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To: MOSCOW

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To VIKTOR.[i]

ZAYaTs[ii] advises that at the end of April SFORZA[iii] asked the BANK's[iv] permission to return to the COUNTRY[STRANA][v], where, in his opinion, he would be more useful in popularising Italy. LUN'[vi] recom-*advise* mended him to remain in Italy.

No. 405

MAJ[vii]

*See below
for complete
message*

Comments:

- [i] VIKTOR: Lt. Gen. P.M. FITIN.
- [ii] ZAYaTs: i.e. "HARE" or "STOWAWAY," Maurice HALPERIN.
- [iii] SFORZA: Count Carlo SFORZA, became a member of the new Italian Government in April, 1944.
- [iv] BANK: U.S. State Department.
- [v] COUNTRY: United States of America.
- [vi] LUN': i.e. "HEN HARRIER" or "RING-TAIL," Cordell HULL.
- [vii] MAJ: i.e. "MAY," Stepan Zakharevich APRESYAN, Soviet Vice-Consul in NEW YORK.

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