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The Chinese Communist Trading Agency in Hong Kong found that under the export restrictions it was no longer able to maintain a smooth flow of commodities from Hong Kong to China. In order to get military supplies the Tientsin Import Trading Companyl has concluded a contract with a Tientsin firm which is financed by Swiss capital whereby this firm, which belongs to a neutral company, will purchase commodities for the Chinese Communists in Great Britain, West Germany and elsewhere in Europe and will arrange for the shipment of these commodities in neutral bottoms. By the end of may large transactions in machinery and chemicals for military use had been concluded. The firm is the Ta Ho Heng (大和中国) Company, in the Hsin Hua Building, Liberation Road, First District, Tientsin (formerly Central, or Chung Chieng Road in the old Franch Concession).

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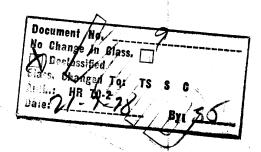
Comment. This is probably the China National Import

Corporation of Tientsin

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