

ECONOMIC DEFENSE INTELLIGENCE COMMITTEE

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MEMORANDUM FOR: EDS/State Member to EDIC
Attn: Miss Bertha Barnett, EDS/State

THRU : Executive Secretary, EDIC

FROM : [REDACTED] 25X1A9a

SUBJECT : [REDACTED] - Belgium Circuit 25X1A2g
Breakers for China

1. Reference document presents an incomplete picture.
2. Facts at hand show total of four power stations in Tientsin. One of 30,000 KW's built by the Japanese and currently being expanded, one of 27,000 KW's built by the UK, one of 9,000 KW's built by the French, and one of 20,000 KW's built by the Belgians using Belgian equipment. The equipment in the Belgian station has never been too efficient. This station is not being expanded at the present time.
3. However, a new 110,000 KVA line from Peiping to Tientsin has been set up; and the present plan calls for its expansion to Tang Shang. It is believed that this line will be devoted to industrial electrification and not to rural electrification. It is evident that the Chinese need the circuit breakers in question for this line, particularly since circuit breakers having an interrupting capacity of 1 million KVA are ordinarily used on lines having over 100,000 KW's of connected capacity.
4. There is no reason to believe that Belgian equipment has been used in the new 110,000 KVA line.

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