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ANALYSIS OF DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE

DESCRIPTION OF ATTACHED DOCUMENT

Title and Nature: Stenographic Records of an Inquiry into National Polity at a Secret Session of the 67th House of Peers

Date: 9 March 1935 Original (x) Copy ( ) Language: Japanese

Has it been translated? Yes ( ) No (x)

LOCATION OF ORIGINAL

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SOURCE OF ORIGINAL: Secretariat, House of Councillors

PERSONS IMPLICATED: Baron KIKUCHI, Takeo

PHASE TO WHICH DOCUMENT APPLICABLE: Military Usurption of Governmental Control

SUMMARY OF RELEVANT POINTS

Baron KIKUCHI, Takeo, requested a closed-door session in order to express his views on national polity.

Then KIKUCHI makes some remarks on Dr. Minebe's book called "A Study on Parliamentarism".

He cautions the Diet saying "Foreign powers can tell what is happening within Japan through the proceedings of the Diet. Members of the Soviet Legation are active, and they have reported to the home government that Japan is no longer under the personal rule of the Emperor, that he is only an "organ", and that Japanese soldiers are no longer like those of old".

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