

EMBASSY OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

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TO AMERICANS IN NANKING:

The American Embassy has received a telegram from the American Consul General at Shanghai stating that the Senior Consul at Shanghai has received a communication from the Japanese Consul General which in substance states that it is the earnest wish of the Japanese forces that all foreign nationals now remaining in Nanking should stay away from the zone of actual fighting by evacuating from that city without delay.

The Embassy has telegraphed, for communication to the Japanese authorities at Shanghai and Tokyo, a list of ^{the} names and addresses of the eighteen American citizens now in the city with the request that the Japanese authorities afford these Americans appropriate protection and facilities in case of need.