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Dear Arnold:

Reference is made to this office's letter of January 22, 1936, under cover of which were forwarded tables showing the numbers of automotive vehicles estimated to be operating within the various areas of this consular district as of January 1, 1936. There have now been received from the Hongkong office of the Standard-Vacuum Oil Company statistics compiled from data collected by the various branch offices and agencies of the aforementioned company in South China, which statistics are quoted below:

Motor Vehicles in Operation
as of January 1, 1936.

	<u>Privately Owned</u>	<u>Used for commercial purposes</u>	<u>Owned by the Government</u>	<u>Total</u>
Canton	1,500	2,095	1,000	4,595
Kongmoon	49	301	15	365
Fort Bayard (Kwangchowan)	10	182	15	207
Hoihow (Hainan Island)	279	4	20	303
Kwangsi Province	79	385	156	620

As regards the data shown for Fort Bayard, reference is made to this office's letter dated March 24, 1936, in which were set forth those statistics received through the local French Consulate from the authorities of the French Leased Territory of Kwangchowan.

Very respectfully yours,

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