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From: War Minister.

To : Commander of Kwantung Army.

Telegram No. : Riku-Man 31.

"By virtue of the Governmental declaration recently proclaimed, the course of the Empire's policy has become clear of itself.

"At the cabinet meeting at this 25th, all the members agreed to make every possible effort, with unity and cooperation, for the execution of the purport of the said declaration. Now that the country is facing an emergency, it is absolutely necessary that both the diplomatic and military authorities on the spot should renounce minor differences for the greater common aim and do their duty by mutual cooperation for the interest of the country. The Foreign Minister has instructed the diplomatic organs on the spot to the same effect as above.

"Such a necessity is felt even more at this time when an end shall be put to military actions and a turn for diplomatic negotiations be commenced."