplicate or carbon of this memorandum, which is January 8, 1938, would have been sent along to Mr. Sayre? A. It was not the practice to send along duplicates with action documents of this kind.

Q. So that in accordance with the practice the original only of your memorandum, together with other papers, the Darlington memorandum, the Aide Memoire and perhaps other papers, were sent along to Mr. Sayre?

A. Yes, that would have been the practice, sir.