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Answer of the Minister of State
Minister of State (Mr. Koki Hirota)

In particular, finally, with regard to the Chinese question, since the outbreak of the Manchurian Incident there have been considerable difficult problems for Japan. However, I believe that the relation between the two countries is no casual matter but, be it good or bad, it is destined for the Japanese people to improve this relation down through generations. Times were depending upon the attitude of the Chinese politicians and the idea of the masses, when these were anti-Japanese and resist-Japan activities, while on the Japanese side cries for punitive measures have been raised, but these are all passing phases, and from a long range view the two countries are destined to be friendly. As I intend to cope with the Chinese question with this fundamental belief, it is hard for me even to imagine that trouble will occur between Japan and China.

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at the same place,
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