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BUREAU OF FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC COMMERCE

SHANGHAI

February 24, 1938

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To: Foreign Commerce Service
From: Shanghai Office
Subject: China Annual Economic Report for 1937

When Mr. Arnold left on furlough on February 10, he took with him 10 copies of the China Annual Economic Report for 1937 for the Bureau and 1 copy for the State Department. These were in the nature of "advance copies" for approval by the Bureau before general distribution, in accordance with the Bureau's radiogram No. 116 dated February 10, 1938.

We are sending you today in Pouch No. 540-C, 4 packages of annual reports, each package containing 25 copies of the report. One package is marked for Mr. Arnold as he wished to have 25 copies made available for his own use after approval by the Bureau. The remaining 75 copies are for distribution by the Bureau as it may see fit. As of possible interest, we may state that last year our distribution of the report was approximately as follows:

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San Francisco District Office	15
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Since it is our understanding that the Bureau does not wish to make such wide distribution this year, we assume that the 75 copies being transmitted today will be sufficient for the Bureau's purposes. However, should the Bureau wish additional copies we could forward same in pouch

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upon receipt of radioed instructions.

In accordance with instructions, we shall hold the remaining copies of the report here for radioed approval from the Bureau before general distribution.

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BUREAU OF FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC COMMERCE

FILE No. *China*

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Aboard the President Taft, en route
San Francisco, February 25, 1938.

To the Foreign Commerce Service Division
From Commercial Attache Julean Arnold
Subject: China Annual Economic Report, 1937.

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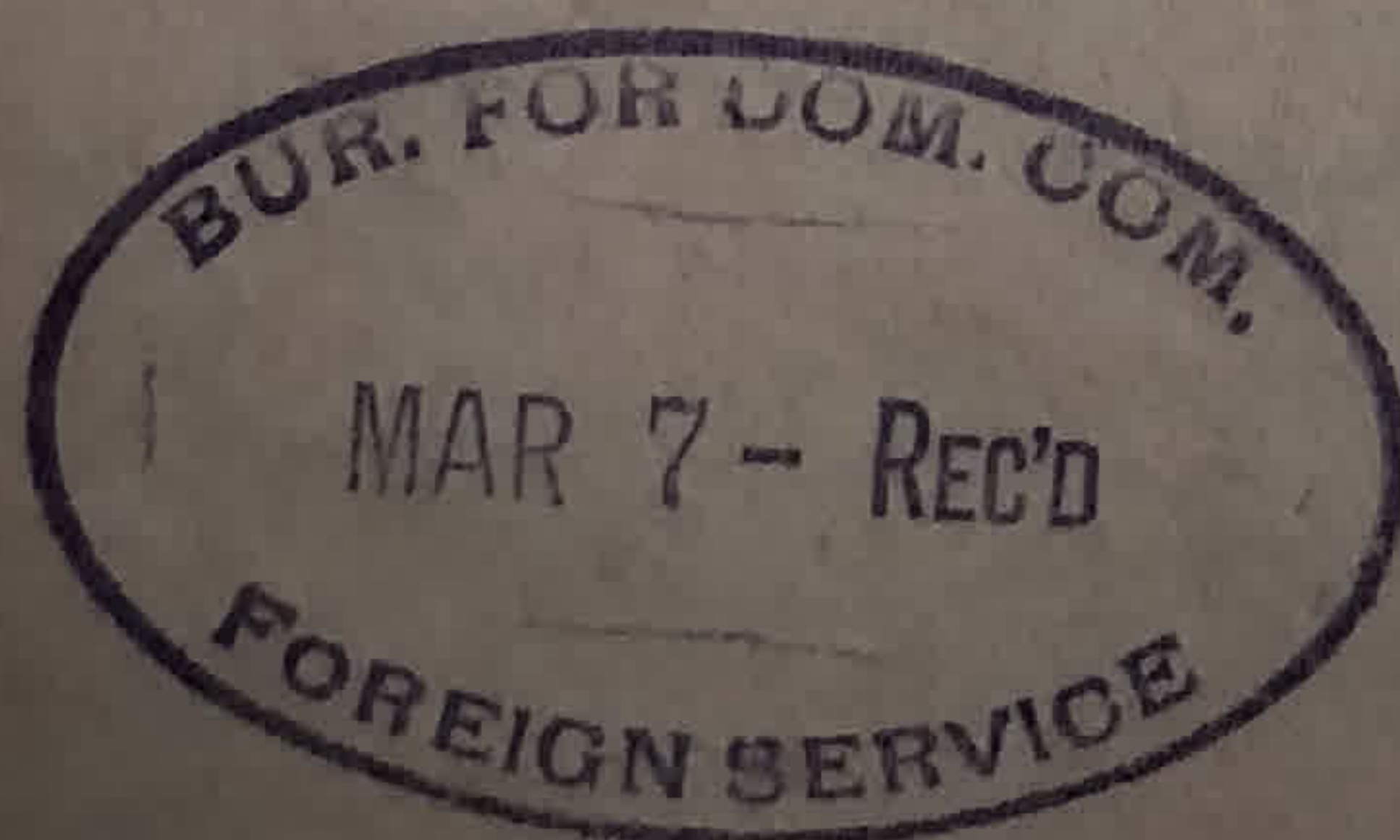
I am mailing herewith eleven copies of my annual economic report as mimeographed upon one side of the sheet only. I take it the Bureau will wish to furnish the Department of State with three copies for the use of the Far Eastern Division and Dr. Stanley K. Hornbeck. In our Bureau, naturally the Far Eastern Section of the Regional Division will need a copy as also the following divisions: Finance, Transportation, Machinery, Automotive-Aeronautics, Editorial, and Foreign Commerce Service.

It is suggested that several hundred copies be mimeographed for the information and use of those who have contacts with China and who are to be reached thru our Pacific Coast, New York, Chicago, Boston, Philadelphia and St Louis offices.

Much time and thought were devoted to the compilation of this report. It is especially significant because it covers the first six months of 1937 and also the last six months, the latter period involving the disastrous disruptions to trade and industry incident to the sino-Japanese hostilities. Thus it is in my opinion a very useful and valuable compilation considering the importance of the period which it covers. It must also be borne in mind that it embraces China, Manchuria and Hongkong. The four page introductory resume was radioed to the Bureau on February the tenth. Of special significance in connection with or rather as supplementary to this resume is the "Outlook for 1938" which concludes the report.

It is hoped that every possible use will be made of the report while the information embraced therein is still timely, so that our manufacturers and others who have contacts with or are interested in China may be able to avail themselves of the services of our Department in its efforts to cover that important section of the world.

(Julean Arnold)
Commercial Attache.



To: District Offices.

From: Far Eastern Section,
Division of Regional Information.

Subject: China Annual Economic Report.

We are transmitting herewith copies of the China Annual Economic Report as received from our Shanghai Office. Although that office has marked the report Confidential, we are making it the basis of the China section of the World Economic Review. We are asking the Shanghai Office for a few additional copies, which should be available in about a month.

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Chief, Far Eastern Section,
Division of Regional Information.

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Robert Sevey,
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