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From Consul-General HAYASHI at Mukden to Foreign Minister SHIDEHARA  
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Telegram No. 857 (Cipher - Secret)

There was a rumor on the 3rd among a certain circle of the Japanese residents here that the organization of the Liaoning Autonomous Government with Yuan Chin-Kai as its leader had been decided upon. A message to this effect is said to have been wired to Japan proper. This is a pure fabrication, and I heard that Yuan, for instance, told a certain influential Japanese that such a nonsensical report was extremely embarrassing/to him/.

As for the origin of the incorrect telegram mentioned above, I guess that our newspapermen were informed that on the 2nd, yesterday, Col. DOIHARA summoned Ting Chien-Hsiu, a member of the local /Peace/Preservation Committee and persuaded him to open financial and business offices; that Ting replied that since the matter was of great importance, he would answer on way or the other after thorough deliberation with the leaders, and he retired. They added their own imagination to this, and tying it up with the establishment of a new regime, they spread propaganda about it as if it were an actual fact. Furthermore, in regard to the above-mentioned request by DOIHARA, Yuan Chin-Kai, Ting Chien-Hsiu, and others cannot foresee the future policy of the Japanese Army. It seems that they, hearing of the recent formation in Chinchow of the Liaoning Provincial Government through the instigation of Chang Hsueh-Liang, are of the opinion that it is impossible in the present situation for the local Peace Preservation Committee, which is merely an organ, to keep public order in the walled city of Mukden, to start such important administrative organs as financial and business offices.

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