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We request that a junior official be attached to the office of the Attaché here. Reasons:

1. Since Spain is a neutral country a great many enemy agents are in action here. It is reported that code books were stolen recently from the American attache and from the attaches of certain other countries.

Further, the American and British Embassies are looking for people to (?tfanslate?) Japanese and their intrigue is becoming very intense. It has become extremely difficult for me alone to be responsible for the security of our secret documents, especially our code books.

2. The number of telegrams dispatched is increasing greatly; I am up to my neck in translating and enciphering and can't handle everything.

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we have obtained are lost. It has finally become absolutely necessary to request a junior official to be attached. here. If you send us such an official I am certain that we will be able to double the activities of this office. Telegrams are the reason for the bad state of our affairs, so attaching people from business firms would be foolish.

For some time we have been trying to solve this problem, discussing the matter with the attache offices in Germany and Hungary, but nothing has come of it. If we can't get you to decide, we will never work out anything. I am reporting my views in full to higher authorities.

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