

The Edinburgh deserted

SIR—Vice-Adml B. B. Schofield's excuses on behalf of the Russians (Oct. 1) cannot disguise the fact that the destroyers Sokrushitelny' and Gremyashchi deserted the Edinburgh in face of the enemy, proceeded into Murmansk (actually Polyarnoye) at high speed in time for the May Day celebrations and failed to return to the scene of action after refuelling.

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