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Subject: REGISTRATION OF "NEW" MOTOR VEHICLES
INTERNATIONAL SETTLEMENT, SHANGHAI

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Through the courtesy of the Traffic Office of the Shanghai Municipal Council, the following information as to registration of "New" Motor Vehicles is made available.

Total registrations for January numbered 44, of which 33 were passenger cars, 5 trucks and 6 omnibuses. January registrations increased 100% as compared with December registrations.

PRIVATE MOTOR CARS

Austin	.....	4	Buick	.....	3
Chevrolet	.....	3	Chrysler	.....	2
Fiat	.....	2	Ford	.....	6
Morris	.....	1	Opel	.....	3
Pontiac	.....	2	Renault	.....	1
Studebaker	1	Willys Overland	..	1
					<u>Total</u> 29

PUBLIC MOTOR CARS

Chevrolet	4	<u>Total</u>	4
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PRIVATE MOTOR TRUCKS

Austin	1	<u>Total</u>	1
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PUBLIC MOTOR TRUCKS

Bedford	2	Indiana	1
Studebaker	1	<u>Total</u>	4	

OMNIBUSES

A. E. C.	6	<u>Total</u>	6
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Grand Total 44

GRAND TOTAL

1940

	Private Motor Cars	Public Motor Cars	Private Motor Trucks	Public Motor Trucks	Omnibuses	Year 1940 Total	Year 1939 Total
January	29	4	1	4	6	44	64

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NOTE: These figures do not include new registrations in the French Concession or the present City Government of Greater Shanghai. They represent only the "Brand New Cars", which have been licensed by the Shanghai Municipal Council for the International Settlement. They do not necessarily represent "new car sales", as it is possible that some brand new cars are put into use with old license plates when purchasing the same type of car.

The French Municipal Council is now publishing quarterly, new car registrations licensed for operation in the French Concession.

The present City Government of Greater Shanghai also maintains a separate licensing bureau at which vehicles must register for operation in areas other than the foreign concession.

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