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#### **Summary:**

Ambassador Harriman and Joseph Stalin discuss future military movements in the Far East and Soviet intelligence about Japanese military plans.

#### **Original Language:**

English

#### **Contents:**

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