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U.S. Embassy Moscow priority airgram No. 153 to the Department of State (control No. 15122) dated 28 July 1951, which reports that the Radio Moscow broadcast in English (to North America) at 0315 GMT 28 July 1951 was "faked with alleged prisoners of war who sharply criticized U.S.A. and Brit govts" and who were "impersonated by regular Moscow English-speaking radio announcers whose voices [ ] recognized," is observed to be at variance with the circumstances recorded by [ ] monitors. The Moscow announcer specified that the talks by the prisoners of war would be read by staff announcers. The exact announcement is quoted herewith:

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"In today's program you will hear a verbatim report of a round table discussion with American and British war prisoners in Korea concerning the decisions of the second World Peace Congress. This report was handed over to the Fact Finding Commission of the Women's International Democratic Federation during its visit to Korea. The text is read by Radio Moscow announcers. Four American prisoners of war and one British prisoner of war in Korea take part in this discussion."

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COMMENT: The 0315 broadcast was a recorded repeat of the original transmission at 0000 GMT on the same date in the same beam. 7

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TO: Secretary of State

NO: 153, July 28, 1 p.m.

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Moscow radio broadcast in English at 0315-0345 GMT July 28 announced interview of Amer and Brit prisoners Korean war. Amer source states program faked with alleged prisoners of war who sharply criticized USA and Brit Govts impersonated by regular Moscow English speaking radio announcers whose voices source recognized. Names of so-called prisoners, each of whom gave a home address: Major Flemming, Lieutenant Wilson, Sgt Gordon, Pvt Ward, British rifleman Hibberd.

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