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To: Bureau - Washington - Automotive-Aeronautics Trade Division.
From: New York District Office.
Subject: Request of Cummins Diesel Export Corporation, 724 Garrison Avenue, New York.

X Mr. Milton Brenner of the Export Department of the subject firm is interested in ascertaining the date of formation of the Manchuria Motor Car Company, which we believe is the company charged with the monopoly of manufacture of motor cars and motor car products in "Manchukuo".

Your cooperation in forwarding this information, if you have it will be appreciated.

John F. Sinnott
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District Manager.

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To: New York District Office

From: Automotive-Aeronautics Trade Division

Subject: Manchuria Motor Car Company - Cummins Diesel Export Corporation.

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of July 24, 1940, requesting in behalf of Mr. Milton Brenner of the Export Department of the Cummins Diesel Export Corporation, the date of formation of the Manchuria Motor Car Company, which is charged with the monopoly of manufacture of motor cars and motor car products in Manchukuo.

The Manchuria Automobile Manufacturing Company, Limited, was established by Imperial Ordinance No. 96 of May 5, 1939. A translation of the Ordinance is attached.

On the same date, the law of the Dowa Automobile Industry Company, Limited was revised. The functions of this company are now limited to assembling, repairing and selling automobiles, whereas formerly manufacturing was included. The latter function is now the monopoly of the Manchuria Automobile Manufacturing Company, Limited.

In a report dated January 24, 1940, Consul A. S. Chase, of Dairen Manchuria, gives some additional information with reference to the Manchuria Automobile Manufacturing Company, Limited. His report reads in part as follows:

"The Manchuria Automobile Manufacturing Company, Limited, created by "Manchukuo" Imperial Ordinance of May 5, 1939, with a capital of 100,000,000 yen will not become a factor for some time in supplying Manchuria with its needed automotive equipment according to the trade. Reports are current that this company has purchased in the United States car parts making machinery valued at \$1,250,000 but that no machinery is available to date for making the necessary materials to feed the car parts making equipment. The creation of a complete automotive industry is a task which would be possible in a relatively short time if funds and technical help were available in suitable amounts and numbers. However, foreign exchange is scarce and is expected to be still more rare now that soya beans, the principal

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To: Division of Foreign Tariffs

From: Detroit District P. R. Mattix, Chief,
Automotive-Aeronautics Trade Division.

Subject: Import Restriction on Motor Vehicles in Hong Kong

Forwarded:

Robert Sevey, Customs Department, Hong Kong, informs us that their district office division.

is shipped knocked down, as truck parts, in order to avoid the restriction on trucks. The Chrysler Corporation is not countenance procedures of this kind.

Enclosure 67500 of foreign currency. The Chrysler Corporation is not countenance procedures of this kind.

EFlehr:hsr trucks in Hong Kong is working on the fact that the license or wishes to make the license fee on motor vehicles with your Division for the purpose of making the license fee to furnish.

The contact also asks that you make the distributor's request to the Department of Commerce.

The shipment is to be made by air mail and return mail via air mail.