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COMMUNICATION FROM SECRETARY-GENERAL OF UNITED NATIONS REGARDING CHINA

The following telegram dated 7 March was received by the Executive Secretary from the Secretary-General of the United Nations:

"I have the honour to communicate to you the following telegram transmitted by letter from the Permanent Representative of China to the United Nations on 6 March:

'I have the honour to inform Your Excellency of the decision of the Government of the Republic of China to withdraw from the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade signed on the 30th of October 1947. This act of withdrawal is in accordance with paragraph five of the Protocol of Provisional Application. I shall much appreciate it if you would advise by cable the date of receipt of this communication and also the date of entry into force of my Government's withdrawal.'

"I have informed the dinister of Foreign Affairs of China that the withdrawal will become effective on 5 May 1950, and have advised by telegram the thirty-three governments of the withdrawal of China."

