LEAGUE OF NATIONS.

APPEAL FROM THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT UNDER ARTICLE XI OF THE COVENANT.

The following two telegrams from the National Government of China are submitted for consideration to the Council.

No. 1.

Text of cablegram received by the Chinese Delegation, dated Nanking September twenty first 1931.

Kirin Changchun Railway seized: Japanese announced it will be managed by South Manchurian Railway which latter has sent 130 employees to Kirin to take over Chinese line. Yingkow, Antung, Changchun, Fushun, and many other towns have been seized by Japanese who have cut all telegraph, telephone and wireless, hence difficult for Government to get complete news. Japanese stock exchange in Tokio has closed. Japanese troops also seized Huangkutun, Santungenhiao, and seized railway quarters Peking, Mukden Railway there, outdriving all employees. Also seized many locomotives, cars belonging railway. On entering Mukden Japanese have seized besides chief of staff eleven important members Tangtein provincial government. They have entered Marshal Chang Hsueliang privat residence and have systematically loot all contents. Leinshanwan occupied by Japanese marines. Japanese military administration of Kwantung has moved into Mukden. Two more divisions being sent into Manchuria from Korea.

United Press report today from Mukden inter alia "with Japanese in complete control of communication throughout South Manchurian today disquieting reports were current regarding disturbances and possibility of conflict. With difficulty are propaganda, unfounded rumour being sifted from welter of
Japanese reports official and unofficial at present virtually all news from this area of crisis emanates from Japanese sources.

Text of a cablegram received by the Chinese Delegation

dated Nanking, September twenty-first, 1931.

Special to China press from Peiping twentieth "various reports received here from different centres in Manchuria indicate that by far greater destruction of Chinese property and lives took place at Changchun which city it is feared now half in ruins. Following bombardment of city by Japanese troops last evening fire broke out in several sections and a later despatch received here this afternoon states that while Japanese are in complete control of situation there, conflagration continues unchecked. Magistrates office, bureau of foreign affairs, bureau public safety and several other public buildings have gone up in flames while numerous other small private buildings have likewise been razed to ground. Death toll includes Brigadier Commander Pi whose unit was garrisoning Changchun and vicinity at time of Japanese invasion. Approximate casualties among Chinese soldiers and civilians estimates 600 while over one thousand now under detention by Japanese military. Entire region Wanpaashan has been occupied by Japanese troops Hw Yung Teh who leased his holdings to Korean farmers and who was for some time storm centre of Wanpaashan controversy has been liberated by Japanese authorities now in control of Changchun. Changchun Commissioner public safety special border guards commander Chairman preparatory municipal committee and several officials reported killed."