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According to a Canton dispatch of 11 April 1951, two large transport companies have opened in the Canton Tung-t'i (East Bund) section for the express purpose of handling goods shipped under contract to Hong Kong and Macao. Wolfram and tin ores cost only 130,000 yuan per market catty upon delivery in Hong Kong. Delivery is made 2 or 3 days after receipt of goods in trade and of costs in Canton. Local merchants have no idea how these two firms accomplish the shipment so quickly and cheaply. Recently the two firms have also begun shipping tung oil in the same way. (1)

A Macao dispatch states that a large shipment of goods from Macao was sent to Canton for reshipment to Nan-ning. A large lighter was used for transportation. The shipment included four second-hand cars bought in Macao, three new Silver Tiger-head trucks, 50 large crates of Hercules brand bicycle tires, tubes, and parts, three generators of over 100 horsepower, more than 100 sets of automobile tires and tubes, about 100 tons of light-weight rails, and 20 light-weight digging machines. It is rumored that these items will be forwarded to Nan-ning to be used in preparation for assistance to Viet Nam.(2)

A Canton dispatch of 12 May 1951 reported that on the previous day a ship of Canton registry reached Canton from Macaq. It was loaded with rubber tires. On the decks were several large trucks. At Canton, the load was transshipped northward.(3)

SOURCES

- 1. Hsing-tao Jih-pao, 12 Apr 51
- 2. Kung-shang Jih-pao, 15 Apr 51
- Kung-shang Jih-pao, 13 May 51

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