## MEMORANDUM

January 31, 1944

TO:

SENATOR KILGORE

FROM:

MR. FULTON

Admiral Cochrane mentioned on the train going to

New York that the English were attempting to get us to repair a great many of the British ships and were offering them for reconversion for troop-transport and other purposes. He stated that the Navy was most interested in making sure that we didn't simply reconstruct old ships of the British and make them as good as new, and thereby unnecessarily make a present to them at the expense of the United States,

HUGH FULTON