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Owing to the disruptions in the mail service between Shanghai and our various Consulates in China and Manchuria, the delay in receiving communications from the Consulates is very considerable. For instance, prior to the hostilities we were able to secure communications from Tientsin within two days after they were mailed, but now it seems to require between ten days and two weeks. Similarly mails from Manchuria are long delayed, and I take it that we shall experience difficulty in getting communications from Hankow within any reasonable length of time.

Thus, I am writing this note to inform the Bureau that we shall not be able to mail our Annual Economic Report within the time specified, in fact, it will undoubtedly be several weeks late. We shall, however, do the best we can under the circumstances.

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