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~~Document~~ "Cup"AMMUNITION FOR SWEDISH ARMS.

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The following message has been received from SPEX:

"WE HAVE BEEN INFORMED SOME TOMMY GUNS WILL BE SENT IMMEDIATE FUTURE FROM SWEDEN BUT THAT AMMUNITION WILL NOT COME TILL LATER. WE HOPE YOU WILL UNDERSTAND THAT WE CANNOT GIVE OUR MEN WEAPONS WITHOUT AMMUNITION. CANNOT YOUR MEN IN SWEDEN SEND AMMUNITION IN VERY SAME BOXES AS THE GUNS."

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We replied:

"DOING UTMOST DESPATCH AMMUNITION DIRECT FROM HERE AND SIX THOUSAND ROUNDS ALREADY SENT BY AIR. HOPE ALSO SEND TEN THOUSAND ROUNDS PER MONTH VIA SWEDEN WITH GUNS."

It is proposed that a regular flow of packages will be sent you containing 9 mm. ammunition. We anticipate three or four packages, each containing approximately 1,000 rounds, will be sent you every week, totalling 10/12,000 rounds per month.

These packages will be numbered consecutively.

As it is difficult to obtain permission for us to send more goods of this nature through our own bag, we are hoping to obtain permission to send this through the American bag.

Will you please confirm:

- (i) Swedish arms in question are SUOMI, calibre 9 mm.
- (ii) Arrangements can be made your end to send ammunition with the arms, preferably in the same boxes as requested by SPEX. We suggest initial quantity of 200 rounds per gun, to be increased to 300/400 rounds per gun as consignments of ammunition are received.
- (iii) Camouflage of the packages will consist of commercial cartons or plain wooden boxes containing original War Department cartons of 50 rounds each. If necessary we will repack ammunition into plain cartons.

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