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From: Tokyo
 To: Shanghai
 12 July 1938

1114 Sent also to Hong Kong as #238.

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 Re the last part of your telegram #877*:

Following are the terms which the Italian Counsellor in Hankow got from WANG CHING WEI, KUNG HSIAN HSI, etc., and which were transmitted as a definite report, late in March, by the Italian Ambassador to Minister TANI:

The Hankow authorities have no objection to these terms:

1. Unconditional recognition of Manchukuo.
2. Inner Mongolia shall be made an autonomous province like Outer Mongolia.
3. Since North China is the cradle of China's civilization, under no circumstances would the Nationalist Government consent to the relinquishment of authority in that region, but is desirous of discussing the establishment there of an autonomous administration under Chinese authority.
4. The anti-Comintern Pact.
5. Special arrangement for a demilitarized zone in Central China.

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6. Economic cooperation.

7. Payment of an indemnity (the amount to be decided after discussion).

The Hankow authorities, furthermore, upon concluding a successful negotiation with Japan, would immediately expel and suppress the Communist element.

However, since this report was last given to me, I have not heard of any more concrete terms having been offered.

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From: Tokyo (Arita)
 To: Peking
 5 April 1946

Circular 651. Received from Hing Kong as #170 - Pt. 1 of 2

Of late it is being reported that border relations have been adjusted, (see my #179a and #168),^a but it seems that mutual mud slinging still continues. According to YZA who has recently arrived here:

(1) My message #64.^a LAI HUI-HU of the Communist Committee of Chenyuan Prefecture in Kansu Province, and Propaganda director for the prefecture, together with 1,200 members of the China Communist Party in the Prefecture of Kingyang, Hsifeng, Hoshui,^o on March 25 sent a joint telegram to Chungking, stating that the 11th Brigade of the 8th route army, which holds Kingyang, Kanhsien and Fenwei, has now taken Hwaning (?), Chenyuan and Kenjo (?), driving out the Chungking Government's prefectural governors, and subsequently attacking the Peace Preservation Corporation and assassinating scores of officials in the prefectural administrations. They place the responsibility for these outrages upon the China Communists, stating that the acts of violence perpetrated by the China Communists were carried out according to decisions reached in a conference of the leaders of Communist Affiliated Agencies, and that they themselves had actually witnessed the acts of violence, and requesting that the Chungking authorities take some steps for the preservation of Peace. While this is looked upon as a countermeasure

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on the part of the Chungking Government for creating dissension from within in order to bring about the break-up of the Chinese Communists, there are also strong rumors to the effect that the said LAI and the like are bought up by Chungking.

- a - Not available.
- b - All in eastern section of Kansu Province.

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From: Tokyo (Arita)
To: Washington (Kochi)
18 July 1940

Circular 1564.

Received from Shanghai as #1429.

Recently I had agent (JK, RK, DK, or ZI) relate to me his observations with regard to the relationship between the Nationalist Party and the Communist. Because I am of the opinion that this matter has much bearing on the eventual peace agreement, I am forwarding the gist of the agent's report to you. Details will be forwarded by mail.

1. During the three years that the war has been raging, the Communists have made great strides. The Eighth Route Army which had only three divisions three years ago, today can boast of nine divisions. At the same time, the new Fourth Army had grown to such an extent that today it has 12 divisions under it.

With every military reverse that the Nationalist forces suffered, the Communist organization had grown in strength. Because of this fact, CHIANG KAI-SHEK and those in his circles began to feel considerable pressure. Measures to counteract this were put into effect, resulting, naturally, in constantly increasing ill feeling between the two elements.

2. CHIANG attempted to make use of this discord which became apparent at various places as an excuse to

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crush the Communist elements. When this failed, he was faced with the necessity of carrying out a program of fomenting discord within the Communist ranks itself.

Since the recent signing of an agreement between CHU TEH (Commander of Communist Army) and PENG TE-HUAI (commander of Third Division of CHU TEH's forces) there have been clashes between them in Hopeh and in Shansi. Though these incidents may be considered as the first fruits born of CHIANG's campaign of fomenting intra-party discord, they probably will not be the last. There are indications that though outwardly harmony has been restored, CHIANG's program will soon make itself apparent again.

About three months ago, the central organ of the Nationalist Government issued secret orders to the highest in command of the regular forces in each of the provinces with regard to the disposition of the Communists. These instructions were believed to be directly responsible for the outbreak of friction between the Nationalists and the Communists.

The secret orders contained the following instructions:

Force the Communists to obey orders of the Central Government.

Observance of the Three Principles of the People.

Complete abandonment of any actions or the establishing of organizations which have as their purpose the securing of special rights.

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Vigorously restrict Communist development and freedom of action.

Moreover it orders that high officers of the regulars of the Central Government meet once a month to discuss ways and means of counteracting Communist activities. The responsible officers of the local regular groups will meet twice a month for the same purpose. The highest in command on the various fighting fronts will be kept in touch with developments by a committee made up of members of the regulars.

3. Since these secret orders were issued the Blue Shirts (semi-secret Fascist organization of the Nationalist Government) of Chungking have launched a vigorous campaign of making inroads into the Eighth Route Army. Their immediate purpose is to learn the real condition within this organization from the inside, and, at the same time, to launch a cultural propaganda program from within.

The various provincial governmental organs, in the meantime, have begun a systematic military campaign against the Communists. Some actual developments along these lines are outlined below:

(1) Early in April, the Blue Shirts got a number of students and vagrants to dress up as paupers and had them raid banks and food warehouses in Chengtu. The Nationalist Government blamed the Communists for these crimes and arrested RI A BON (Jap. pronunciation of Chinese name) of the People's Front Party. He was

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subsequently executed by a firing squad.

RA SEI BUN, KŌKIKAKU, SYAYŌKŌ, TŌ (Jap. pronunciation of Chinese names) and others who were representatives of the Communist Party in Chengtu were all arrested. At the same time the sales offices of the New China Daily News (SIN KA NIPPO) were searched and the ZiZi Publishing House, which is the publishing organ of the People's Front Party, was closed up.

The Communists charge that the violences were perpetrated by the Nationalist Party and demand the immediate release of the imprisoned Communist Party members. However, no steps to do so have as yet been taken.

(2) The representation of the New China Daily News in Chungking has been under constant surveillance. The branch sales office of this paper in Kweilin has also been subjected to rigorous restrictions. Most of the copies printed by this publishing house which were in the mails were seized by the Nationalist Government while in transit.

(3) The person handling the secret codes for the Eighth Route Army's radio station in Sian disappeared. Gold dust being transported by the Red Forces was stolen by a special organ of rear guard organization at Tienshin (Kansu Province).

(4) KU JEN KU (?), chief of the Kanhoku (Jap. pronunciation) regulars and commander of the 12th

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Artillery Unit of the Fifth Route, together with LI FEN of Tinyuan and commander of the heavy artillery unit of the fifth, with 3,000 men under them, clashed with the New Third Army forces stationed at Takiao. There were many casualties on both sides.

(5) The guerrillas at Tungkiang were attacked by government forces.

(6) A certain Jew who has been acting as contact man between a secret Communist organ in Chungking and the (?Soviet organization?) fell into the hands of the Blue Shirts in May. The (?Communists'?) headquarters was searched and secret reports in code were seized.

(7) Several undercover men who were en route from Sinkiang to Lauchow during May were arrested.

(8) The best forces of HU TSUNG-NAN have been, for some time past, moving towards the northwest. This is done for the purpose of keeping an eye on the Communists.

(9) At the National Defense Conference held in June; HO YING-CHIN (official of military committee, Nationalist Government) stated that the Communists were making plans to have a general uprising either on the anniversary of 7-7 (July 7, outbreak of the Sino-Japanese hostilities) or of the double 10 (Republican Day). The revolution, he said, would be led by SHEN CHUN-JU (President Shanghai Bar Association, member of People's Front), and TSOU (?PING-WEN?).

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Of course, this statement has no basis of fact and was meant to serve only to clarify the Nationalist Government's attitude toward the Communists.

4. In view of the belligerent attitude of the Nationalist Government towards them, the Communists have proceeded with their organizing program in secret. Anticipating the time when the Nationalist Government will become definitely and thoroughly anti-Communistic, all Communist members throughout China, with the exception of a very few representatives who remained in Chungking, were ordered to return to Sian. Already ZYO TOKU RITU (Jap. pronunciation) (for HSU TE LI?) of Hunan, RYŌ SYŌ SI (Jap. pronunciation for LIAO CHENG - SI?) of Hong Kong, RYŪ SYŌ BUN (?Jap. pronunciation for LIU SHAO-WEN?) of Shanghai and RI KOKU NŌ (?Jap. pronunciation for LI KO-NUNG?) of Kweilin (Kwangsi Province), and others have gone back to Sian.

5. Thus the relationship between the Nationalists and the Communists is becoming more and more ominous. There will, probably, be no open break between the two factions for the duration of the Sino-Japanese War. However, the fact that the Nationalist Government is actually clamping down on the Communists should have an important bearing on the settlement of the peace question.

Relayed to Peking, Tientsin, Nanking, Hankow.
Mailed to Hong Kong. This message addressed to England, United States, Germany, Italy.

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Message from Shanghai #1837.

In summarizing the confidential conversations between AM, KŌ KAI JIN and TŌ MEI JI: Although T. V. SOONG, at first, made every effort to secure a loan from the United States of \$25,000,000, because of the question of security, negotiations were deadlocked. With England's help, however, he has succeeded at last in getting a loan of \$3,000,000. As security for this loan, China has offered rights for the development of mines in Szechwan, Yunnan, Kweichow and Shansi Provinces as well as tung oil, tin, tungsten, and tea. The United States has contracted to make deliveries of air-plane parts, miscellaneous machines and cash (each delivery having the value equal to one-third of the total loan). It is understood that the first allotment of American goods will be delivered in October.

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To: Rome
20 November 1940
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Strictly secret. To be handled in Government code.

MOLOTOV just said to me:

"If the Soviet is to conclude with you a non-aggression treaty, as our price we will have absolutely to DEMAND Southern Sakhalin and all Chishima. However, as I do not think the Japanese Government would accept that, the next best thing I could propose would be a neutrality agreement about like the one proposed to Ambassador TOGO, under the terms of which you Japanese would relinquish your rights and interests in Northern Sakhalin and we would promise you about 100,000 tons of petroleum for five years."

I am expecting a letter from the Government.

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From: Tokyo (Matsuoka)
To: Berlin
3 December 1940
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Strictly Secret. To be handled in Government Code.

Re my #848*.

1. The government has decided to dispense with all strategic plans with respect to Chungking, and to negotiate directly for peace. We continued our negotiations with CHIANG through SEN EI MEI in Hong Kong, and CHIANG sent us a reply, indicating, with what was tantamount to certainty, that he would send KYO SEI EI as a representative. Then we were all very hopeful, but sad to say, the fateful day came and none of the basic terms were carried out. Consequently, we had to proceed with the recognition of the Nanking Government.

2. In our negotiations we proposed one basic condition. Chungking virtually agreed to it, but in turn, proposed two armistice terms of her own:

I. The postponement of the recognition of the Nanking Government.

II. Clarification of our intention unconditionally to evacuate our soldiers. (Considering those two terms in connection with CHEN CHIEH's reply, although CHIANG made no mention to the Germans of the recognition of

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Nanking, on the score of evacuation, he evidently told us and the Germans the same thing). Thereupon on the 22nd, we held a Four Minister Conference, wherein it was decided and agreed that on the condition, first of all, that WANG and CHIANG cooperate, and that Chungking accept the basic confederal terms proposed by us (among the terms we stipulated that a new defense alliance be formed between Japan and China and that under the terms of this, Japanese forces shall be stationed in North China on the Mongolian border and on Hainan Island, and that although we propose to carry out a general evacuation, Japanese forces will continue to be stationed in certain important areas), we would be prepared, upon a date to be prescribed, to cease firing and carry out the evacuation, but that we would do so only after we had satisfied ourselves as to China's sincerity. We are all agreed that if Chungking expresses accord with this by the 5th of December, we will carry out their terms for an armistice.

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From: Tokyo (Matsuoka)
To: Berlin
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3. Now, in connection with my caption message, regardless of the fact that we have recognized Nanking, we are still disposed to close the China incident forever as soon as possible. However, on the 13th of November in a morning session of the Diet, it was decided that in any case our military operations would be continued until the end of this year. Our recognition of the WANG regime must have given Chungking a severe shock. That is why we find it hard to understand why CHIANG did not ask the Germans to try to have us postpone this recognition. If Chungking is still of a mind to talk peace with us, we too are of a mind to do the same thing. We had Germany postpone recognizing the new government and help us in our efforts to expedite peace. Therefore, it might be a delicate matter for us to try to use Germany again right now. Nevertheless, in connection with Germany's recognition of the new government, who knows but what we will get another chance soon to talk harmony with CHIANG. Please remember what I have told you in this message and whenever we get a suitable chance, please again approach the German Government in a suitable and tactful manner.

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From: Tokyo
To: Shanghai, Canton and Peking
25 January 1941
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Circular #160 Received from Hong Kong as #41 on 24th

On the 24th, PA^a reports as follows:

1. The dispersal of the new 4th Army was not due to the machinations of England, America or Chinese pacifists. It was done in accordance with CHIANG KAI-SHEK's own idea. Not more than three or four thousand of the 4th Army were admitted into the Central forces. The others are endeavoring to merge with the 8th Route Army. (The rumors concerning the death in battle of KOO SHI^b are denied.) At present SHUU EN RI^b has assumed leadership and TO GETSU SHOO^b and SOO KEI REI^b are endeavoring to mediate. They say that they will compromise if the Central forces will furnish the Communist forces with a certain amount of arms. They may reach an agreement but, nevertheless, their views are radically different and little by little the fact that the Communist forces have been seizing large quantities of arms purchased from the Soviet en route to the Central forces has aggravated CHIANG to desperation and in his heart he harbors extreme hatred for the Communists. His recent dispersal of the new 4th Army is but an indication of this fact. The only interest which CHIANG has in Soviet Russia is the extent to which it can help him fight Japan. Aside from that there are irreconcilable problems. At present, England

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and the United States are not in a position to interfere, and Moscow has sent in a protest condemning CHIANG's action.

T. V. SOONG, who is in the United States, has just sent in a telegram stating that before long an influential banker, as yet unnamed, is going to China to help Chungking see what can be done against inflation.

The reason why Chinese currency has stabilized itself during the last three or four days is because the Chinese, fearing the freezing of funds in the United States, are converting their American money into their national currency.

Relay to Nanking, Shanghai, Canton and

- a - Abbreviation for unidentified person.
- b - Japanese spelling of Chinese names.

Translator's Note: The translation of this message follows the original very closely; yet, due to lack of clarity in several places, it cannot be easily understood.

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From: Tokyo
To: Canton, Peiping, Nanking, Shanghai
7 February 1941
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Circular 248 Message from Hong Kong #62 on the 4th

Re my #60.^a

The military leaders of the new Fourth Army wired a message to the irregular troops throughout the country to the effect that they have taken their posts and they would to the bitter end fight against Japanese imperialism and the pro-Japanese faction who are the tools of the Japanese. On the 24th, they wired another telegram which said: "Chungking has systematically surrounded and attacked our troops and the pro-Japanese faction is making further plans to annihilate the Eighth Route Army. We firmly believe that the great majority of the Chinese people do not wish to take part in anti-Communist movements and will to the bitter end oppose SINKAI and his ilk."

a - Available, not translated.

b - CHIN HWEI - a historic figure; a Prime Minister who is known for having murdered, under the influence of moneyed interests, militant leaders of the government.

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From: Tokyo (Matsuoka)
 To: Nanking, Shanghai, Peiping, Canton
 19 February 1941
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Circular 337 Message from Hong Kong #88 on the 18th

On the 18th PA.^a

1. Re CURRIE^b Piecing together information which I gathered from a friend of in Chungking, I have the following:

a. KA^c in Chungking has been spending his time in conferring with important members of military and political circles and has also been studying the materials submitted to him by the Chungking Government. Therefore, they have not yet reached any definite conclusion regarding the policy to bolster the national currency.

The Chungking Government has had principally KOSHOKI^d negotiate with KA but KAOKIN^e has also been conferring with him on several occasions. Moreover, SHUNRAI^f in a private conference with PA, clearly stated that if the Nationalist Party would open the doors to the government and inform the Chinese Communist Party of the war materials it had purchased from the United States, the Party will cooperate with the Nationalist Party in carrying on the war.

b. As to the shipping and distributing of the materials sent to China by the American Red Cross

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Society, BAIKOKU, in behalf of the Chungking authorities and as a representative of the Red Cross Society (he arrived in on the 28th of January), explained to PA the circumstances concerning shipment over the Burma route, but PA expressed his dissatisfaction and requested the Chungking Government to improve the situation.

c. On the 16th PA conferred with CHINKŌHO who had flown to purposely to meet him. He expects to fly to Seito⁸ on the 18th. In that city principally CHŌGUN^h is to confer with him.

2. In order to deal with Soviet-Chinese relations in a satisfactory manner CHIANG KAI-SHEK has been urging SONKA to accompany SŌKEIREI¹ to Moscow. However, SONKA is shilly-shallying, saying that there is no point to going to Moscow unless he is entrusted with full authority.

3. In view of the fact that CURRIE is visiting China, CHIANG KAI-SHEK, though reluctantly, has expressed his willingness to compromise with the Chinese Communist leaders. However, so far they have not come to the point of discussing the military question. With regard to this situation CHINSEIJ is showing dissatisfaction, but I understand that CHIANG KAI-SHEK patiently explained to him that from the general political point of view it was unavoidable. I have not heard that these people, as a result, have decided to resign, nor are there any reasons to believe that they will.

Relay to Nanking, Shanghai, Peking and Canton.

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- a - Unknown.
- b - American financial advisor sent to bolster Chinese currency.
- c - Probably "Currie."
- d - Kung Hsiang-hsi (Member of the Central Executive Yuan).
- e - Ho Ying-chin (Member of the Central Executive Yuan).
- f - Chan En-lai (Communist Leader).
- g - Chengtu (in Szechwan Province, China).
- h - Chang Chun (Member of the Executive Yuan).
- i - Sung Ching-lin (Member of the Central Executive Yuan).
- j - Chen Cheng (Chief of the Eighth Route Army).

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Re my #91.*

1. The following is a confidential report made by KANSIYU who says the information comes from the inner circles of KANSII:

The main object of CURRIE's visit was to ascertain the things required by Chungking to carry on its defense industries and production and to continue as a belligerent; as well as to survey financial and economic conditions, which forms the basis of the above.

The U.S., thinking of an economic tie-up after the war is over, may, after studying CURRIE's findings, advance a much larger loan than is at present contemplated. Already, several dozens of experts have arrived on the scene, it is reported.

Apparently, against an unexpected emergency, the U.S. has recognized the necessity for strengthening the Chinese army, through additional training and arms. Towards this end, it is said that the U.S. is considering the advisability of supplying arms and instructors.

It is said that CURRIE's mission includes the task of investigating these matters as well.

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2. The following is a confidential report submitted by a special investigator dispatched by SHUKAKA:

Chungking is of the opinion that unless Japan launches her southern push by April or May, it would have to be delayed until after October because of weather conditions. As to which it will be depends on Germany's campaign against the British Isles. The presumption in Chungking is that the main objective of Japan's campaign will be Burma.

To counter this, Chungking suggests that Great Britain and China work together. Chinese armies should be sent into Burma and armed and supervised by the British.

While setting up the defense of Burma in this manner, French Indo-China should be worked on. At the same time, within China itself, a general offensive will be launched while in the occupied areas the anti-Japanese elements will be put to work to stir up things behind the lines through assassinations of WANG's men.

Representatives of Three People's Policy Young Men's Associations will be sent into areas for propaganda work among the Chinese.

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To: Tokyo
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On the 27th HAYASHI of the Okura Company said to CHASHI that the conversation between the 1st Army leaders and ENSYAKUZAN (YEN SI-SHAN), which was scheduled to be held early in January, never materialized, and has been at a standstill ever since (see my last year's message #956),* and as relations between the 1st Army and the Shan-si Government are anything but smooth lately, the 1st Army has asked the services of Hayashi to act as an adviser to the Shansi Government to hasten the above-mentioned conversation and to effect a new turn in the government itself. Thereupon Hayashi called on the Governor of the Shan-si Province, who happened to be at Peking, and received his approval of the above plan. The Okura Company has already granted permission to Hayashi, and he will assume his duties at Taiyuan about the middle of next month.

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 To: Washington
 28 February 1941
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107 Strictly secret.

Re message 106^a from Hong Kong to this Minister.

According to intelligences emanating from Hong Kong, in the United States at the present time there are two factions. One faction insists that in order to bring a settlement of the European situation she should primarily aid Great Britain and that the situation in the Far East will then as a natural consequence be brought under control. Another faction insists that with respect to England and China, positive aid must be given to both at the same time.

It would seem on both of these points that ROOSEVELT was having a hard time making up his mind. It was with his own indecision in mind that he sent CURRIE to China. But, on the other hand, ROOSEVELT, too, felt that to investigate Chungking alone would be insufficient inasmuch as he is very cautious since he feels his knowledge of these matters was extremely nebulous. At the same time CURRIE was dispatched, he had an informal delegation of some fourteen persons make private investigations in Peking, Shanghai and Hankow (in this connection the friend with whom the spy conversed confidentially - probably O SEI TEI^b - refused to divulge the names of the representatives but it seems that up to 80% were economists). These representatives are carrying

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is referred to the Special Information Bureau U. S. Army Department of War

on investigations of various situations in the territory occupied by Japanese armed forces. It is confidentially understood that ROOSEVELT plans to open a conference in Washington on March 15th, with the view of mobilizing aid to China, at which the above-mentioned representatives (including CURRIE) are to make their appearance.

a - Not available.

b - C. T. WANG - one-time Foreign Minister.

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To: Moscow
31 March 1941
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According to our informer, SHORIKISI* called on MOROTOFU (MOLOTOV) on March 26th and discussed the question of developing the Northwest Area. SHAO is to see MOLOTOV again on April 6th for further discussion.

At the executive conference of the Chinese Communists which was recently held at Yunnan, CHO SHUBU** was selected as a liaison officer between China and the Soviet. Please check up on him for the purpose of evaluating information hereafter.

Relayed to Tokyo.

* Shao Li-Tzu 邵力子

** 肖秋武

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From: Tokyo
To: Hsinking, Canton, Hankow, Shanghai and Peking
11 April 1941
Purple

Circular 822 Received from Hong Kong as #182 on the 10th

Chungking has an eye on Anglo-American reactions to the border disputes and the Chinese Communists reflect the intent of the Soviet. Lately the trouble between the Communists and the CHIANG Government has apparently quieted but no basic settlement has ever been reached. Note the following:

PA^a reports that Chungking's compromise actually goes no further than the furnishing of arms and ammunition but that there are vague hints of a further political compromise to a certain extent and that a special commission may be set up.

XYZ^a reports that at a luncheon on the 14th of March with SHU ON RAI, CHIANG KAI-SHEK declared that he was ready to go ahead with an outright settlement of the border question and compromise with the Communists. On the 16th SHU presented a concrete proposal and CHIANG replied that he was ready to form a special commission of counselors. On the 16th the Communists said that they would not object to such a special commission being organized but they demanded independent existence and the right to judge and determine whether they were getting equal treatment with the KUO MIN TANG (Nationalist Party). Therefore, a quarrel arose and the plan fizzled out.

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Y reports that on the 8th at a meeting of the Central Yuan KA O KIN presented a definite plan for scattering the Communists (contents undisclosed), and CHO KEI made a fiery speech, declaring that the KUO MIN TANG is a weak-kneed organization which allows itself to be outdone by the Communists. Real danger to the KUO MIN TANG is not from Japan; nay, it is from the Communists who are threatening all the government organs and even the person of CHIANG KAI-SHEK himself. Therefore, at any cost, no effort must be spared to disperse these subversionists; otherwise, the KUO MIN TANG will wind up in a fiasco. CHIANG, however, declared: "These border imbroglios are mere secondary questions. We can't worry too much over such trivialities. As the international situation improves, they will automatically be settled. Let's wait at least until we get definite assistance from England and the United States before we clamp down on the Communists." The whole meeting agreed that CHIANG's suggestion had some basis. In the meantime, the Red baiters are silent for the time being and there is a seeming compromise between CHIANG and the Communists.

Relay to Nanking, Peking, Shanghai, Manchukuo and Canton.

a - Japanese secret agents.

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From: Tokyo
 To: Canton, Peking, Nanking and Shanghai
 10 April 1941
 Purple

Circular 815 Received from Hong Kong as #179 on
 April 8th

Re my #129.^a

According to PA,^b BAKER has pointed out the fact that the donations of commodities of the American Red Cross cannot be transported for close on to three months and has counselled the preservation of the integrity of the Burma route. CHIANG KAI-SHEK has in the back of his mind a plan to use this man BAKER in his schemes for laying the Tenmen^c Railroad, and has appointed him Supervisor of Shipping. On the other hand, some of the main Chinese officials are dissatisfied with this; and also the Red Cross itself, although it sent him as its representative, is very unhappy over BAKER's attitude since he has gained such control over China on his own initiative. BAKER expects the advent of a successor in the near future, so in anticipation of this, he has officially assumed his duties. The laying of the Tenmen Railroad, according to the desires of the Chinese officials, is to be financed by government loans, so it would appear that there is but scant chance for its success.

Relay to Nanking, Peking, Shanghai and Canton.

- a - Not available.
- b - Japanese secret agent.
- c - Kana spelling.

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From: Tokyo
 To: Nanking, Shanghai, Peking
 11 April 1941
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Circular 820 Message from Hong Kong as #183 on the 10th

KŌ CHŌ MEI who recently came here from Chungking confidentially told me the following:

1. Though Chungking welcomed American overtures of assistance, in my own opinion the fundamental policy of England and America is to deliberately scheme for a prolongation of the Sino-Japanese conflict. They are waiting for an advantageous change in the situation for themselves and are not considering the weal or woe of China. Even though you consider that the so-called CURRIE Mission, which I met in Taiyuchō, has at last found some way of making American assistance realizable through actual survey, it is clear that it is being engineered by Britain and America's egocentricity. Important persons, as well as myself, are dissatisfied with it.

2. Under the present circumstances peace between Japan and China is not much of a problem. CHIANG goes so far as to believe that peace could be realized during this year. Even KUNG holds to this contention and has not changed in his personal desire for peace. Recently, to the questions of newspapermen, the latter said: "If the Japanese actually withdraw their troops, peace could be realized within a short time." Confidentially my own opinion is that peace can be realized within nine months.

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3. In the past Japan's peace talks have been too impetuous. Furthermore, you have invariably jumped to conclusions. Exerting all kinds of influence, you have brought about confusion. Why don't you go about it with the view of sounding out Chinese opinion? In fact, in this connection, KUNG, too, is not a little dissatisfied and wants to wait upon an expression of Japan's good faith for peace. As far as my knowledge goes, it would be much more advantageous for Japan to play up to KUNG rather than to HAN KO and SHUKU SHIN YEI and other persons connected with them, even though the advances have been no more than invitations to dinner. In truth, in spite of the fact that Chungking pays HAN and SHUKU a stipend, she has no confidence in them for even in their own little circles they haven't the right to speak. CHAN CHUN,^a having received oral instructions on various subjects from CHIANG KAI-SHEK as to the manipulation of public opinion concerning policy, is merely foundering. CHAN is a fellow who thinks that all advice to CHIANG KAI-SHEK has to go through him. Furthermore, although the Japanese are turning to E TO more and more, he is making a failure of his business with the Chinese and is losing their confidence. Hereafter it will be useless to try to use this fellow. Think well before attempting to use such men as these.

Relay to Nanking, Shanghai and Peking.

a - President of the Central Executive Yuan.

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From: Shanghai
To: Tokyo
2 May 1941
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^a
JK Intelligence Report (April 30th)

1. The British Intelligence Section had dispatched DEN HAKU RETSU to continue conversations with TO KEN KŌ. They are discussing the tactical question of an exchange of intelligences.

^b
2. A Formosan by the name of FHUBKOKU (who has gone under the pseudonym of NAN KŌ: prior to the China Incident he worked under Vice-Consul IWAI in various political schemes), is at the present in the employ of the Chief of the Japanese Section of the Chungking Government Intelligence Bureau. He recently dispatched a Formosan by the name of SŌ ICHI CHŪ to Nanyi^c to operate there and at the same time to function as an intelligence organ for British and American authorities there, as well as to facilitate the exchange of intelligences.

Please wire the second paragraph of this message to the competent offices should it be felt advisable by you.

Relayed to Nanking and Hong Kong.

- a - Japanese secret agent.
- b - Kana spelling.
- c - In China.

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From: Canton
To: Nanking
1 May 1941
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(Abstract)

072 Canton to Shanghai as Circular #079
Action Tokyo as #148

YO KAN-BŌ (YU HAN-MOU 余漢謀) and the newly appointed Governor of CHUNGSHANHSIEN (中山縣), TYŌ TEI-KA backed by Japanese agent (YAMAGATA) expected to establish an independent pro-Japanese Southwest China Government, in about a month.

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From: Tokyo
To: Peking, Nanking, Shanghai
5 May 1941
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Circular 1003

Received from Hong Kong as #221 - 3 May

According to YZA, for four days beginning the 20th of last month the supply of rice in Chungking was almost exhausted and all the rice shops were closed, (opened again the 24th). Polished rice cost from 60 to 95 Yuan for 1 rō (40 pounds) and in the vicinity of it went up to 120 Yuan. Riots were continuous. On the 23rd there was a disturbance in front of the GYOEI gate and according to official reports two citizens were killed outright, and at DAIKEIKO one gendarme, one police and one civilian died.

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From: Tokyo
To: Hong Kong
7 May 1941
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We plan to send ROYAKUKAN to Thailand to handle special duties, and for necessary preparation for his work he will take along several persons from Shanghai. Therefore, if he requests funds, please see to it that he gets paid the appropriate amount. In Thailand, he has been instructed to concentrate on securing cooperation in spirit and conduct and not to engage in training work.

Also, RO (one additional person accompanying) will be sent to the Philippines to carry on the activities referred to in my message #75*, therefore, please supply him with funds for his expenses in this connection and also whatever instruction you may feel necessary.

*S.I.S. 17585.

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From: Tokyo
To: Nanking, Shanghai, Peking and Canton
29 May 1941
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Circular 1139 Message from Hong Kong #267 on the 28th

Strictly secret.

^a
On the 28th PA handed a member of my staff a strictly secret note which read as follows: "A part of the \$50,000,000 export loan by the United States to China is to be used in purchasing 800 airplanes from the United States. These planes, it appears, are of two types, including the Boeing B-17. The United States will under this arrangement send pilots and mechanics to manage the planes. To effect this deal will require one month."

^a
In this connection XYZ reports that a Boeing can leave a given base in China, fly to Tokyo, raid the city for two hours, and then fly back to China.

Relay to Nanking, Shanghai, Peking and Canton.

a - Probably Japanese intelligence agents.

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From: Tokyo
To: Shanghai
2 June 1941
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Re your #852.^a For your own office's intelligence and enlightenment expenses for this fiscal year we have appropriated 620,000 Yen, for your special agents we have appropriated 540,000 Yen (of which 600,000 Yen are for JK's special activities and which we are sending direct to Shanghai) making a total of 1,160,000 Yen. You know that nowadays we have to economize all we can and it was only after considering how important intelligence work in your city is that we arrived at such a high figure, so in any case we want you to spend this money as wisely as possible. Please get the details from Secretary YOSHIOKA.

a - Not available.

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From: Tokyo
 To: Nanking, Shanghai, Peking and Canton
 19 June 1941
 Purple

Circular 1274 Message from Hong Kong as #299

(Intelligence of Primary Importance).

On the 18th PA reported as follows:

Recently, through QUO TAI CHI,^a CHIANG KAI-SHEK had ROOSEVELT and HULL informed that he would like to see the Chinese Incident ended simultaneously with that of Europe. ROOSEVELT, however, is said to have replied that the European war will not end in a short time and, after all, there is no necessity of taking such a view as this. (Refer to Your Excellency's #175^b to Washington)

For some time, particularly in Chungking, and in general everywhere, there has been a great shortage of rice and the price trend has been upward; therefore, the Chungking officials are trying to settle the question by planning and scheming to import rice from Annam^c and Thai over the Burma Road. Therefore, they asked the United States to furnish them with trucks in which to transport the rice and, as a result, obtained 500 machines. Now it would appear that these trucks will be delivered within eight months to Rangoon.

Relay to Nanking, Shanghai, Peking and Canton.

a - Chinese Ambassador to Great Britain. b - See S.I.S. 18452. c - Rich agricultural area of French Indo-China.

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From: Shanghai
To: Tokyo
16 June 1941
Purple (J18-K8)

998 Part 1 of 2^a
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When Mr. IWAI visited Japan not long ago, he discussed by word of mouth with an official in charge in our department the education and methods of employ of certain Chinese now cooperating with us in our newly organized political investigation group, whom we are planning to send to the South Seas. We had planned to have the Nanking Government subsidize the work, but since Mr. IWAI returned, the atmosphere has become quite confused, so we have decided to establish an independent institution called the JIKYO GAKUSHA (Self-strength School), and to proceed with our plans to begin instruction. (The Embassy was of the opinion that we should carry on absolutely secret instruction, but after all, we have to have students, so we have decided to hang out a shingle).

- a - Part 2 of 2 not available.
- b - Stationed at Hong Kong.

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From: Shanghai
 To: Canton, Hong Kong, Swatao, Amoy
 16 June 1941
 Red (J18-K8)

Circular 486 To Tokyo #1000 Part 2 of 2^a

For requirements for matriculation, consult my separate Circular #488^b and the appended description of the TZU CH'IANG School. I want you also to consult with Mr. YUAN SHU who, I understand, is soon going to your place. We have had relations with him for ten years. Under our leadership he was a key man in the establishment of the new regime. At present he is a lieutenant in the Kuo Min Tang, Vice-Chief of the Central Eastern Propaganda Section, and President of the Society of New China. If he does not visit your place, however, I would like for you please to consider having me send you some ambitious youth who is interested in this project. Of course, this whole project will be under our leadership, and we will foot all the bills. However, on the surface it must appear to be a school, purely Chinese in nature, devoted to instruction in business, commerce, etc.

a - Part 1 of 2 available - under study.

b - See S.I.S. 18504.

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From: Shanghai
To: Tokyo
17 June 1941
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ROYAKUKAN* left Taiyuan on the 17th for your city.

*A Chinese agent in the employ of Japanese Government. He works among Chinese Nationals residing in Hong Kong, Thailand, Manila, etc.

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From: Shanghai
To: Canton
20 June 1941
Purple (Urgent)

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Strictly Secret. Re my Circular #486.^a

Since YUANSHU and temporary official MIYAZAKI are expecting to go to Canton by air on the 21st, your best efforts toward securing them lodging and other conveniences are respectfully requested. Furthermore, since these gentlemen have important governmental matters to take up in Shanghai and Nanking, it is desired that their return be expedited as much as possible, that they leave Canton directly for Macao the same evening or on the 22nd, and depart from Macao on the 22nd. They have instructions to discuss certain matters with you while in Canton and in this connection you will please see to it that their landing is uninterrupted and arrangements are made for airplane accommodations outward.

a - See S.I.S. 18502 - Shanghai asks Tokyo to consult with YUAN SHU concerning the proposed establishment of a school to organize and educate men in propaganda and Fifth Column work in the South Seas.

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From: Shanghai
 To: Singapore
 24 June 1941
 Red

Circular 515 Message to Tokyo #1074

Re my #948.^a JK Intelligence.

1. KŌ JIN RIN, General Manager of the Rei Shi Sha, tells me that about 150,000 Yuans¹ worth of provisions, etc., for the use of American aviation volunteers has been received in Hong Kong. Currently, this is being transported to the interior.

2. An advance party of six members arrived in this port about the middle of this month. This group constitutes a portion of the American technical advisers being sent to China to give military assistance. Chungking is dispatching a reception committee to welcome them.

3. British Ambassador KERR has invited Chinese cultural leaders to a tea party in Hong Kong. The British-American-Chinese military alliance is a fact, and should war break out in the Pacific, this will immediately become apparent.

I have transmitted this message in the same manner as my caption message.

a - Not available.

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From: Tokyo
 To: Canton
 30 June 1941
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Circular 1362 Message from Hong Kong #315 - June 28

Report.

TEI SŌ HA,^a who arrived at on the 25th in order to assume the position as director of the seven great newspapers of the Seiji^b chain, as well as manager of the KO library (refer to page 405 of Who's Who and to my letter #323),^c spoke confidentially to an agent of this office, HYŌ JIN SI^d (a member of the educational committee and one who was on especially good terms with TEI in the days of the CHYŪ WŌ NIPPO)^e as follows:

1. On the 21st, the day before war began between Germany and Soviet Russia, the British Ambassador in Rome, acting in accordance with instructions from London, conferred with the Soviet Ambassador and said, "Britain would like to see the threat on the eastern border of Soviet Russia eliminated and assure the British colonies in the Pacific safety by, jointly with Russia, urging Chungking to compromise with Japan on condition that the latter withdraw from the Axis." To this the Soviet Ambassador replied on the 23rd, stating that he was speaking on instructions which he had sought from Moscow. He said, "While on the other hand there is no possibility of Japan withdrawing from the Axis, the Chungking Government cannot believe that Japan would submit. Consequently, until Japan's attitude becomes

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definite, Soviet Russia does not wish to take any positive step regarding questions in the Far East. It is not that Soviet Russia considers it advisable to regard the Japanese-Soviet treaty as important, but that the Japanese-Chinese war is an important factor at present in keeping Japan from aiding the other Axis Powers."

The two diplomats conferred for four days without coming to an agreement (PA^f also admitted that the British Ambassador conferred with the Soviet ambassador).

2. On the 23rd the Chinese Communist Party wired Chungking a message expressing its friendly attitude toward Soviet Russia, demanding the closing of German and Italian Embassies as well as Consulates, the expulsion of Germans and Italians from China, and promising full cooperation with Chungking in the war. On the other hand, the pro-German faction leader SHU KA KAG urged the government to confer with both German and Italian authorities before announcing its stand.

- a - Kana spelling.
- b - Probably "Star" chain.
- c - Not available.
- d - Kana spelling for Feng Jen-Chih.
- e - Kana spelling, a newspaper.
- f - Panyushukin, Russian ambassador to Chungking.
- g - Kana spelling for Chu Chia-Hua.

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From: Tokyo
To: Shanghai
4 July 1941
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It seems that RO YAKU KAN^a is now in Shanghai. If possible to contact him, please tell him confidentially to hurry back to Canton and get in touch with the Consul there.

a - Acting Vice-Consul in Shanghai.

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From: Tokyo
 To: Nanking, Shanghai, Canton, Peking
 5 July 1941
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Circular 1437 Message from Hong Kong #322

According to information which HYŌ SI CHŌ got from DAI KŌ HŌ, bombers supplied by the United States (the number of machines is not known but I think they are the 10 Boeing B-17 types and 18 heavy bombers referred to in my message #282)^a packed in 300 separate cases and 220 trucks (the Fords mentioned in my #318)^b will reach Rangoon sometime between July 15 and 20 on board a steamship belonging to the Ford Company. The bombers are to be sent into the interior as they are. The trucks will be assembled in Rangoon and will leave that city toward the end of July or about the middle of August after being loaded with freight. The Chungking authorities are quite anxious that this war material is shipped safely and have sent MŌ HŌ SHŌ to Singapore to discuss plans with British and American officials. I understand that there are points in this information which coincide with what was confidentially told by PA to a member of this staff. I am sending this for your information.

- a - Available - not translated.
 b - See S.I.S. 19327 which states the United States had been asked to furnish 500 trucks.

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From: Tokyo
 To: Nanking, Shanghai, Canton and Peking
 6 June 1941
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Circular 1209 Message from Hong Kong #282

Re my #267.^a

Intelligence from PA.

"The first party of 100 members of American aviators and technicians dispatched recently has arrived in Rangoon. Gradually they are going to SU. (These parties apparently are being routed through Rangoon). In the future, too, in continuing this, it is expected that large numbers will be sent out from the United States. However, the number to come has not been made clear.

"Furthermore, according to newspaper information, American aviators are to be utilized in the transportation of bombers to China, the assembly of airplanes, their repair, and a study of actual fighting. However, there is also the matter of the request made by Chungking that it is necessary for them to participate in actual warfare. It seems that about one-third of those sent are to take part in the war.

"1. Chungking requested that the United States supply some 500 first-class airplanes, and as a result of the contacts made by T. V. SOONG (as I told you in my caption message), for the time being, a mere 80 planes have been supplied. Of these, aside from the nine B-17 Boeing bombers and the 18 heavy bombers, all airplanes

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are of very ordinary types. Furthermore, though I do not know but what there may be early discussions concerning continued supplying of American planes in the future, even though the United States is not avoiding its responsibilities with regard to the Far East, there is a great disparity, I have observed, between Chungking's requests and the amount of actual aid being sent."

In continuing PA said, "General, since the question of wireless transmission (see my #228)^b has been at outs with the government authorities, but having been made chairman of an investigating committee for the Seventh Zone (covering Canton, Kanshi, and Fuku Provinces), he has recommended me as his successor. Three times CHIANG KAI-SHEK has wired me to assume that post, but for myself, I have never liked Chungking's way of doing things, but after some revisions have been made, I am quite prepared to assume that post."

a - See S.I.S. 17737 which states that a part of the \$50,000,000 export loan by the United States to China is to be used in purchasing 800 airplanes from the United States and that the United States will send pilots and mechanics to manage the planes.

b - Not available.

Note: This is a request translation referred to in S.I.S. 19488 in which Hong Kong relays information concerning bombers and war material furnished by the United States to China.

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Circular 1534 Message from Hong Kong #345

According to information which RIN KEI SEI^a got from Bank, the Commission for Stabilizing the Currency has decided on the following two steps as expedients to maintain the value of the Chinese official currency. I will check up on this information from PA and from other sources. It stands at present as follows:

1. In order to distinguish the interior from its adjacent areas, all currency not having the inscription "CHUNGKING" will be kept from being circulated in the interior. With this in view, of late Chungking has begun to print many additional copies of paper money of high denominations such as 1,000 Yuan, 500 Yuan, etc., of which Chungking forbids exportation.

2. In order to prevent the currency in the interior from flowing into the adjacent areas, sending money orders to these areas will be forbidden.

a - Kana spelling.

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Circular 1540 Message from Hong Kong #343

Strictly Secret.

There follows a report on the latest Anglo-American-Soviet-Chinese relations:

1. On the 15th PA confidentially said to a member of my staff: "QUO TAI CHI^a held a conversation with the British, American and Soviet Ministers and it is being widely rumored that a military alliance is imminent. Now, I, who have no connection at all with Chungking, have a friend who says that this is all untrue and I, myself, do not think that any such thing is yet at hand. Let us look at the present status of the four countries.

a. "After the outbreak of war with Germany and, for that matter, even before, the Soviet furnished Chungking with no supplies for three or four months. Furthermore, all that England and the United States have done to help China was to put into effect a loan whereby 5,000,000 Pounds were to be shipped to China as a stabilizing fund. (As one proof of this, China most urgently needs airplanes, and, until she recently obtained some from the United States, she only had some 200 old planes of British, American, Soviet, German and Italian makes).

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b. "Chungking is planning a policy concerning airplanes proportionate with England and the United States but this, too, is not likely to work out.

c. "Some time ago when CURRIE visited Chungking, he asked that China lend Great Britain some veteran troops but this, too, did not work out.

d. "The United States asked Chungking to lend her an airport near the coast in case Japan advances southward. Chungking gladly agreed but as yet the exact spot has not even been determined. True enough, American aid to China has increased somewhat lately, but aside from political and economic assistance, the United States cannot give China very much military help. All she can hope to do is give China a few camphor injections. The United States is too much interested in her own military preparations and will not see fit to use her resources in somebody else's fight. However, if the United States gets into war with Japan, then she will afford Chungking every assistance that may seem necessary."

a - Chinese Ambassador to Great Britain.

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"The United States will send men to improve the Burma Road in order to increase shipping; to deliver airplanes, trucks and other military supplies to Chungking and pilots and other technicians to engage in aeronautical instruction but these will not engage in actual fighting."

Intelligence Report of Secondary Order:

HYŌ SHI CHŪ learned from CHIN KŌ HO that recently, when QUO TAI CHI conferred with the American, British and Soviet Ambassadors, the American Ambassador, denying that he was on his own opinion, declared that it is the policy of the United States to continue its policy of assisting Soviet Russia just as prior to the outbreak of the war between Germany and Russia. He went on to say that of course the United States intends to give every direct assistance possible to the democracies, but will not fight herself unless it is absolutely necessary. He went on to hint that his government would not favor a treaty of alliance under the present circumstances, but that if Japan enters the German-Soviet war, the United States, as a neutral, will give

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Moscow every assistance possible. The Soviet Ambassador said that although Russia was now mobilizing a tremendous force, she still has foodstuffs aplenty, as well as arms, and that he would assure at least the same amount of assistance to Chungking as usual. The Soviet Ambassador went on to say that if Japan joins this war, he desires Chungking to make an attack along the whole battle line in order to cause Japan trouble in the rear. The British and Chinese Ambassadors agreed that in case anything happens to the British Isles there should be some common meeting ground for Great Britain and China and that, consequently, a Ministry should be established in Calcutta and a Consulate-General in Hong Kong. It seems that they also discussed the founding of a Consulate at Jo Chō Ki. Aside from these matters, however, no definite policy was established.

a - Part 3 of 3 - not available.

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Circular 302 Message to Tokyo #455 Part 1 of 2

Secret outside the Department.

Re my #290.^a

According to HAYASI, who has been working in Taigen^b until July 11 on this question ever since he had left this city together with the Bureau Chief TANAKA on June 30 because is ill with typhoid, YEN,^c SO FUKU SIN,^c and RYU KITI HO^c came to Taigen and negotiated with Bureau Chief TANAKA, and as a result agreed on the following:

A. The SANSEI Army will itself bring about law and order in SANSEI^d (please refer to my #259).^e (1) The Sansei Army will be increased to 300,000 and Japan will, through Nanking, furnish it with funds, arms and ammunition. (2) After this matter has been agreed upon, it will arrange an armistice with the Japanese authorities.

B. Upon the conclusion of an armistice agreement, an announcement will be made, in the name of YEN SHAKU SAN, on opposition to Communism and for cooperation in the establishment of a new order in the Far East. Simultaneously it will announce its disconnection with

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Chungking and urge comrades to join them. The representatives agreed to submit to Japan on the aforementioned conditions. On account of inadequate means of transportation, it has been agreed that the agreement will be signed in Taigen three weeks later. Bureau Chief TANAKA expects to go to Shanghai tomorrow, the 15th, to report this matter to the central authorities. It has been decided that CHŌ KYŌ JU^c and Ō SEI KOKU,^c representing the Sansei authorities; and WATANABE, Chief of Staff of the Army in Northern China, or YUWAMATSU, Commander of the 1st Army, will be the signers.

- a - Not available.
- b - Kana spelling for YANGKU, city in SHANSI Province.
- c - Unidentified.
- d - Kana spelling for SHANSI Province.
- e - See S.I.S. 18760 regarding visit of First Chief Secretary of the American Embassy and the Commercial Attache.

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Circular 1565 Received from Hong Kong as #356

The local Chinese newspapers report that LATIMORE will go to Chungking on the 19th. Since his arrival in Hong Kong on the 15th he has been continuously entertained, first by the Governor-General, then the Pacific International Society, . . . representatives of CHIANG KAI-SHEK, the Central China Propaganda Agency, the Third Internationale, and various other supporting groups. On each and every occasion he has spoken words of flattery for Chungking. However, according to XYZ, Chungking fears that LATIMORE will be used by the Communists and the Third Internationale. (According to KC, CHIANG KAI-SHEK has wired to TOKENKŌ regarding LATIMORE's immediately . . .). Immediately after LATIMORE's arrival TEISOHAO published an article in GAISEITOBANPO regarding the Chungking Government's strengthening the international popular front and LATIMORE's not interfering with the Chungking Government's policy.

He went on to say further that LATIMORE's knowledge or understanding of China's affairs was very meager and warned that caution would have to be exercised in the future.

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However, LATIMORE paid little attention to the above. He attended a round table conference sponsored by SŌKEIŌEI and SŌTŌ and appeared to give audience to what they advocated. (The contents of which was the same as the editorial referred to in my #346).*

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 To: Nanking and Shanghai
 8 August 1941
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Circular 405 Message to Tokyo #533
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Re my #489.

On the 7th HAYASI came to this office and gave me the following confidential information:

1. The Secretary of YŌ, who had suddenly come to Taigen^b at the invitation wired to him by SO, Governor of the Sansei^c Province, met HAKU TAI CHŪ^d representing EN,^e and the two have been making preliminary preparations. They have been working out a plan to remove the forces under CHŌ SHŌ JU to the district of Kōgi,^f a district not only rich in resources but convenient for the purpose of establishing liaison with the Japanese authorities, and to do this as the first step upon the return to Sansei of EN SHAKU ZAN.^e On the 6th, Chief of Staff of the 1st Army TSUKIYAMA, and Chief of the Special Affairs Section in Taigen UYAMA, together with YŌ and HAKU,^d proceeded to Kōgi and, meeting with CHŌ, definitely decided upon removing the said army. On the 7th the Vice-Chief of Staff of the North China Army ARISUE, accompanied by Staff Officer SIGEKAWA, went to Taigen, and after learning of the results of the aforementioned meeting, flew to Nanking with the intention of reporting the results to SO GUN.

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2. If the transference of CHŌ's Army to Kōgi is carried out, HAYASI will proceed to that place with RYŌ JŌ CHIN,^d an important member of the Sansai Section, who is now in Peking, and the two will offer their services with the object of carrying out the terms included in paragraph 4 in the first part of my #455.8

3. Although the army of KŌ A KŌ^d is now stationed in Kōgi Province, it will be transferred to another part when CHŌ's army will be transferred to that province.

- a - Not available.
- b - Yangku, a city in Shansi Province.
- c - Shansi.
- d - Kana spelling.
- e - YEN HSI-SHAN, member of the Central Executive Yuan and Commander of the Shansi Army.
- f - Siaoqi, in the Province of Shansi.
- g - S.I.S. 20173-20174, in which it is stated that the Shansi Army will arrange an armistice with the Japanese, and then an announcement will be made in the name of EN SHAKU ZAN on opposition to Communism and for cooperation in the establishment of a new order in the Far East.

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Because of the fact that the code system used by the Nanking Government has not yet been fully developed, if we continue to use the system as heretofore between Japan and this city, there is danger of messages being intercepted by Chungking and our policy being known to them through decipherment. I would like to suggest that the foreign office and the Ministry of Communication confer on this subject and decide that, in respect to every route and on condition that the telegraphic matter be handled only by those on the inside, all telegraphic communications between Japan and the Nanking Government be sent by the customary telegraphic system. If necessary we shall direct the telegraphic companies for this purpose. Please reply by wire.

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 To: Bangkok
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Circular 185 Hsinking to Tokyo as #552

According to Intelligence Operative "A" at Harbin, the Soviet Ambassador at Chungking sent the following report to Moscow on August 6th.

"According to information from the British Embassy, the American and British Governments have decided on the following steps to check the Japanese southward advance:

"(a) Britain and the United States are disseminating propaganda to the effect that they will have to take military measures if the Japan-Thailand agreement is not abrogated.

"(b) If that occurs, there would be increased Anglo-American economic demands on Thailand.

"Consequently from the standpoint of supplies, the British would have to increase their air force in Burma to prevent the Japanese from sending a large military force into Thailand."

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Circular 442 Message to Tokyo #563

(To be handled in Government Code. Strictly Secret)

Re my #559.^a

On the 22nd, HAYASHI confidentially told me the following:

1. After that, because the YEN^b faction, by special messenger, had informed us that they wanted to get through with the signing without delay this month, each of the stipulations in detailed report in my #455,^c Staff Officer TSUCHIDA of the First Army arrived in En on the 19th, (?) in order to confer with Chief of Staff TSUKIYAMA who, at present, is in En.

2. The Yen faction urged these signatures because Yen has severed his connections with the Central Military authorities, who had had about 10,000 troops of the South Army ...^e invade Yen's domain.

a - Not available. b - YEN HSI-SHAN, Chief of Military Commission. Member of Central Executive Yuan, Head of Shansi army. c - S.I.S. 20173-20174. d - More often called Enan by the Japanese. Yen-an-Fu in Shensi Province. e - (Possibly Kiangsi Province. Translator's note).

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Circular 460 Peking to Tokyo as #591, 5th

Re my #563.*

Secret information from HAYASHI on the 5th as follows:

In order to complete the understanding between Japan and EN and have it ratified, TANAKE, Chief of the General Staff of the North Army from Japan, (accompanied by HAYASHI and RYOJŌCHIN) and CHOSHŌJU from EN will meet on the 8th at

Colonel HONGO of the North China Army is scheduled to leave for Taigen on the 11th with the details of the agreement. It is expected to take about two weeks.

*S.I.S. 21561 - Intelligence report relating desire of YEN (head of Shansi Army) to sign an agreement (terms unknown, but covers surrender and incorporation of army into Nanking puppet forces).

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Circular 469 (Secret) Message to Tokyo #611

Re my #591.^a

The following is confidential information given me by HAYASHI who arrived in Taiyuan on the 15th.

1. Accompanied by Staff Officers SIGEZAKI; TSUKIYAMA of the First Army; and TSUCHIDA; the Chief of Staff of the North China Army, TANABE (HAYASHI also accompanied the group), together with the Governor of the Shansi Province who had arrived at Fencheng^b previously, conferred on the 8th with the party headed by CHO SHO JU^c representing EN.^d However, no agreement was signed on that day because much time was spent in exchanging telegrams between CHO and EN concerning the questions of the Northwestern Business concern and of the return of the Dō Ho Railway. After deciding that the details should be disposed of by a commission consisting of both Japanese and Chinese experts in the future, an armistice agreement was signed between the two parties at 1100 A.M. on the 11th.

2. It seems that those on the side of EN wish to have their forces increased to 300,000 or 500,000 men (they claim that they have at present 17, but in reality they probably have 50,000 or 60,000 men). But

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this is no more than an ideal; it would take many months before it could be realized. In supplying military funds and materials, the form to be followed is the same as you have indicated in your telegram.

3. Although the Japanese had requested EN to announce the fact that he had severed his relations with Chungking and the fact of Japanese-Chinese joint action as soon as the Japanese representatives signed the armistice agreement, it is the desire of those on his side that the announcement be issued after the distribution of the Shansi Army into various sections of the province (so that they could cooperate with the Japanese forces), and after disposal has been made of the question of the treatment to be given to the Central Army and to the 8th Route Army. It is expected that all this will take several months to accomplish.

4. It is planned to use the main power of the Shansi Army for political purposes. The Japanese do not attach much military importance to the army. The value of the move lies in the fact that they have succeeded in embracing EN's political influence and in the fact that they are now in a position to influence through him both YU HSUEH CHUNG^e and FU TSUO Iⁱ (they expect to continue to institute plans of this nature). Economically they will be able to appeal to Chinese traders in distant places through the financial interests in Shansi, and they believe that this would make a turning point in the disposal of the China Incident, etc., etc.

Relayed to Shanghai and Hong Kong.

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- a - S.I.S. 22092 regarding a meeting for the purpose of completing the understanding between Japan and EN.
- b - In Shansi Province.
- c - CHAO CHEN-SHOU, Commander of the 8th Army.
- d - Probably YEN HSI-SHAN, member of the Central Executive Yuan and Commander of the Shansi Army.
- e - Governor of the Hopeh Province and member of the Military Commission of the Nationalist Government.
- f - Chairman of the Suiyuan Province and Commander of the 37th Division.

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To: Tokyo
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Re your #393.

Since June of last year, WANG CHING-WEI has been conferring with the authorities of the Joint Army Command. The Army authorities who sent letters to EN^b on several occasions have If EN goes to war, we think it will be satisfactory to give him not only the rank of Chairman of the Military Council, but also that of Vice-Chief of the Government. The authorities of the Joint Army Command also are in total agreement with the second point in your message concerning the conclusion of the war. Accordingly, with regard to the disbursement of expenditures regarding this matter, it is true that WANG CHING-WEI immediately gave his consent. (According to the explanation of the Army authorities, they first of all gave 1,000,000 Yuan from the secret funds in addition to the 12,000,000 Yuan. It seems that they promised disbursement covering a period of three months).

Furthermore, we have received representations on successive occasions from the authorities of the Joint Army Command and from Advisor KAGESA with regard to For your information.

a - Not available. b - EN SHAKU ZAN, Kana spelling for YEN HSI-SHAN, Member of the Central Executive Yuan and Commander of the Shansi Army.

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To: Tokyo
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Re my #1553.

HQ reports that he has found out that MAO TSE-TUNG arrived at Hami^c on August 19th and left on the 25th for Moscow. MAO, it seems, remained for six days in Hami, busying himself with general discussions concerning the future development and expansion of the Chinese Communists, as well as discussions concerning the establishment of better relations between the Nationalists and Communists. His business in Moscow concerns a complete compromise on all problems between the Nationalists and the Reds, together with the equipment and instruction of the Communist forces. MAO is planning to expand both the area and activities of the Communists and to work out a concrete joint policy between the Chinese and Soviet Red forces: It appears that in Moscow he plans to work out the details of future anti-Japanese strategy and the new and greater role to be played therein by the Communists.

- a - S.I.S. 21638 - An HQ spy report telling of the departure of Chinese Communist leaders for Moscow and their demands as wired to LATIMORE at the time of the British-American-Soviet Conference.
- b - Chinese Communist Leader.
- c - Town in E. Sinkiang, China.

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677 Strictly Secret

On the 25th, CHOU FUO-HAI^a told HIDAKA^b that in Hong Kong the other day CHIEN YUNG-MING told him the following:

Before allowing itself to be wheedled into a peace by the United States, Chungking wishes to be sure that it will be a sincere, complete, and lasting peace. It seems that CHIEN sent CHIANG KAI-SHEK recommendations that he make peace, and CHIANG replied that he would, as a matter of fact, welcome the cessation of hostilities but he could not be certain of making a good peace because Japan is so untrustworthy; that even if an agreement were entered into, after advancing either south or north and strengthening her international position, Japan would only come back again and bomb Chungking some more; that this is, as a matter of fact, her arrière pensée; that an understanding between Japan and the United States is impossible because opinion is so divided in Japan; that SADAŌ ARAKI, TEIICHI SUZUKI, as well as SEIGO NAKANO are making incendiary statements liable to produce a governmental upheaval; that by autumn Germany will do her very level best to take Moscow, because if winter sets in before the fall of the Soviet capital, it will be a cold, hard time for the Nazis, and in the meantime England and the United States will be growing

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stronger and stronger; that, of course, Japan realizes that Germany will act with celerity and intends to keep pace with her.

CHIEN continued, "About October 30th I am going to Chungking and again warn CHIANG, but I don't expect to get any results. In any case, if you have anything you want to tell him, please let me know. The other day CHOU TSUO-MIN came to Shanghai from Hong Kong, and he said that the United States is not telling the Chinese Ambassador HU-SHIH anything about the negotiations supposed to be going on between Japan and the United States. SOONG TSU-WEN, of course, should be in a position to know the facts, but his correspondence with CHIANG would lead you to believe that he is in complete ignorance. Thus, Chungking seems to be utterly in the dark. The other day a rumor was going the rounds in Chungking to the effect that the United States was going to be satisfied with the evacuation of Japanese troops from Honan only and that she would let the Japanese forces remain in Hopei. CHIANG grew quite belligerent and went so far as to make a statement that he captured Lang Chow September 18."

- a - Minister of Finance and Police.
- b - Commercial Attache in Shanghai.

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Circular 494 Peking to Tokyo #637

Confidential within the Ministry.

From the Ambassador to the Foreign Minister.

On the 27th, HARADA, in a casual conversation with YANG YU-HSUN, the Director of the National Socialist Party, learned that LU TING-KUEI, the Shanghai Secretary of the party, had gone to Hong Kong to explain the purposes of the National Socialist party to a select group there, and to obtain the consent of party leaders there to establish contact with CHANG CHUN-LI. It is rumored that a meeting of the party will be held in the near future, probably during October. It would be unfortunate if the party's reputation were to be impaired.

The "Four Chang Movement" (CHANG CHUN-LI, CHANG PO-LING, CHANG CHUN, and CHANG LI-LUAN) has been advocating a peace on all fronts. Since the death of CHANG LI-LUAN it is evident that the three Changs will have to carry on for the sake of the party's future.

The substance of this message has been repeated to Shanghai. Please repeat to Hong Kong.

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From: Peking
To: Hsinking
8 October 1941
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Strictly secret.

Re your #24^a to Commercial Attache HANAWA.

In order to cope with the influences in Kansu and Ningho of Soviet Russia, the Chinese Communist Party, and Chungking, since last year this office has been giving secret directions to WATANABE and have had him contact BA TEI KEN (an influential leader of the Mohammedans in the northwestern area). With this man as the central figure we have been maneuvering for 3 years with a view of having him take the lead in establishing an independent Mohammedan area embracing all the Mohammedans in these provinces. In order to defray the expense of this campaign, WATANABE has been collecting contributions from patrons. IWATA's remittance was made for the same purpose. Although this campaign has been carried on in conjunction with the military authorities, insofar as such connection seemed necessary, it is being continued, as a matter of principle, in strict secrecy; therefore, I would like to have you keep the content of this message to yourself.

I would appreciate your giving special consideration to have the funds in question sent at once.

a - Not available.

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From: Bangkok (Tubokami)
To: Tokyo
3 October 1941
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It is recognized that 2,300 Bahts a month expenses will be required for ROYAKKAN's* intrigues for the present. Please wire three months' allowance or a total of 6,900 Bahts. (This has been taken up with YATAGAYA).

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To: Tokyo
11 October 1941
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Request message

From HIDEMARO KONOYE* to Premier Prince KONOYE:

Excuse my long silence. How are you? I can imagine how hard you are working with the many problems both at home and abroad, and I am praying for your health.

No doubt you have already heard about it, but of late the atmosphere here in regard to Japan is not too good. While the key persons are saying nothing, the Germans who have more than ordinary sense about political affairs are not pleased over reports that American vessels are able without hindrance to unload war supplies at Vladivostok.

As long as Japan has not formally renounced the Three-Power Treaty, it causes the Germans much irritation to have the Tokyo Information Bureau make daily announcements that intimate progress in negotiations between Japan and the United --21M--. Before the atmosphere becomes worse, have some responsible statesman make a frank statement to the Germans as to the real situation in this matter, to the effect that any negotiations with the United States that are not in harmony with the spirit of the Three-Power Treaty would be merely a political scheme, and that there is absolutely no change in Japan's policy.

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I am well, and doing my little bit in the Red Cross, and in visiting sick and wounded soldiers.

Give my greetings to mother.

Am sending AKIKO home on the ASAMA MARU.**

More particulars by letter. The Embassy has had nothing to do with this message. Please read it for your own information with that in mind. HIDEMARO.

*Younger brother of Premier KONOYE. He is a prominent orchestra conductor and was stranded in Europe while on a concert tour to Scandinavia and Germany this spring.

**About to start a trip to Lisbon to carry supplies and Nanking envoys to the Axis countries, and evacuate several hundred Japanese.

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From: Tokyo
To: Net
15 October 1941
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Circular 2176 Message from Hong Kong #500 on the 14th

1. MAGRUDER and his party flew to Chungking on the 9th. Taking together information gathered from various sources, I have the following:

The total number of representatives is 30 (of which 13 have already arrived). The advance group arrived about the middle of September and have completed discussion of their itinerary with the Chungking Government. After making an observation tour in many parts of China, the leaders will remain in Chungking, and the others will stay at the various fronts for a considerable length of time. They will keep in close touch with Chungking and at the same time advise their home government of practicable methods of military assistance in keeping with the actual situation. In preparation for a possible crisis, they will also study the arms as well as the tactics used by the Japanese army. It seems that they would also apply themselves to improving air fields, especially those in the southwest.

2. According to what NYŌ SI CHŪ^a heard from TŌ KEN KŌ,^a who had come as far as Hong Kong to meet the party, representatives will be dispatched to Chungking on September 30 also from Soviet Russia in order to discuss with MAGRUDER and with the Chungking Government the question of using the Chungking forces in the event

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Japan attacks Soviet Russia. Furthermore, according to U S "PA", the United States had toward the end of September the Chungking Government At the request of CHIANG KAI-SHEK, O SHO TEI, accompanied by two military men, went to the Philippines early in October (the story of HO YING-CHIN^c having gone to the Philippines must be a mistaken telegraphic version of this fact). The purpose of this trip was to discuss with the British and American authorities both tactics and methods of military cooperation. While the United States is, of course, earnestly hoping that the Japanese-American negotiations would be a success, they are, at the same time, proceeding with fairly frank discussions with the Chungking Government for military cooperation to be effected in case of emergency.

- a - Kana spelling.
- b - Former Vice-Chief of Foreign Relations.
- c - Official of the Military Committee of the Nationalist Government; member of the Central Executive Yuan.

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From: Nanking
To: Tokyo
22 October 1941
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Extra #13 (or 19) (Strictly Secret. To be handled
in Government Code)

Your wire of the 21st received. When I come to
Tokyo I hope to have a talk with you.

I want to come to Japan by any boat available
about the (?13th?) of November accompanied by SHIMIZU
(a secretary), TSUTSUJI (attached to the department),
and one undersecretary. I hope this suits you.

I am bringing along SHIMIZU so that he can tell
you directly details of the political intrigues which
he is commencing here.

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From: Peking
 To: Shanghai
 26 October 1941
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Circular 554 Message to Tokyo #692

(Secret outside the Department)

Re my #642.^a

HAYASHI reported to our office on the 24th as follows:

1. RYŌ JŌ CHIN, a man from Shansi and delegate to the Sino-Japanese mixed council, came to En An on the 21st and complained to HAYASHI in regard to decisions of the above meeting providing for transfer of General YEN HSI-SHAN's army and supply of war materials and funds from Japan. They argued back and forth but did not reach any agreement, CHŌ SHŌ JU keeping in touch with General YEN by wire. The Japanese scolded YEN for not having yet moved his troops and for delaying his announcement of peace, while YEN complained that because Japan had not supplied the September and October quota of arms and funds they could not carry on. As a result of this mutual suspicion they asked HAYASHI to come to Tai Yuan in person.

2. Accordingly, HAYASHI and RYŌ called on Chief of Staff TANABE the same day and as a result of their conference it was decided that IWAMATSU, Chief of the

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1st Army, should meet YEN directly near Kogi and try to find a solution to the above problems. TANABE would explain the arguments of the 1st army, and RYO would take the side of General YEN.

At this time TANABE assured RYO that 10,000,000 Yuan, owing from Japan for YEN's military expenses in September and October, and (which have been promised to the En An army) are now being assembled, and that he wanted YEN's followers to accept this as a proof of Japan's sincerity in the negotiations.

a - Not available.

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From: Hsinking
 To: Shanghai
 4 November 1941
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221 Message to Tokyo #708

1. The following points have been uncovered with the written confession of YOSHIHIDE KIYONO, a Communist recently arrested here.

a. The Comintern has established a Far Eastern office at Khabarovsk.^a The representative of the Japanese Communist Party, KENZŌ YAMAMOTO, and in previous years YOSHIKO OKADA, as well as RYOKICHI SUGIMOTO, are at this office. The Comintern from this office through the directive Communist office in the French Concession in Shanghai carries out its Communist program in Japan.

b. The "Committee for Reconstructing the Japanese Communist Party" with which TAKASHI OKABE, (arrested in June 1940) was connected, was instigated by the same KENZŌ YAMAMOTO. The organizing head of this committee, TADAO HIRAGA, mustering the Leftist elements among the Japanese in Manchuria, organized the Communist Party and as well as giving support to Japanese political movements was planning union with the Chinese Communist Party. As a development of political activity in Manchuria, a Manchurian supreme directive organization machinery was created through Kyōwa Kai (republican association).

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2. As an outcome of this confession the military police today, the 4th, arrested three persons here as well as about 60 others who were connected with them. The idea gathered from the suspects was that through the Western Division of the Kyōwa Kai the Communists were to be united, supporters of the movement being quite numerous. It even extended to the Leftist elements in Northern and Central China.

3. As you know, on October 18, some 380 persons belonging to the Leftist elements were arrested in Japan. This and the activities in Manchuria, I believe, makes entirely clear the Communist policy of the Comintern in Japan, Manchuria and China.

Due to the political significance of this, please do not let it leak outside the department.

Transmitted to Peking and Shanghai.

a - City of Far Eastern region Soviet Russia, on Amur River, near Northeast border of Manchukuo.

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From: Peking
 To: Net
 30 October 1941
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Circular 565

Message to Tokyo #704

SUMMARY

(Strictly secret within the Department)

Re my #692.^a

LIN reports confidentially as follows: RYO JO SHUN met with Chief of Staff TANABE and discussed this matter. As a result, they both got in contact with CHAO CHEN SHOU of the 1st Army, and all differences between the Japanese and Chinese were cleared up. At noon of the 27th, a final agreement was satisfactorily concluded.

a - S.I.S. 24107 regarding the transfer of Gen. YEN HSI-SHAN's army and supply of war material and funds from Japan.

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From: Tokyo
To: Shanghai
31 October 1941
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1108 Message from Hong Kong #508 dated October 22
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Re your #490 - Part 1.

According to the Soviet has continued supply-
ing of military goods to CHIANG but have advised that
for the time being they will have to discontinue the
process.

a - Not available.

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From: Nanking
 To: Tokyo
 6 November 1941
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775 (Secret)

According to confidential information given us by the Military Police in Shanghai, they have arrested CHIN KYO JU,^a Chief of the Shanghai Branch of the Blue Shirts and head of the Chungking terrorists. (He is a Major-General, having graduated with the fifth class from the Military Academy, and is the assassin of SO CHU MEI).^b As a result of this, some information has been uncovered regarding the background and affiliations of those who have been engaged in terrorism in Shanghai since the first part of this month and it is expected that this information will be effectively used in preventing further activities.

Furthermore, upon RI SI GUN^c guaranteeing his safety, we intend to use this man to frustrate the plans of the Chungking authorities. (Since this matter is still in the stage of planning, please do not let it out).

- a - Kana spelling.
- b - TSENG CHUNG-MING, formerly a member of the Central Executive Yuan. He was also the chief of the Political Secretariat.
- c - LI SHIH CHUN.

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From: Tokyo
To: Peking
22 November 1941
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Re your #741.^a

Since there is a great deal of British code material coming in now which we cannot read, please investigate. Even though your investigation is cautious, please make it complete and thorough.

a - Not available.

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From: Peking
To: Tsingtao
21 November 1941
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Clues have been obtained here regarding telegraphic codes used at present by the British Embassy. These codes apparently are used for communication between Shanghai, Chungking, Hong Kong and London. It is possible that these have already been decoded by the North Army, however they may have some value. The codes are:

1. Diplomatic code.
2. Plain-language abbreviations.
3. Numbers code.

Please wire immediately.

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From: Hsinking
 To: Peking, Nanking and Shanghai
 28 November 1941
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Circular 231 Message to Tokyo #779

Local military intelligences are as follows. For your information.

1. At the military review in celebration of the anniversary of the revolution, 47 airplanes of an unrecognizable type flew over the city of Kuibyshev. They were definitely of American design and construction. It seems that large numbers have recently been arriving.

(The above is a report of the Japanese Military Attache in the Soviet).

2. Large bodies of anti-Communist mobile forces are fighting in the vicinity of Mininsk (Bumo)^a and Barugujin^a (south of Krasnoyarsk), destroying lines of communication and attacking the Kolhoz and Sofhoz. (The above is a spy report).

3. The 39th Sharpshooters Division (in the neighborhood of Kogaiko)^a has executed before the firing squad 20 unsuccessful deserters who tried to get into Manchukuo between May and November. To date, 46 Soviet troops have deserted. The Soviet, in order to prevent desertion, has moved certain detachments away from the border or have strung charged barbed wire fences along the border. Another means which they are utilizing is making the regiment responsible for detachments from

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which there have been deserters. (The above is intelligence of primary importance).

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4. Recently on the Ude front, the surveillance troops of the Outer Mongolian area have within the last few days deliberately trespassed on Mongolian territory several times, even to the extent of 10 to 20 kilos. They are taking a strong, hostile attitude toward Japanese surveillance troops. (The above is intelligence of primary importance).

I have transmitted this to Peitai, Shanghai and Nandai.

a - Kana spelling.

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From: Tokyo
To: Canton
31 December 1941
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From Chief of East Asia section.

Re 2327* from Shanghai to Tokyo, and #1776 from Shanghai to

Please advise this office immediately the names of the important Chinese who are still in Hong Kong and Kowloon.

Also, ascertain whether CHIEN YUNG-MING** is safe or not and if safe, relay the following message as coming from former Foreign Minister MATSUOKA:

"We were concerned over your safety, but being advised that you are safe, feel greatly relieved."

*S.I.S. 26703 dated 17 December 1941. Reports Chinese caught in Hong Kong, and those who escaped to Chungking.

**Former Ambassador to France.

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From: Shanghai
To: Canton
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Reports YEH TE-MING being sent to Hong Kong by plane on 2 January. Extend courtesies. We are sending ¥1,000; please accept it.

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From: Shanghai
To: Tokyo
31 December 1941
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To Vice-Consul IWAI of the Investigation Section
from HIRATA.

Recently, since our occupation of Hong Kong we
have decided to dispatch YEH TE-MING to Hong Kong.
ENSYU requests that TOKUDA be sent with YEH, so we
approved it. They are scheduled to leave on 2 January
by plane. If there are any instructions to them, please
issue them in care of the Consul-General in Canton.

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From: Peking
To: Canton
13 January 1942
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Please locate KORYOKI (connected with TOKIIMEI and RYOSOMEI who were living in Hong Kong prior to its fall, and let us know.

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From: Canton
To: Nanking
15 January 1942
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Re your #1.*

From the Consulate at Hong Kong (?).

TOKYŌMEI are at present residing in Kowloon. RIKUTEIHATU and PZPTPIAU are both living safely in Hong Kong. Both of them desire to go north (?), however they do not have sufficient funds for travel. They have requested that arrangements be made for sending the allotment for T. ORE from Peking to this office and the allotment for ROKU from Nanking to this office. Therefore please make suitable arrangements.

Relay to Nanking.

*Not available.

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To: Peking
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Re your #5.*

Although both KYOSOMEI and KYOHOKI change their address from place to place and keep their whereabouts very secret, our Hong Kong Consul says they can get in touch with them.

*S.I.S. 28013 dated 13 January 1942. "Please locate KORYOKI (connected with TOKEIMEI and RYOSOMEI who were living in Hong Kong prior to its fall, and let us know."

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