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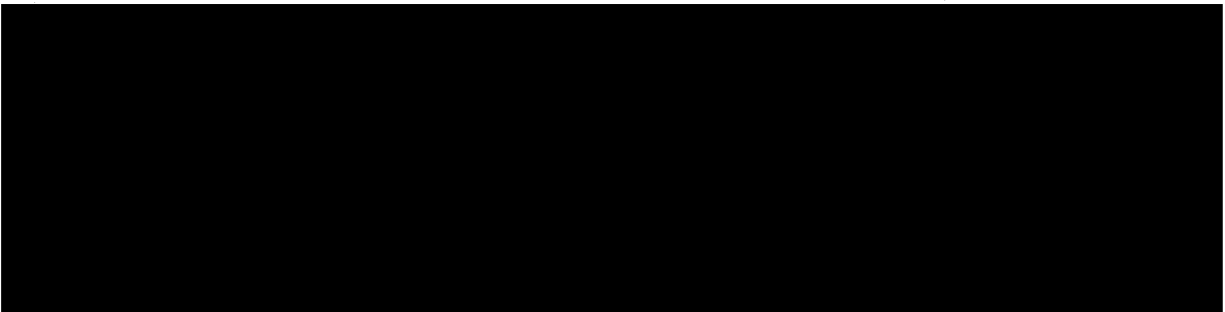
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- On 7 July LIANG Ch'ang (梁昌), chairman of the board of directors of the Macao Foodstuffs Guild, and LIU Heng-chung (刘恒中), head of the Ying Ch'ang (盈昌) Company, Macao, held a party at the K'ang Lo (康乐) Restaurant to which rice merchants were invited to discuss the lifting of the ban on importing rice into Macao. Those attending were HO Hsien (何显), CHUNG Tzu-kuang (钟子光), CH'EN Nan (陈南), LIO Chen-tzu (李振子), HUO Ch'iang (霍强), WANG Hsi-ting (王锡明), LIU Ch'ien (刘健), TS'UI T'ai (崔泰), HO Hsi-ai (何希爱) and LIU Hui-jan (刘惠坚).
- LIANG Ch'ang announced that the Macao government had lifted its control over foodstuffs and merchants were allowed to import rice freely. LIU Heng-chung, who had been allowed to import rice freely even during the foodstuffs control period, reported on the rice marketing conditions from April to June. He said that 57,000 bags<sup>1</sup> of rice and 525,000 cetties of unhusked rice had been imported, 70 percent from Communist China and 30 percent from Thailand and Indochina.
- The rice merchants agreed that the Ying Ch'ang Company should maintain its leadership in importing rice to Macao, especially since it would be the only company that would be allowed to import from China and could dump this rice on the market and squeeze out competitors from Hong Kong.
- HO Hsien had been discussing the form of application to import rice from China with the Pearl River District Food Bureau. It was decided that only the Ying Ch'ang Company and the Nan Kuang Company would be allowed to import rice and that all other dealers would have to work through these companies.
- In early July a Japanese ship, the HANI SAKAE MARU (帆作丸), with UBE Foshit-sugu (榑野次) as captain, from Okinawa, was detained by the Hong Kong water police after it entered Hong Kong waters by mistake, and fined. The value of the cargo was estimated to be HK \$200,000.

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6. On 14 July CHANG Hsing (張興), investigator for the Kuangtung Public Safety Bureau in Macao, requested LAI Ching-hu (賴鏡湖), deputy chairman of the board of directors of the Macao Water and Electricity Union, to ask CHANG Wei-kuang, a former employee of the Ma Ko (馬角) shipyard, for information on production at the shipyard. CHANG Hsing's job in Macao is to obtain information on Portuguese armed forces in the area.
7. HUI I-feng (崔一鳳), manager of the T'ien Pac Goldsmith Shop on Hsin Ma Road, is in charge of a Chinese Communist gold smuggling organization in Macao. Gold is shipped from Macao to Hong Kong for eventual transshipment overseas to obtain funds for the purchase of military equipment.
8. In late June the Chinese Communists shipped 5,000 ounces of opium from Canton to Macao, where it was stored in the Wan Chi area by the Kuang Sheng Company. About 1,500 ounces of this opium was later moved to the Hsin Kuang Transportation Company in Chi'ion Shan. Those in charge of the sale of opium are LAO P'ing-shan (老平山), HUANG Sen (黃森), HUANG Ch'uan (黃泉), and CH'EN P'ei (陳培).

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- 1 [REDACTED] Comment. Two bags of rice equal one picul.

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