

AFFIDAVIT

I, Joseph C. Grew, being first duly sworn, make oath and say that on September 1, 1937, Mr. Koki Hirota, Prime Minister of Japan, turned to Sino-Soviet relations and said that the Chinese Ambassador had yesterday explained to him the nature of the recently concluded Sino-Soviet Pact. Two attempts on my part to draw him out as to the nature of the pact were unsuccessful. The Minister said that it seemed to him unfortunate that the Soviet Union and China, which could have concluded this pact at any time during recent years, had chosen this particular moment and situation to do so. He said he felt that there was grave danger of the communists getting control in China, that Chiang Kaishek was weak and that the virile young men of the nation were at the front where they were fighting most bravely. In the meantime some 20,000 communist troops were moving towards Outer Mongolia. He felt that the communist menace was very real and that the communists undoubtedly aim to take over eventual complete control of the Government and country.

(Signed) Joseph C. Grew

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Washington, D. C.
October 15, 1947

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME, A NOTARY PUBLIC FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA,
THIS 17th. DAY OF OCTOBER, 1947.

(SEAL)

(Signed) Martha H. Wilhelm

My Commission Expires Sept. 1, 1951

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