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Next we must think of a country far way, Mongolia.

What kind of a region these days is Mongolia? Is it a Chinese territory --- a Russian territory --- or an independent country? Perhaps no one in the world can give a definite answer. Neither can China herself make any affirmation. If peace in East Asia is to be an important problem the will of Mongolia must, first of all, be clarified.

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次に吾人は遠く蒙古を思はねばならぬ。一體今日の蒙古とは如何なる地域であるか？支那の領地か！ロシヤの領土か！それとも獨立國であるのか。恐らく世界中で何人もよく答へ得るものはあるまい。そして支那自身に於ても確言するこさは出來まい。東亞の和平を大問題とするならば、先づ以て蒙古の意思を明確にして置かねばならぬ。