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To Members of the
Board of Founders and
Relatives of Staff

Dear Friends:

The following telegram has just come to us from
Washington:

"TELEGRAM FROM AMERICAN AMBASSADOR HANKOW DECEMBER 16
TRANSMITS FOLLOWING MESSAGE FOR YOU FROM ELSIE M. PRIEST
UNIVERSITY OF NANKING HANKOW. QUOTE IVA HYNDS, GRACE
BAUER, SEARLE BATES, LEWIS SMYTHE, CHARLES RIGGS, CLIFFORD
TRIMMER, ROBERT WILSON OF UNIVERSITY STAFF AND MINNIE
VAUTRIN OF GINLING STAFF ARE SAFE IN NANKING. NOTIFY
FAMILIES. NO REPORT YET REGARDING PROPERTY. HILDA
ANDERSON, OLIVER CALDWELL, PETER BANNON, ELSIE PRIEST IN
HANKOW, CLAUDE THOMSON, RICHARD BRADY IN KULING, LOSSING
BUCK IN HONG KONG. MAJORITY STAFF ENROUTE TO CHENGTU
REMAINDER LEAVE IN TEN DAYS UNQUOTE

CORDELL HULL SECY STATE"

Very sincerely yours,

(signed) B. A. Garside
Secretary

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