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OFFICIAL ADMIRALTY COMMUNIQUE

The Board of Admiralty regrets to announce that the cruiser H.M.S. NEPTUNE (Captain R.C.O'Connor, R.N.,) has been sunk by enemy mines in the Mediterranean.

All next of kin have been informed.

Statements made by the enemy indicate that some of the ship's company of H.M.S. NEPTUNE have been picked up and are prisoners of war.

The destroyer H.M.S. KANDAHAR (Commander W.G.A. ROBSON D.S.O., D.S.C., R.N.,) which was in company with H.M.S. NEPTUNE was damaged by a mine. H.M.S. KANDAHAR was subsequently sunk by our forces.

The greater part of her ship's company is safe. The next of kin of casualties have been informed.

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