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*This case was settled by Maritime
Safety Hq. (6th Regional)*

*(no actions taken) file
by this Hq.*

Setsumi Okimoto, Oya son, Aki gun, Hiroshima ken, requests Hiroshima Prefectural Governor, compensation for damage caused by a occupation force ship. It is alleged that the husband of the above mentioned party, while engaged in fishing off Ninoshima island, was collided by British military vessel Maxwelltonder (LST, 4,000 tons). His ship, Chiyoda meru was overturned, and his whereabouts is not known. The fact is certified by Hiroshima Maritime Safety headquarters. The payment which will be made in sympathy with the subject case in accordance with the Japanese Government regulation (limit is 10,000 yen for one case) is too small to cover loss of the ship and life of the husband, sustenance of livelihood for the widow. The husband was survived, other than his wife, by three children.

(Translation)

Mar 14, 1951

Reported by,

Tsutomu Ishide
Yasukichi Okimoto

TO: Hiroshima Marine Safety Headquarters

Ships Name	Ship No.	Gross Tonnage	Engine HP.
Chiyoda meru	HS 3-4322	1,3 ton	1 motor 6 HP
Owner of ship..	Oya Village, Aki gun, Hiroshima Prefecture Shoichi Okimoto		
Captain:	Same to owner		
Chief Engineer:	Same to owner		
Port of departure:	Oya Village	Port of Arrival:	Ninoshima island
Date and place of accident:	Mar 10, 1951 23:00 off Ninoshima island		

Details of Accident.

The sunken ship, captained by Shoichi Okimoto, crewed by Tsutomu Ishida, fishermen, along with two other ships, on Mar 10, 1951, at 19:00 hours, lighted each ship, with 3 lights, left Oya village, arrived Ninoshima island at 19:40. Immediately after arrival, the three ships put fish nets down into the sea. While they were engaged in fishing, at about 23:00 hours, British military Vessel(L & ST 4,000 tons) was seen heading for the direction of the three fishing boats with fairly high speed. The fishing boats were engaged operating the fish nets and could not get out of the course of the LST. Therefore, the captain and the fishermen waved their lights in order to let the LST notice their position. The LST came close to the Okimoto's boat, collided to right stern. The LST continued to run for Kure. Okimoto's boat was greatly damaged and overturned. Captain Shoichi Okimoto was drawn into the sea with his boat. Fisherman Tsutomu Ishida was jetisoned into sea, called for help. Two fellow fish boats, under cover of darkness, headed for the voice and helped the fishermen. They searched for the captain all thereabout until the day break and failed.

Note: Damage of ship: ¥250,000.

This office investigated the ship captains involved in this case and hereby certify that the above sea accident took place.

Mar 14, 1951

Hiroshima Marine Safety
Headquarters

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Note: According to investigation of Hiroshima MSH, the British ship was as follows:

Name:	Maxwelderonder(LST)
Tonnage:	4,000 tons
Nationality:	British
Port of	
Departure:	Singapore
Captain:	T. E. Tom
Pilot:	Tokuo Koike

HEADQUARTERS
CHUGOKU CIVIL AFFAIRS REGION
APO 182

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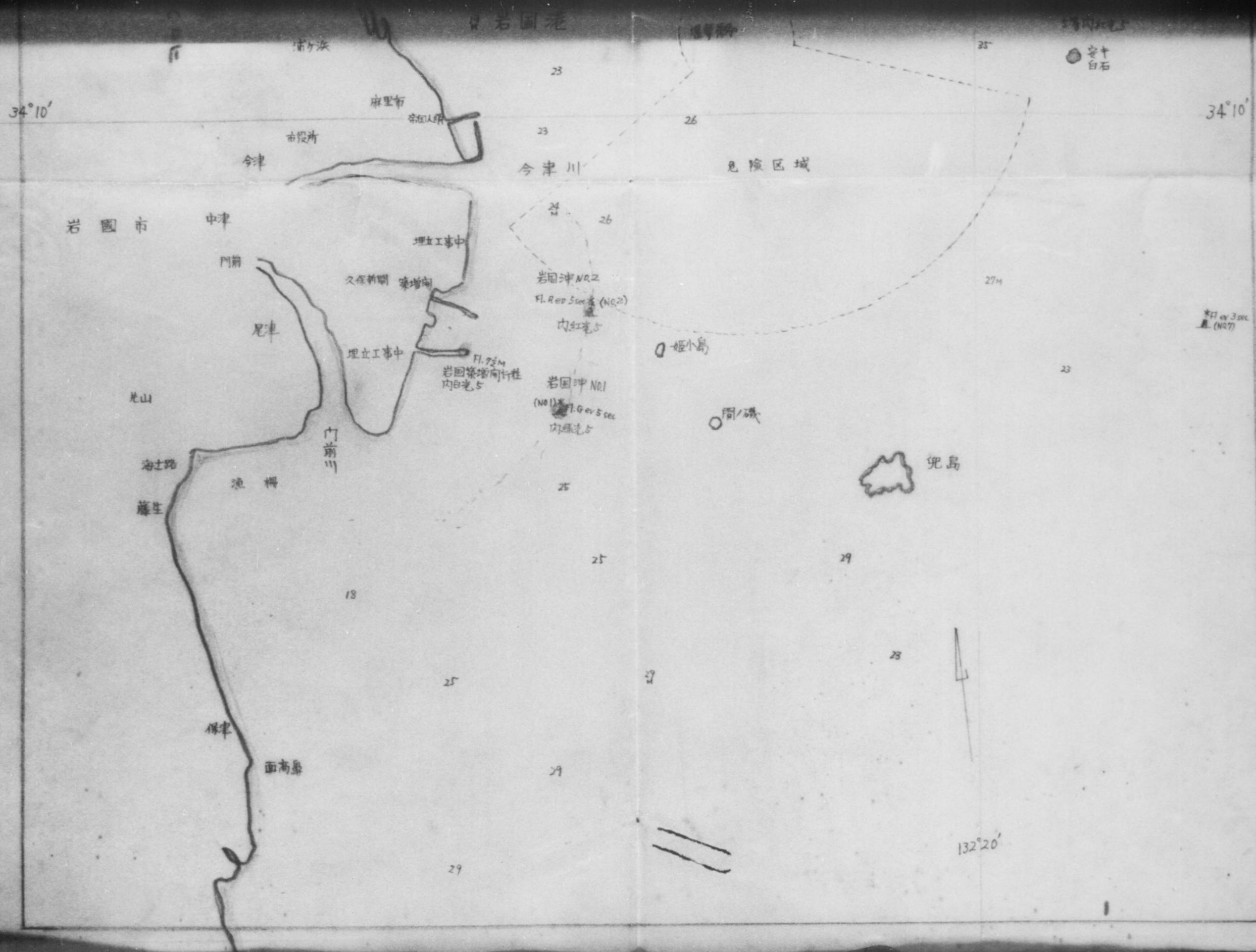
31 January 1951

SUBJECT: Permission To Enter Out Of Bound Area

TO : General Officer Commanding
British Commonwealth Occupation Forces
Kure, Japan
Attn: Iwakuni Port Director

It is requested that permission be granted to Mr. Migo-
guchi Ryoshi and his subordinate maritime officials who are
responsible for maintaining the lighthouse and buoys south
of Iwakuni port to enter the out of bound area.

WILLIAM M KEANE
Colonel, Arty
Chief



phone

5 March 1951

From: Mr. Monzen.

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2 March: Conference to consult on prevention of shipwreck. (at HQ)

5 March: A. Conference of officials in charge of supply of all Region. (at Kure Coastal Guard)

B. Ceremony for completion of the Training Institute.

C. Liaison Conference of transportation (At Industry Local Management Office of National Railway at Kure)

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9 March Conference of goods counting & management in Region.

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15 March Ceremony of transfer of Genkai (Name of Inspection boat X tonnage... 450 ton) at Tamano.

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At the beginning of March:

Inspection of pistols in Region.

Drill of pistol in the areas of Hiroshima and Onomichi.

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At the middle of March:

Education of personnel of Ginuetigi ship of (Saei-maru).

Drill of pistol in the area of Takematsu maritime safety office.

At the end of March: Drill of pistol in the area of Matsuyama maritime safety office

Associations on plant or corporation units:

Number of associations:	15
" members:	584

Organization of such tax payment associations is most active within the jurisdiction of Yanai Tax Office by having 27 such associations organized with 611 members by now and this might be caused by the influences of Yota-mura, Kuga-gun, Yamaguchi Prefecture which had been awarded by the Minister of Finance for complete payment of taxes continuously for the past 37 years. There is also a movement starting out to organize such associations all over in the above district as reported from Yanai Tax Office to Hiroshima National Tax Office.

Chief Fujihara of General Affairs Section of the National Tax Bureau stated as follows:

" A bill for partial revision of national tax collection will be introduced to the Diet now in session, and by this revision, the legality of tax payment associations will be made clearly. It is now under consideration to give privilege for the members of such associations to pay taxes in parts, to be exem

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COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA
Department of the Navy.

File

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN NAVY.

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From The Naval Officer in Charge, Kure, JAPAN.

Date 9th February, 1951. Reference No. _____

To Hiroshima Maritime Safety H.Q.

Subject RESTRICTED AREA - IWAKUNI.

Request that a "Restricted Area" may be created inshore joining the following positions off Iwakuni Harbor.

- (1) 34 - 09.4 North.
132 - 15.1 East.
- (2) 34 - 09.2 North.
132 - 16.1 East.
- (3) 34 - 07.13 North.
132 - 15.56 East.
- (4) 34 - 07.4 North.
132 - 14.2 East.

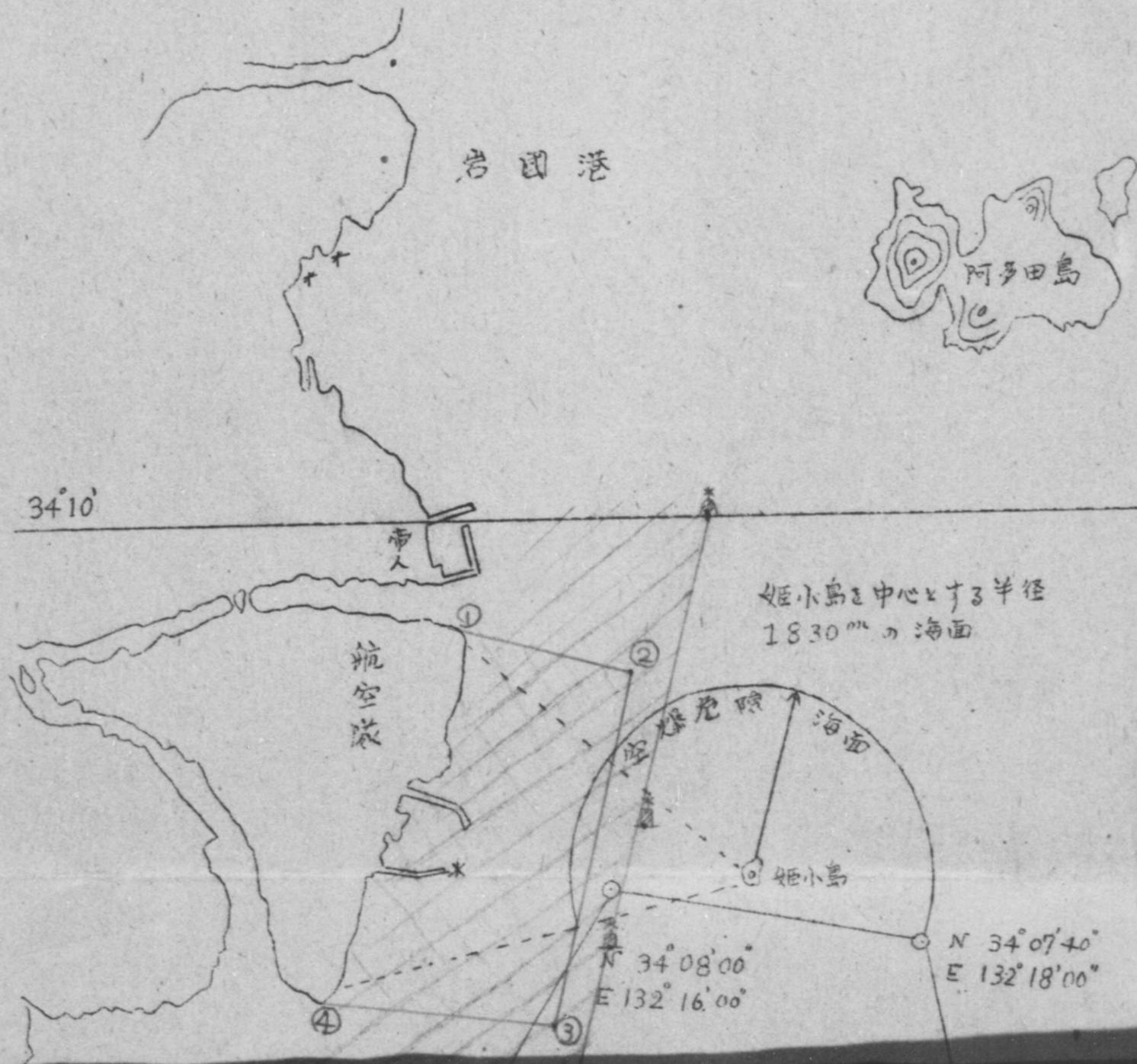
2. Request the above be promulgated to all concerned.

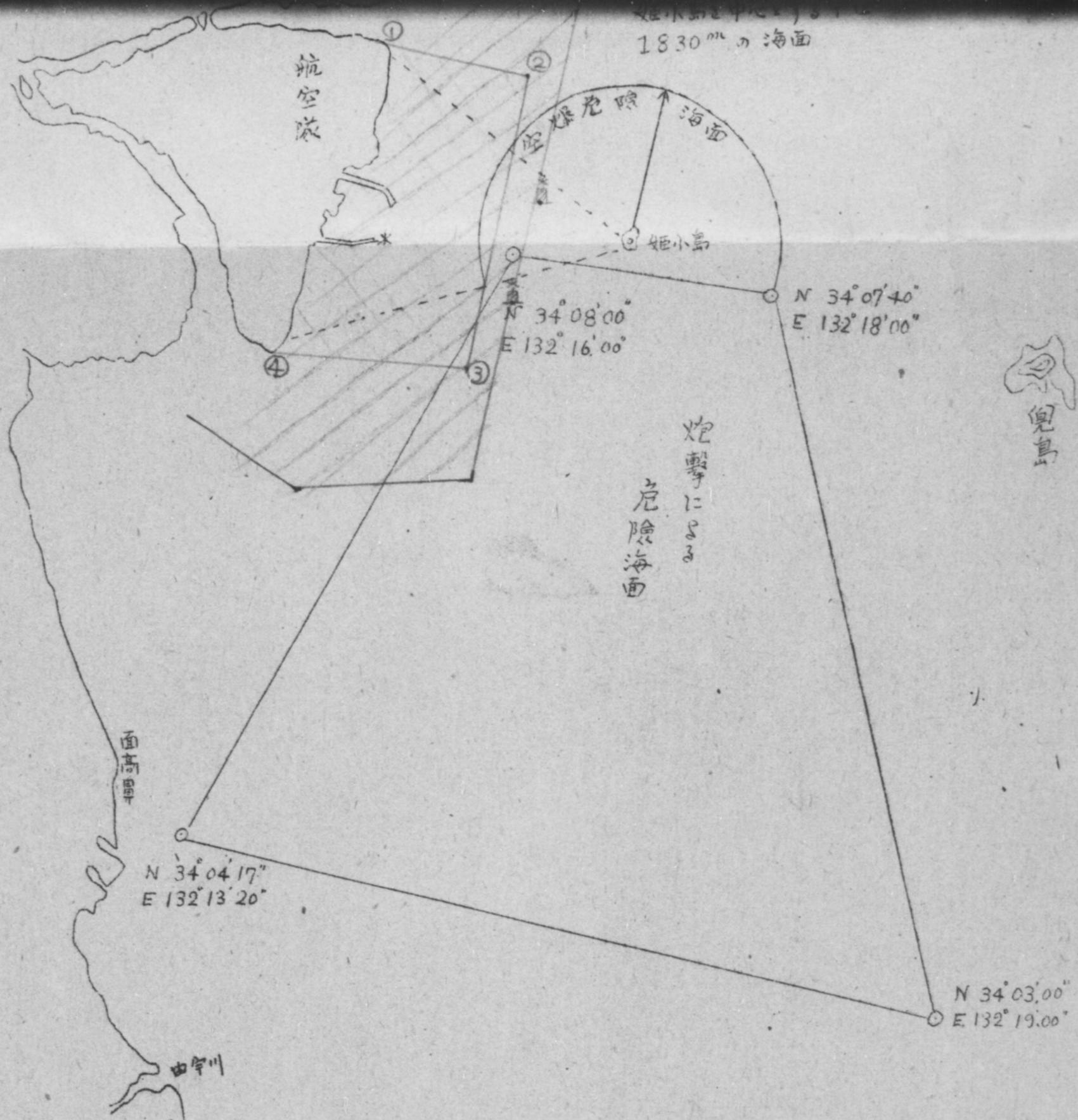
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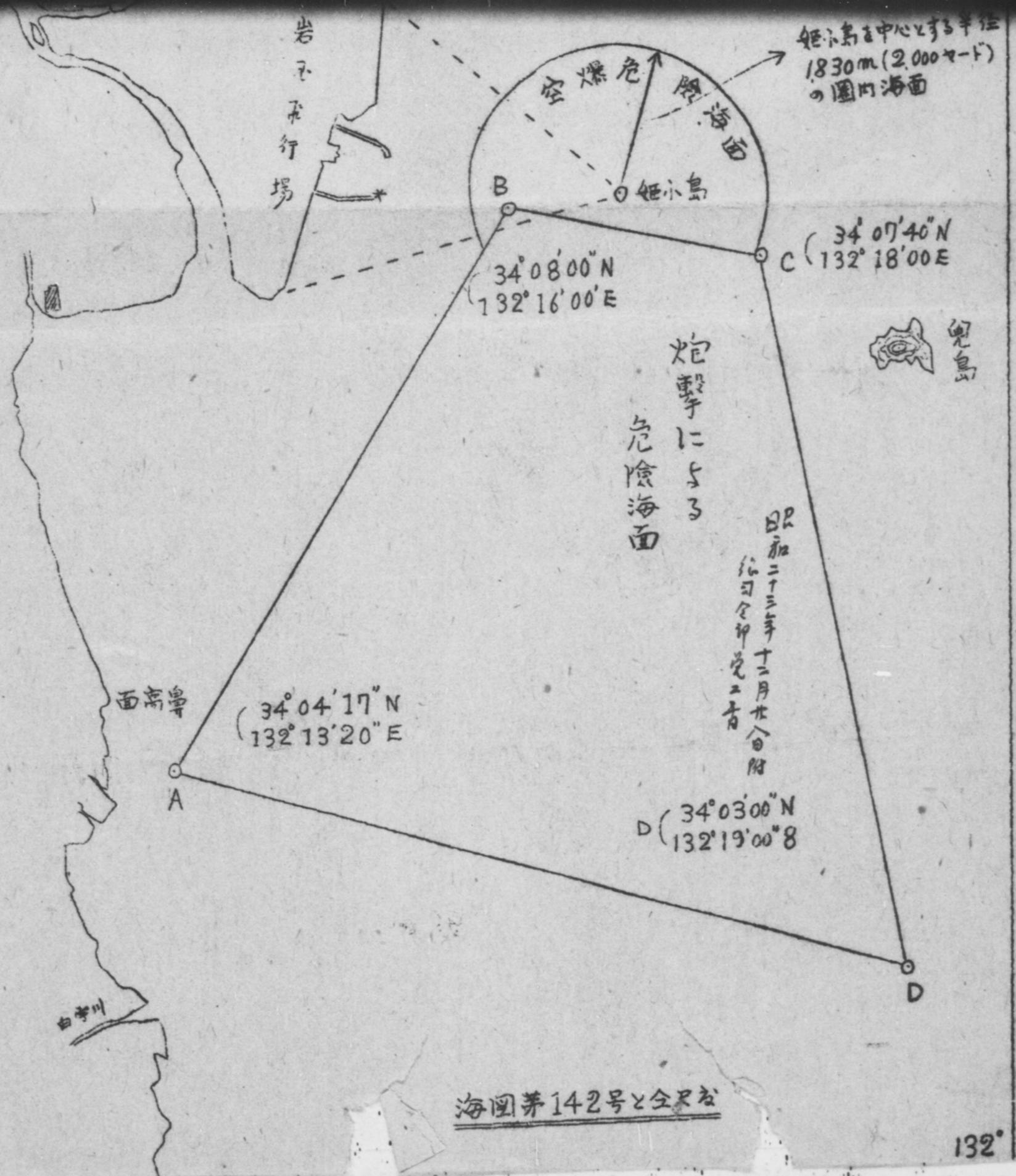
Sign _____
Lieutenant, R.A.N.

for NAVAL OFFICER IN CHARGE, KURE.

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HEADQUARTERS
CHUGOKU CIVIL AFFAIRS REGION
APO 182
BUCK SLIP

FROM: L. + G. 13 Feb. 1950

TO : (NUMERICALLY) (INITIAL THRU
YOUR NUMBER)

<u>2</u> CHIEF	ECON
<u>1</u> DEPUTY	<u>3</u> L&G
HQ COMD	CI
ADM ASST	CE
PERS	PH
SP O CLK	PW
SUP-IND LAB	TRANS
MC	MESS
APO 182	

FOR: _____ SEE ME

ACTION 1-2 INFORMATION
 COMMENTS APPROVAL
 SIGNATURE PROOF READING
 FWDG IND LTR REPLY
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REMARKS:

Restricted areas in
as shown by attached
map