

Bates

DATED NANKING 20th. DECEMBER

AMERICAN CONSULATE-GENERAL SHANGHAI

IMPORTANT QUESTIONS REQUIRE IMMEDIATE PRESENCE AMERICAN
DIPLOMATIC REPRESENTATIVES IN NANKING STOP SITUATION DAILY
MORE URGENT STOP PLEASE INFORM AMBASSADOR AND DEPARTMENT
OF STATE STOP SIGNED BATES BAUER FITCH FORSTER HYNDS MAGEE
MILLS MCCALLUM RIGGS SMYTHE SONE TRIMMER VAUTRIN WILSON

Delivered to Japanese Embassy
20 December with request for
transmission by naval wireless.

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