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BRITAIN SHOWS WHITE ENSIGN

The Royal Navy shows its might. At Portland harbour, Viscount Hall, First Lord of the Admiralty, goes aboard the flagship of the Home Fleet (the 45,000-ton battleship Duke of York) which leads the Navy's autumn exercise to the West Indies. After the sad post-war period in the history of the Royal Navy (during which many of its great ships were immobilized and some scrapped) the re-emergence of this task force gives a striking example of the Fleet's operational strength.

Throughout her history, Britain's greatness has stemmed from the sea. Now, at a time of crisis, the nation again turns its eyes to the Royal Navy to find it ready and prepared.