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From: Tokyo
 To: Santiago
 19 December 1941
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Action Santiago Circular #093 to Rio de Janeiro

You are no doubt familiar, by now, of our great victories in the war, which are indeed greater than we expected, and the day of achieving control of southern Pacific waters can be imagined not to be very far off. Trade with South American countries, especially those on the west coast, Chile and Peru, will be resumed very shortly. We are planning to send merchant ships, even in the face of some danger, to bring back copper, nitro, etc., which we will buy from these countries, as well as supply these countries with merchandise which they depend on Japan, the United States or Britain to supply.

For this reason please call in all Japanese firm representatives in your country, and explain this matter to them, and tell them to take orders from their customers for Japanese shipments of goods for delivery in March, and also instruct them on importations of these goods. Also please wire immediately general reaction to this order taking action by our representatives there.

Counting down: before hatching !!
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 12-24-41