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Memorandum by the Ambassador in Japan (Grew)

Tokyo, 7 October 8, 1941

Mr. Terasaki, Chief of the American Bureau of the Foreign Office, called on me this afternoon, at his request, and asked if I had read the full text of the Department's memorandum of October 2 which he had lent us for perusal.

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Mr. Terasaki then asked what particular points impressed me in connection with the desires of the United States for action by Japan in order to reach a mutual agreement. I replied that without having the actual document before me I could not undertake to cover all the points presented, but that personally and off the record I might say that three of the points which had particularly caught my eye were (1) the withdrawal of Japanese troops from China; (2) application to the entire area of the Pacific of certain of the Japanese assurances which appeared to be limited to the southwestern Pacific and (3) the special privileges claimed by Japan as a result of her geographical propinquity to China.

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. . . In the conversations it had developed that it was the desire of the Japanese Government to leave troops for a stated period in North China, Mongolia and possibly other areas and I pointed out to Mr. Terasaki the unfortunate experiences which we had met in times past through the failure of various Japanese Governments to carry out assurances given us in apparent good faith.

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