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1. As of October 1950 the principal officers in the Bulgarian Navy were listed as follows:

a. The Commander of the Bulgarian Navy is Admiral Ormanov, who replaced Captain of First Rank Khalachiev, now the second officer of an infantry division.

Admiral Ormanov served in the Soviet Navy

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b. The Chief of Staff is Captain of First Rank Nikola Boyadzhiev, a Communist.

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c. The Chief of the Operations Office is Captain Vasil Vlvov,

d. The Chief of the Naval Intelligence Office is Captain of Second Rank Paraskevov,

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e. The Commander of the Naval Division at Varna is Captain of Second Rank Stefan Nikolov,

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f. The Commander of the Arsenal of Varna is Captain of Second Rank Prakchnikov,

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2. The destroyer ZHELEZNIKOV has been taken over by the Soviets and replaced by a 2,050-ton destroyer of the Klas Opitni type, called the GEORGI DIMITROV.

3. The submarine chasers CHERNOMORETS and BELOMORETS have been removed from service and disarmed. The torpedo boats, HRABKI, DRSKI, SMELI, and STROGI have been taken out of service and will be disarmed.

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4. A Bulgarian commission left for Russia to get new ships. About the same time 140 officers and non-commissioned officers left for Russia for training courses.

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