SUBJECT: Petition for reparation exemption of the

temperature-humidity adjusting equipment

TO: Gifu Military Government Team

THRU: Gifu Prefectural Commerce and Industry Section

FROM: Toyo Bearing Mfg. Co., Ltd., Komano Plant

Items:

(A) Two(2) temperature-humidity adjusting boilers Type - - - Bubcock Type Heating-surface - - - 189.5 square meter

(B) Three(3) temperature-humidity adjusting blowers Type - - - Sirocco Type

Capacity - - 20,000 cubic feet per minute - - (2)
43,000 cubic feet per minute - - (1)

(C) One(1) fire pump for indoor use

Type - - - Centrifugal pump

Capacity - - - 144 cubic feet water capacity 230 feet head

And other accessories

These equipments had been purchased by us together with the land and the buildings, dating back to May, 1943 prior to our Komano Plant being established, by taking over the then Dai Nihon Spinning Co., Ltd., Komano Woolen Yarn Mfg. Plant,

and later in April 1944 our plant started its initial operation. Amidst its operation, the war terminated and our plant was listed as a reparation plant on Aug. 24, 1946. Since February, 1947 when machinery reparation registration list had to be made out, these equipments mentioned above have been left unregistered in conformity with the instruction of an officer in charge at that time, of the Gifu Military Government Team, however, we should like to take this chance to solicit your leniency for our unregistered equipments to be exempted from the reparation. In this connection, kindly find the separate sheets of explanation on the part of the Naigai Cottonapinning Co., Ltd., Komano Spinning & Sheeting Mill, to whom we are anxious to lend these equipments in question.

- The fore-mentioned equipments were purchased together with (1) the land and buildings from the Dai Nihon Spinning Co., Ltd., Komano Woolen Yarn Mfg. Plant in May 1943.
- These equipments were installed at the time of the Dai Nihon Spinning Co., Ltd. controling the plant, as the vital equipments for the spinning operation. As they were not necessary for the manufacture of bearings, we were operating dispensing with all these equipments for our bearing-making process from April, 1944 up to Aug. 1945, the year of the war's end.

- (3) Pebruary 25, 1947 when the machinery reparation registration list had to be made out, we left these equipments out,
 because we had got an oral instruction, upon our appealing for
 an opinion an reparation, of the then reparation officer,
 Fransis X. Mascola of the Gifu Military Government Team, who
 told us that they might be excluded, and therefore, we have had
 them left out up to this date.
- (4) The buildings of our plant exempted from reparation have been put out to lease for the Naigai Cotton-spinning Co., Ltd., they were remodeled and the machine instalation work is being done at present, ready to start its partial operation as from the early part of February.

As referred to above, the temperature-humidity adjusting as well as the fire-pumping equipments are of vital necessity for the operation of a spinning and sheeting mill, and under the existing situation, there lies much difficulty, and further requires a pretty good length of time for us to secure them in the market. It is just because of this reason that we are so anxious over the matter, and we fear, the operation of the plant in question as a spinning and sheeting mill might fall totally impossible, if these equipments should be barned from using.

- (5) In last, we should like to ask you that you would be kind enough to permit us use them until the very date of surrender, if the exemption was not approved.
- (6) Kindly find herewith a separate written explanation on the part of the Naigai Cotton-spinning Co., Ltd., Komano Spinning & Sheeting Mill to whom we are anxious to lend the equipments referred to in this petition.

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Toyo Bearing Mfg. Co., Ltd.

Komano Plant

29 January 1949

SUBJECT: Explanation of adjustment apparatus of the tempe-

rature and humidity which are indispensable

equipments to cotton-spinning mill

To: Gifu Willitary Government Team

THRU: Gifu Prefectural Commerce and Industry Section

PROM: Naigai Cotton-spinning Co., Ltd.
Komano Spinning & Sheeting Mill

Our cotton-spinning mill has completed all arrangements for starting operation early February 1949 counting upon the adjustment apparatus of the temperature and humidity, which has already been fully repaired in readiness for it. The said adjustment apparatus of the temperature and humidity are counted as one of the quite indispensable equipments to cotton-spinning mill, for the following reasons.

If the use of that was not permitted, our mill are un-able to start operation. We hereby implore your generous permission on use of the adjustment apparatus of the temperature and humidity.

Reasons are as follows:-

(1) Temperature must be properly moderated the workshop for rendering necessary flexibility and strength to

the fibrous tissue of cotton order that efficiency development and superior production may be achieved. Available cotton yarn can not be expected to be spun under Thus the unfavorable condition of too low temperature. adjustment apparatus of the temperature and humidity are absolutely indispensable for providing the heat required in operating work.

- Warp is required to be permeably starched with boiled faring and well dried for it to be available in For a sizing machine to operate the indispensable weaving. process, steaming by the adjustment apparatus of the temperature and humidity are necessary.
- Spinning is light labor, in which hands, exquisitely working manually, cannot make their temperature rise by their own labor, and consequently moderate temperature, viz., the adjustment apparatus of the temperature and humidity, are of absolute necessity in the spinning workshop.

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