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Shanghai,  
January 27, 1932.

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To: Hong Kong Office.  
From: Shanghai Office.  
Subject: Lists of American firms.

We are just in receipt of the following memorandum from the Commercial Intelligence Division:

"A carbon copy of a letter dated November 10, written by the Bureau's Hong Kong Office, addressed to the National Share Corporation, Public Service Building, Portland, Oregon, has just passed through this office.

"Evidently the Bureau's Hong Kong Office has furnished this company with a list of American firms in Hong Kong, in lieu of one of names of Americans living in Japan and China. However, as you know, it is contrary to the policy of this Bureau to issue lists of American firms abroad, as outlined in a circular issued by this office dated January 9, 1930.

"It will be very much appreciated if the Bureau's Hong Kong Office would discontinue the process of furnishing lists of American firms, consistent with the policy of the Bureau."

(Signed) A. S. Hillyer,  
Chief, Commercial Intelligence Division.

H. D. Robison,  
Trade Commissioner.

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A. Viola Smith  
Trade Commissioner