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1. German residents of North China have heard that the Chinese Communist government will soon receive an ambassador from the East German Republic, after which all Germans will be required to take out East German passports. They believe that this development will lead to restrictions of movement, as, for example, that Germans will not be permitted to leave China by sea but only German nationals selected for special knowledge or skills will be able to leave the country for Germany or the USSR, traveling by way of Siberia. Peiping has begun to praise the (East) Germans for their virtues and prepare the way for an alliance with the new eastern republic. Since most Chinese are unaware of the split in Germany, German residents of Peiping and Tientsin feel that the propaganda will be successful.
2. In view of this situation, some North China German residents are leaving for other countries. Many feel that private enterprise in China is done for and there is no future under a government which insists on foreign residents making a contribution to China and refuses to allow them to be "idle and unproductive."
3. In Tientsin, certain German property owners were obliged to transfer their property and that of their shareholders to the People's Government of China, as of 1 February 1950. No mention was made either of confiscation or of monetary payment. One office so affected was the Peiyang Press, Ltd., stationers, printers, and engravers, with offices at 27 Hsuechow Tao, 6th Ward, Tientsin, and a branch at 3 Legation Street, Peiping.
4. Several Germans have been resident in Macao for various reasons. Erich Otto Stölzner, military adviser to the Kwangtung Provincial Government, aged 54, holder of German passport No. 10/40, issued in Chungking 6 August 1940 and valid until 6 August 1945, came to Macao 13 January 1949. He left Macao on 9 February 1950 to become military adviser to CHIANG Kai-shek and was serving with Nationalist forces in Hainan. Stölzner is a former German army lieutenant general. Bodo, Freiherr von Stein, adviser of the Chinese Finance Ministry, was in Macao from 15 October 1949 to January 1950, when he left for Germany, British Zone. He held a Canton

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Residents' Certificate, German passport No. 56/41, issued in Chungking 30 June 1941 and valid till 30 June 1946, and Provisional Certificate No. 2433, issued by the British occupation authorities in Germany on 13 August 1949 and visaed by a French consulate.

5. A German resident in Macao who was expelled by the authorities there was Harald Steinlecher, formerly of the Ostasiatischer Lloyd in Shanghai. He lost his postwar position in Shanghai because of his Nazi connections and in late 1948 was expelled from Macao because the police learned of his attempts to procure arms for the Chinese Communists. He is now working with a Swiss import firm in Bangkok.

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