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To: Shanghai Office.

From: Automotive-Aeronautics Trade Division.

Subject: Motor Vehicle Taxation in International Settlement of Shanghai.

We just received your letter of September 11, 1934, giving motor vehicle registration rates in the French Concession of Shanghai for the quarter ending July 31, 1934. I have your letter of July 19, 1934, in reply to ours of June 13, stating that the French Concession authorities did not announce that a new scale of license fees would come into operation in their territory until May 16, 1934.

As stated in your letter, we did receive your special report of June 5, 1934, giving the new scale of license fees in the French Concession effective July 1, 1934, and I wrote you on July 16, 1934, with reference to the new rates on trucks, busses, motorcycles, etc. in the French Concession, which were not included in your report. We shall appreciate advice in this regard.

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Chief, Automotive-Aeronautics Trade Division.

Forwarded:

Frederic D. Grab,
Chief, Foreign Office Section,
Field Service Division.

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Subject: Motor Vehicle Taxation in Shanghai District

Submitted by: A. Viola Smith, Trade Commissioner.

INTERNATIONAL SETTLEMENT:

Report of April 26, 1934, recorded that ratepayers of the Shanghai Municipal Council, the governing body of the International Settlement, adopted on April 18, 1934, a new scale of motor vehicle license fees effective July 1, 1934, and enclosed a copy of the new rates.

These rates which became operative on July 1, 1934, and still in force are:

<u>Unladen Weight</u>	<u>Private Cars Per Half Year Chinese \$</u>	<u>Public or Hire Cars per Quarter Year Chinese \$</u>
Up to 1,000 lbs.	32.	24.
1,001 to 1,500 lbs.	36.	27.
1,501 to 2,000 "	40.	30.
2,001 to 2,250 "	42.	31.50
2,251 to 2,500 "	44.	33.
2,501 to 2,750 "	46.	34.50
2,751 to 3,000 "	48.	36.
3,001 to 3,500 "	68.	51.
3,501 to 4,000 "	84.	63.
4,001 to 4,500 "	100.	75.
4,500 to 5,000 "	116.	87.
5,001 and over	132	99.

Van, Lorry or Other Freight Vehicle License

<u>Gross Weight</u>	<u>Fee per Quarter Year Chinese \$</u>
Up to 2,000 lbs.	15.
2,001 to 3,000 lbs.	17.50
3,001 to 4,000 "	20.
4,001 to 10,000 "	Rising from \$21.50 by \$1.50 per 1,000 lbs. to \$29.
10,001 to 20,000 lbs.	Rising from \$32 by \$3. per 1,000 lbs. to \$59.

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Van, Lorry, Etc. (Cont'd)

20,001 to 25,000 lbs.	Rising from \$63 by \$4 per 1,000 lbs. to \$79.
25,001 lbs and over	Rising from \$86 by \$7. per 1,000 lbs.

Freight Trailer License

Up to 4,000 lbs. gross weight \$14. per quarter year
4,001 lbs. " " \$15.50 " " "
Rising thereafter by \$1.50 per every 1,000 lbs. to
45,000 lbs. \$75.50 per quarter.
Over 45,000 lbs. by special arrangement.

For Motor Freight Vehicles or Freight Trailers operating as
vehicles for hire or as public freight carriers, fees 50 per cent in excess
of those set out in the above scales. All vehicles not fitted with pneumatic
tires to the satisfaction of the Commissioner of Police to pay an additional
20%.

Trade Motor Car License \$68. per half year

Motor Ambulance Fees as per Private Motor
Car Scale.

FRENCH CONCESSION:

The French Municipal Council, the governing body of the French
Concession are of Shanghai, announced on May 16, 1934, (see report of June
5, 1934) that effective July 1, the scale of fees for private and public
motor cars would be increased.

The Secretary of the French Municipal Council advises that the
following motor vehicle license fees are now applicable in the French
Concession:

PRIVATE MOTORCARS
Chinese Currency

Up to	1,000 lbs.	\$31.00	per quarter
From 1,001 to	1,500 "	34.00	"
" 1,501 to	2,000 "	37.00	"
" 2,001 to	2,250 "	40.00	"
" 2,251 to	2,500 "	42.00	"
" 2,501 to	2,750 "	45.00	"
" 2,751 to	3,000 "	48.00	"
" 3,001 to	3,500 "	70.00	"
" 3,501 to	4,000 "	84.00	"
" 4,001 to	4,500 "	98.00	"
" 4,501 to	5,000 "	112.00	"
" 5,001	and above	126.00	"

License valid for French Concession and International Settlement.

The License to be issued by the Administrative Council governing the area in which the motorcar is garaged.

PUBLIC MOTOR CARS FOR HIRE

Up to	1,000 lbs.	Chinese \$	Per quarter.
From 1,001 to	1,500 "	24.00	"
" 1,501 to	2,000 "	26.00	"
" 2,001 to	2,250 "	28.00	"
" 2,251 to	2,500 "	30.00	"
" 2,501 to	2,750 "	32.00	"
" 2,751 to	3,000 "	34.00	"
" 3,001 to	3,500 "	36.00	"
" 3,501 to	4,000 "	53.00	"
" 4,001 to	4,500 "	63.00	"
" 4,501 to	5,000 "	74.00	"
" 5,001	and over	84.00	"
		95.00	"

License valid for French Concession only.

PRIVATE MOTORBUSSES

		Chinese Currency	
Motorbusses, seating not more than 20.-	- - -	\$28.00	per quarter
" " above 20 and not more than 25 - - -	- - -	33.00	"
" " above 25 and not more than 30 - - -	- - -	37.00	"
" " above 30 and not more than 35 - - -	- - -	42.00	"

License valid for French Concession only.

		<u>Trucks</u>	<u>Trailers</u>	<u>Per Quarter</u>
		Chinese	Currency	
Up to	4,000 lbs.	\$14.	\$ 9.	"
From	4,001 to 5,000 "	16.	10.	"
"	5,001 to 6,000 "	17.	12.	"
"	6,001 to 7,000 "	19.	13.	"
"	7,001 to 8,000 "	20.	14.	"
"	8,001 to 9,000 "	21.	16.	"
"	9,001 to 10,000 "	23.	17.	"
"	10,001 to 11,000 "	25.	19.	"
"	11,001 to 12,000 "	27.	20.	"
"	12,001 to 13,000 "	29.	21.	"
"	13,001 to 14,000 "	31.	23.	"
"	14,001 to 15,000 "	33.	24.	"
"	15,001 to 16,000 "	35.	26.	"
"	16,001 to 17,000 "	38.	27.	"
"	17,001 to 18,000 "	40.	28.	"
"	18,001 to 19,000 "	42.	30.	"
"	19,001 to 20,000 "	44.	31.	"
"	20,001 to 21,000 "	47.	33.	"
"	21,001 to 22,000 "	49.	34.	"
"	22,001 to 23,000 "	52.	35.	"
"	23,001 to 24,000 "	55.	37.	"
"	24,001 to 25,000 "	58.	38.	"
Above 25,000 lbs. by 1,000 lbs more - -		5.	2.	"

If vehicles are equipped with solid tires, charges increased by 20%.

Up to 12,000 lbs (5,400 kg.) vehicles are obliged to be equipped with pneumatic tires.

Licenses valid for the French Concession only.

A guarantee is required of the owner on the following conditions

1 vehicle	\$70.00
2 "	105.00
3 & 4 vehicles	140.00
5 vehicles	210.00
over 5 vehicles	280.00

CHARS A BANCS

\$100.00 per quarter.

HIRE MOTOR TRUCKS AND TRAILERS

50% more of the set tariff than the Private Motor Trucks and Trailers.

If the vehicles are equipped with solid tires, charges increased by 20%.

Up to 12,000 lbs. (5,400 kg.); vehicles must have pneumatic tires. Licenses valid for French Concession only.

A guarantee is required of the owner on the following conditions:

1	vehicle	\$ 70.00
2	vehicles	105.00
3 or 4	"	140.00
5	"	210.00
More than 5 vehicles		280.00

TRADE LICENSES FOR GARAGES

\$56.00 per license and by half year.

Licenses valid for French Concession and International Settlement.

MOTOR CYCLES

(With side-car) Private Used for transportation of goods, or motor tricycle used for carrying goods.

Up to 800 lbs unladen weight.
\$42.00 per annum.

License valid for French Concession only.

(With side-car) Private Used for transportation of goods or motor tricycle used for carrying goods.

Weight over than 800 lbs. unladen weight.
Tariff License for Private Motor Trucks applies on these vehicles.

(With side-car) for Hire Motor tricycles for hire. Used for transportation of goods.

Up to 800 lbs. unladen weight:
\$63.00 per annum.

License valid for French Concession only.

(With side-car) for Hire Motor tricycles for hire for transportation of goods

Over 800 lbs. unladen weight:
Tariff License for Public Motor Cars Applies on these vehicles.

Motorcycles (Cont'd)

(With side-car) for hire

or Motor Tricycles for hire.
Used for carrying passengers.

Tariff license for motorcars for hire applies
to these vehicles.

(With side-car) for hire

Or Motor Tricycles for hire.
Used for carrying goods.

Tariff License for Motor trucks for hire applies
to these vehicles.

(Without side-car) Private

\$28.00 per annum

License valid for French Concession and International
Settlement.

The License is to be issued by the Administrative Body
governing the area in which vehicle is garaged.

(With side-car) Private

Motor Tricycles, private

Up to 800 lbs. unladen weight.

\$42.00 per annum

License valid for French Concession and International
Settlement.

License is to be issued by the Administrative body
governing area in which the vehicle is garaged.

(With side-car) Private

Motor tricycles, private.

Above 800 lbs. unladen weight.

The tariff for private motor cars applies to these
vehicles.

CHINESE MUNICIPALITY OF GREATER SHANGHAI:

The pages of the Automotive Manual submitted for correction, do
not show the scale of fees in force in the Chinese Municipality of Greater
Shanghai, which is important as all motor vehicles travelling in the Chinese
controlled area MUST BE EQUIPPED WITH CHINESE LICENSES (Both car and
drivers) irrespective of whether such vehicles are already licensed by
either the International or the French authorities.

The rates in the Chinese Municipality as of January 1, 1934,
were given in the Quarterly Automotive Survey for the period ended

December 31, 1933 (report dated January 11, 1934, see pages 31 and 32.)

During the past month the Bureau of Finance announced that these rates would be increased by 25%, but no schedule was given. Considerable controversy waged and vigorous protests were lodged while the City Government's proposed increases were before the National Government for approval.

The new rates which became operative on October 1, 1934, for all

motor vehicles travelling in the Chinese area are:

PRIVATE CARS

<u>Kilograms</u>	<u>Chinese \$ Per Quarter</u>
Under 450	13.00
451 to 675	15.00
676 to 900	16.00
901 to 1,010	17.00
1,011 to 1,120	18.00
1,121 to 1,235	20.00
1,236 to 1,350	21.00
1,351 to 1,575	31.00
1,576 to 1,800	37.00
1,801 to 2,025	43.00
2,026 to 2,250	50.00
2,251 to 2,475	56.00
2,476 to 2,700	62.00
2,701 to 2,925	68.00
2,926 to 3,150	75.00
3,151 to 3,600	87.00

PUBLIC HIRE CARS

<u>Kilograms</u>	<u>Chinese \$ per Quarter</u>
Under 450	20.00
451-675	22.00
676-900	24.00
901-1,010	26.00
1,011-1,120	28.00
1,121-1,235	30.00
1,236-1,350	31.00
1,351-1,575	46.00
1,576-1,800	56.00
1,801-2,025	65.00
2,026-2,250	75.00
2,251-2,475	84.00
2,476-2,700	93.00
2,701-2,925	103.00
2,926-3,150	112.00
3,151-3,600	131.00

PRIVATE MOTOR TRUCKS

<u>Kilograms</u>	<u>Chinese \$ Per Quarter</u>
Under 1,800	\$20.00
1,401 to 2,250	22.00
2,251 to 2,700	25.00
2,701 to 3,150	27.00
3,151 to 3,600	30.00
3,601 to 4,050	32.00
4,051 to 4,500	35.00
3,501 to 4,900	37.00
4,901 to 5,400	40.00
5,401 to 5,850	42.00
5,851 to 6,300	45.00
6,301 to 6,750	47.00
6,751 to 7,200	50.00
7,201 to 7,650	52.00
7,651 to 8,100	55.00
8,101 to 8,550	57.00
8,551 to 9,000	60.00
9,001 to 9,450	65.00
9,451 to 9900	70.00
9,901 to 10350	75.00
10,351 to 10800	80.00
10801 and over	100.00

PUBLIC HIRE CARS

<u>Kilograms</u>	<u>Chinese \$ Per Quarter</u>
Under 1,800	30.00
1,801 to 2,250	33.00
2,251 to 2,700	37.00
2,701 to 3,150	41.00
3,151 to 3,600	45.00
3,601 to 4,050	48.00
4,051 to 4,500	52.00
4,501 to 4,900	56.00
4,901 to 5,400	60.00
5,401 to 5,850	63.00
5,851 to 6,300	67.00
6,301 to 6,750	71.00
6,751 to 7,200	75.00
7,201 to 7,650	78.00
7,651 to 8,100	82.00
8,101 to 8,550	86.00
8,551 to 9,000	90.00
9,001 to 9,450	97.00
9,451 to 9,900	105.00
9,901 to 10,350	112.00
10,351 to 10,800	120.00
10,801 and over	150.00

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