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	THE LAND BUREAU OF THE SPECIAL MUNICIPALITY OF SHANGHAI.
	DEED OF PERPETUAL LEASE.
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	nnonniaton of the land shall be at liberty to complete the
	transfer, to undertake to pay the tax, to collect rent or to build houses without the least interference on the part of the
	lessor (or vendor) of the property; that, if the property is found to have been mortgaged or sold already or to be of un-
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	(or vendor) himself shall effect a settlement; and that the renter shall pay yearly the Annual Ground Rent in lieu of land
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REASONS.

- 1. (A) Tao chi is a vulgar designation for title deed of which there has been no prescribed name. It is now decided to call it "Deed of Perpetual Lease".
 - (B) Since title deeds are issued in the name of a Chinese public office, the forms of title deed should be prepared by the Chinese public office concerned.
 - (C) In order to avoid confusion and for the sake of accuracy, all Chinese characters and the date of issue should be inserted in every title deed by the Land Bureau.
- 2. (A) As a sort of official document in force at present, a title deed should conform to the documentary style now in use. This has rendered it necessary to change the form of title deed. Moreover, since the title deeds taken out by different powers are issued by one and the same controlling office, it follows that the forms and wordings of such deeds should be unfirm. In view of the fact that the title deed forms printed by the various the Consulate General differ from each other in respect to the Chinese wording and the color of the paper, it has become necessary for the Land Bureau to prescribe a settled form for the same of uniformity.
- 3. (A) Since title deeds are issued by a Chinese public office, it is necessary for the Chinese public office concerned to number them. It has been the practice for the different powers to assign numbers of their own to such deeds while the failure of the Chinese office that issues them to do any numbering has rendered it difficult to make investigations.
- 4. (A) Inasmuch as title deeds are made out in triplicate, the system followed in the transaction of business would be unsatisfactory in the real sense of the word unless a ruling is made for the issuance and filing of such papers. According to the usual practice, only a small Chinese character is written on the copy delivered to the renter and the copy kept on file. This is apt to be obliterated and there is absolutely no other mark of distinction. It is, therefore, decided to chop all of them.
- (A) The plan is an appendix to the title deed. Since the title deed is issued by the Land Bureau, the plan which is to be attached to the deed should be prepared by the Land Bureau. The amount of labor involved is comparatively great but it is nevertheless impossible for the Land Bureau to shirk the heavy work or neglect its duty. It is necessary for he Municipal Council to draft the plan because the latter has actually surveyed the land in the Settlement, and is familar with the topography. Moreover, it has much to do with the demarcation of road lines. It is only by observance of the new procedure that due regard may be maintained for both sides.

6. (A)

- 6. (A) Since the Deed of Lease (or Bill of Sale) is intended exclusively for use by foreigners in renting ground from Chinese citizens, it is a highly important document. For this reason, the Land Bureau has prescribed the form of Draft Deed of Lease.
 - (B) After execution of the Draft Deed of Lease, foreign renters frequently fail to apply to the Consulate General concerned for registration or for issuance of title deeds. While the property right of the renter is not established, both Chinese and foreign authorities have no way of making investigations. In case of trouble, any prolonged delay would render it more difficult to effect a settlement.

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copy marked with () is filed in the Chinese office, that marked with () is kept at the Consulate General and the remaining copy bearing the character () is delivered to the owner. In some cases, the copy marked with () is filed at the Consulate General and that marked with () delivered to the owner. There is no fixed rule.

- 5. (A) After joint measurement of any lot in the Settlement for which a title deed is to be issued, the plan to be attached to the deed is heretofore prepared by the Municipal Council.
- At though the form of such dead has been printed and published by the Magistrate of Shanghai, the number of foreign renters using government form is exceedingly small. The forms which they use are mostly printed and sold without authority by paper shops in the Settlement. Moreover, in the absence of any rule as to the time when a deed of lease should be given in exchange of a title deed after it is executed, a large number of deeds of lease that have not been used in application for title deeds are in existence and have given rise to numerous abuses.

C NEW PROCEDURES.

- 1. (A) The tao ch'i or title deed is to be called "Deed of Perpetual Lease" the form of which will be prescribed in Chinese and furnished by the Land Bureau which will fill in all of the Chinese characters.
 - (B) The date of issue is to be inserted by the Land Bureau at the time when the deed is stamped.
- 2. (A) Forms of title deed will be furnished by the Land
 Bureau and printed in the Chinese language. They
 will be sent to each Consulate General for translation and the translation thus prepared will be
 printed also in the deed form.
 - (B) The old deed forms heretofore used and kept in each Consulate General may be used pending issuance of the new printed forms by the Land Bureau. The Land Bureau will paste a slip of paper of the same color over the first line and change the wording of such old form in which the Chief of the Land Bureau is to sign after the date column.
- 3. (A) To each title deed, the Land Bureau will assign a general number irrespective of nationality but in order of precedence. In future, every title deed will bear two numbers one of which will be the general number assigned by the Land Bureau and the other will be the registered number of the Consulate General concerned. In the official correspondence between the Land Bureau and each

Consulate

Consulate General, both should refer to the general number and the consular register number.

- Every title deed will be issued in triplicate; one of the three copies will be the original and the remaining copies will be the duplicate. The original is to be delivered to the renter and the other two copies are to be called the first duplicate and the second app duplicate. The first duplicate will be filed at the Land Bureau and the second duplicate at the Consulare General concerned. The original, the first duplicate and the second duplicate will all be chopped by way of distinction.
- (A) One rough plan for every lot in the Settlement will be prepared each by the Land Bureau and the Municipal Council at the time of joint measurement. The rough plan prepared by the Municipal Council is to be forwarded to the Land Bureau for approval after which the Land Bureau will draw a similar plan on the prescribed form and send it to the Municipal Council for confirmation. Thereafter, it is to be returned to the Land Bureau which will then forward the plan thus ratified by both of them to the Consulate General for transmission to the renter to be approved.
 - (B) Unless and until approved by the Municipal Council, no plan will be sent to any Consulate General by the Land Bureau for transmission to the renter.
- (B) The size of the plan attached to the title deed will be the same as that of the deed. The plan may be made twice or several times as large as the deed so that, when folded, it may correspond to the title deed in size and present a good appearance. A seal will be placed at the juncture of the deed and the plan so that it may appear partly on each of them.
- 6. (A) All deeds of lease (or bills of sale) made out before 1930 are to be replaced by title deed within 4 months after assumption of control by the Land Bureau of matters pertaining to lease of land by foreigners. If not, they shall be considered invalid unless sufficient reasons are given and endorsed by the Consul General concerned. From 1930, foreigners leasing land from Chinese citizens shall all take out the draft deed of perpetual lease furnished by the Land Bureau. Unless use is made of the Land Bureau's draft deed of perpetual lease, the tramsaction will be invalid. The draft deed of perpetual lease would be null and void unless it is given in exchange of a title deed within two months from the date of execution.

The Land Bureau will publish the above mode of procedure in Chinese and foreign press for the information of all.

Consular Register No.

LAND BUREAU OF THE SPECIAL MUNICIPALITY OF SHANGHAI, REPUBLIC OF CHINA.

THE DEED OF PERPETUAL LEASE

ORIGINAL FIRST DUPLICATE SECOND DUPLICATE

It is a matter of record that a communication has been received from the Consul General for Shanghai, stateing that, in accordance with the treaty regulations, rent in perpetuity from the proprietor rent in perpetuity from the Tiu has applied to a plot of land, situated in the T'u Wei

hao, Ch'u, within the

Section of the Special Municipality of Shanghai, measuring in area mow fen hac, bounded on the East by , on the South by on the North by said Renter has paid to the said Proprietor a sum of ; that he has completed all arrangements for the lease and that he has applied for a Deed of Perpetual Lease. The above having been forwarded to this Bureau and the statements having been found to be true and correct, this Bureau hereby issues this Deed of Perpetual Lease.

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Hereafter, if the said Renter transfers his interest in the land now rented to another party, he must present this Deed to the Consul General concerned for examination after which the latter shall request this Bureau in writing to approve and register the transfer and to issue a new Deed of Perpetual Lease as the law requires. In the event that the said Renter surreptitiously transfers his interest in the land now rented to another party without going through the formality hereinbefore described, or in case of his failure to pay the Ground Rent annually in advance in conformity with the established regulations, this Deed shall be declared null and void and the land now rented shall be confiscated by this Bureau for the municipality.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Deed of Perpetual Lease is issued to the said Renter on this day tesued-te-the-said-Renter-en-this month year of the Republic of China.

Chief of the Land Bureau (seal)

THE LAND BUREAU'S IMPROVED METHODS OF ISSUING TITLE DEEDS.

A. Matters in which changes are being made.

- (1) Forms of deeds to be furnished by the Land Bureau.
- (2) Change in the form of title deed. Rules for temporary use of the old forms.
- (3) Improvement of the method of numbering deeds.
- (4) Rule for the filing of the original and duplicate of title deeds.
- (5) Flans to be attached to title deeds are to be prepared by the Land Bureau.
- (6) Time limit for requesting issuance of Deeds of Perpetual Lease.

B. Old Procedure.

- 1. (A) Title deeds are heretofore prepared by each Consulate General and sent to the Chinese administrative office for stamping. In some instances, the
 Consulate General fills in for the Chinese office
 whatever should be inserted in the Chinese language.
 - (B) Strictly speaking, the date of a title deed is the date of its issuance. Formerly, some of the title deeds were ante-dated by the different Consulates. General at the time when they were sent out. This accounts for the discrepancy between the dates of such title deeds and the dates of their issuance.
- 2. (A) After the birth of the Chinese Republic, no change was made in the form of title deed but use was continued of the documentary style of the Manchu regime. For this reason, the first line consists merely of the title and the surname of the principal officer of the public office by which the deed is issued and no signature appears after the date column.
- 3. (A) Title deeds are heretofore numbered by the different Consulates General. The Chinese authorities assign no additional numbers to such documents.
- 4. (A) No counterfoils are ever kept of title deeds which are made out in triplicate and marked with the characters (), (), () in the corner. The

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(CIRCULAR NO. 120-M-XI)

Subject; NEW CADASTRAL SYSTEM.

THE SENIOR CONSUL HAS THE HONOR TO CIRCULATE THE FOLLOWING FOR THE INFORMATION OF HIS HONORABLE COLLEAGUES.

(From the Land Bureau of the Special Municipality of Shanghai to the Senior Consul).

No. 2743

February 22, 1930.

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I have the honor to state that, after this Bureau took over the recent Bureau for Joint Measurement of Land Leased to Foreigners in Shanghai and Paoshan, we continued the issuance of title deeds without any innovation. In order that the system may be as accurate as possible and with a view to uniformity of procedures, we have not compiled an itemixed list of those old methods which are no longer applicable and are transmitting, for your consideration, a printed statement of the contemplated changes. Since the statement embodied in title deed is entirely in accord with the established practice heretofore observed, I enclose twenty specimen copies of the deed of perpetual lease (formerly known as Tao Ch'i), twenty copies of the improved regulations for issuance of title deeds and twenty specimen copies of the draft lease in perpetuity. It is trusted that you will find them in order and transmit these enclosures to the various Consuls General at Shanghai. General at Shanghai.

(Signed) Chu Yen
Director of Land Bureau.

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Edwin S. Cunningham, Esquire, American Consul General, Shanghai.

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sulate of the nationality of the new renter. This procedure is in accord with Article V of the Land Regulations for the International Settlement of Shanghai. Under the new procedure, however, all transfers between foreign renters, regardless of nationality, require the issuance of a new triplicate deed if the renter is to protect his title.

The Consular Body holds the view that this contemplated change would be a contravention of Land Regulation V, interpreted in conjunction with Land Regulation IV. For convenient reference these regulations are here reproduced.

"IV. Registration of Land and Charges thereon. All such conveyances or leases of land, so purchased as aforesaid, shall within one month from the time of the completion of the sale be registered in the office of the Consular Representative of the purchaser; and all charges by way of mortgage, whether of a legal or equitable character, shall also be registered in the like manner, and within one month of their execution.

"V. Transfer of Lots, When to be Registered. All transfers of land shall be made at the Consulate where the deeds are registered, and also be registered at that of the vendee or assignee, and notice of the same shall be lodged by the Consul with the Municipal Council."

It will be clear that, in demanding new title deeds should be obtained for a transfer of land between like nationals or in making it necessary to obtain new title deeds because of a transfer of land consequent on a mortgage, these Land Regulations would be contravened. Moreover, the proposed change would entail a great deal of extra expense. For these reasons, the Consular Body is unable to accept this particular mutation.

4. LAND TAX. It is noted that in the new forms no reference is made to the amount of land tax which in the old forms is stated to be 1,500 cash per mow. The Consular Body desire to remark, in this regard, that of course there can be no change in the amount of the land tax unless it is mutually agreed to by the Consular Body and the appropriate Chinese Authorities.

5. Fees. ...

5. Fees. You are requested to inform the Consular Body concerning what fees, precisely, are to be charged in connection with the new title deeds.

6. Bills of Sale. It is observed that the New Procedure (Article 6) provides that "all deeds of lease (or bills of sale) made out before 1930 are to be replaced by title deed within four months after assumption of control by the Land Bureau of matters pertaining to lease of land by foreigners. If not, they shall be considered invalid unless sufficient reasons are given and endorsed by the Consul General concerned." The Consular Body, however, holds the view that there should be no time limit established for replacing bills of sale, executed before 1930, with title deeds, also that a longer period than four months should be decreed for replacing bills of sale, executed this year and thereafter, with title deeds. You are urged, therefore, to eliminate this ruling.

The new procedure, with the exception of those changes specifically mentioned herein, appears to be generally acceptable to the Consular Body, but my colleagues and I wish to receive satisfactory assurances from you regarding the points which are objected to, or to which only a qualified acceptance can now be given, before committing the Consular Body to any obligation in the promises.

I have, etc.

Edwin S. Cunningham, American Consul General and Senior Consul.

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SUBJECT: NEW CADASTRAL SYSTEM.

THE SENIOR CONSUL PRESENTS HIS COMPLIMENTS TO HIS HONORABLE COLLEAGUES AND HAS THE HONOR TO STATE THAT THE APPENDED REPLY TO THE DIRECTOR OF THE CHINESE LAND BUREAU HAS BEEN TRANSMITTED TO-DAY TO THE SENIOR MINISTER. IT WILL BE DESPATCHED TO THE ADDRESSEE FAILING THE RECEIPT OF ANY OBJECTION ON FRIDAY, MARCH 28, 1930.

(Draft of a proposed reply from the Senior Consul to the Director of the Chinese Land Bureau)

Dr. Tchou Yen,
Director of the Land Bureau of the
Special Municipality of Shanghai,
o/o The North Shanghai Temporary Office
of the Land Bureau, Special Municipality
of Shanghai,
Shanghai, China.

Sir:

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I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of February 22, 1930 addressed to the American Consul General, reading as follows:

"I have the honor to state that, after this Bureau took over the recent Bureau for the Joint Measurement of Land Leased to Foreigners in Shanghai and Paoshar, we continued the issuance of title deeds without any innovation. In order that the system may be as accurate as possible, and with a view to uniformity of procedures, we have now compiled an itemized list of those old methods which are no longer applicable and are transmitting, for your consideration, a printed statement of the contemplated changes. Since the statement embodied in title deed is entirely in accord with the established practice heretofore observed, In enclose twenty specimen copies of the deed of perpetual lease (formerly known as tao ch'i), twenty copies of the improved regulations for issuance of title deeds and twenty specimen copies of the draft lease in perpetuity. It is trusted that you will find them in order and transmit these enclosures to the various Consuls General at Shanghai".

Your communication and its accompaniments have been laid before the Consular Body for consideration and I am now desired by my colleagues to reply in the following terms.

It is observed that your proposed new procedure for the issuance of title deeds to foreign land renters will bring into practice a number of changes from the former system.

Many of these innovations are not objected to, but there are a few concerning which I am desired to make the representations appearing hereunder.

1. Issuing

1. Issuing Officers. Instead of the Commissioner of Foreign Affairs, it is noted that the officer who will sign and seal the triplicate deeds will be the Director of the Land Bureau of the Special Municipality of Shanghai. In order to regularize the position, the Consular Body would be glad to receive, as an indispensable condition of its acceptance of this change, confirmation from the Chinese Government of the authority of this officer to function in the capacity named.

2. Designation of area in which land held by foreigners is situated. In the old deed forms it was stated that the land leased by a foreigner was located in the Treaty Port of Shanghai, whereas in the new deed forms it is stated that the land is situated in the Special Municipality of Shanghai.

However, referring to the Deed of Perpetual Lease (final form), it is assumed that, in the blank space which occurs in the sentence reading "within the _______ Section of the Special Municipality of Shanghai", it is intended to insert the words "International Settlement" or "French Concession", as the circumstances require, in order that the special and distinct status of these areas may not be prejudiced

that a very important and far reaching change has been made in the last part of the Chinese text of the deed, which lists what might be described as the conditions with which the renter must comply in order to protect his title. Formerly, whenever a transfer was made from one foreign renter to another of the same nationality, no new title deed was issued, the transfer being effected in the Consulate of the nationality of the parties and a notice thereof being sent to the Chinese Land Office. If the nationality of the new foreign renter was not the same as the old renter, the deed was cancelled in the Consulate where registered and sent to the Chinese authorities for the issuance of a new triplicate deed for the Consulate of the nationality of the new renter. This procedure

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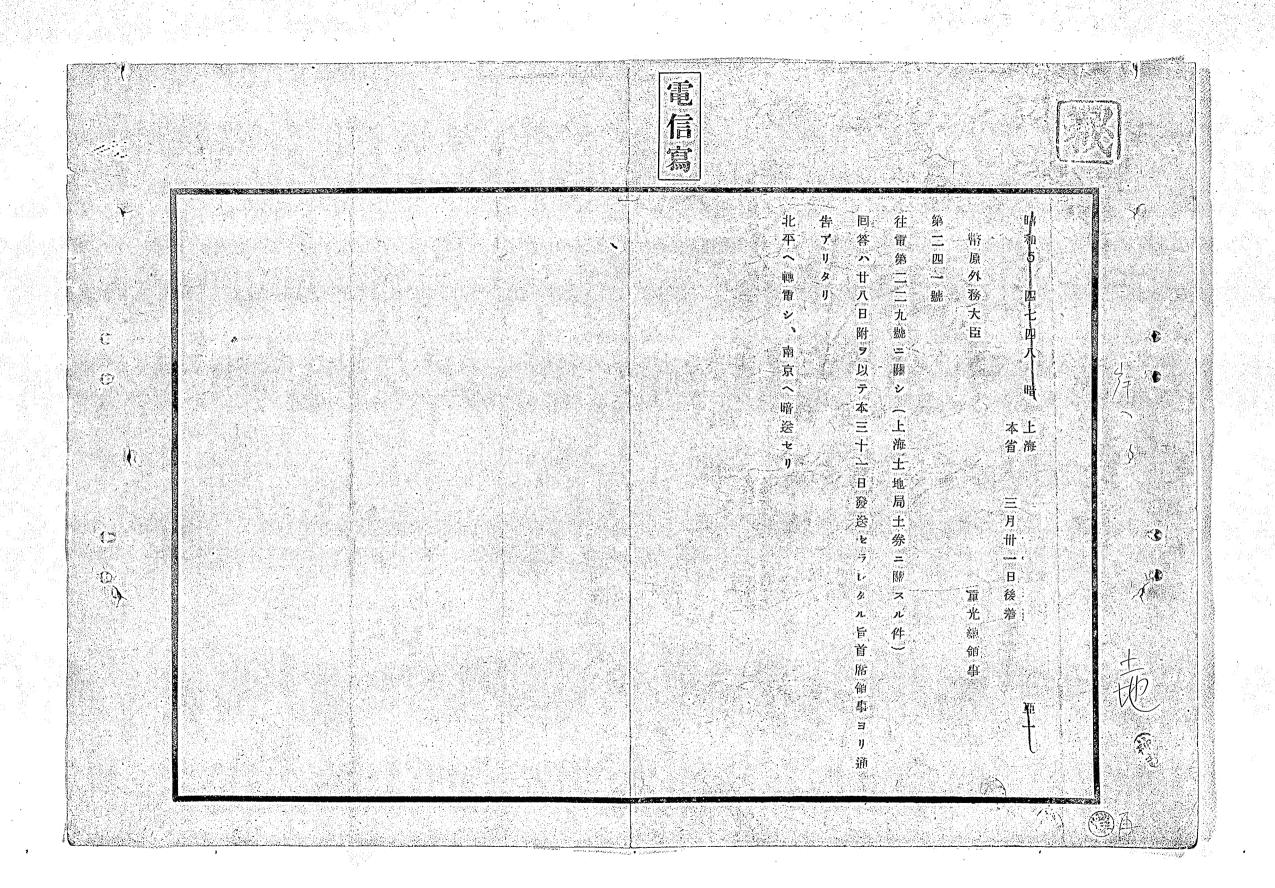
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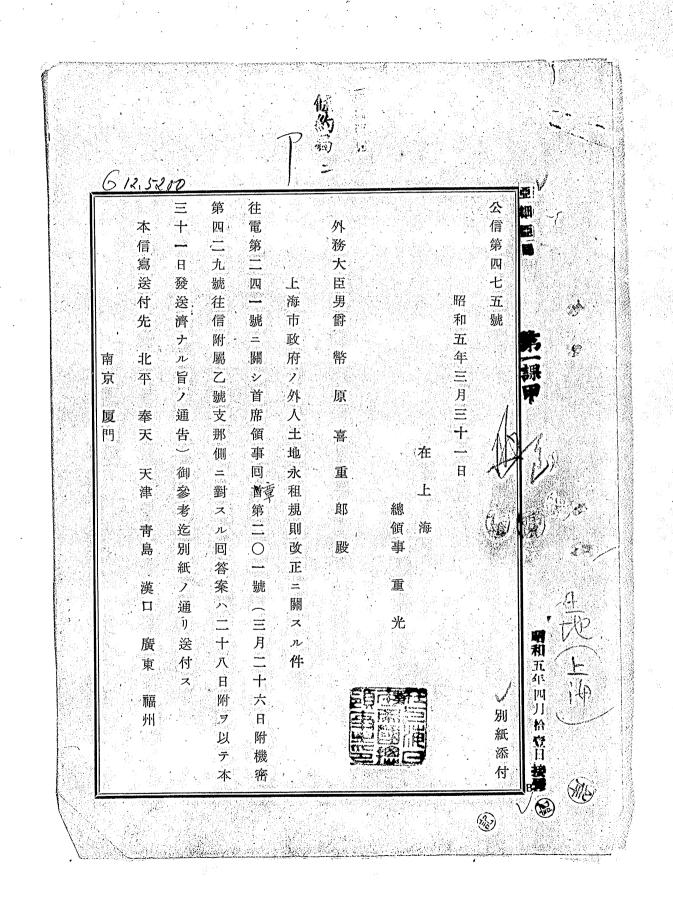
In compliance with a request of the Senior Consul, a meeting of the American; British, French, and Japanese consular land officers was held at the American Consulate General on March 12, 1930, to discuss the proposals set forth in the communication, dated February 22, 1930, from the Land Bureau of the Special Municipality of Shanghai to the Senior Consul.

The land officers discussed the observations made in the Senior Consul's Memorandum of February 27th and agreed upon the following recommendations to the Consular Body:

- 1. ISSUING OFFICER. This question is being taken up by the American Minister with the Chinese authorities at Nanking, and it seems advisable to await word as to the result of his efforts. The land officers agreed that there is no objection to the issuance of the title deeds by the Land Bullau, providing that due notification of his authority is received from the Chinese Government.
- 2. CHINESE TERM USED IN COMMUNICATIONS TO FOREIGN CONSULS. There is no objection to the use of the character "han", inasmuch as the phrase "chao hui" is obsolete.
- 3. REFERENCE TO TREATIES. There is no objection to the reference to the treaties.
- 4. DESIGNATION OF AREA IN WHICH LAND HELD BY FOR.)
 EIGNERS IS SITUATED. There is no objection to the statement that the land is situated in the Special Municipality of Shanghai.
- 5. DESCRIPTION OF THE LOCATION OF THE LAND. There is no objection to the new description, which describes the location of the land more definitely.
- 6. ISSUANCE OF NEW DEEDS AFTER TRANSFER. Inasmuch as the new procedure (necessity of new deeds in the case of transfers of land between parties of the same nationality and already registered in a consulate) would be a great inconvenience, would prove of no advantage, and appears to be a violation of Article V of the Land Regulations, the land officers believe that an objection should be made to the this proposal.
- 7. LAND TAX. The land bureau should be informed that it is noted that no tax is specified and that of course no change can be made without agreement between the Consular Body and the Chinese authorities.
- 8. Plans. There is no objection to the new procedure as to the preparation of plans.
- 9. FEES. The land officers feel that the Consular Body should requests the Land Bureau to furnish information as to the fees to be charged in connection with title deeds.
- 10. BILLS OF SALE. The land officers believe that the time limit of four months is too short.

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(CIRCULAR NO. 201-VII-G)

SUBJECT: DISPOSITION OF DRAFT LETTERS.

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The following letter was despatched on the date noted in the form in which it was circulated.

CIRCULAR NUMBER:

183-M-XI.

SUBJECT;

New Cadastral System.

TO WHOM:

Director of the Chinese Land Bureau.

LETTER DATED:

March 28, 1930.

DATE DESPATCHED:

March 31, 1930.

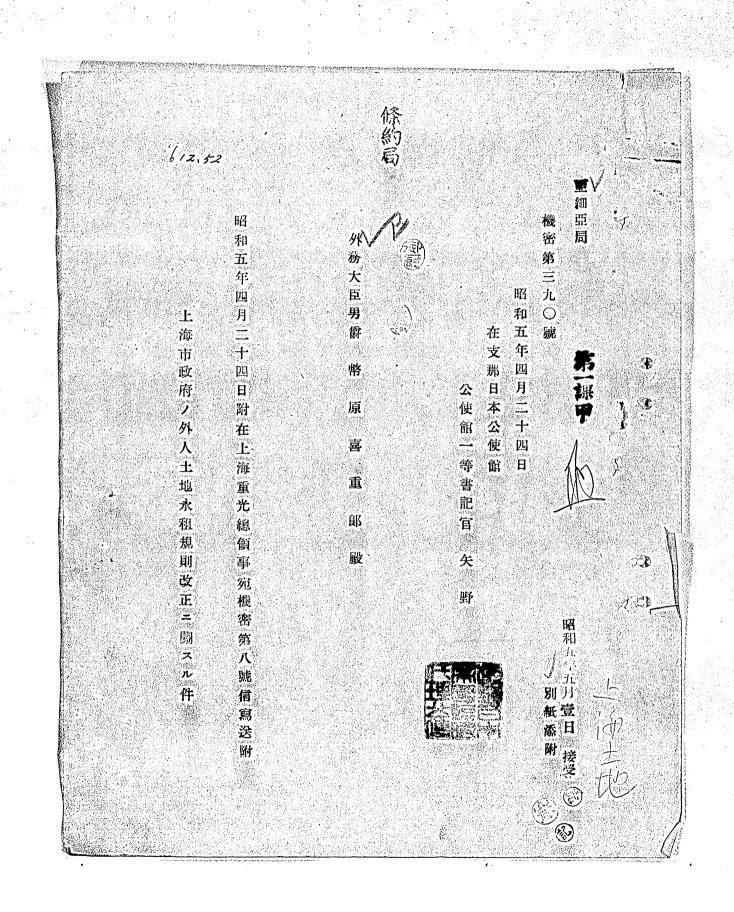
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"V. Transfer of Lots, When to be Registered. All transfers of land shall be made at the Jonaulate where the deeds are registered, and also be registered at that of the vender or assignee, and notice of the same shall be looged by the Consul with the Municipal Cour-

It will be clear that, in demanding new title deeds should be obtained for a transfer of land between like nationals or in making it necessary to obtain new title deads because of a transfer of land consequent on a mortgage, these Land Regulations would be contravened. For eover, the proposed change would entail a great deal of extra expense. Fir these reasons, the Consular Body is unable to accept this particular mutation.

4. Land Tax. It is noted that in the new forms no reference is made to the amount of land tax which in the old forms is stated to be 1,500 cash per mow. The Consular Body desire to remark, in this regard, that of course there can be no change in the amount of the land tax unless it is mutually agreed to by the Consular Body and the appropriate Chinese authorities.

5. Fees. You are requested to inform the Consular Body concerning what fees, precisely, are to be charged in connection with the new title deeds.

6. Bills of Sale. It is observed that the New Procedur (Article 6) provides that "all deeds of lease (or bills of sale) made out before 1930 are to be replaced by title deed within four months after assumption of control by the land Bureau of matters pertaining to lease of land by foreigners. If not, they shall be considered invalid unless sufficient reasons are given and encorsed by the Consul General concerned." The Consular B' iy, however, holds the view that there should be no time limit established for replacing

replacing bills of sale, executed before 1930, with title deeds, also that a longer period than four months should be decreed for replacing bills of sale, executed this year and thereafter, with title deeds. You are urged, therefore, to eliminate this ruling.

The new procedure, with the exception of those changes specifically mentioned herein, appears to be generally accentable to the Consular Body, but my colleagues and I wish to receive satisfactory assurances fr m you regarding the points which are objected to, or to which only a qualified acceptance can now be given, before committing the Consular Body to any obligation in the memises.

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THE LAND BUREAU OF THE SPECIAL VUNICIPALITY OF SHANGHAL.

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2. Designation of area in which land held by for eigners is situated. In the old deed forms it was stated that the land leased by a foreigner was located in the Treaty Port of Shanghai, whereas in the new deed forms it is stated that the land is situated in the Special Municipality of Shanghai. Bowever, referring to the Leed of Fernetual Lease (final form), it is assumed that, in the blank space which occurs in the sentence reading "within the Section of the Special Municipality of Shanghai", it is intended to insert the Words "International Settlement" or French Concession", as the circumstances require, in order that the special and distinct status of these areas may not be prejudiced.

3. Issuance of new deeds after transfer. It is noted that a very important and far reaching change has been made in the last part of the Chinese text of the deed, which lists what might be described as the conditions with which the renter must comply in order to protect his title. Formerly, whenever a transfer was made from one for eigh renter to another of the same nationality, no new title deed was issued, the transfer being bffected in the Consulate of the nationality of the parties and a notice thereof being sent to the Chinese land Office. If the nationality of the new foreign renter was not the same as the old renter, the deed was cancelled in the Consulate where registered and sent to the Chinese authorities for the issuance of a new triplicate deed for the Consulate of the nationality of the new renter. This procedure is in accord with Article V of the Land degulations for the International Settlement of Shanghai. Under the new procedure, however, all transfers between foreign renters, regardless of nationality, Equire the issuance of a new triplicate deed if the renter is to protect

The Consular Body roles the view that this contemplated change would be a contravention of Land Regulation V, interpreted in conjunction with Land Regulation IV. For convenient reference these regulations are here reproduced.

(Enclosure No. 3)

(Iraft of a proposed reply from the Senior Consul to the Director of the Chinese Land Bureau)

lr. Tchou Yen,
Lirector of the Land Bureau of the
Special Municipality of Shanghai,
c/o The North Shanghai Temporary Office
of the Land Bureau, Special Kunicipality
of Shanghai,
Shanghai, China.

Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of Tebruary 22, 1930 addressed to the American Con-

sul General, reading as follows:

WI have the honor to state that, after this Bureau took over the recent Bureau for the Joint Measurement of Land Leased to Foreigners in Snanghai and Paoshan, we continued the issuance of title deeds without any innovation. In order that the system may be as accurate as possible, and with a view to uniformity of procedures, we have now compiled an itemized list of those old methods which are no longer applicable and are transmitting, for your consideration, a printed statement embodied in title deed is entirely in accord with the established practice heretofore observed, I enclose twenty specimen copies of the deed of perpetual lease (formerly known as tad chii); twenty copies of the improved regulations for issuance of title deeds and twenty specimen copies of the draft lease in perpetuity. It is trusted that you will find them in order and transmit these enclosures to the various Consuls General at Shanghai."

Your communication and its accommaniments have been laid before the Consular Body for consideration and I am now desired by my colleagues to raply in the following terms.

It is observed that your proposed new procedure for the issuance of title deeds to foreign land renters will bring into practice a number of changes from the former system.

Wany of these innovations are not objected to, but there are a few concerning which I am desired to make the representations appearing hereunder.

1. Issuing Officer. Instead of the Commissioner of Foreign Affairs, it is noted that the officer who will sign and seal the triplicate deeds will be the Director of the Land Bureau of the Special Aunicipality of Shanghai. In order to regularize the position, the Consular Body would be glad to receive, as an indispensable condition of its acceptance of this change, confirmation from the Chinese Covernment of the authority of this officer to function in the capacity named.

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- (A) Tao ch'i is a vulgar designation for title deco of which there has been no prescribed name. It is now decided to call it "Leed of Perpetual Lease".
 - (B) Since title deeds are issued in the name of a Chinese public office, the forms of title deed should be prepared by the Chinese public office concerned.
 - (C) In order to avoid confusion and for the sake of accuracy, all Chinese characters and the date of issue should be inserted in every title deed by the Land Bureau.
- 2. (A) As a sort of official document in force at present, a title deed should conform to the documentary style now in use. This has rendered it necessary to change the form of title deed. Soreover, since the title deeds taken out by different powers are issued by one and the same controlling office, it follows that the forms and wordings of such deeds should be uniform. In view of the fact that the title deed forms printed by the various Consulates General differ from each other in respect to the Chinese wording and the color of the paper; it has become necessary for the land Eureau to prescribe a settled form for the sake of uniformity.
- 3. (a) Since title deeds are issued by a Chinese public office, it is necessary for the Chinese public office concerned to number them. It has been the gractice for the different powers to assign numbers of their own to such deeds while the failure of the Chinese of fice that issues them to do any numbering has rendered it difficult to make investigations.
- 4. (A) Inasmuch as title deeds are made out in triplicate, the system followed in the transaction of business would be unsatisfactory in the real sense of the word unless a ruling is made for the issuance and filing of such papers. According to the usual practice, only a small Chinese character is written on the copy delivered to the renter and the copy kept on file. This is apt to be obliterated and there is absolutely no other mark of distinction. It is, therefore, decided to chop all of them.
- 5. (A) The plan is an appendix to the title deed. Since the title deed is issued by the Land Bureau, the plan which is to be attacled to the deed should be prepared by the Land Bureau. The amount of labor involved is comparatively great but it is nevertheless impossible for the Land Bureau to shirk the heavy work or neglect its duty. It is necessary for the Wunicipal Council to draft the plan because the latter has actually surveyed the land in the Settlement, and is familiar with the topography. Moreover, it has much to do with the demarcation of road lines, will is only by observance of the new procedure that due regard may be maintained

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- 6. (A) Since the Deed of Lease (or Bill of Sale) is intended edexclusively for use by foreigners in renting ground from Chinese citizens, it is a highly important document. For this region, the Land Bureau has prescribed the form of Draft Lead of Lease.
- (B) After execution of the Iraft Deed of Lease, foreign renters frequently fail to apply to the Consulate General concerned for registration or for issuance of title deeds while the property right of the renter is not established, both Chinese and foreign authorities have no way of making investigations. In case of trouble, any prolonged delay would render it more difficult to effect a settle-

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copy marked with (P) is filed in the Chinese office, that marked with (L) is kept at the Consulate General and the remaining copy bearing the character (T) is delivered to the owner. In some cases, the copy marked with (T) is filed at the Consulate General and that marked with (L) delivered to the owner. There is no fixed rule.

- 5. (A) After joint measurement of any lot in the Settlement for which a title deed is to be issued, the plan to be attached to the deed is heretofore prepared by the kunicipal Council.
- 6. (A) The Deed of Lease is heretofore used as an evidence by foreigners renting ground from Chinese citizens. Although the form of such deed has been printed and published by the Wagistrate of Shanghai, the number of foreign fenters using gover ment form is exceedingly small. The forms which they use are mostly printed and sold without authority by paper shops in the Settlement. Woreover, in the absence of any rule as to the time when a deed of lease should be given in exchange of a title deed after it is executed, a large number of deeds of lease that have mot been used in application for title deeds are in existence and have given rise to numerous abuses.

C. NEW PROCEDURES.

- 1. (A) The tao ch'i or title deed is to be called "Leed of Perpetual Lease" the form of which will be prescribed in Chinese and furnished by the Land Bureau which will fill in all of the Chinese characters.
 - (B) The date of issue is to be inserted by the Land Bureau at the time when the deed is stamped.
 - 2. (A) Forms of title deed will be furnished by the Land
 Bureau and printed in the Chinese language. They
 will be sent to each Consulate General for translation and the translation thus prepared will be
 printed also in the deed form.
 - (B) The old deed forms heretofore used and kept in each Consulate General may be used pending issuance of the new printed forms by the Land Bureau. The Land Bureau will paste a slip of paper of the same color over the first line and change the wording of such old form in which the Chief of the Land Bureau is to sign after the date column.
 - 3. (A) To each title desc, the Land Bureau will assign a general number irrespective of nationality but in order of precedence. In future, every title used will bear two numbers one of which will be the general number assigned by the Land Bureau and the other will be the registered number of the Consulate General concerned. In the official our respondence between the Land Rureau and each

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Consulate General, both should refer to the general number and the consular register number.

- 4. (A) Every title deed will be issued in triplicate; one of the three copies will be the original and the remaining copies will be the duplicate. The original is to be delivered to the renter and the other two copies are to be called the first duplicate and the second duplicate. The first duplicate will be filed at the Land Breau and the second duplicate at the Consulate General concerned. The original, the first cumlicate and the second duplicate will all be chopped by way of distinction.
- 5. (A) One rough plan for every lot in the Settlement will be prepared each by the Land Bureau and the vunicipal Council at the time of joint measurment. The rough plan prepared by the Municipal Council is to be forwarded to the Land Bureau for approval after which the Land Bureau will draw a similar plan on the prescribed form and send it to the Municipal Council for confirmation. Thereafter, it is to be returned to the Land Bureau which will then forward the plan thus ratified by both of them to the Consulate General for transmission to the renter to be approved.
 - (B) Unless and until approved by the Municipal Council, no plan will be sent to any Consulate General by the Land Bureau for transmission to the renter.
 - (C) The size of the plan attached to the title deed will be the same as that of the deed. The plan may be made twice or several times as large as the deed so that, when folded, it may correspond to the title deed in size and present a good appearance. A seal will be placed at the juncture of the deed and the plan so that it may appear partly on each of them.
- 6. (A) All deeds of lease (or bills of sale) made out before 1930 are to be replaced by title deed within 4 months after assumption of control by the Land Bureau of matters pertaining to lease of land by foreigners. If not, they shall be considered invalid unless sufficient reasons are given and endorsed by the Consul General concerned. From 1930, foreigners leasing land from Chinese citizens shall all take out the draft deed of perpetual lease furnished by the Land Bureau. Unless use is made of the Land Bureau's craft deed of perpetual lease, the transaction will be invalid. The draft deed of perpetual lease it is given in exchange of a title deed within two months from the date of execution.

 The Land Bureau will publish the above mode

of procedure in Chinese and foreign press for the information of all.

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LAND BUREAU OF THE SECCIAL VUNICIPALITY OF SHANGHAI, REPUBLIC OF CHINA.

THE LEED OF PERPETUAL LEASE.

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It is a matter of record that a communication has been received from the Consul General for Shanghai, stating that, in accordance with the treaty regu-Stanghai; stating that, in accordance with the treaty regulations, has applied to rent in perpetuity from the proprietor applied to rent in perpetuity from the proprietor applied to rent in perpetuity from the proprietor within the Section of the Special Aunicipality of Shanghai, measuring in area.

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ments for the lease and that he has applied for a Deed of Ferpetual lease.

The above having been forwarded to this Bureau and the statements having been found to be true and correct, this Bureau hereby issues this Leed of Perpetual Lease.

Pereafter, if the said Menter transfers his interest in the land now rented to another party, he must present this Leed to the Consul General concerned for examination after which the latter shall request this Bureau in writing to approve and register the transfer and to issue a new Deed of Perpetual Lease as the law requires. In the event that the said menter surreptitiously transfers his interest in the land now rented to another party without going through the formality hereinbefore described, or in case of his failure to pay the Ground Kent annually in advance in conformity with the established regulations, this Deed shall be declared null and void and the land now rented shall be confiscated by this Bureau for the Municipality.

IN WITNESS WHEREOff this Lend of Perpetual Lease is issued to the said Abhter on this ______day month ______year of the depublic of Coina.

Chief of the Land Bureau (seal)

THE LAND BUREAU'S IMPROVED WETHOUS OF ISSUING TITLE DEEDS.

A, Matters in which changes are being made.

- (1) Forms of deeds to be fur nished by the Land Bureau.
- Change in the form of title deed. Rules for temporary use of the old forms.
- (3) Improvement of the method of numbering deeds.
- (4) Rule for the filing of the original and duplicate of title deeds.
- (5) Plans to be attached to title deeds are to be prepared by the Land Bureau.
- (6) Time limit for requesting issuance of Deeds of Perpetual Lease.

B. Old Procedure.

- 1. (A) fitle deeds are hereto fore prepared by each Consulate General and sent to the Chinese administrative office for stamping. In some instances, the Consulate General fills in for the Chinese office whatever should be inserted in the Thinese language
 - (B) Strictly speaking, the date of a title deed is the date of its issuance. Formerly, some of the title deeds were ante-dated by the different Consulates General at the time when they were sent out. This accounts for the discrepancy between the dates of such title deeds and the dates of their issuance.
- 2. (A) After the birth of the Chinese Republic, no change was made in the form of title deed but use was continued of the documentary style of the Manchi regime. For this readon, the first line consists merely of the title and the surname of the principal officer of the public office by which the deed is issued and no signature appears after the date column.
- 3. (A) Title deeds are heretofore numbered by the different Consulates General. The Chinese authorities assign no additional numbers to such do cu-
- No counterfoils are ever kept of title deeds which are made out in triplicate and marked with the characters (上), (中), (下) in the corner. The

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(Enclosure No. 2)

(From the Land Bureau of the Special Vunicipality of Shangkai to the Senior Consul).

No. 2743

February 22, 1930.

Sir:

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I have the honor to state that, after this Bureau took over the recent Bureau for Joint Measurement of Land Leased to Foreigners in Shanglai and Paoslan, we continued the issuance of title deeds without any innovation. In order that the system may be as accurate as possible and with a view to uniformity of procedures, we have now compiled an itemized list of those old methods which are no longer applicable and are transmitting, for your consideration, a printed statement of the contemplated changes. Since the statement embodied in title deed is entirely in accord with the established practice hereto fore observed, I enclose twenty specimen copies of the deed of perpetual lease (formerly known as Tao Chi), twenty copies of the improved regulations for issuance of title deeds and twenty specimen copies of the draft lease in perpetuity. It is trusted that you will find them in order and transmit these enclosures to the various Consuls General at Shanghai.

(signed) Chu Yen Lirector of Land Bureau.

Inclosures:

20 copies of the deed of perpetual lease!
20 copies of the improved regulations for
issuance of title deeds:
20 copies of the lease in perpetuity:

Edwin S. Cunningham, Isquire, American Consul Ceheral; Shanghai,

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A'ERICAN CONSULAG SIRVICE

American Consulate deneral, Shanghai, China, March 26, 1930/

Subject: New Cadastral System.

Peiping, China.

His Excellency J. Garrico Cisheros, Vinister for Spain and Acting Senior Vinister,

Excellency:

I have the honor to transmit herewith a copy of a letter dated February 22, 1930, from the Chinese Director of the Land Bureau at Shanghai, together with the accompaniments enumerated therein, comprising

- (a) a set of regulations governing the issuance of title deeds;
- (b) a specimen form of what is described as a draft lease in perpetuity; and
- (c) a specimen form of a deed of perpetual lease.
- Translations in English of these papers are also transmitted.

 These enclosures reveal the change which is contemplated by the Chinese authorities in the procedure of issuing title deeds, and my colllagues trust that Your Excellency will be in full accord with the considered views of the Consular Body which are embodied in the enclosed copy of a reply to the Lirector of the Land Bureau.

I have the honor to be, Excellency,
Your obedient servant.

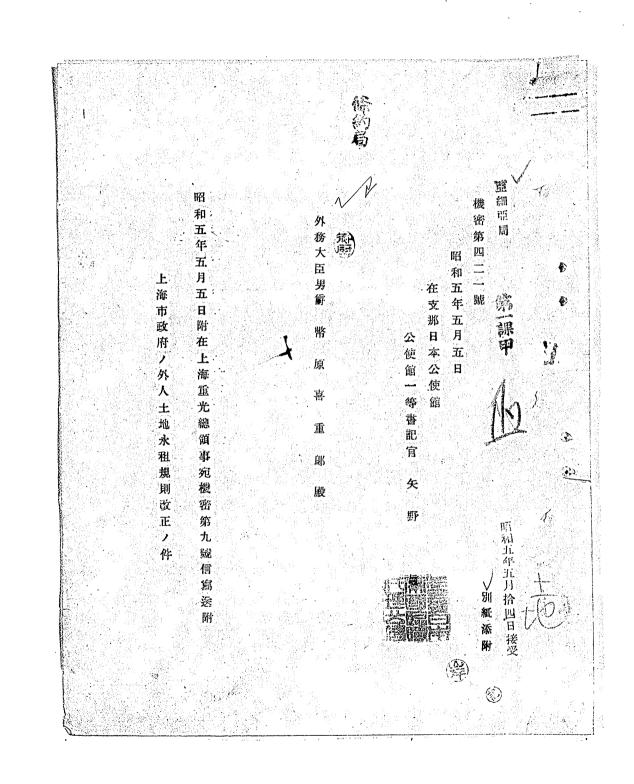
(sd) Fdwin S. Cunningham, American Consul General and Senior Consul.

knolosures:

- 1/- Cray of a latter from the Director of the Land Bureau of the Special Municipality of Shanghai, dated February 22, 1930, with three enclosures.
- 2/- Translation of the above.
- 3/- Copy of a reply from the Senior Consul to the Lirector of the Land Bureau of the Special Municipality of Shanghai.

Peking, April 10, 1930. CIACULAR No. 33. (Individual) Subject: AW CALASTRAI. SYSTEV, SHANGHAI. The Senior Minister has the honour to circulate herewith among his Honourable Colleagues a letter dated March 26th 1930 with 3 enclosures from the Senior Consul at Shanghai, on the subject of the change which is contemplated by the Chinese Authorities in the procedure of issuing title deeds. If Monsieur de Kauffmann does not hear to the contrary within 4 days he will take it that the views of the Consular Body which are embodied in the enclosed craft copy of a reply from the Senior Consul to the Director of the Land Bureau meet with the consent of his Monourable Colleagues, and he will inform the Senior Consul at Shanghai accordingly.

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在支那日本公口昭和五年五月五日 京 島 3 門口

LEGATION OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. Peiping, April 19, 1930.

Sir and dear Colleague:

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I have the honor to refer to Dean Circular No. 33 (Individual) of April 10, 1930, transmitting a letter dated worch 26, 1930, with three enclosures from the Senior Consulat Shanghai on the subject of the change which is contemplated by the Chinese authorities in the procedure of issuing title deeds. I note that the Senior Vinister stated that, unless he heard to the contrary within four days, he would take it that the views of the Consular Body which were embodied in the enclosed draft copy of a reply from the Senior Consul to the Director of the Land Bureau met with the approval of his colleagues, and would so inform the Senior Consulat Shanghai.

Due to an inadvertence in this legation, the circular in question got mislaid and did not come to my attention until to-day. For this reason I had not had an opportunity to comment before this time upon the drafted copy of the reply of the Senior Consul. Although it is my understanding that a reply has already tone forward to the Senior Consulindicating the approval of the Diplomatic Body of this draft, I feel that I must not withhold from you certain views which I entertain on several of the points covered by the draft in question. I shall take up these points in the order in which they are numbered in the draft submitted by the Senior Consult

It is my opinion that Paragraph 2 referring to "designation of area in which land held by for eigners is situated", should be omitted from the draft. I see no good purpose to be served by asking that the terms "International Settlement" or "French Concession" be inserted in the blank space describing the section of the Special Municipality of Shanghai wherein the land may be located. The Senior Consul urges this "in order that the special and distinct status of these areas may not be prejucided". It seems to me that no surer way of raising the question of the status of these areas could be found than by singling them out in this way among the various areas withing the limits of the Special Municipality at Shanghai where for eigners may lease land.

It seems to me that the argument that if this change is allowed to go unchallenged "the Chinese authorities may say that the foreign authorities have admitted that the International Settlement and French Concession are an integral part of the Special Municipality of Shanghai" is not sufficient to justify the bringing up of this issue in a communication of this kind which is intended to cover a procedure for the issuance of title deeds. The old title deeds specified that the land was situated within the limits of the port of Shanghai, and apparently no one ever seemed to consider this to be an admission on the part of any one of the non-existence of either the International Settlement or the French Concession.

iis Excellency
.Mr. Herrik de Kauffmann,
.Minister of Dermark and Senior Winister
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With reference to point 3/concerning the issuance of new deeds after transfer, I have read as carefully as I can those parts of the Shanghai Iand degulations relating to the registration of title deeds, and I find it difficult to accept either degulations 4 or 5 as a conclusive argument akainst the issuance of a new Chinese title asea every time a transfer of land is accomplished. The practice at Shanghai has been to recognize the necessity and the propriety of the issuance of a new title deed every time a transfer is made from a for eigner to a Chinese, or from a for eigner of one nationality to a foreigner of another nationality, in spite of negulations 4 or 5. It therefore seems to me that there is very little g ound for arguing against the issuance of a new title deed when title passes from one for eigner to another of the same nationality. Winformation is that it has been the practice of the British and American Consulates, in Shanghai at least, to notify to the Chinese officers transfers between foreigners of British or American Mationality. After all, the prime source of good title to land in China outside of foreign leaseholds and concessions is the Chinese Land Office, and it seems to me that it is to the interest of every for eigher who desires to acquire title to land under the jurisdiction of China to obtain such title directly from the Chinese. Whatever practice other than this may have been permitted to exist through the suffer ance of the Chinese authorities in the past, it seems to me that once the Chinese authorities have questioned the legality of such practice, it behooves the foreign possessor of title to conform to the new requirements.

I regret exceedingly the inadvertence which has delayed these comments of mine reaching you, but feel that I must communicate them to you at any cost.

I avail myself of this opportunity to extend to you, Sir and dear Colleague, the renewed assurance of my highest consideration.

(sa) Nelson Trusler Johnson.

Peking, April 22, 1930.

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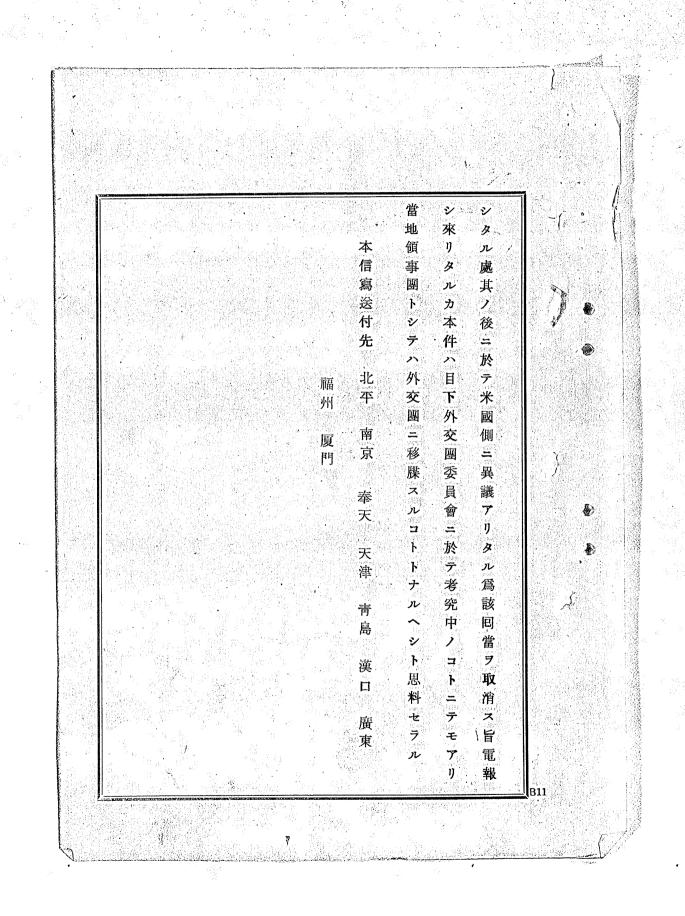
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As the present matter involves certain questions of principle and is somewhat connected with the question of the re-examination of title deecs and payment of Land transfer fees upon unstamped deeds (Circular No. 31 Individual) which question is to be dealt with by the committee of Experts appointed recently (vide Circular No. 36 Individual) it appears to Monsieur de Kauffmann that it might be advisable to ask the said committee to formulate their views on the question before final instructions are sent to the Senior Consul in Shanghai.

If Vonsieur de Kauffmann coes not hear to the contrary within 4 days he will take it for granted that this procedure meets with the approval of his Honographe Colleagues.

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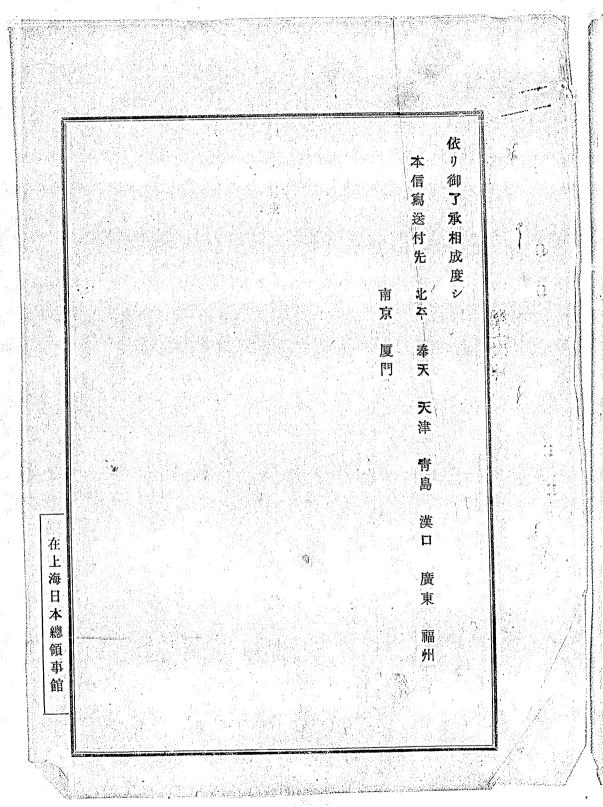
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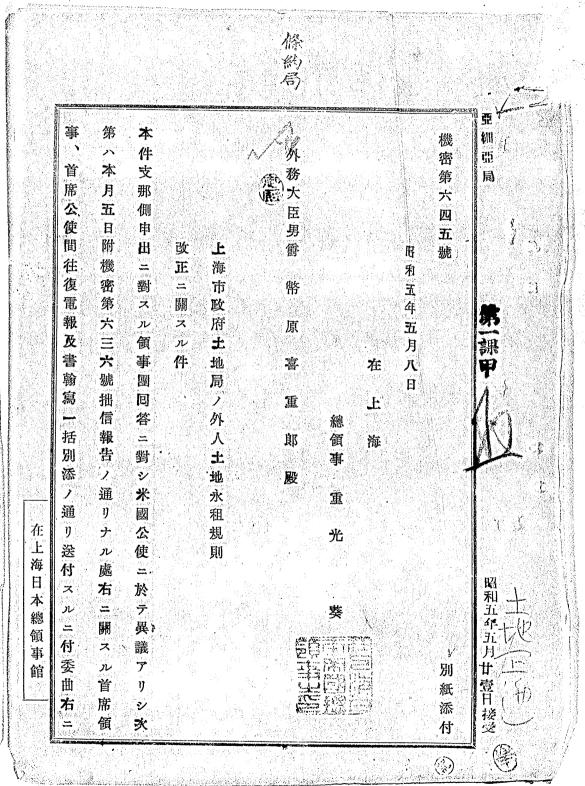
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(CIRCUL_R NO. 289-M-XI)

SUBJICT:

THE SENIOR CONSUL HAS THE HONOR TO CIRCULITE THE FOLLOWING

FOR THE INFORMATION OF HIS HONORABLE COLLEAGUES.

(From the Scnior Consul to

Excellency .Minister : Honrik de Kouffmann, for the Notherlands and Senior Minister, Poiping, China.

I have the honor to refer to Your Excellency's telegram of May 2nd, 4 p.m. requesting to be furnished with the date of the Senior Consul's reply to the communication from the Director of the Land Bureau concerning the introduction of a new cadastral system. The date of this reply is March 28, 1930, which information was telegraphed to you

In order that the decanal files may contain currently the latest correspondence on this subject, there is enclosed a copy of the Director's response (with English translation) to the Senior Consul's letter mentioned. This answer, which is addressed separately to each of the Heads of Consulates, is now being examined by my colleagues and will be discussed at the next Consular Body meeting on May 13, 1930

Your obedient servent,

Edvin S. Cunninghem, American Consul General and Senior Consul.

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(CIRCULIA NO. 273-H-XI)

SJECT: NEW C.D.STR. I SYSTEM.

THE SENICH CONSUL ELS THE HONOR TO CIRCULITE THE FOLLOWING

FOR THE INFORMATION OF HIS HONORABLE COLLECUES.

(From the Senior Linister to the Senior Consul)

April 21, 1930

r Mr. Cunningham,

Commission of

Ro Shanghai Title Deed

Your letter of March 26th was circulated to my colleagues in the usual way, and not getting any reply to my circular (copy of which you will find enclosed), I understood that your draft reply met with the approval of all concerned, and sent you my letter of the 14th.

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I hope however no inconvenience has been caused.
Yours sincerely,
(sd) Henrik Kauffmann

Peking, April 10, 1930.

CIRCULE NO. 33. (Individual)

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SUBJECT:

(From the Senior Minister to the Senior Consul).

FOR THE INFORMITION OF HIS HONORIBLE COLLEGUES. THE SENIOR CONSUL HAS THE HONOR TO CIRCULATE

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I have the honour to be, Sir, Your obedient servant

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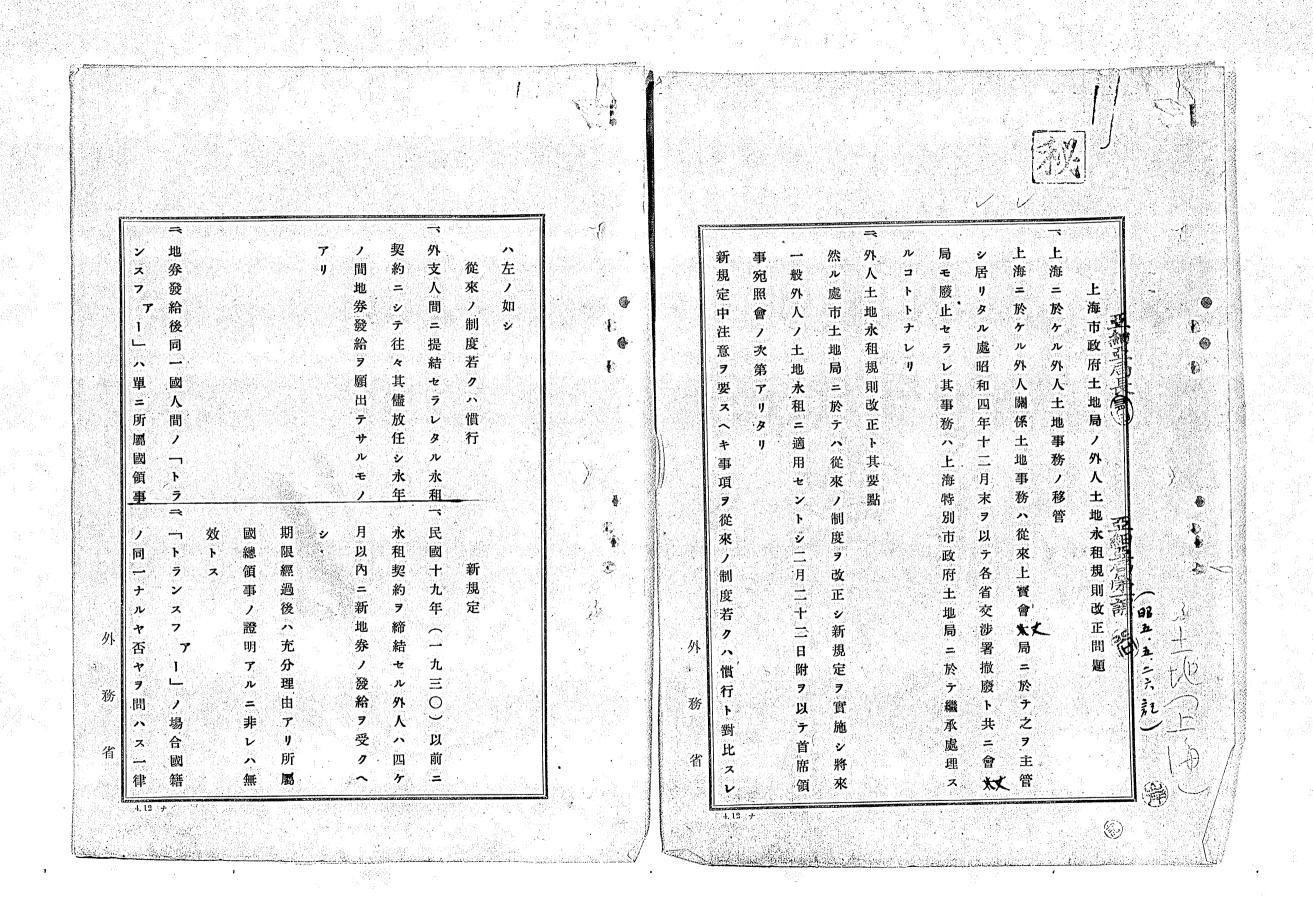
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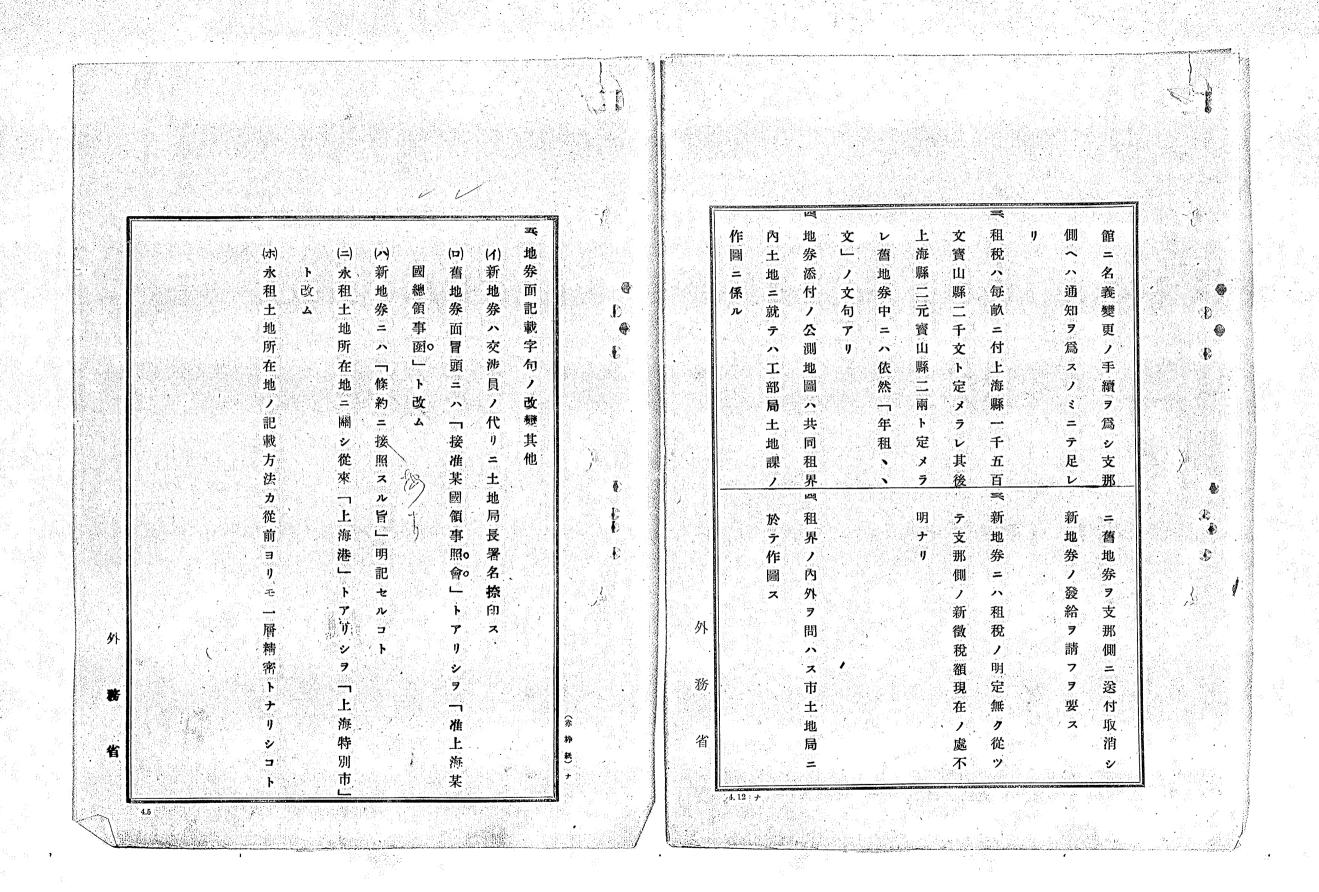
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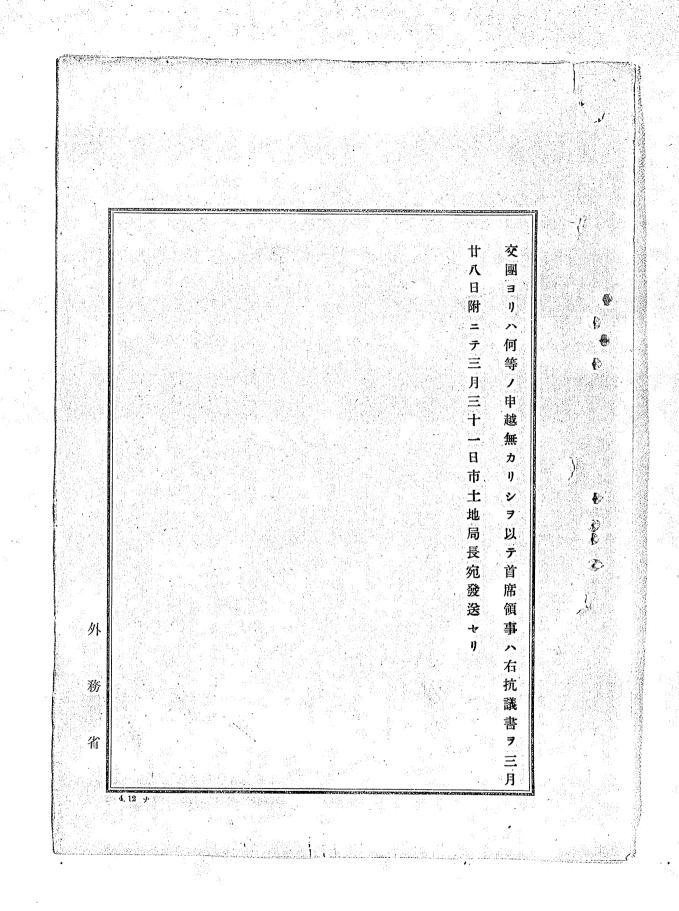
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CIACULAN No. 44 (Individual)

Subject: NEW CALASTRAL SYSTEM,
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By Circular No. 33 (Individual) of Axil 10th the Senior Minister circulated among his Fonourable Colleagues a letter dated March 26th 1930 with 3 enclosures from the Seniar Consul at Shanghai, on the subject of the change which is contemplated by the Chinese Authorities in the procedure of issuing title deeds.

By Circular No. 37 of April 22 reverted to this matter in connection with certain observations made by His Excellency the American Minister.

It was Monsieur de Kauffmann's understanding that
the despatch of the reply from the Senior Consul to the
Director of the Land Bureau in Shanghai would await
instructions from Peking, but he has now been informed that
this was not the case and that the reply as drafted was
despatched already on Warch 28th.

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In short, the foregoing serves to prove that the rule laid down by this Bureau as above referred to is not at all in conflict with the Yangkingpang Regulations. In order to manifest my sincerety in the introduction of reforms, I wish to bring particularly to your attention the fact that this rule does not imply the idea of collecting a larger revenue. You are referred to the tariff of fees in item 5 which will naturally clarify the situation.

- 4. Ground rent. Ground rent was originally collected on cash basis. Since renters are now unable to pay ground rent in cash nor are payments calculated at the rate of 1,500 cash (to one tael(?)), the phrase indicating a course of action which is no longer practicable has been eliminated so that the requirement may correspond with fact. At the resent time, ground rent is still collected by this Bureau at the rate to which both parts have agreed. In case of any change in future, mutual consent must be secured through official negotiations.
- 5. Payment of fees. The following is a tariff of fees payable in connection with deeds of perpetual lease:
 - (a) Measurement fee, 3% of the assessed value;
 (b) Shengko charge which is collected on the basis
 - of market price; (c) Amount required to make up the difference between declared value and actual cost, 50% of market price;

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Lesd of lease (Bill of Sale). A deed of lease (or bill of sale) is an evidence to be produced in exchage of a deed of per petual lease. Once a deed of lease (or bill of sale) is executed, it should be given as soon as possible in exchange of a deed of per petual lease; According to the provisions of Article 4 of the Yangkingpang Regulations, the renter should apply to his Consulate for registration within a month after the execution of the deed of lease. The two-monte limit, as prescribed by this Bureau, commences from the date of execution of the deed of lease. It is considered to be an extremely liberal limit and no further extension would be necessary. The deeds of lease executed m ior to 1930 shall all be considered invalid unless sufficient reasons are given and endorsed by the Consul General concerned, after August 1st of the present year. This rule maintains a regard for the renter's interests in all respects. Moreover, the restriction imposed on old deeds of lease is confined to cases which have been unjustifiably delayed. As a matter of fact, no restriction has been imposed in respect to cases in which sufficient reasons are in existence. With a view to disposal of old deed of lease, this Bureau attaches an extraor dinary amount of importance to this point and has, therefor e, given due publicity thereto by inserting a notice in Chinese and foreign newspapers on April 1st of the present

The above is transmitted as detailed statement in reply to your representations which this Bureau has taken into consideration. A letter (in this sense) having been addressed to each of the Consuls General at Shanghai, I have to request that you take note accordingly.

(Signed) Tchou Yen, Director of Land Bureau.

Edwin S. Cunningham, Esquire, American Consul General, Shanghai.

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SUBJECT: NEW CALASTRAL SYSTEM.

(The following is the translation of a letter from the Director of the Land Bureau of the Special Municipality of Shanghai to the American Consul General, Shanghai)

Subject: Statement of reasons for the reforms introduced in connection with the method of issuing title deeds and the request* for transmittal thereof to the various Consuls General at Shanghai.

No. 3141.

April 23, 1930.

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I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of March 28th in which you made certain regresentations in regard to the reforms introduced by this Bureau in connection with the method of issuing title deeds. The points enunciated in your letter are answered seriatim as follows:

- 1. The officer by whom title deeds are issued. The metter of issuing title deeds was formerly in the hands of the Bureau of Foreign Affairs for Klangsu and, after the latter's abolition, it was placed of necessity under control of this Bureau. It is a matter of record that under date of December 31, 1929, both the Bureau of Foreign Affairs for Klangsu and the Special Municipality of Shanghai notified in writing the various Consuls General at Shanghai of the transfer of control. Since deeds of perpetual lease are issued by this Bureau, the original and duplicate thereof must necessarily be signed and sealed by me in the capacity of director. Your letter states that a confirmation by the Chinese government is highly desired but I take the Municipality's notice to mean a transmittal of the Chinese government's confirmation without lack of any formality.
- 2. Lesignation of the area in which land leased to foreigners is located. The terms "section" and "the Special Municipality of Shanghai" as contained in the form of deed of perpetual lease are meant to indicate that the land held under perpetual lease is situated in the Special Municipality of Shanghai which is now divided into 17 sections such as Nantao, Chapei et cetera. If the land held under perpetual lease is in a settlement, the expression "International Settlement" or French Concession" must necessarily be inserted.
- 3. Issuance of a new deed after transfer. This Bureau has recently laid down a rule under which it is necessary to obtain a new deed of perpetual lease in place off the old one after the transfer of the renter's land. The reasons are as follows:
- (a) A deed of perpetual lease is an evidence of title given by the Chinese authorities to the renter. When the land rented to him has been transferred to another party, the deed of perpetual lease should be replaced by a new deed instead of being merely endorsed by each of the officers of the Chinese and foreign authorities concerned by way of certifying to the transfer of property rights. Even the absence of the Chinese authorities endorsement and seal on the original and the second duplicate of the deed would naturally indicate the want of thoroughness. Certificates of land ownership issued by this Bureau to Chinese citizens are dealt with in the same manner. If any renter tempor arily mortgages his deed of perpetual lease as a security for loan, it is necessary for his Consulate General to transmit the original and the second duplicate thereof to this Bureau so that the latter may effect a registration and make an endorse

ment.

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AVERICAN CONSULAR SERVICE

American Consulate General, Shanghai, China, Way 7, 1930.

Subject: New Cadastral System.

His Excellency Ferrik de Kauffmann,

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I have the honor to refer to Your Excellency's telegram of May 2nd, 4 p.m. requesting to be furnished with the date of the Senior Consul's reply to the communication from the Director of the Land Bureau concerning the introduction of a new cadastral system. The date of this reply is March 28, 1930, which information was telegraphed to you to-day.

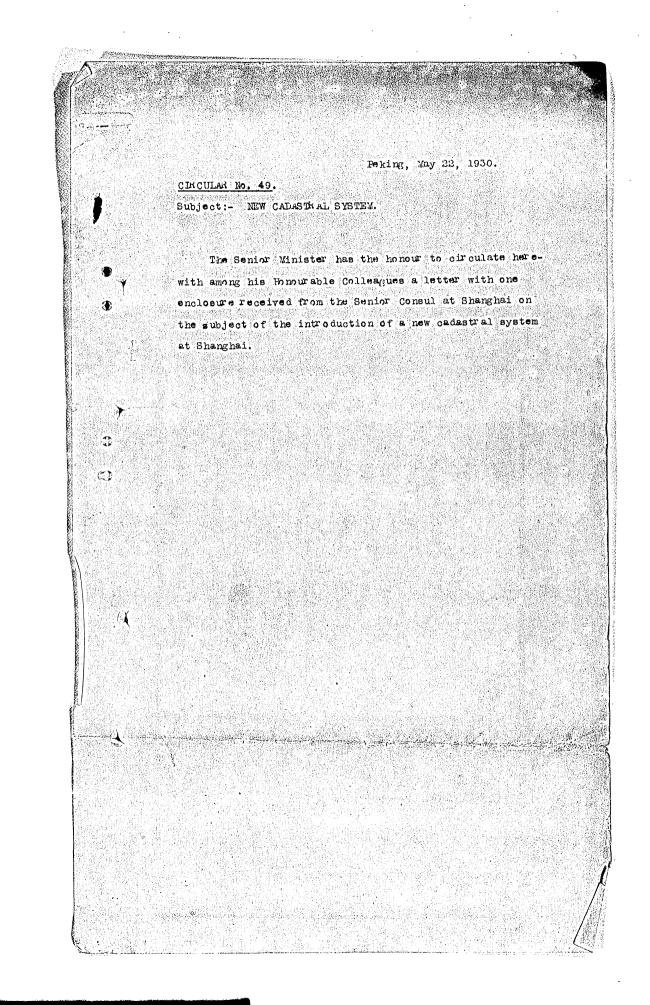
In order that the decamal files may contain currently the latest correspondence on this subject, there is enclosed 1/ a copy of the Lirector's response (with English translation thereof) to the Senior Consul's letter mentioned. This answer, which is addressed separately to each of the Peads of Consulates, is now being examined by my colleagues and will be discussed at the next Consular Body meeting on May 13, 1930.

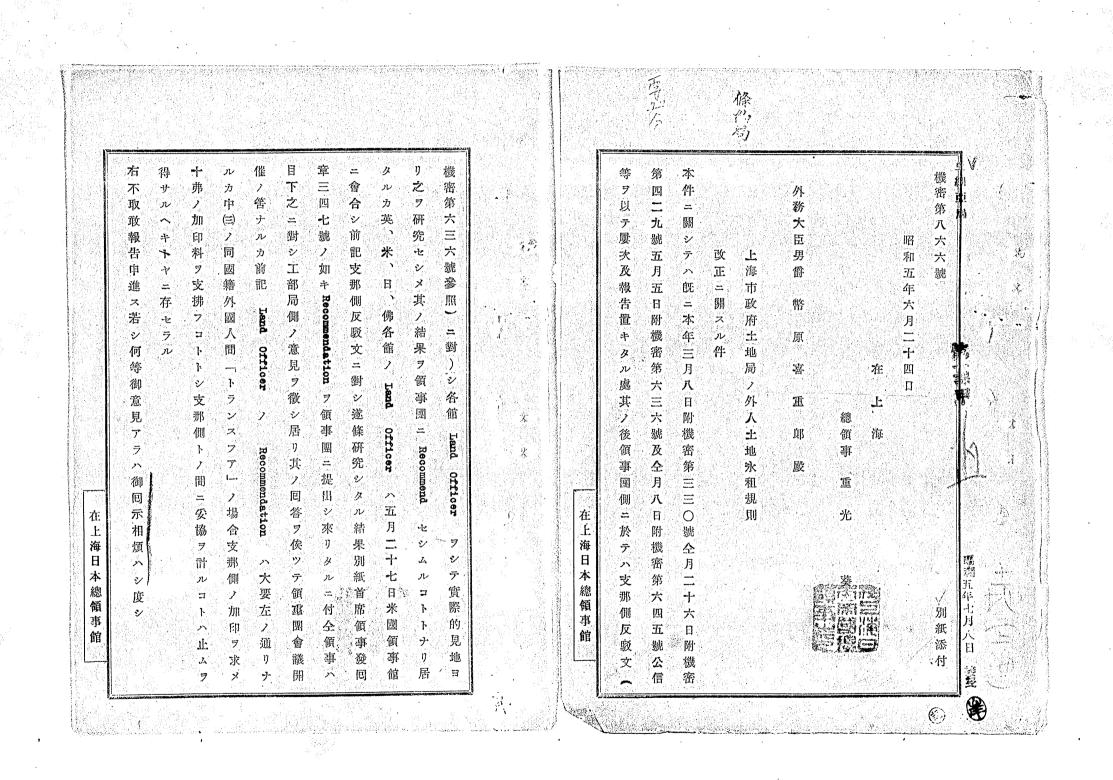
I have the honor to be, Excellency,
Your obedient servant.

(sd) Edwin S. Cunningham, American Consul General and Senior Consul.

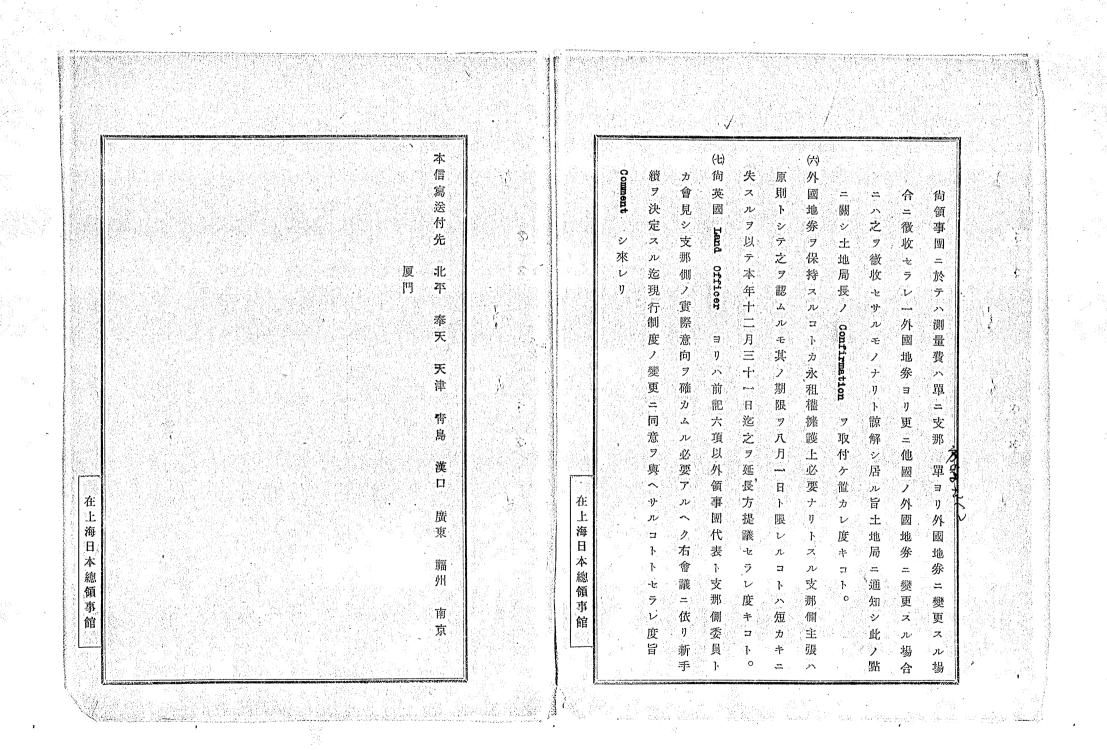
Enclosure:

1/- Copy of letter from Director of Land Bursau, dated April 23, 1930, with English translation.





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further information on the following points:

(a) Measurement fee - a definition of "assessed value" should be given.

(b) Shengko Charge - The amount of the shengko charge should be stated, and a definition of "market price" should be given.

of the amount required to make up the difference between declared value and actual cost should be given.

The land officers believe that the Consular Body should state that it is their understanding that measurement fees will be charged only in case of a transfer of land covered only by native documents and for which no consular title deed has previously been obtained, and will not apply in transfers of land for which a consular title deed has already been issued. The Director should be requested to coffirm this understanding.

6. The land officers agree with the principle that the possession of title deeds is essential to the protection of the owners of property, but feel that the time limit, August 1, 1930, is too brief, and that the limit should be extended to December 31, 1930.

Signed with no comments by Mr. R. Tulasne, French consular items land officer, Mr. T. Nakada, Japanese consular land officer, and Mr. R. L. Smyth, American consular land officer. Mr. J. C. Hill, British consular land officer, placed the following comments on the report:

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"I think we should specify instances of flagrant mistranslation, such as in 3 of Section 3 of the Director's letter, where he says that the intention to transfer shall be notified to the Consulate concerned is totally different from the official English text, which says that 'all transfers of land shall be made at the Consulate'. There is another instance in the succeeding paragraph in which it is said that transfer of deed means replacing the old deed with a new one; a further evasion of the text is to be found in 2 of the same section when, because the regulations do not specifically say that no new deed is required in case of a transfer between persons of the same nationality, therefore it is implied that new a new deed is required.

The question of fees in Section 5 is one requiring very meticulous definition, and it is most important that we should be able to see how much faith to put in the assertion that the charges will not be higher (end of Section 3).

In any case, it appears doubtful that any satisfactory agreement can be reached by correspondence with out some meetings between representatives of the Consular Body and the Chinese, so that the real desires of the Chinese may be ascertained as it is unlikely that they merely wish to alter procedure. If new deeds are to be issued, this will mean new fees, and they can insist on payment by withholding the new deed until they are paid. We need first to arrange new procedure and receive definite information as to schedule of fees for transfers and mortgages etc., before abandoning present system.

What is to happen in cases where foreign owners cannot now receive deeds for land, say, at Jessfield? (See Senior Consul's circular 323-M-XI of May 20, 1930)

Circulated June 6, 1930.

IN CIRCULATING THE FOREGOING REPORT OF THE CONSULAR LAND OFFICERS, THE SENIOR CONSUL DESIRES TO SUGGEST THAT, IF THE VARIOUS CONSULATES-GENERAL CANNOT ARRIVE AT A COMMON POLICY IN RELATION TO THIS MATTER, EACH SHOULD ACT INDEPENDENTLY ON IT. THAT IS THE COURSE HE, AS AMERICAN CONSUL GENERAL, WOULD PURPOSE, IN THAT EVENT, FOLLOWING, SUEMIT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE AMERICAN MINISTER.

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(CIRCULAR NO. 347-M-XI)

SUBJECT: NEW CADASTRAL SYSTEM.

THE SENIOR CONSUL HAS THE HONOR TO CIRCULATE THE FOLLOWING FOR THE INFORMATION OF HIS HONORABLE COLLEAGUES.

REPORT OF CONSULAR LAND OFFICERS CONCERNING THE DESPATCH DATED APRIL 23, 1930, FROM THE DIRECTOR OF THE LAND BUREAU OF THE SPECIAL MUNICIPALITY OF SHANGHAI TO THE VARIOUS CONSULAR OFFICERS IN SHANGHAI.

In compliance with a request from the Consular Body, a meeting of the American, British, French, and Japanese consular land officers was held at the American Consulate General on May 27, 1930, to discuss the despatch, dated April 23, 1930, addressed by the Director of the Land Bureau of the Special Municipality of Shanghai to the various.consular officers in Shanghai.

It was agreed to make the following recommendations to the Consular Body: (Numbers refer to numbers in the Directors despatch)

- 1. Officer by whom title deeds are issued. This matter has already been satisfactorily settled.
 - 2. Designation of area. This has also been settled.
- 25. Issuance of new deeds after transfers of land between persons of the same nationality. The issuance of new deeds after transfers of land between persons of the same nationality will entail considerable and unnecessary delay. The land officers feel, however, that the deeds in such cases can be set to the Land Bureau, in order that it may place its seal on the notation of trensfer, for which a reasonable fee, say \$10, may be charged. It is felt that this will meet the desire of the Land Bureau for an evidence of title from the Chinese authorities and at the same time will obviate the long delay which would be necessary if new deeds were to be issued.

The land officers are of the opinion that, in connection with the remakrs of the Director, based on the Chinese text of Articles 4 and 5 of the Land Regulations, the Director's attention should be called to the fact that the Chinese text is merely a translation of the English text, which alone is authoritative. The Director might be informed that the Chinese text is somewhat inaccurate and that this has no doubt caused a misunderstanding on his part.

- 4. Ground Rent. This has been satisfactorily settled.
- 5. Payment of fees. The land officers are in doubt as to the exact meaning of several terms and feel that the Director of the Land Bureau should be requested to furnish

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information, is, however, desirable in accordance with the suggestions made in (5) of this report.

The time given is, however, too short. I suggest that one year from some date yet to be agreed upon as a possible minimum. The statement that

"The draft deed of perpetual lease would be null and void unless it is given in exchange of a title deed within two months from the date of execution." seems in the light of Dr. Tchou Yen's explanation dated April 23, to mean that unless an application for a Perpetual Deed of Lease shall be made to the Consul within two months of the purchase of land under Bill of Sale, then such Bill of Sale shall be void.

(11) Br. Tchou Yen in his letter to the Senior Consul dated April 23 in reply to a question states "I wish to bring particularly to your attention the fact that this rule does not imply the idea of collecting a larger fee".

The fees are stated as follows:-

- (a) "Measurement fee 3% of the assessed value". By the value may either be meant the value written in the "Bill of Sale" or the value which was previously declared by the owner for other purposes.
- (b) "Shengko charge which is collected on the basis of market prices".

This seems the existing basis. It has, however, not been in force many years and is not always a just charge.

(c) "Amount required to make up the difference between declared value and actual cost - 50% of market price.

This is a very high fee and is doubtless meant to stop the practice of under valuation for the purpose of (a) and of understating prices in the priginal "Bill of Sale". It may on the other hand be a capital levy on the increased value.

(d) "Incorporation Fee \$10 each".

This may be a fee for amalgamation of lots but as it is customary to remeasure lots when amalgamated, some assurance is required that no remeasurement wiler (a) is required, nor fee as under (c) which I have stated above may be a capital levy of 50% of the increased value since the previous measurement and as such should, I suggest, be rigorously opposed.

- (e) "Endorsement fee \$4."
- (f) "Fee for issuance of duplicate or replacing copies, \$10 each".

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(g) "Fee for withdrawal of applications \$20 each."

There are many points not clear in the document submitted, but none is so revolutionary as Clause (c) of the scale of fees if it is meant to be an increment of value tax on foreign deeds, which it will only be possible to levy by the issue of new deeds upon transfer as desired by Dr. Tehou Yen.

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This requirement seems definitely opposed to Land Regulation V, either when road by itself or in conjunction with Land Regulation IV, and Dr. Tchou Yen's interpretation given in Clause 2 (c) of his letter of April 23 seems to me neither ingenious nor correct.

I suggest that if Clause V required the issue of a new doed it would have been stated in other words than those actually used and would render unnecessary the words "... and also to be registered at that of the vendee or assignee...." If this alteration in procedure is agreed to, a great blow will be struck at the simple and straightforward system which now obtains.

(7) The proposed "Deed of Perpetual Loase" also states

"In the event that the said renter surreptitiously transfers his interest in the Land now rented to another party without going through the formality hereinbefore described, or in case of his failure to pay the Ground Rent annually in advance in accordance with the established regulations, this deed shall be declared null and void and the land now rented shall be confiscated by this Bureau for the Municipality."

The first part of the above paragraph may be an attempt to invalidate a Title which is held under a "deed of trust", and if allowed would, I think, cause nothing less than a panic in many quarters, and might seriously dislocate for a time the fiscal systems of the Foreign Settlement and French Concession. While the practice of allowing land to be held under "deed of trust" without registration at the Consulate of the registered helder is open to question, any reform in this direction should, I think, be brought into effect by the various Consulates concerned in the first place. In any case confiscation or a threat of confiscation for non-compliance with such a rule is altogether too drastic a course for the needs of the case.

(8) With regard to confiscation for non-payment of land tax, this is a legal fiction carried on from the existing form of deed, but it is something quite new to find a municipality with rights of eminent domain over another municipality.

(9) The Consul-Goneral has called attention to the fact that the Ground Rent is not stated and I suggest that the latter part of the deed should be changed to something on the following lines:-

'Or in the case of his failure to pay the ground rent of Tls. ---- per mow or such other sum as may from time to time be agreed between the Minister (or Consul-General) for --- and the Chinese Government, the Chinese Government shall have the right to expropriate the said land Land Tax shall be paid annually in advance upon demand.'

I think that in no case should "confiscation" by the Municipality be agreed to.

(10) I have the following observations to make on the statement of "Now Procedures" enclosed with Dr. Tchou Yen's letter to the Senior Consul dated February 22:

1. (B) It is of great importance that the date of application for deed should be inserted as at present, in the past, months and even years have elapsed between the application and issue of a deed and it is not unusual in the meantime for an owner, having good reason to believe in the validity of all documents submitted, to have exercised all the rights of title and possession.

Furthermore, in ascertaining whether land schoduled for road purposes is subject to surrender under Land Regulations VI, the date of application for the deed is taken as the date upon which the Land is rented. Were this not so a great deal of injustice would have resulted.

2. (a) Translations of the Chinese will presumably be in the language of the Consulate concerned and it is advisable that the translations also should be agreed to by the Chinese Authorities if such is possible.

(B) 'Overprinting' the existing form would seem better than pasting a slip of paper over the first line.

3. (A) While it is doubtless advisable that the Chinese Land Office should properly number all deeds, no change should be made in respect to numbers already assigned by the various Consulates.

codure proposed as no plans will be submitted to the Consulates without joint approval.

The existing system by which all plans of lots in the Settlement are prepared in the Municipal Cadastral Offices dates only from 1912, but nevertheless it has been greatly appreciated as it brought in a system of careful and accurate plans and computations of areas such as had not existed before.

5. (A) I am not quite clear as to the exact meaning of this clause, but it appears to be a recognition of the fact that many foreigners own land on perpetual deeds of lease only, in parts of Shanghai where hithorto Consular registered deeds have been unobtainable. This clause may thus make it possible to do so. Further

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Proposed New Cadastral System Letter from Senior Consul, dated 28/5/30. Ref. 4985.

- (1.) In considering the measures put forward by the Director of the Land Bureau of the Special Municipality of Shanghai, I think it is of considerable importance that the proposals should be carefully examined from the aspect of interference with the existing status of the Settlement as, in part, an underlying motive.
- (2) In this connection I would call attention to the question put in the Senior Consul's lotter to Dr. Tchou Yen of March 28, Clause 2, as to the district in which the lot of land is situated, and to Dr. Tchou Yen's reply of April 23, into which I read an implication almost amounting to a definite statement, that the Foreign Settlement is one of the sections of the "Special Municipality of Shanghai". Although it may be said now that this is only for the purpose of land registration, it may have for reaching effect.
- (3) Quite apart from the result that the measures proposed would themselves have upon the holding of land by forcigners and upon the business of real estate generally; their acceptance as a whole at this juncture may seriously prejudice the Council's position in any negotiations which may take place in the future in respect of the Council's administration or future status.
- (4) To labour my point if the Settlement and Concession are no longer to be regarded as an enclave but districts of the Shanghai Special Municipality, what limit is there to control by the Special Municipality over all matters not specifically covered by the Land Regulations?
- that as Consular registered title doeds are not obtainable in the whole of the area covered by the Special Municipality of Shanghai, the Consular Body should ask for a plan showing the 17 districts into which the Municipality is divided for the purpose of land registration, with a statement as to the districts in which "perpetual deeds of lease" to foreigners may be issued and if the districts indicated are morely the "Foreign Settlement and the "French Concession", consideration should be given to the future status of the numerous Consular registered lets already outside these areas.
- The proposed "Deed of Perpetual Lease" states that if the renter "transfers his interest in the land now rented, to another party, he must present this dood to the Consul-General concerned for examination, after which the latter shall request this Bureau in writing to approve and register the transfer and to issue a new deed of perpetual lease as the law requires".

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(CIRCULAR NO. 433-M-XI)

SUBJECT: <u>NEW CADASTRAL SYSTEM.</u>

THE SENIOR CONSUL HAS THE HONOR TO CIRCULATE THE FOLLOWING FOR THE INFORMATION OF HIS HONORABLE COLLEAGUES.

(From the Chairman of the Shanghai Municipal Council to the Senior Consul.)

Ref. No. 4985.

COUNCIL CHAMBER

Administration Building. Shanghai, July 25, 1930.

Sir

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After careful examination of the proposed change of procedure in the mode of registration of land rented by foreigners I have the honour in accordance with your request in your letter of May 28 to submit a few notes and criticisms. In doing so I must emphasise the fact that the proposed changes as outlined and the projected new Cadastral system are so fraught with ambiguities and uncertainties that comments such as are submitted herewith cannot be regarded in any way as a detailed criticism and that the utmost caution and investigation are essential in order to prevent unexpected interpretations and inferences to the prejudice of foreign land renters in the future.

The suggestion that for the purpose of the designation of the area in which foreign rented land is situated the Foreign Settlement should be regarded as a section of the Special Municipality of Greater Shanghai is not only contrary to the Rules and Regulations of the Special Municipality as published (Vol.1 p.13) but involves momentous matters of principle. The assurantion of authority to issue deeds by an officer of the Special Municipality of

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Shanghai without confirmation of his authority to do so from the Chinese Government, and the manifest intention that the Special Municipality should have a right of eminent domain over to the extent of confiscation over the Foreign Settlement are sufficient indications of the attitude of mind behind the proposed new system.

Not only does the system violate the fundamental principles of the Land Regulations but many of its detailed proposals constitute clear violations of Land Regulations IV and V.

The Council is concerned not only as a holder of a considerable amount of land, but is vitally affected by the probable results of the adoption of such changes upon the administration and status of the Settlement. The Council feels that the pursuit of negotiations with the Chinese authorities at the very time when Judge Foetham is engaged upon his investigations not only prejudice his work but may stultify to a very material extent the result of his inquiries.

I have therefore the honour to request that a representative or representatives of the Council may have the opportunity to discuss the matter with the Consular Body before any formal rejoinder is made to the Director of the Land Bureau and to urge the advisability of resisting the adoption of the new procedure until Judge Foetham's report has been issued.

In the meantime I have to thank you for the copies of the correspondence and the opportunity you have afforded the Council of commenting on the proposed changes.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,
(sd) E. B. Macnaghten,
Chairman.

E. S. Cunningham, Esq.,
American Consul General and Senior Consul.

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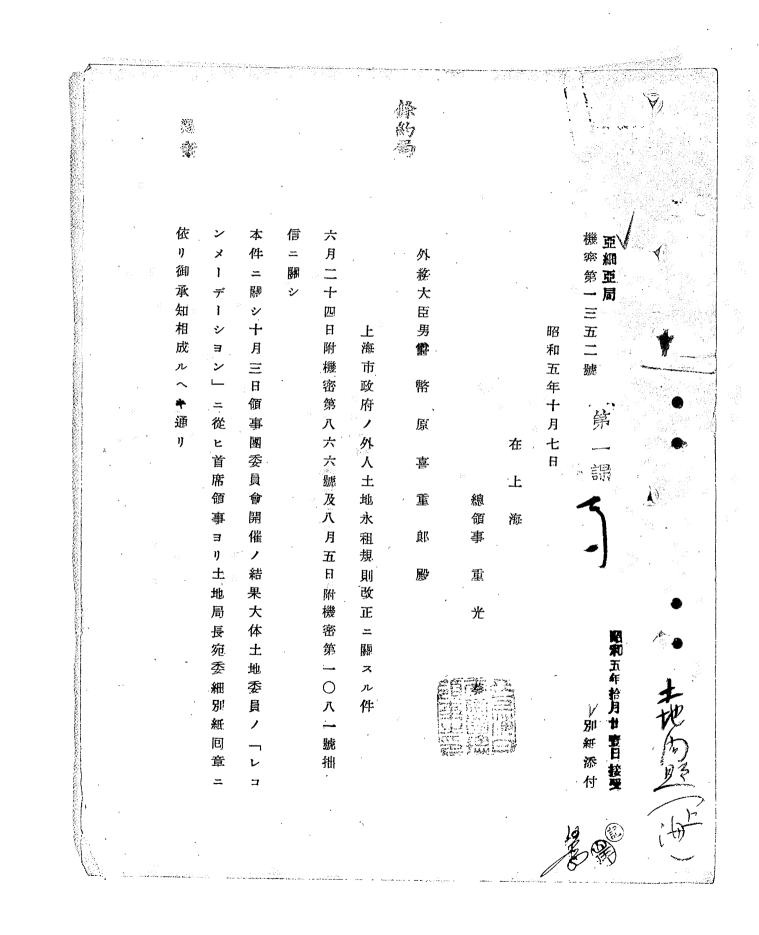
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SUBJECT: NEW CADASTRAL SYSTEM.

THE SENICR CONSUL PRESENTS HIS COMPLIMENTS TO HIS HONORABLE COLLEAGUES AND HAS THE HONORABLE TO CIRCULATE THE FOLLOWING DRAFT OF A PROPOSED REPLY TO THE LAND COMMISSIONER'S LETTER ON THE NEW CADASTRAL REGULATIONS. THIS DRAFT MAY BE CONSIDERED AT A SPECIAL MEETING WHICH IT IS HOPED TO CONVENE IN THE NEXT WEEK OR SO.

(Draft Eeply to Rand Commissioner's Letter on New Cadastral Regulations.)

Sir.

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I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 23rd. April last, informing me of the proposals for a new cadastral system in Shanghai and explaining the reasons for the changes in the present procedure, and to state that the contents thereof have been carefully examined.

After consultation with my colleagues, arrangements were made for the officers in charge of the repective Consular Land Offices to visit you and discuss the various points contained in the proposals. From the reports made by these officers, I understand that you are prepared to waive the issue of new deeds in cases of transfers between foreigners of the same nationality. Instead of a letter being sent to you by the Consulate conserned informing you of the execution of such transfers, you wish that the deeds should be transmitted to you for your endorsement to be placed thereon. For this transaction I understand that a fee not exceeding \$10.00 is to be charged. If this be correct, I shall be glad if you will furnish me with written confirmation and upon such being forthcoming, my Colleagues and I will be prepared to agree to your request that the titledeeds of land so transferred be sent to you for registration of the transferr

With regard to the form of the Deed of Perpetual Lease sent to me for inspection, I have the honor to point out that the space left for inserting the nationality of the respective Consulates should be arranged in such manner that the characters for the nationality concerned can be placed on a level with those at the beginning referring to the Chinese Govennment. I enclose herewith a marked specimen of both the new and the old form of deed which will make clear to you what is meant. If the necessary alteration is made, the new form of deed will be used by the Consulates concerned in lieu of the present form.

With regard to fees, I have the honor to inform you that my Colleagues and I are anxious that these should be very clearly stated so as to avoid any future misunderstandings, and it is suggested that they should be laid down in a schedule to be attached to the new regulations showing the exact sums (where there are fixed amounts) and maxima and minima where there is a liding scale. It is essential

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persons conducting transactions in land should know exactly what expenditure they may be called upon to face and under what circumstances individual items are charged. For example, it is by no means clear what is meant by the words. "A third is in the make up the difference eet." () Third is in the make up the difference eet." () Third is the make up the difference eet." () Third is the make up the difference eet." () Third is the make up the difference eet." () Third is the make up the difference eet." () Third is the make up the difference eet." () Third is the make up the difference eet." () Third is the make up the difference eet." () Third is the make up the difference eet." () Third is the make up the difference eet." () Third is the make up the difference eet." () Third is the make up the difference eet." () Third is the make up the difference eet." () Third is the make up the difference eet." () Third is make up the words. It is also to shoung the make the make up the make up

I shall be interested to learn whether titledeeds for foreign-owned land will now be issued for the whole area of the Chinese municipality of Shanghai. Should this not be the intention of your Office, my Colleagues and I would wilcome the transmission of a plan showing for which districts title-deeds will be granted.

In your proposed regulations a time limit is laid down (1st August) which is too short, and has indeed already expired. My Colleagues and I would suggest that it be extended to December 31st. of the present year.

In addition to forwarding you the above reply, I have the honor to request that no change be made in the present procedure regarding land transactions until a common accord has been reached.

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Senior Consul.

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SCHEDULES OF FEES FOR TRANSFERS OF DEEDS OF PERPETUAL LEASE.

- (1) TRANSFER OF MANGTANS FOR DEEDS OF BERPETUAL LEASE.
 - (a) Fees for Transfer Deeds: \$10.00 each.
 - (b) Fees for Measurement: 3% of the estimated value.

(If the land is situated within the Settlement its value must be estimated by the International Municipal Council or the French Municipal Council, but the Land Bureau will estimate the value of lands outside the Settlement.)

(c) Amount Required to Make up the Difference: 50% of the market price should be collected. (If tax not paid on a fangtan, Yin-yu (order of magistrate) or Puchao (order of Ministry), half shengko should be col-

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- (2) TRANSFER OF OLD TITLE DEEDS FOR NEW DEEDS.
 - (a) Fees for Transfer Deeds: \$10.00 each.
 - (b) Fees for Measurement: .2% of the estimated value should be collected. But the amount must neither be less than \$10.00 per more than \$100.00.
- (3) SHENGKO.
 - (a) When the actual land area is more than the title deed area, shengko fee should be levied on the excess land at the estimated price.
 - (b) Public creeks and public land shengko, shengko fee should be collected according to the market price.
- (4) Fee for Endorsement: \$4.00 pach.
- (5) Fee for Extra-Copy of Title Deeds: 010.00 each.
- (6) Fee for Extra-Copy of Plans: \$5.00 each.
- (7) Fee for Returned Deeds: \$20.00 each.

(8) Fee for Remeasurement: . 2. the estimated, which must not be less than \$10.00 nor more than \$100.00.

References:

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Bureau is based on the document forms now in use by our Bureau is based on the document forms now in use by our government. In the body of the form some characters begin a new line. This indicates a form of honor, for example: "Such and such Consulate General at Shanghai". The old forms putting the characters above the level, as the British title aceds enclosed with your letter, were only used in Imperial days and have long since been out of practice.

As to the first and the last lines of the Deeds of As to the first and the last lines of the Decas of Perpetual Lease newly prescribed, which are respectively the heading and the date of issuance, they have no connection with the bod; of the document itself. When these deeds were sent for printing, we placed the characters of these two lines in large type and had then elevated a little in order that the form may look nice.

However to avoid misunderstanding I am prepared to arrange the small characters of the various lines on the same level with the larger characters when we print another supply after the deed forms which have already been printed are used up.

FIXED AMOUNT OF FEES FOR DEEDS OF PERPETUAL LEASE.

As to the amount of fees which should be collected in connection with an application for a deed of perpetual lease by foreigners, we have printed a schedule, 30 copies of which are enclosed. It will be made known to you by letter in advance in case of subsequent increases or decreases of the

4. DISTRICTS IN WHICH TRANSFERS OF TITLE DEEDS MAY BE GRANTED.

Districts in which transfer title deeds may be granted should be limited to the Settlement boundaries. Motwithstandshould be limited to the Settlement boundaries. Frowling tanding some foreigners, in practice, lease land outside the Settlement. Such practice is not authorized by any written law. We are now considering whether or not foreigners have the right to lease land outside the Settlement. As soon as a decision has been arrived at, a further communication will be addressed to you. Pending a decision all cases in which foreigners lease lands outside of the Settlement will be maintained as of the old procedure, providing this Bureau is satisfied through in investigation that the land is actually owned and used by the foreigners concerned.

5. TIME LIMIT FOR OLD BILL OF SALE TO BE EXCHANGED FOR DEEDS OF PERPETUAL LEASE.

It is laid down by this Bureau that bills of sale executed before December 31, 1929 should be sent before July 31, 1930, to this Bureau to be exchanged for deed or Perpetual Lease. It is a matter of record that the shas been announced in the vernacular and foreign press of April 1st. However we have recognized that there are some special cases; therefore in my last letter it was stated that this Bureau is prepared to attend to special cases sent in after August 1st, (the day of expiration) provided valid reasons are given and verified by the Consuls concerned. But with ordinary old bills of sale there is no need for an extension.

In all cases where there exist special circumstances the views expressed in your letter referred to will be complied with, - that is - the renters should be instructed to send in before December 31, 1930, through the Consul General concerned to this Bureau for consideration and action all old bills of sale executed before December 31, 1929, together with a statement of valid reasons verified in a letter by the Consul Ceneral.

With the foregoing detailed elucidations and replies, it is believed that there will not be any further doubt concerning the points which you have raised and enquired about.

I am returning herewith the two forms of deeds enclosed with your letter and am transmitting 30 copies of a schedule of fees for your information.

I have the honour to be, Sir Your obedient servant,

(sd) Tohou Yen, Director of Land Bureau.

J. Wan Haute, Esquire,
Consul General for Belgium, and Senior Consul, Shanghai.

(CIRCULAR NO. 587-1-XI)

SUBJECT: NEW CADASTRAL SYSTEM.

THE SENIOR CONSUL PRESENTS HIS COMPLICATE THE HONORABLE COLLEAGUES AND HAS THE FONOR TO CIRCULATE THE FOLLOWING FOR THEIR INFORMATION.

(From the Director of Land Bureau to the Senior Consul.)

TRANSLATION.

October 20, 1930.

Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of October 6, 1930, commenting on the Improved Rules Coverning the Issuance of Title Deeds proposed by this Burcau. In the letter you enquire about the rules for endorsing transfers between foreigners of the same nationality and ask for a plan showing for which districts title deeds will be granted. Yourequested a written reply from me. Now I am forwarding you this reply on the following different points:

1. RULES FOR EMDORSING TRANSFERS OF TITLE DEEDS BETWEEN FORETGNERS OF THE SAME MATIONALITY.

Various ways have been followed in the past for transfers between foreigners of the same nationality of the property rights of the land leased by them: some owners sent the old title deed to be exhanged for new one; some sent the old deed to the Consulates to be endorsed and from the Consulates to this Bureau to endorsed; and some sent the deeds only to the Consulates to be endorsed, at the same time informing this Bureau by letter of the execution of the transfer.

With a view to having a uniform system and to assuring the property right of the renters this Bureau has prescribed certain rules for transfers of title deeds between foreigners of the some nationality whereby the new renter should send the deed through the medium of the Consulates concerned to this Bureau to be exchanged for a new title deed. This seems primarily to be the proper mode of procedure. However as the various Consulates considered this way to be too slow and time-wasting, they requested that this rule be altered. I wish to accept this suggestion so I promised to alter this rule.

In case of transfers of title deeds between foreigners of the same nationality the new renters are allowed to send the deeds to the Consulates concerned for transmission to this Bureau to be endorsed and registered, with a fee for andorsement of 4.00.

There will be no inconvenience to the renter and this Bureau will have a record for future reference.

2. FOREI OF DEEDS OF PERPETUAL LEASE.

The new form of deed of perpetual lease prepared by this

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(a) Pas d'objection pour les frais d'actes do $\rm tr$ neferts fixes à $\c 10.-$

(b) En ce qui concerne les "Fees for measurement"

lixés à 3% de la valeur d'estimation de la proprièté, les

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contage fixé. Ils singnalent toutefois à l'attention de

Tohou Yen l'improprièté manifeste des termes "fees for

measurement" alors que les frais en question, qui semblent

de devoir vicer que de simples opérations de mesurace, peu
vent parfois atteindre plusieurs milliers de taels.

M. Tchou Yen répond qu'en réalité ce droit de 3% s'applique bien au transfert, Am mais que c'est le désir d'éviter de créer des appellations nouvelles qui lui a frait conserver l'ancienne expression.

Los "Consular Land Officers" et M. Tchou Yen se mattent alors d'accord pour appeler la taxe en question "droit d'enregistrement et frais de mesurage".

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(c) M. Tohou Yen déclars que ce paragraphe vise principalement les nouveaux terrains sur le fleuve, c'est-à-dire les terres d'alluvions. Il existe, dit-il, en dehorssdu Bureau des Terrains, d'autres bureaux qui s'occupent de ces nouveax terrains et c'est dans ces bureaux que l'interess devra se rendre pour obtenior le shengko qui lui permettra de faire consacrer par le Bureau des Terrains, après paiement de 50% de la vaeur d'estimation du terrain, ses droits de propriète sur celui-ci.

M. Tohou Yen précise que tout propriétaire d'un terrain non enregistré dans le registre des Texes doit payer 50% de la valeur de ce terrain pour obtenir son enregistrement. Un terrain non enregistré ne peut être vendu. Un étranger voulant se rendre acquéreur d'un terrain doit donc, avant d'acheter, exigor les requs des texes. C'est à l'acheteur à veiller à ses intérêts.

2. Transfer of old title deeds for new deeds.

En ce qui concerne les "Fees for measurement" (2/00 avec minimum de (10.- et maximum de (100.-), les "Consular Land Officers" ont démandé qu'ils soient percus non pas en se référant à un pourcentage sur la valeur du terrain, mais suivant une échelle comprise entre 10.- et (100.-, d'après le nombre de meou.

M. Tehou Yen estime plus logique sa manière de voir. Il déclars, d'autre part, que sous la rubrique "transfer of old title decds for new deeds" rentre précisément dans la catégorie des titres transfèrés entre étrangers de nationalité différente pour lesquels le Bureau des Terrains ne percoit directement aucun droit. Ce droit de transfert non directment perou est alors compris dans les "fees of measurement", des lors improprement désignés.

Les "Consular Land Officers" demandent par ailleurs.

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of the droit partiel ne pourrant pas âcre applique at see ca the letter modification survenue dans une grande propriété abbaineraît le measurage d'une potite parcelle.

M. Tchou Yen déclare que, dans ce cas, le remosurage

En ce qui concerne la question de la notification au Corps Consulaire de l'augmentation ou de la diminution ventuelle des taxes, M. Tchou Yen, interrogé par le "Land officer" du Consulat Général de France, déclare que, pretiquement, le Bureau des Terrains avant toute notification se mettra d'accord avec le Corps Consulaire.

IV. DISTRICTS IN WHICH TRANSFERS OF TITLE DEEDS MAY BE GRANTED.

Cette question, que les autorités chinoises ellesmêmes n'ont pas encore complétement élucidée, n'a pas été discutée.

V. TIME LIMIT FOR OLD BILL OF SALE TO BE EXCHANGED

Aucune objection.

Définition est toutefois demandée à M. Tohou Yen du "bill of sale", qui répond que c'est un contrat de vent non enregistre dans un consulat.

De nouvelles listes des taxes portant modification des appellations concernant les "fees for measurement" seront adressées par le Directeur du Bureau des Terrains de la Municipalité du Greater Changhai au Doyen du Corps Consulaire./.

Changhai, 1s 15 Novembre 1930.

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(CIRCULAR NO.636-M-XI)

Subject: NEW CADASTRAL SYSTEM.

THE SENIOR CONSUL PRESENTS HIS COMPLIMENTS TO HIS HONORABLE COLLEAGUES AND HAS THE HOMOR TO CIRCULATE THE FOLLOWING FOR THEIR INFORMATION.

COMPTE-RENDU DE L'ETREVUE DES "COMSULAR LAND OFFICERS" AVEC LE DIRECTEUR DU BUREAU DES TERRAINS DE LA MUNICIPALITE DU GREATER SHANGHAI.

Les "Ind Officers" des Consulate Generaux des Etats-Unis d'Amérique, de Grande Bretagne, de France et du Japon se sont réunis, le 15 Novembre 1930, à la Direction du Bureau des Terrains de la Municipalité chionóise pour faire préciser par M. Tchou Yen, Directeur du Bureau, certains points de la lettre addressee par lui au Corps Consulaire à la date du 20 Octobre 1930.

I. RULES FOR ENDORSING TRANSFERS OF TITLE DEEDS BETWEEN FOREIGNERS OF THE SAME NATIONALITY.

Aucune objection n'a été formulée sur ce point par les "Land Officers" qui ont simplement demandé à M. Tchou Yen de leur donner l'assurance que les formalites d'endossement et d'enregistrement seront effectuées dans le plus bref délai possible.

M. Tohou Yen repond que le délai n'excédera pas dix jours.

En ce qui concerne les transferts entre étrangers de nationalité différente, M. Tchou Yen, à la demande des "Land Officers" déclare qu'il M'y a rien de changé à la pratique habituellement suivie. Les droits percus seront ceux qui figurent au 2 de la liste des taxes annexée à sa lettre du 20 Octobre clost-à-dire 2/00, le minimum étant de (10.- et le maximum de 200.-

II. FORM OF DEEDS OF PERPETUAL LEASE.

Aucune objection fondamentale n'est formulée sur ce second point par les "Land Officers".

M. Hill, "Land Officer" britanique, déclare seulement qu'en haut de la Zime colonne du texte chinois de la nouvelle formule les caractères Shanghai () ont été remplacés par ses soins par les caractères () Angleterre, les caractères "Shanghai" venant apres. Simple interversion que M. Tchou Yen se contente de critiquer au point de vue correction du style.

III. FIXED AMOUNT OF FEES FOR DEEDS OF PERPETUAL LEASE.

I. Transfer of fangtans for deeds of perpetual lease
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SCHEDULE OF FEES FOR TRANSFERS OF DEEDS OF PERPETUAL LEASE.

- (1) TRANSFER OF FANGTANS FOR DEEDS OF PERPETUAL LEASE.
 - (a) Charges for Registration and Cost of Measurement: 3% of the estimated value. (If the land is situated within the Settlement its value must be estimated by the International Municipal Council or French Municipal Council but the Land Bureau will estimate the value of lands outside the Settlement.)
 - (b) Fees for Title Deed Forms: \$10.00 for each Set.
 - (c) Amount Required to Make up the difference: 50% of the market price should be collected. (If tax not paid on a fangtan, Yin-yu (order of Magistrate) or Pu-chao (Order of Ministry), half shengko should be collected.)
 - (2) TRANSFER OF OLD TITLE DEEDS FOR NEW DEEDS.
 - (a) Charges for Registration and Cost of Measurement: 2/oo of the estimated value should be collected. But the amount must be neither less than \$10.00 nor more than \$100.00.
 - (b) Fees for Title Deeds Forms: \$10.00 for each Set.
 - (3) SHENGKO.
 - (a) When the actual land area is more than the title deed area, shengko fee should be levied on the excess land at the estimated price.
 - (b) Public creeks and public land shengko, shengko fee should be collected according to the market price.
 - (4) FEE FOR ENDORSEMENT: \$4.00 for each Lot.
 - (5) FEE FOR EXTRA-COPY OF TITLE DEEDS: \$10.00 each.
 - (6) FEE FOR EXTRA-COPY OF PLANS: \$5.00 each.

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- (7) FEE FOR WITHDRWAN DEEDS: \$20.00 for each Lot.

 (In case when measurement has already taken place at the request of the renter of to transfer title deeds but afterswards the renter asks to withdraw the original fangtan or title documents and does not want to transfer, a fee of \$20.00 for the withdrawal of title deeds should be
- (8) FEE FOR RE-MEASUREMENT: 2/00 of the estimated price, which must not be less than \$10.00 nor more than \$100.00.

Reference 578-M-XI.

Circulated November 20, 1930, with Schedule in Chinese.

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(CIRCULAR NO. 639-M-XII

SUBJECT: NEW CADASTRAL SYSTEM.

THE SENIOR CONSUL PRESENTS HIS COMPLIMENTS TO HIS HONORABLE COLLEAGUES AND HAS THE HONOR TO CIRCULATE THE FOLLOWING FOR THEIR INFORMATION.

(A letter in Translation from the Director of the Land Bureau to the Senior Consul.)

Date November 18, 1930.

Sir

I have the honor to refer to my letter (of October 20) enclosing copies of "Schedule of Fees for Transfers of Deeds of Perpetual Lease" with the request that you transmit the same to the various Consuls General for their information.

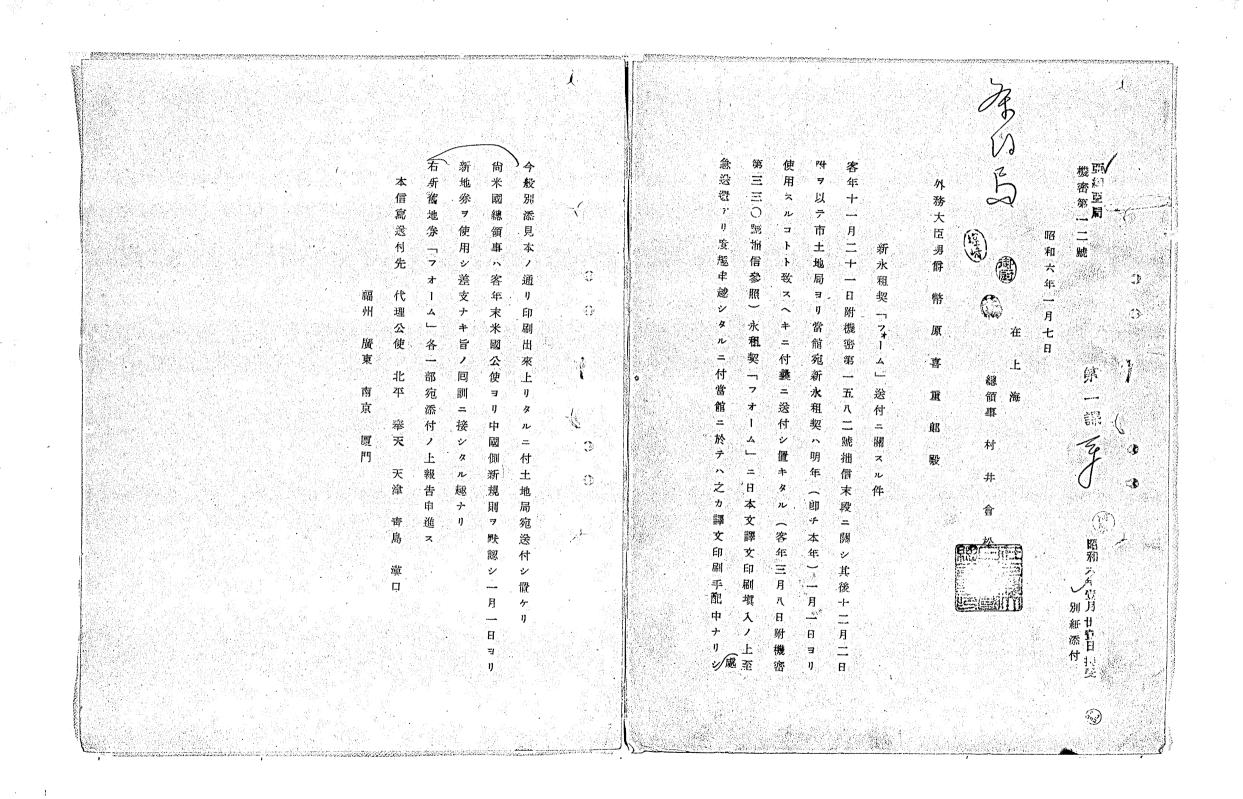
On November 15, of this year the Consuls for Great Britain, United States, France and Japan came to this Bureau to discuss the "Rules Governing the Issuance of Deeds of Perpetual Lease". They suggested certain slight revisions anent the terminology of the fees to be collected. The various suggested revisions having been agreed upon by me and duly made, I am now sending you herewith 30 copies of the schedule.

Your good offices are solicited to distribute these copies among your honorable colleagues and at the same time to convey to them the information that the schedule previously sent should be declared null and void.

I have the honor to be, Sir,
Your obedient servant,
(sd) Tchou Yen,
Director of Land Bureau.

J. Van Haute, Esquire,
Consul General for Belgium,
and Senior Consul,
Shamghai.

Enclosures: 30 copies of Revised Schedule of fees.



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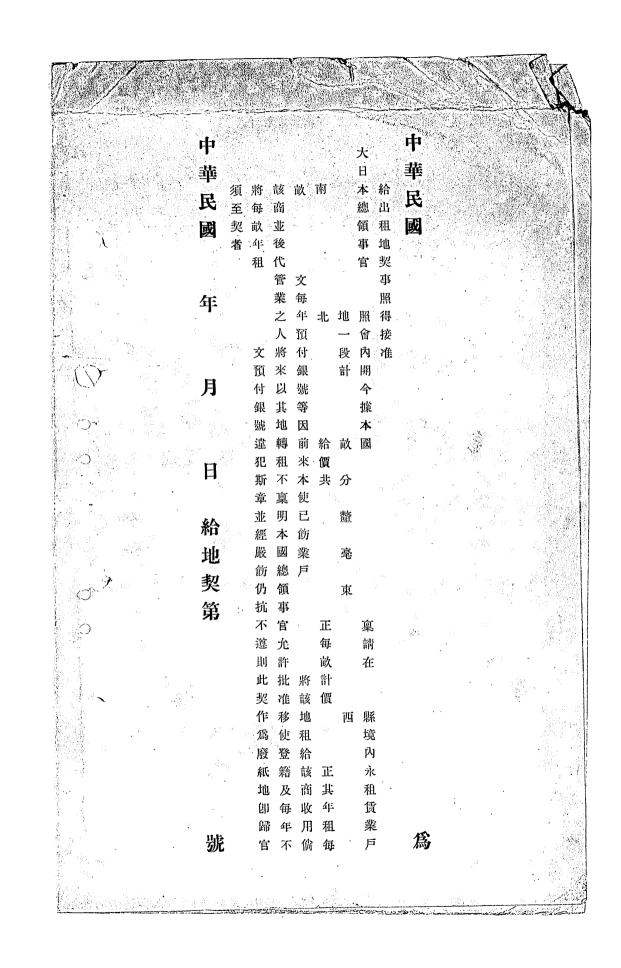
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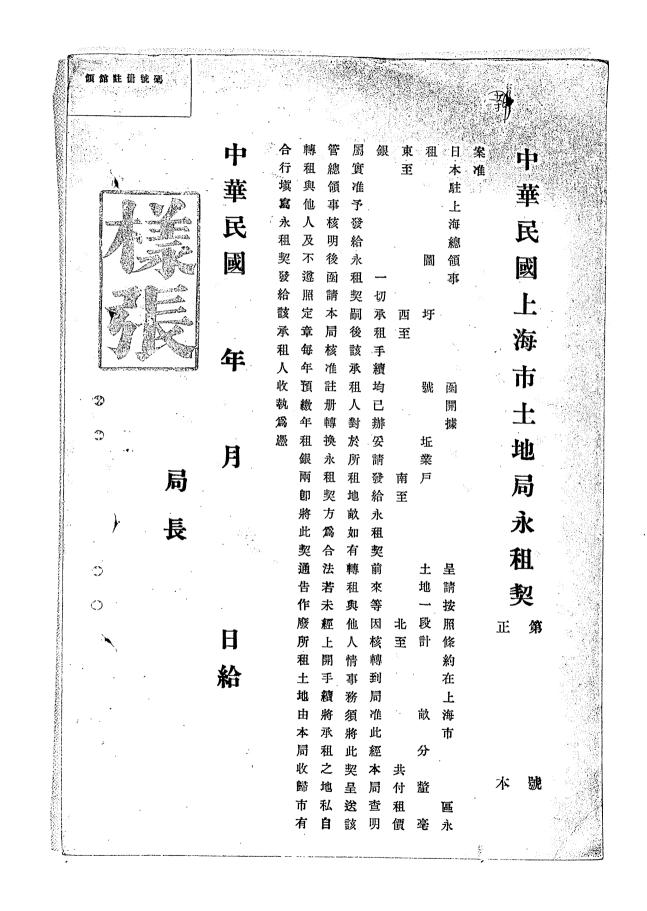
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ment was mortgaged it would be seen how important a matter this was and what plenary power were being given to the Chinese Land Office. The French Consul General had recognized this pitfall and in his translation had excluded mortgages from the meaning of the term. The Council agreed that the Chinese characters were the same in both the old and the new form but since the Chinese Land Office was now attempting to give such a wide interpretation to these characters, (and one which was never contemplated originally) the Council thought it imperative that the Land Office be told what these characters did and did not embrace. The whole credit system of the Settlement was at stake. The #1016 Council wished to remind the Consular Body that the decision to notify the Chinese Authorities of transfers of land between foreigners was in connection with a matter of law and order in the Settlement (e.g. to trace the ownership of gambling resorts) and was not to be construed as a necessary obligation. The Council was naturally alarmed over possible interpretations by the Chinese Authorities of the procedure and regulations of this new cadastral system as it had experience $\dot{\vec{q}}$ f the wide and unwarranted interpretation they had given to such instruments as the Mixed Court Rendition Agreement.

The Council understood that some members of the Consular Body were ready to accept its suggested solution concerning land surrendered for public purposes which was that the surrendered portion would be registered at the Consulate concerned but would not be recorded in the title deed. However the Council would like to urge upon the Consular Body most strongly the great importance of informing the Chinese Land Office that mortgages of all kind must not be regarded as transfers calling for new title deeds.

The Council's representatives also remarked that the Chinese Land Office had not been returning plans (which the Council had prepared) with some indication that such plans had been adopted and

and were the official plans. This was important, as otherwise if any change was made in the plan the Council would have no knowledge of it. The Council would like the Consular Body to askthe Chinese Land Office to make a practice of returning these plans.

The Council's representations also raised a number of queries regarding the fees for land transactions, intimating that these fees ought to be very precisely stated. They were informed that as a result of conversations between the Consular Band Officers and the Director General of the Chinese Land Office many points, including terms concerning fees, had been elucidated. The Council would be furnished with copies of memoranda recording these conversations.

The Senior Consul thanked the Council's spokesmen for their representations on the Council's behalf.

that any sudden and drastic change in the system of registration such as would tend to jeopardize or undermine that speurity ought to be opposed very strongly, both by the Council and land owners generally.

The Council had received a copy of certain correspondence which had passed between the Senior Consul and the Director General of the Chinese Land Bureau, (Senior Consul's letter of March 28, and Director's reply of April 23, 1930) and the Chinese demands as revealed therein had caused the Council to have many misgivings.

But Briefly, Mr. Jones made the following points.

the Commissioner of Foretgn Affairs and the Intendent of Curcuit in the name of the Chinese Government as 'lord of the Soil'.

In the new system the Director of the Chinese Land Office issues deeds in his name, not as the agent or instrument of the Government, but virtually as the 'lord of the soil' himself, thus in effect giving the Shanghai Chinese Municipality direct control over the Settlement in a vital matter, including the right of confiscation of land therein. In the Council's submission the political implications of this change are tremendous.

(b) Deeds of Perpetual Lease.

The Council say that formerly there was a differentiation between the so-called 'white deed' or bill of sale and the title deed proper, whereas in the new system both are termed 'Deeds of Perpetual Lease'. To avoid confusion, the Council thinks that a different designation should be applied to each.

(c) Designation of Area in which the Land is located.

The Council wishes to draw attention to the fact that in certain new forms of deed which it has seen, the land (in the International Settlement) is described as being within the 'Municipality of Great Shanghai,' whereas the Senior Consul in his

his letter of March 28, 1931, to the Director of the Chinese
Land Bureau, had made a point of insisting that the area should
be described as the 'International Settlement' or the 'French
Concession' as the case may be. The Council feels it important
that these designations should be insisted upon.

(d) Transfers and Surreptitious Transfers.

These terms occur in the English translations of the new forms of lease, and in the submission of the Council have very dangerous connotations. The Counci, contends that when the characters (妈子) were originally used (now translated 'transfer') they were designed to cover transfers of land from Chinese to foreigners, to be held thereafter in perpetuity by foreigners, and that it was never the intention to include transfers of land between foreigners whether or not of like nationality. That was a matter which was left entirely to the Consulates concerned. These characters were thus intended to have this very limited definition. Under the new system the Chinese Land Office was giving a very wide interpretation of the term "transfers" and was making it include surrenders of land for public purposes and all species of mortgages. They would regard these mortgages as transfers and would insist theat new title deeds for such transfers be issued. If a transfer of a title deed (and collateral deed) was executed, the Chinese Land Office could in the interal before a new title deed was issued (and it might be an interval of years) take the position that the property belonged neither to the mortgager nor the mortgagee, and of course nobody would lend money under these circumstances. If on the other hand a deed of mortgage was executed, without the title deed, the Chinese Land Office could claim it was a "sureptitious transfer" and confiscate the property. Moreover, the Chinese Land Office was demanding that the transfers be sent to them for "approval", and would give the new title ${f d}$ eed the date of issuance instead of the date in which the application was made. When it was remembered that most land in the Settle-

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A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CONSULAR BODY HELD AT THE RESIDENCE
OF THE BELGIAN CONSUL GENERAL ON APRIL 1ST, TO GIVE THE SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL COUNCIL AN OPPORTUNITY OF EXPRESSING ITS VIEWS
ON THE NEW CADASTRAL SYSTEM.

Present.

Consul General for Belgium & S.C.
Consul General for the Netherlands
Consul General for France
Consul General for Great Britain
Consul-General for U. S. A.
Consul General for Japan
Acting Consul General for
Switzerland
Acting Consul General for Denmark
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The Senior Consul welcomed the Council's representatives and invited them to state their views.

Mr. Jones said that owing to a session of the Council that afternoon, Mr. Fessenden, the Director General, had been unable to attend the meeting, but he (Mr. Jones) would endeavour with the assistance of Mr. Harpur, to present the Council's opinion on various aspects of the new cadastral system.

The Council was the holder of a considerable amount of land both inside and outside Settlement limits including land held in trusteeship for the community and land surrendered for public purposes and its holdings might be involved under the new registration scheme. The procedure governing the acquisition and holding of land by foreigners in the Settlementwess laid down in the Land Regulations, particularly regulations 2,3,4,5, while regulations VI, VA, VB, and VC, dealt with land surrendered for public purposes. Under these regulations a system of land registration had been established at the various Consulates which had prevailed for over fifty years and on which security of 1 and tenure had been built up so

that

Forms of Deeds of Perpetual Lease: The spokesmen for the Council submitted that as both the initial and final forms of lease were known as "deeds of perpetual lease" (永知文), some differentiation in nomenclature should be made in order to avoid confusion. It will appear, however, from the correspondence which has been sent to you that from the first of this year the old form of Bill of Sale will be discarded and a new form, described in Chinese (永遠祖北文) is to be used. A distinction from the Chinese characters can thus be made between the two forms. The Director of the Land Bureau has explained that the first form (永遠祖北文) is a Bill of Sale and the final form (永遠祖北文) is the title deed proper, which is registered at the Consulate concerned.

Designation of Area in which Land is Located: You will observe from your copy of Mr. Tchou Yen's letter of April 23, 1930 that the following statement occurs under this caption: "If the land held under perpetual lease is in a settlement, the expression 'International Settlement' or 'French Concession' must necessarily be inserted."

The Land Office Director thus concedes these designations and my interested colleagues have signified their intention of insisting that the terms be used on all deeds for land in the two Settlements, as a means of preserving the special character of this terrain.

Transfers: My interested colleagues are satisfied that the Chinese Land Office is within its rights in demanding that new title deeds be issued for transfers of Land between Chinese and foreigners and between foreigners of different nationality. You are aware, of course, that the Director of this office has conceded that when the transfer is between foreigners of like nationality, it will be sufficient to send the title deed to his office for endorsement. So far the Chinese Land Office has not stated that it regards mortgages of land as transfers, neither has it made any demand with regard to such mortgages. Under the circumstances I am sure you will agree that it would be impolitic to raise the question of mortgages.

Fees: The Director seems to have furnished a fairly well defined tariff of fees and no difficulty in practice appears to have developed so far in connection with such payments.

Plans. With regard to the complaint of the Council's spokesmen that plans which had been prepared by the Council and forwarded to the Chinese Land Office had not been returned to the Council, thus precluding the Council from knowing whether or not these plans in their original from had been adopted, you will recall that in my predecessor's letter to you of January 8, 1931, the Director of the Land Bureau is quoted as saying that these plans would be returned to the Council for confirmation, after which the plans ratified by both the Council and the Land Office would be sent to the Consulate concerned for transmission to the renter to be approved. In that letter the Senior Consul expressed the opinion that in your reply to the letter from the Director of

of the Land Bureau which you mentioned) you might wish to empahasize this feature of mutual approval. If therefore these phans are not being returned to the Council it would seem proper for the Council to remind the Director of his agreement that this would be done. In this connection it may be interesting to you to know that some plans for land in the International Settlement, unstamped by the Shanghai Municipal Council, have been sent to certain consulates along with other plans for land in the French Concession which have been stamped by the French Municipal Council. It would appear advisable therefore for your Cadastral Office to consult the Cadastral Office of the French Council with a view to arriving at some explanation of the apparent difference in treatment.

With reference to your suggestion that the Consular Body should not proceed any further in its negotiations with the Chinese Land Office until the second volume of Mr. Justice Feetham's report is published, I am desired to say that (with the exception of one interview by a Land Officer concerning a matter of eqiquett in the Deed form) no negotions have taken place between these parties since November 17th last and none are contemplated in the visible future.

Surrender of Land for Public Purposes: A number of the interested Consulates are in favor of the Council's suggested solution of this question as expressed in the letter of the Director General of Council of March 17, 1931, --- indeed these consulates are already carrying that suggestion into practice. Other consulates, however, are anxious to give the matter further study before coming to a definite decision.

My interested colleagues have not been unmindful of the great importance to the Council and the community generally of a change in Settlement land registration and procedure and therefore have given the new system put forward by the Chinese Authorities a meticulous and itemized scrutiny, aided, inter alia, by the Council's enunciation of its views as expressed in the enclosure to your letter of July 25, 1930. They are, employing the new procedures but so far have not discovered anything in the operation serving to justify the Council's obvious apprehensions over the change in system.

I have the honor to be, etc.,

Senior Consul.

References: 125-M-XI, 157-M-XI, 169-M-XI, 170-M-XI. Circulated: May 15, 1931.

(CIRCULAR NO. 170A-M-XI).

SUBJECT: NEW CADASTRAL SYSTEM.

THE SENIOR CONSUL PRESENTS HIS COMPLIMENTS TO HIS HONOURABLE COLLEAGUES AND WITH REFERENCE TO CIRCULAR NO. 170-M-XI AND TO DISCUSSION ON THIS SUBJECT AT THE CONSULAR BODY MEETING ON MAY 19, 1931, HAS THE HONOUR TO CIRCULATE THE FOLLOWING REVISED DRAFT LETTER TO THE SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL COUNCIL. FAILING THE RECEIPT OF ANY OBJECTION BY MOMDAY, 25TH, MAY, A LETTER OF THIS WORDING WILL BE DESPATCHED.

(Am amended ${\bf \hat{e}}{\rm raft}$ letter from the Senior Consul to the Chairman of the Shanghai Municipal Council.)

Sir,

I have the honour to refer to your letters of April 30, and May 9, 1931, concerning the new cadastral system recently introduced by the Chinese Authorities, from which it is observed that the Council is uneasy and anxious over what is termed as the "results up to the present of the negotiations now in progress between the Consular Body and the Chinese Authorities" on the subject mentioned. You also state that it would be of the "greatest interest, to the Council to receive, if possible, more accurate and detailed information as to exactly what, if anything, has actually been agreed upon between the Consular Body and the Chinese Authorities than it is possible to glean from the correspondence and memoranda.

The new cadastral system, as qualified, modified and elucidated in the manner disclosed in the copies of letters and memoranda accompanying mx letters of May 23, 1930, and April 11, 1931, has been tacitly accepted by my interested colleagues (as you were informed in the last named communication), although formal recognition has thus far been withheld so as to reserve liberty of action should anything unforeseen or undesirable eventuate. An attempt will be made in this letter to give an answer to the representations of the Council's spokesmen at the Special Meeting of the Consular Body on April 1, 1931, and with this supplement, the Council will be in possession of all the information on the subject which the Consular Body, as an entity, can, to its knowledge, impart.

I am confident however, that the Consular Body will be willing if possible to furnish information on other pertinent points which may have escaped its notice if the Council has any such to bring forward.

I have the following remarks to make concerning the points raised by the Council's spokesmen at the Meeting referred to:

Issuing Officer: The Minister of Foreign Affairs has written to at least one of the Ministers of the Foreign Powers concerned, confirming the authority of the Director of the Shanghai Land Bureau to issue title deeds to land in this area. Therefore his authority in this regard may be considered as valid and binding.

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(CIRCULAR NO. 169-M-XI.)

SUBJECT: NEW CADASTRAL SYSTEM.

THE SENIOR CONSUL PRESENTS HIS COMPLIMENTS TO HIS HONOURABLE COLLEAGUES AND HAS THE HONOR TO CIRCULATE THE FOLLOWING FOR THEIR INFORMATION.

(From the Chairman of the Shanghai Municipal Council to the Senior Consul.)

May 9, 1931.

Sir,

I have the henour to refer to the correspondence exchanged between the Consular Body and the Council upon the general subject of the New Cadastral system and particularly with regard to a statement in your letter to me of April 11, 1931, which reads in part as follows: "but in the meantime I am given by my interested colleagues to understand that they are tacitly accepting the new cadastral system on the general basis revealed in the attached correspondence and memorandum. No formal acceptance of it has been made, however, and they are thus reserving liberty of action in case anything unforeseen or undesirable eventuates."

In the opinion of my colleagues too great stress can hardly be placed upon the importance of this matter to the community at large and the great vested interests which have been developed in the Settlement.

There appears to be a great deal of uncertainty and uneasiness in the public mind as to the results up to the present of the negotiations now in progress between the Consular Body and the Chinese authorities and as to what extent any radical departure from the old system of land registration may be contemplated or considered as unavoidable because of force of circumstances.

My colleagues have therefore requested me to intimate to the Consular Body that it would be of the greatest interest to the Council to receive, if possible, more accurate and detailed information as to exactly what, if anything, has actually been agreed upon between the Consular Body and the Chinese Authorities than it is possible to glean from the correspondence and memoranda.

At the same time I am requested by my colleagues to urge upon the Consular Body the importance, in their opinion, of not proceeding further with the negotiations regarding land registration until the second volume of Mr. Justice Feetham's Report is published.

I have the honour to be, Sir, Your obedient servant, Sd: E. B. Macnæghten, Chairman.

E. S. Cunningham, Esq.,
American Censul General
and Senior Consul.

References: 125-M-XI, 157-M-XI. Circulated: May 15, 1931.

(CONCULAR NO. 125-M-XI)

THE SENIOR CONSUL PRESENTS HIS COMPLIMENTS TO HIS HONOURABLE COLLEAGUES AND HAS THE HONOR TO CIRCULATE THE FOLLOWING LETTER FOR THEIR CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL. FATLING THE RECEIPT OF ANY OBJECTION BY SATURDAY, APRIL 11TH, A LETTER OF THIS WORDING, TOGETHER WITH THE ACCOMPANIMENTS MENTIONED WILL BE DESPATCHED.

(A draft letter from the Senior Consul to the Chairman of the Shanghai Municipal Council.)

I have the honor to refer to the representations made at the Consular Body meeting on April 1st by the Council's spokesmen who wave commissioned to express the Council's views on the new cadastral system introduced recently by the Chinese Authorities. These representations are sum-marized in the minutes of the meeting, a draft copy of which is transmitted herewith for your information.

As a means of elucidating to some extent several of the points raised by the Council's spokemen (notably on the question of fees) and also of indicating the course of hegotiations between the Consular Body and the Chinese

Land Office, I am enclosing:
(A) a copy of a letter dated October 6, 1930, from the Senior Consul to the Director of Land Bureau.
(b) a copy of his reply of October 20, 1930, with accom-

paniment.

(c) a copy of a letter dated Movember 18, 1930, from the Director with accompniment.
(d) translation of stenographic notes made in French of a meeting on November 15, 1930, between the Consular Land Officers and the Director of the Land Bureau.

The question of the surrender of Alm land for public purposes which forms the subject of your communications to the Senior Consul of February 2 26 and March 17, 1931, as well as the representations made by the Council's spokesmen at the meeting of April 1st, will be given careful consideration at an early meeting of the Consular Body, but in the meantime I am given by my interested Colleagues to understand that they are tacitly accepting the new cadastral system on the general basis revealed in the attached correspondence and memorandum. No formal acceptance of it has been made, however, and they are thus reserving liberty of action in case anything unforseen or undesirable eventuates.

I hope to communicate further infrormation on this subject in the course of the next two weeks.

I have the honour to be, etc.,

Senior Consul.

Circulated April 8, 1931.

