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An inspector from Czechoslovakia has arrived in Bombay with plans to audit the books of Skodaworks in Calcutta and close that office.*

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* [Redacted] Comment. This is probably the result of the impossibility of obtaining competent personnel; and the inspector may also liquidate the Bombay office for the same reason. If Skodaworks in India is closed, the new Czech-India Trade Agreement will probably be handled directly between buyer and supplier. This arrangement is not apt to work well, owing to the fact that Skoda factory and office personnel in Czechoslovakia often make mistakes, either because these personnel are (a) selected for political reasons rather than according to their qualifications, (b) forced into the work whether they like it or not by the Communists, or (c) anxious to disrupt the work.

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