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SPANISH FILE

1130 Wed 19 Dec 45

Gen. Willoughby:

Lt. Col. Navarro, Spanish Military Attache', today returned to us the two confidential documents which he had borrowed from us:

"Organization of the Japanese Ground Fources"

"Progress of Demobilization of the Japanese Armed Forces"

He has been cautioned not to reveal the source of any information he may have obtained from them.

CSL

File

To Col Lauder

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SPANISH FILE

GE/GSI/val

IN THE CLEAR

22 DECEMBER 1945

CINCAFPAC (ADV)

COMIRON TEN. . . . . .ROUTINE

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Approved by:

WALTER A. BUCK
Colonel, G.S.C.
Executive Officer, G-2 Advon

F/L file

OFFICIAL:

H. Q. ALLEN
Colonel, AGO
Asst Adjutant General

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GENERAL HEADQUARTERS, U. S. ARMY FORCES, PACIFIC
ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE
RADIO AND CABLE CENTER

Col. Fowler

INCOMING MESSAGE

IN THE CLEAR
ROUTINE

21 DECEMBER 45

TO : CINCAFPAC ADV:INFO ATOLLCOM TRUCK, COMMARIANAS AREA

FROM : COMINCH 10

NR : Y 174

Your ltr AG 000.3 of 6 November regarding trip to Carolines of Father Barganza. No objection proposed visit. Suggest transportation via repatriation shipping destined [illegible]. All Missionaries from Nomoi now at Truk. COMMARIANAS will arrange transport within area.

NO SIG

TOO : 200004 Z

MCN : Y 174

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Left for Guam
11/21/45
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IN THE CLEAR

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DEC 17 1945
YOKOHAMA, JAPAN

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GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
UNITED STATES ARMY FORCES, PACIFIC

CHECK SHEET

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File No.: GB/QSL/val Subject: Repatriation of Father Pedro Arrupe

NOTE NO.

(1)

FROM: G-2 To: US POLAD Date: 11 December 45

The attached memorandum on the above subject from the Spanish Legation is referred to you for comment. It is understood that this Headquarters has not received guarantees of costs of repatriation for Spanish nationals.

For the A. C. of S., G-2:

Q. S. L.

1 Incl: as indicated above.

13 December 45

From: Yokohama Branch of the Office of the U.S. Political Adviser To: GHQ, G-2

As Father Arrupe's name does not appear to be included among those persons specifically named by the Spanish Government as being included in the agreement which it has made with the United States Government for the repatriation of Spanish nationals in Japan, it is suggested that the Spanish Legation be informed that it should communicate directly with the Spanish Government with the view of having Father Arrupe's name included in that list.

U. A. J.

AFPAC AGO Form No. 37
(18 June 1945)

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C O P Y

SPANISH LEGATION
TOKYO

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Tokio, December 10th 1945.

Seal of the Spanish Legation

C O PY

LEGACIÓN DE ESPAÑA
TOKIO.

The Spanish Legation presents its compliments to His Excellency Major General C. A. Willoughby and has the honour to inform that the Office of the Military Attaché of this Legation, Lieut-Colonel Fernando Navarro Ibañez, has moved from Karuizawa to Tokio and is now situated at No. 333, 3-chome Denenchofu. Telephone - Denenchofu 2425. (02-2425).

Tokio, December 10th, 1945.-

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T o k i o.-

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11 Dec

Gen W:

This is Col. Navasos reply to our letter regarding the two confidential publications.

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Col Landon

You must take the "blame" I shall can cancel my tentative engagement

Willard

1 Also advise Lima not to mention it source, while in his Country —

Wlh

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西班牙國公使館陸軍武官事務所

EL AGREGADO MILITAR A LA
LEGACIÓN DE ESPAÑA

Tokio, 10th December, 1945.

Dear Colonel Lander,

Returned Dec 4/5 19

With reference to your favor of the 5th inst., which reached me on the 8th, I hasten to advise that I am at present engaged in taking the necessary notes and shall return the reports, either personally or through Mr. Remedios and within the time specified in your letter.

I was very sorry that both His Excellency Gen. Willoughby and your goodself, were unable to dine with us yesterday evening at the Fujiya Hotel. It would have indeed been a real pleasure for my family, as well as myself, and in fact we had awaited to the very last, as we had received no advice to the contrary, but I presume you are extremely busy and can readily understand your position.

With compliments and warmest regards,

Very sincerely yours,

Fernando Navarro

Col. Q.S. Lander,
G-2, GHQ,
TOKIO.

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GR/QSL/val

Spanish
Transmittal of Letter to Consul General, NY

G-2

US POAAD

14 Dec 45

The attached letter to the Spanish Consul General, New York was given to us by Mr. Santiago de Vigo, Spanish Minister, Tokyo, with the request that it be transmitted thereto.

For the A. C. of S., G-2:

Q. S. L.

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Spanish

GB/QSL/val

Repatriation of Father Pedro Arrupe

11 December 45

G-2

US POLAD

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G-2 FOREIGN LIAISON SECTION
GHQ AFPAC
APO 500

Memorandum No. 13 26 Sept 45

Re: Trip to Spanish Military Attache
Lt Col Fernando Navarro in Karuizawa

1. Message delivered to Lt Col Navarro.
2. Members of Spanish Legation are:

H.E. Santiago Mendez de Vigo
Ambassador of Spain
Madame Vigo

✓ Lt Colonel Fernando Navarro (Ibanez)
Military Attache
Mrs F. Navarro

Mrs. Maria L. Rivacola (Mrs. Navarro's mother)

Miss Maria Teresa Navarro

Mr. Mariano Vidal
Counsellor of Legation
Miss Teresa Planas
Secretary to the Minister
✓ Mr. Carlos dos Remedios
Secretary to the Military Attache
Miss Carmen Planas
Clerk at the Legation
Mr. Fernando Rodriguez
Clerk to the Military Attache

3. Request for appointment with General Willoughby (Message delivered to General Willoughby)
4. Lt Col Navarro and Aide arriving to Tokyo, Monday 1500, 31 Sept 45.
5. Other Legations in Karuizawa:
   a) Swiss
   b) French
   c) Portuguese
   d) Swedish
   e) Afganistan
   f) Turkish
6. Total foreign population of Karuizawa approzimately 2.000 (including Germans).
7. Impossible to investigate and get list of members at Karuizawa in one day. Time needed approximately 3 days.

LtBW Dano
Lt. BW Dano

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LIST OF MEMBERS OF SPANISH LEGATION

DE VIGO, Santiago Mendez (& wife)	Ambassador of Spain
NAVARRO, Fernando Lt. Col. "	Military Attache
RIVACOLA, Maria L. (Mrs)	Mrs. Navarro's mother
NAVARRO, Maria Teresa (Miss)	Lt. Col. Navarro's daughter
VIDAL, Mariano	Counsellor of Legation
PLANAS, Teresa (Miss)	Secty to the Minister
dos REMEDIOS, Carlos	Secty to the Military Attache
PLANAS, Carmen (Miss)	Clerk at the Legation
RODRIGUEZ, Fernando	Clerk to Military Attache

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EL AGREGADO MILITAR A LA
LEGACIÓN DE ESPAÑA

10 December 1945

Dear General Willoughby:

Yesterday I awaited the pleasure of your company, as well as that of Col Lauder, at the Sunday evening dinner dance given at the Fujiya Hotel. As there was no advice that you could not be present, I had reserved your respective places at the table, but, I can understand that presumably you are very much occupied and

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my family and I can only add
that we are indeed very sorry
that this pleasure was thus denied
I enclose a copy of the Memo-
randum of which we spoke about
in my last visit. The house is to be my
office and Mr Remedios is already residing
in same. Together with the servants
there is a total of six persons living there
With my warmest regards and compliments.
Yours very respectfully Fernando Tavares

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西班牙國公使館陸軍武官事務所

EL AGREGADO MILITAR A LA
LEGACIÓN DE ESPAÑA

His Excellency,
Major General C.A. Willoughby,
G-2, GHQ,
Tokio.

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IMPERIAL JAPANESE GOVERNMENT

TO : GENERAL HEADQUARTERS OF THE SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS

FROM : Central Liaison Office, Tokyo.

SUBJECT: Information about Catholic Fathers

C.L.O. No.979 (1.2) 9 December 1945

1. With reference to the Memorandum of Colonel Munson dated 4 November 1945 on the above subject, as Japanese Government has no data available in Tokyo, the Minister of Second Demobilization dispatched a telegraph of inquiry to the Headquarters of the 4th Fleet at Truk.

2. According to the reply from the said headquarters, the conditions of Catholic Fathers in Japanese Mandated Central Pacific prior to the commencement of the war were ascertained as described in the attached sheet made on the basis of the "Roster of Foreigners in Japanese Mandated Central Pacific" compiled around 1940 by the statements of Father FAUSTINO FERNANDEZ in Truk and others and their subsequent tidings has not yet been made clear.

3. The Japanese Government is making further inquiry to the Japanese authorities at Palau on this matter.

FOR THE PRESIDENT:

(S. Iguchi)
Director of General Affairs,
Central Liaison Office.

Enclosure: a sheet.

Abode	Name	Nationality	Sex	Date of Birth
Koror Town, Palau I.	Elias Fernandez	Spain	male	1880
" " , "	Marino De La Hos	Spain	male	1886
Yap I.	Luis Blanco	Spain	male	1896
" "	Francisco Fernandez	Spain	male	1887
" "	Bernards De La Esprella	Spain	male	1889
Rota I.	Miguel Timoner	Spain	male	Unknown, but about 55 years of age.

Note: It is remembered that a foreign missionary was dwelling on Rota Island in the middle of September 1943.

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5 December 1945

Lt. Col. Fernando Navarro-Ibanez
Military Attache, Spanish Legation
Fujiya Hotel, Miyanoshita.

Dear Colonel Navarro:

It has come to our attention that current regulations prohibit our passing to nations which were not at war with the Axis, the two Confidential documents: "Organization of the Japanese Ground Forces" and "Progress of Demobilization of the Japanese Armed Forces- 1 October 1945".

However, it is suggested that you keep these documents for the next week or ten days, making notes on their contents, and then return to this office.

Quintin S. Lander,
Colonel, General Staff Corps
Chief, G-2 Foreign Liaison Section

G-2 Adm file

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GB/QSL/val

Atrocities Committed Against Francisco F...
Spanish Nation...

G-2

Legal Sec.

5 Dec 45

(1)

The attached memorandum on the above subject from the Spanish Legation is forwarddd to you for necessary action.

For the A. C. of S., G-2:

1 Incl: as indicated above

Q. S. L.

ATTACHMENT

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G-2 Legal Sec. 5 Dec 45

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Atrocities Committed Against Francisco Planas, Spanish National.

GB/QSL/val

G-2 Legal Sec. 5 Dec 45

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GB/VdeK/av Request for pass.

G-2 Hq Comdt 4 Dec 45
Att: Capt Richards

(1) 1. Request that pass into Dai Ichi Bldg. be issued to Mrs. S.M. de Vigo, wife Spanish Minister.

Fop the A. C. of S., G-2:

Q.S.L.

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SPANISH FILE

CM/QSL/val

The Retirement of the American Ambassador in Madrid

G-2

30 Nov 45

1) C/S (Information)
2) USPOLAD (Action) Info

(1) The attached memorandum from the Spanish Legation in Tokyo on the above subject is forwarded for your information.

1 Incl: as indicated above

C. A. W.

65B. 208 Dec. 7

No action Cawley

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THE RETIREMENT OF THE AMERICAN
AMBASSADOR IN MADRID

In relation with inaccurate news spread by Radio and Press regarding the retirement of the American Ambassador in Madrid, Mr. Norman Armour, the Spanish Legation wishes to point out that,according to official information received from Madrid, the American Diplomat has called on the Spanish Foreign Minister and mentioned as the reason of his recall that having served thirty years in the Diplomatic Career, he had asked from his Government to be placed in the retirement list. The State Department having granted the request, Mr. Armour will leave soon for the States.

A United Press despatch reports that Press Secretary of President Truman has denied in a press conference held on the 26th November that the recall of Ambassador Armour be a part of a scheme to show any ill-feeling towards the Spanish Regime. United Press also communicates that Secretary of State, James F. Byrnes, has stressed before the journalists that the retirement of Armour implies no change in the relations between Spain and the Unites States. Mr. Armour will be replaced but at the present moment his successor is still undecided.

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The Spanish Legation believes these true facts will be helpful to those who have been misguided by false and malicious propaganda.

November 28th, 1945.-

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30 Nov 45

Glidden -

Make up one copy of October 1st Demobilization Summary and deliver to Col. Lander by 1 December - ~~to be~~ Spanish Military Attaches ~~staff~~ Secretary will call on him (Lander) for it. Attach this note to it.

P.E.

For C.A.W.

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27 November 1945

Lt. Col. Fernando Navarro
Spanish Military Attache
Spanish Legation, Tokyo

Dear Colonel Navarro:

General Willoughby was very pleased to receive your letter of the 26th, containing your gracious invitation to dinner on the 3rd of December. He has asked me to reply to it for him and to express his deepest regrets over his inability to accept your invitation at this time.

The General is completing preparations for a trip in the near future and is trying to clear up much of the work facing him before he leaves.

General Sutherland is still in the United States, and it cannot be said at this time, when he will return.

Cordially,

C. S. Lander
Colonel, General Staff Corps
Chief, G-2 Foreign Liaison Sec.

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LEGACIÓN DE ESPAÑA
TOKIO.

Tokio, 26th November, 1915.

Dear General Willoughby,

I wish to express my appreciation and thanks for the admirable manner the "deployment" to Miyanoshita was effected and the transformation of the Fujiya Hotel, rendering our stay very pleasant indeed. The Major, as well as the other officers in charge of the transportation and the officer and GI personnel at the Hotel, have offered us every facility and comfort. We have been overwhelmed with attention and kindness.

I am sending you a bottle of Sherry, which I trust you will enjoy. I venture to suggest here that both General Sutherland and your goodself honor me with your presence at a dinner at my home in Tokio, on Monday, December third, at seven o'clock p.m. I shall also be very glad if Colonel Lander and the air officer to whom I was to be presented, so as to complete the information on Japanese aviation, would join our little reunion.

If the date should prove inconvenient, please advise me of your preference and if possible in sufficient time so as to enable me to send out the invitations.

My compliments to General Sutherland and with warmest regards.

Yours very respectfully,

Fernando Navarro Lt. Col.
Spanish Military Attache.

His Excellency,
Major General C.A. Willoughby,
GHQ
Tokio.

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My dear General
Willoughby:
I accept with great
pleasure your kind in-
vitation for dinner. I will
be in Tokyo monday 1st
october and visit you on

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The following Day

Respectfully yours

Lieutenant-Colonel d'Etat Major

Fernando Navarro Ibañez

Attaché Militaire de la Légation d'Espagne

25 - 9 - 45.

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26 Sep 45

Gen. W:

Attached card of Lieut. Col. Navarro Ibanez, Military Attache to Spanish Legation, accepts your invitation to call upon the Chief of Staff and yourself.

Col. Navarro Ibanez will call upon you Tuesday, 2 October.

QSL

Col Craig
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This raises the question of Australian personnel, in general. I may be compelled shortly to report them as available to the British and L.H.Q Mission who may wish to retain them. This also affects the larger problem of Co Mashbir's Aust group, in ATIS. Discuss with him

C A W

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TOKIO.

The Spanish Legation presents its compliments to His Excellency Major-General C. A. Willoughy and in addition to the names communicated of Spanish Diplomats and members of the spanish colony wishing to be repatriated, has the honour to state that Mr. Carlos Guillermo dos Remedios, spanish citizen, Private Interpreter under the order of the Spanish Military Attaché, wishes to leave for Australia where his wife, Joyce Lilian Taylor Cameron, of British origin, and son are living.

The Spanish Legation would be very thankful if anything could be done to facilitate the trip of Mr. Remedios to Australia.

November 24th, 1945.-

LEGACIÓN DE ESPAÑA TOKIO

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TOKIO

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Major-General C. A. Willoughby,

T o k i o.-

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File No. FLTLOSCAP/A2-14
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Serial: 254

UNITED STATES PACIFIC FLEET
LIAISON GROUP WITH THE
SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS

NOV 23 1945

MEMORANDUM FOR: G-2, SCAP.

Subject: Trip to Saipan of H. Berganza, Spanish Missionary Bishop.

1. Recommend you send a despatch to CinCPac for action, ComMargils and ComMarianas for info, forwarding this request with SCAP's recommendations. I can see no objections but our policy appears to be to replace Spanish and other priests with Americans.

H. H. SMITH-HUTTON,
Captain, U. S. Navy,
Chief of Staff.

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GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
UNITED STATES ARMY FORCES, PACIFIC

CHECK SHEET

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File No.: GB/QSL/av Subject: Trip to Saipan of H.Berganza, Spanish Missionary Bishop.

NOTE NO.	
(1)	FROM: G-2 TO: Naval Liaison Date: 21 Nov 45 1. Attached letter from Father Jose Herrera requesting that Bishop Berganza be granted a longer period in Saipan referred to you for consideration. 2. For your information the Spanish Embassy, Washington, has requested through the State Department, information concerning welfare of Spanish missionaries in Saipan and surrounding islands. For the A. C. of S., G-2: Q.M.L. Incl: as indicated above.

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(18 June 1945)

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Catholic Church
YAMATE 44
Yokohama, Japan
November 17, 1945

Col. O. S. Lander
Foreign Liaison Office
Room 523, G.H.Q
Tokyo, Japan.

Dear Sir:

I am a Catholic Missionary belonging to the Mission of the Mariannas and Caroline Islands. My duty is to live in Tokyo and to supply the Churches of Saipan, Rota, Yap, Palau, Truk, Ponape and Marshall Islands. Until 1942 we were in contact with the missionaries of these islands not only by mail and wireless, but also by sending to them on Japanese ships all kinds of provisions and materials for their churches. Since 1942 we received no news at all as to their welfare and could not find out if they were still alive. One month ago, on October 28th we received a letter from Saipan saying that all are alive except one Sister who was killed when the Americans Army landed. They say they have had news of the other islands to the effect that all the missionaries of Palau, Yap, and Rota were killed by Japanese soldiers one year ago. They have no news from Truk or Ponape. On Marshall Islands there were no missionaries at the beginning of the war.

The best possible way to get information is to have our Bishop there investigate the situation and relay the information both to Rome and to the Naval Authorities. His name is H. Berganza and he has worked on the Islands for 18 years. When he came to Japan in 1940 in the interests of the missions he was refused permission to return by Japanese authorities. Would you be you please be so kind as to grant him permission to go and remain there until a new American Bishop is appointed by Rome? Or would you please advise me from whom this permission should be obtained among the Naval Authorities?

Bishop Berganza received permission on November 15th from the Navy to go to Saipan only for 30 days. He is scheduled to leave in a few days. Could this permission be granted for a longer period, i.e. the appointment of a new American Bishop.?

Bishop Berganza was born in Victoria, Spain on January 10th, 1892, came to the missions in 1923 a d has been in Tokyo since 1940.

Yours respectfully,

José Herreros

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21 November 1945

R.P. Jose Herrera
Catholic Church
Yamate 44
Yokohama, Japan

Dear Father Herrera:

Thank you very much for your letter of November 17th. and the information contained therein.

In regard to your request that Bishop Berganza be allowed a longer stay in Saipan we are referring your letter to the Naval Authorities for consideration in as much as the original permission for his trip originated with them.

Respectfully,

Q. S. Lander
Colonel, G.S.C.
Chief, G-2, Foreign Liaison Section

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GB/QSL/av Welfare of Spanish Missionaries

G-2 US POLAD 22 Nov45

(1) 1. Refering to your memorandum to Chief of Staff of 14 Nov 45 requesting information on above subject, we enclose herewith letter received from Spanish Legation regarding welfare of those missionaries listed as living in Tokyo.

2. The names of the remaining thirteen persons living on islands surrounding Japan have been referred to C in C Pacific Fleet for information.

For the A. C. of S., G-2:

Q.S.L.

Incl: as indicated above.

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C O P Y

SPANISH LEGATION
Tokyo

The Spanish Legation presents its compliments to His Excellency Major-General C. A. Willoughby and in reply to the communication dated the 17th instant, Subject: Status of Spanish Missionaries, has the honour to inform that the five Spanish Missionaries named in the mentionned communication, are living in Japan and are all in good health.

The Spanish Legation thanks very much His Excellency Major-General C. A. Willoughby for his kind intervention in this matter.

Tokio, November 19th, 1945

(Seal of Spanish Legation)

His Excellency

Major-General C.A. Willoughby

T o k i o .

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AG 000.3 (23 Nov 45) GB

23 November 1945

SUBJECT: Welfare of Spanish missionaries in Islands surrounding Japan.

TO : Commander-in-Chief, Pacific Fleet

The attached memorandum from Office of the U.S. Political Adviser requests information on welfare and whereabouts of Spanish nationals living on islands under your command; is referred to you for information upon which to base a reply.

FOR THE SUPREME COMMANDER:

Incl:
Ltr fr U.S. Pol. Adv. to SCAP

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COPY

OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES POLITICAL ADVISER

Tokyo, Japan November 14, 1945

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief of Staff.

The Department of State has instructed this office to submit a report on the welfare and whereabouts of the Spanish nationals listed in the attached copy of a memorandum from the Spanish Embassy at Washington.

It is requested that the military or naval authorities concerned, endeavor to obtain for us the desired information so that it may be transmitted through the Department of State to the Spanish Government.

/s/ G.A.

/t/ George Atcheson, Jr.

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Enclosure:

1. Attached copy of a memorandum from the Spanish Embassy at Washington.

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JESUIT MISSIONARIES IN JAPAN AND SURROUNDING ISLANDS

		Age
On the Isle of Toloas, Archipielago of Truk		
P. Faustino Hernandez,	Missionary	54
H. Jose Santana,	Coadjutor	49
On Fefen of Truk		
Father Jaime Batile	Missionary	53
H. Salvador Casasayas	Coadjutor	46
H. Pedro Espuny		53
On Mortlok, Archipielago Island of Lukunor		
P. Martin Espinar	Missionary	61
H. Aniceto Arizaleta	Coadjutor	62
H. Cipriano Martin Contreras	Coadjutor	62
In Ponape, Archipielago and Principal Island		
P. Quirino Fernandez	Missionary	45
P. Ramon Lasquibar		75
P. Gregorio Fernandez		46
H. Agustin Aguinaco	Coadjutor	62
H. Juan Belichon		54
H. Paulino Cobo	Coadjutor	50
H. Hose Maurieio Cogenola	Coadjutor	68
H. Fernando Hernandez	Coadjutor	43
In Palaos, Archipielago and Principal Island		
P. Elias Fernandez	Missionary	63
P. Marino de la Hoz	Missionary	59
H. Emilio Villas,	Coadjutor	62
In Yap, Archipielago, Principal Island		
P. Luis Blanco,	Missionary	49
P. Bernardo de la Espriella	Missionary	55
H. Francisco Hernandez	Coadjutor	58
In Rota (Marianas)		
H. Miguel Timoner	Coadjutor	53

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Spanish

GB/QSL/av Conversion of Japanese Exterior Loan

G-2 Ec. & Sc. Sect. 22 Nov 45

(1) 1. Attached letter from Spanish Legation, Tokyo and summary of facts on above subject referred to you as pertaining to your Staff Section.

For the A. C. of S., G-2:

Q.S.L.

Incl: Letter from Spanish Minister

For record: entire file referred with original C/N

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Notes concerning the information of the imposed conversion of the Japanese Exterior Loan, Gold Dollars 5.1/2 to the Interior Debt of Japan in Yen.

At the beginning of the year 1943 the Diet approved a proposition of the Japanese Government to convert to yen the loan of Exterior.

In the Official Gazette of 31-4-43 (Kwampo number 4863 Showa 18-3-31), the instruction for the fulfillment of the law were published, which should be applied to all the Exterior Loan of Japan paid in foreign money.

The Press of Japan at that time made some references to the losses that the possessors of the titles of those Exterior loan would sustain.

The Spanish Legation in Tokio on the basis of what the Press had published asked by an official note to the Foreign Office for some informations about the losses which the possessors of the Exterior loan of Japan would sustain.

The Foreign Office answered the Press was mistaken, on the contrary it will be the Finance Ministry who will make face with tis own funds to the losses that could be caused by the Conversion and that the end of the exchange to yen was only to protect the interests of the possessors of the bonds of the friendly nations in which, of course, the Spaniards were included.

The said instructions had nothing that could give the least idea about the economical conditions in which the exchange should be realised.

Without doubt the principal purpose of the said Instructions was to bring in all the possessors of the Foreign Loan and to compel them to declare all that they have and to explain the details concerning the purchases, prices, dates, etc. which they asked, and getting, at the same time, the documents that justified the property.

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To justify the lack of the most important thing that the possessors of the bonds needed to know for the Conversion, the Instructions said that in proper time a Commission would be named which will fix up the economical conditions for the exchange.

The Instructions also made known in an implicit form that the declaration of the bonds suppose anyhow the acceptation of the change and gave power to the Minister of Finance to order the exchange forcibly when considered it necessary, empowering him also to send agents to the houses of the possessors of the bonds to search and control everything they wished in relation with the declaration and possession of the bonds.

The Instructions fixed no day, only month and year, only June 1943 (Showa 18 nen 6 gatsu).

On the 2nd of July the Bank of Japan circulated another Instruction of which the summary translation follows:

Instruction received from the Finance Ministry (Okura-sho) by

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way of the Bank of Japan (Nihon Ginko) in 2-7-43.

"The Imperial Government has ordered that for the exchange of the bonds of the Exterior Loan of Japan what is followed shall be observed and the interests paid in yen shall be only 3'5%.

Immediately fill up this joint printed form and send it without loss of time.

If you do not change the payment of Capital and interests will be totally suspended.

- Following Instructions -

The bonds for the change will be divided into two groups:

One-Koshiu - Those imported to Japan before the month of August 1940 (Showa 15 nen, 8 gatsu)

The other - Otsushiu - Those imported to Japan after the said month of August 1940 and those that are still outside of Japan.

The interests of the new changed bonds in yen will be paid until Showa 35 nen 12 gatsu 1 nichi (1-12-1960). (Note of the translator: The interests of the bonds in dollars were to be paid till Showa 40 nen, 5 gatsu, 1 nichi, that is to say, till 1-5-1965.)

The interests are payable twice a year, on the 1st of June and 1st of December.

Since the last payment of interests made before the exchange the interests already shall be paid in yen at 3'5%.

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- Example for the exchange of the group Koshiu -

To convert, for instance, the Capital of the bonds of 5.1/2% Gold Dollars, will pay for each 100 dollars - 332'50 yen and the Capital to result in yen will pay an interest of 3.1/2%.

To convert for instance the Capital of the bonds of 5.1/2%, Sterling Pounds, for each 100 Pounds - 1600 ¥ will be paid.

- Example for the exchange of the group Otsushiu -

To convert, for instance, the Capital of the bonds of 5.1/2% Gold dollars, will be paid for each 100 dollars- 232'60 yen and the Capital to result in yen will pay an interest of 3.1/2%.

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5.1/2%, Sterling Pounds for each £100 - ¥907'10 will be paid."

The Spanish Legation on the 8th July 1943 sent to the Foreign Office the "Note Verbale" of which the copy is following:

"The Spanish Legation presents its compliments to the Imperial Foreign Office and subsequently to its Note Verbale No. N.V./5 and the reply No. 5/CL concerning the conversion in Japanese Currency of japanese bonds issued in foreign currency, has the honour to ask the kind information of the Imperial authorities about the following points:

1. This conversion of national debt being voluntary as it is inferred from the bill approved by the Diet, from the mentioned Note of the Imperial Ministry and from the common practice in these matters, the Spanish Legation would like to know in what legal position the holders of bonds susceptible of being converted, will find themselves in in case those holders citizens of friendly nations choose to keep the original bonds and be unwilling to accept the conversion in the terms established by the law. Also how and when they will be repaid and in what way the Japanese Government expects to keep its engagement with the above mentioned foreign holders.
2. Will this conversion effect the japanese bonds in foreign currency that are now in foreign friendly country and possession of foreign friendly country's citizens, like Spain? If such is the case the Spanish Legation would wish to know if stockholders abroad have already been notified of the conversion and of its terms through the Japanese Government's representatives in such countries.

The Spanish Legation thanks very sincerely the Imperial Foreign Office for its kind intervention in this matter. July 8th, 1943.

The Imperial Foreign Office. Tokio."

The Foreign Office replied as follows:

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The Foreign Office replied as follows:

"The Gaimusho - Tokio. Translation. No. 18/C1.

Note Verbale

The Imperial Japanese Ministry of Foreign Affairs has the honour to acknowledge the receipt of the Note Verbale No. N.V.62 of the Spanish Legation in Tokio dated the 8th July concerning the conversion into Japanese currency of Japanese bonds issued in a foreign currency and to state in reply as follows:

1. In case where the holder of a Japanese bond issued in a foreign currency, whether it be a national loan, or a debenture, (as regards local loan and debenture the obligation of repayment will be taken over by the Government) does not accept the offer of conversion, the payment of the interests, as well as of Capital, will be suspended for the duration of the war, and all matters relating to the bonds can only be dealt with after its close.
2. It is needless to say that the conversion in

question

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question equally applies to Japanese bonds in a foreign currency which are in friendly country and possessed by national of a friendly country. This Ministry has therefore telegraphed to the Japanese Legation in Madrid the terms and procedure of conversion, with an instruction to take suitable measures in order that the holder of such Japanese bonds may effect the proposed conversion. It is desired that the Spanish Legation in Tokio would also make the necessary communications with the Spanish Government without delay. Application for conversion must be made by the end of July. 17th July, 1943.-

After that, already referring to a particular personal case, the Counsellor of the Spanish Legation in a personal way sent to the Chief of the Section of the Political Department of the Foreign Office the memorandum of which copy is following:

- The conversion of the Japanese Exterior Loan.-

Memorandum concerning the Stockholder Mr. Herrera de la Rosa.

In 1931 and 1933 Mr. Herrera de la Rosa bought in the London and New York Markets, respectively, certain number of bonds of loan issued in foreign currency by the Imperial Japanese Government. The operation was made through the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation and the National City B ank of New York and the bonds left in deposit there. Mr. Herrera de la Rosa, a resident for many years in Japan, invested in this transaction out of affection for this country and confident in its resources, practically all his life savings.

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As the situation became still more tense, Mr. Herrera, afraid to be left in case of rupture without any economic means for his own and his family's living, made on October 11th, 1940 a new

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These dollar bonds were deposited in his name in the Tokio Office of the Yokohama Specie Bank, from where Mr. Herrera drew every 6 months the interest of 5.1/2% at the rate of $1-¥4'25 in conformity with conditions estipulated in the issue of the Loan: the last drawing being made on May first 1947.

In this situation the Imperial Diet has passed the bill converting in yen the Japanese Loan in foreign currency.

It was understood and explicitly stated at the request of the Spanish Legation by the Imperial Foreign Office in Note Verbale No.5/Cl of February 1st, 1943, that the holder of these bonds, subjects of friendly country, will suffer no losses as a result of the conversion.

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But the facts do not seem to agree with the confident expectation.

If Mr. Herrera would accept by force of personal circumstances the announced conversion, he will be almost entirely destituted.

The Instructions communicated to him by the Bank of Japan, established two different rates: One for the bonds imported in Japan before August 1940 (Koshiu) and one for the bonds imported after that date (Otsushiu). In both cases the exchange represents very heavy loss for the holder, bigger in the second class. In both cases, the interest is reduced from 5.1/2% to 3.1/2%, that is to say, there is a considerable loss in capital and interest.

Hereunder are the calculations of damages that Mr. Herrera would suffer if he accepts the conversion:

Interests	Per Year Yen	Per month Yen
According to the conditions of the original loan	8.415'00	701'06
According to the condition of the new Law		
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As the bonds held by Mr. Herrera are classified as "Otsushiu" his capital and income have been cut to the fourth part.

Mr. Herrera does not understand why this discrimination for stocks that were issued and negociated in the exterior marked and payable abroad. Neither does he understand why his bonds should be classified in the lower rate, as it is clear that if his bonds were imported after August 1940 was for the only reasnn that the Finance Ministry, long before the date line, denied his formal request and refused the permit.

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Tokio, July 15th, 1943.

The same memorandum was sent, also in a personal way, by the Spanish Minister to the Vice-Minister of Foreign Affairs, after visiting him in relation with this matter on the 17-7-43.

Mr. Herrera directly told the Finance Ministry and also by way of a friend who kindly helped him to settle the matter with the said Ministry, that if the finance of Japan was in so precarious a condition that it really could not pay the interests of the bonds, he was ready to suffer all the restrictions necessary during the transitory period of the war but not permanently and for always to be deprived of his rights, as the Finance Ministry tried to do, taking advantage of the situation, to evade

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its obligations cuasing great losses to the possessors.

Among the several imperative requests that Mr. Herrera got asking him to immediately send his petition for the conversion of the loan, the last one was dated 31st July (last day fixed for the exchange) by the Yokohama Specie Bank of Tokio, where the titles for his ₰36.000 were deposited by order of the Finance Ministry, and to that request he answered on the 2nd of August as follows:

Katase August 2nd, 1943
To the Yokohama Specie Bank
Tokio Office
Securities Department

Dear Sirs:

In answer to your letter of July 31st, which I got today, with note number 8197 from the Finance Office, I beg to say that I shall not change the bonds of the Exterior, Imperial Japanese Government 5.1/2% that I possess, same in dollars, which are deposited in the Yokohama Specie Bank of Tokio, as in Sterling Pounds, which are deposited in the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation of London.

Yours faithfully

Eduardo Herrera.

Mr. Herrera took the resolution not to exchange, and sent a cable to Spain to his family telling that he could send them no money anymore, looking at the same time for some way to make face here for his living expenses during the war.

In those conditions, on the 5th of August his friend was sent by the Finance Ministry to Mr. Herrera's domicile in Katase, and told him that the Finance Ministry was ready to allow him to exchange his bonds in the most favorable condition of the first group "Koshiu". The term for the exchange has passed, answered Mr. Herrera and have already made up my mind not to exchange; [illegible] that I don't consider that group "Koshiu" at all favorable

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The house of Mr. Herrera was outraged at the beginning of the was by four secret policemen who wished to search it and to have the key of the drawers. Mr. Herrera did not allow it and the policemen before leaving, to say something, asked if there were some americans in the house.

Mr. Herrera informed the Spanish Legation of all this, and the Spanish Legation by way of the Foreign Office asked some explanation and satisfaction for the outrage.

The Secret Police continued coming frequently to the house of Mr. Herrera and vexed him with impertinent questions. Friends and neighbours were charged by the police to watch Mr. Herrera, and with disguised pretexts come to see the interior of the house, to go up stairs to the terrace, to the store-room, --- secret police disguised followed him for some time when, with especial permission, he was going to Tokio.

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And from the Finance Ministry and agent came wishing to register the house to see if he kept Exterior Bonds hidden or some other assets. This agent came with a secret policeman who frequently visited the house and was one of the four that outraged the house of Mr. Herrera at the beginning of the war.

If Mr. Herrera has not suffered in higher degrees ill-treatment, tortures and infamous slanderous accusations that so many other foreigners have suffered, including spaniards, it was only by the careful behaviour always observed, his strict and energetic attitude and the constant and active protection of the Spanish Legation.)

Considering these vexing processes lightly pointed out in the above parenthesis, and understanding well the real meaning of the advice of his friend, Mr. Herrera told at last that they could do as they pleased, and his friend sent a writing to the Finance Ministry, in japanese, signed by Mr. Herrera, in accordance with their wishes.

On the 13-8-43 the Yokohama Specie Bank of Tokio made the operation of the exchange, handing to the Bank of Japan the titles of £36.000 which it kept in custody by order of the Finance Ministry.

Some time after Mr. Herrera received from the Nihon Ginko (Bank of Japan) a note written in japanese which summary is translated as follows:

"Principal national Debt. Book of registration.

Officially registered in the Obligation of the Exchequer, the quantity of,

- Yen 122.100 (one hundred twentytwo thousand one hundred yen) Today on the registration book of the said Principal-National Debt of 3.1/2% of interest of the Obligations of the Exchequer, with the prefix SE GO and the number 420, the said quantity have been registered to your name to Credit you with this right. Showa 18 nen 9 gatsu 15 nichi (18th year of the era Showa, ninth month, fifteenth day. - 15-9-43). There is a seal of the Nihon

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To Eduardo Herrera de la Rosa. (This document is not transferable"

The Exterior loan in dollars was free of all kinds of taxes and this of the Interior Debt, in yen, must bear any kind of taxation that the Japanese Government wishes to impose. The first payment of interests, after the conversion, was with 9% of taxes, the second with 13% and the last received was with 16% amounting only to 299 yen monthly.

Mr. Herrera says that from a yearly rend of £1.980 that he left to his family in his will until the year 1965, and after that time the amount of the said £36.000 (in a money which has its value in all the world), with the conversion, in fact imposed by the Japanese Government has changed now to nearly nothing.

With

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With the interests that are received now he cannot attend to his most indispensable living expenses in Japan, having been mailed to this country because this money is worth nothing outside.

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Following are the numbers of the titles of the said £36.000 par value, Imperial Japanese Government Exterior Loan 5/1/2⅝ Due 1-5-65:

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LEGACIÓN DE ESPAÑA
TOKIO.

Tokio, 21st November, 1915.

Dear Colonel Lander,

May I express my appreciation and thanks for the most efficient manner the evacuation from Karuizawa was effected. I am deeply grateful to the Major, Captain Schimdt and especially to Lieutenant Carbine, AT3, 8th Army, who was so kind as to assist me unload the truck at destination for lack of labor facilities.

Yours very respectfully,

C. G. dos Remedios.

Colonel G.S. Lander,
G.S., GHQ, G2
Tokio.

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MIS/SC/For.
WBA/5902

MID 201 Navarro Ibanez, Fernando 1st Ind.

Military Intelligence Service, War Department, Washington 25, D. C.
5 November 1945.

TO: The Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2, U. S. Army Forces, Pacific,
APO 500, c/o Postmaster, San Francisco, California.

For appropriate action.

FOR THE CHIEF, MILITARY INTELLIGENCE SERVICE:

R. A. TURNER
Colonel, GSC
Chief, Foreign Branch.

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H. J. OSBORN
Major, CAC
Executive Officer
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EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
OFFICE OF THE MILITARY ATTACHÉ
MADRID, SPAIN

WGJ/fMc

23 October 1945

A-527-45/201 Navarro Ibanez, Fernando
(Lieut. Colonel, GSC)

SUBJECT: Facilities requested for visa and transport for Spanish Military Attache in Japan and Family.

TO : Chief, Military Intelligence Service, War Department, Wash.,DC.

1. This Office is in receipt of a note from the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2, Spanish Central General Staff stating that Lieut. Colonel Don Fernando NAVARRO Ibanez, GSC, Military Attache of the Spanish Legation in Japan, is to be relieved of his assignment and to return to Spain accompanied by his family. It is further requested in this note that the Office of the U. S. Military Attache in Spain advise the Military Authorities of the United States in Japan and urgently request that facilities be given for the necessary visas of passports and for the repatriation of this officer and his family to Spain.

2. The members of Lieut. Colonel Navarro's family are listed as follows:

Wife - Dona Maria Luisa Rivacoba Giraldez de Navarro
Daughter - Dona Maria Teresa Navarro Rivacoba
Mother-in-Law - Dona Maria Luisa Giraldez Fagundez

3. It is requested that this communication be transmitted to the Supreme Commander in Japan with an indorsement hereto asking that appropriate action be taken with the least possible delay.

WENDELL G. JOHNSON,
Colonel, G. S. C.,
Military Attache.

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Spanish file

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS

AG 601 (19 Nov 45)GD

APO 500
19 November 1945

MEMORANDUM FOR: IMPERIAL JAPANESE GOVERNMENT.
THROUGH : Central Liaison Office, Tokyo.
SUBJECT : Residences for Use by Diplomatic Officials.

1. Reference is made to your Memorandum CLO No. 419, dated 31 October 1945, subject as above, requesting this headquarters to exempt the following residences from requisition to permit their use by diplomatic officials:

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2. The residences listed in paragraph 1 a, b and c above are exempt from requisition by the Allied Forces to permit it use for the purpose indicated.

3. The residence desired for the use of Lieutenant Colonel Navarro Ibanez, the Military Attache to the Spanish Legation, is not exempt from requisition because Lieutenant Colonel Navarro Ibanez is comfortably housed at the Fujiya Hotel in Miyanoshita.

FOR THE SUPREME COMMANDER:

H.W. ALLEN,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Asst. Adjutant General.

Received: 21 Nov., 11:05 a.m.
Shukan : 4 Bu - 2 Ka
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MEMORANDUM

Spanish Embassy
Washington

RE: Present situation of various Missionaries in the Orient.

No. 130

The Spanish Embassy presents its compliments to the Department of State and has the honor to remit herewith 8 lists containing the names of Spanish Missionaries in Japan and surrounding islands, that the Spanish Foreign Office has forwarded with the request that the State Department kindly ascertain how these missionaries are and under what conditions are they presently living, as nothing has been heard from them for more than a year and a half.

The Spanish Embassy would greatly appreciate the good offices of the State Department with the corresponding authorities for an informative reply in the matter.

WASHINGTON, October 24, 1945.

J. G. de M

Department of State

Washington, D.C.

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JESUIT MISSIONARIES IN JAPAN AND

SURROUNDING ISLANDS

In Tokio

R. P. Higinio Berganza, Superior of the Mission
Ex-Administrator Apostolic - 53 yrs. old.

R. P. Jose Herrera, Procurador of the Mission
51 yrs. old.

R. P. Juan Bizcarra, Aide to the Procurador
37 yrs.

R. P. Juan de la Cruz Arizera, Coadjutor, 47 yrs.

R. P. Pedro Ocina, Coadjutor, 37 yrs.

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G--2
GHQ, SCAP
APO 500

15 Nov 1945

TO:

General Willoughby

Colonel Buck

Colonel Craig

Colonel Cooper

Colonel Munson

Colonel Wood

Colonel Lander

Colonel Bethune

Lt Col Magruder

Lt Col Burns

Lt Col Robbins

Maj Glidden

FOR:

Information

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Note & Return

Necessary Action ✓

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Suggest checking with Spanish Minister about the 5 in Tokyo, after which it will request info. from Tops. The others should be sent by c-r Adams to Lucejac who has landed.

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17 Nov 45

SUBJECT: Status of Spanish Missionaries.

TO : H. E. Santiago Mendez de Vigo.
Spanish Legation, Tokyo, Japan.

The Spanish Embassy in Washington has submitted through our State Department, a list of the names of eighteen Spanish Missionaries in Japan and surrounding islands, requesting a report on their welfare and whereabouts.

Five of these missionaries are reported to be in Tokyo. If you have had any contact with them or have any information about them, we shall be pleased to transmit this information to the Spanish Embassy, Washington. Otherwise, we shall request information from the Japanese Government. The names of those in Tokyo are:

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Information regarding the remaining thirteen persons on islands near Japan, will be handled directly by this headquarters; you will be kept informed of the results of this investigation.

For the A. C. of S., G-2:

Q. S. L.

Info copies:

Spanish Legation (2)
Japanese Liaison
G-2 Administration

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OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES POLITICAL ADVISER

Tokyo, Japan, November 14, 1945.

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief of Staff.

The Department of State has instructed this office to submit a report on the welfare and whereabouts of the Spanish nationals listed in the attached copy of a memorandum from the Spanish Embassy at Washington.

It is requested that the military or naval authorities concerned, endeavor to obtain for us the desired information so that it may be transmitted through the Department of State to the Spanish Government.

George Atcheson, Jr.

Enclosure:

1. Attached copy of a memorandum from the Spanish Embassy at Washington.

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JESUIT MISSIONARIES IN JAPAN AND

SURROUNDING ISLANDS

On the Isle of Tolosa, Archipielago of Truk

P. Faustino Hernandez, Missionary 54 yrs. old.

H. Jose Santana, Coadjutor, 49 yrs. old.

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JESUIT MISSIONARIES IN JAPAN AND SURROUNDING ISLANDS

On Fefon of Truk

Father Jaime Batile, Missionary of 53 yrs. old.

H. Salvador Casasayas, Coadjutor, 46 yrs. old.

H. Pedro Espuny, 53 yrs. old.

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SURROUNDING ISLANDS

On Mortlok, Archipielago Island of Lukunor

P. Martin Espinar, Missionary, 61 yrs. old.

H. Aniceto Arizaleta, Coadjutor, 76 yrs. old.

H. Cipriano Martin Contreras, Coadjutor, 62 yrs. old.

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In Ponape, Archipielago and Principal Island

P. Quirino Fernandez, Missionary, 45 yrs. old.

P. Ramon Lasquibar, 75 yrs. old.

P. Gregorio Fernandez, 46 yrs.

H. Agustin Aguinaco, Coadjutor, 62 yrs.

H. Juan Belichon, 54 yrs.

H. Paulino Cobo, Coadjutor, 50 yrs.

H. Hose Mauricio Cogenola, Coadjutor, 68 yrs.

H. Fernando Hernandez, Coadjutor, 43 yrs.

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SURROUNDING ISLANDS

In Palaos, Archipielago and Principal Island.

P. Elias Fernandez, Missionary, 63 yrs. old.

P. Marino de la Hoz, Missionary, 59 yrs.

H. Emilio Villas, Coadjutor, 62 yrs.

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SURROUNDING ISLANDS

In Yap. Archipielago. Principal Island.

P. Luis Blanco, Missionary, 49 yrs. old.

P. Bernardo de la Espriella, Missionary, 55 yrs.

H. Francisco Hernandez, Coadjutor, 58 yrs.

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JESUIT MISSIONARIES IN JAPAN AND

SURROUNDING ISLANDS

In Rota (Marianas)

H. Miguel Timoner, Coadjutor, 53 yrs. old.

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GHQ, SCAP & AFPAC
APO 500

15 Nov 1945

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IN REPLY REFER TO

FILE NO.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

THE FOREIGN SERVICE
OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES POLITICAL ADVISER

Tokyo, Japan, November 13, 1945.

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief of Staff.

SUBJECT: Message for former Spanish Minister from Spanish Ambassador, Washington.

It is suggested that the message for the former Spanish Minister quoted in the State Department's telegram No. 107, November 10 (Army No. 107 and 17154) be forwarded to him by G-2.

It is also suggested that at the same time Mr. de Vigo might be informed of the recent directive in regard to the status of neutral diplomats in Japan and the conduct of their relations with the Japanese Government through General Headquarters.

G.A

George Atcheson, Jr.

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GENERAL HEADQUARTERS, U. S. MY FORCES, PACIFIC
ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE
RADIO AND CABLE CENTER

INCOMING MESSAGE

IN THE CLEAR
ROUTINE

10 November 1945

TO : ATCHESON ACTING POLITICAL ADVISOR

FROM : WASHINGTON STATE DEPT

NR : 107

By means you consider most feasible deliver to Santiago Mandez De Vigo, former Spanish Minister to Japan, following message from Spanish Ambassador Washington which was received by Dept on October 24:

"Ministry of Foreign Affairs instructed me to ask American Government if there would be objection to your catering into official relations with the Japanese Government to present Spanish claims for damages in the Philippines, China and Japan and the Department of State replied that for the present it was not possible to give such authorization.

I was also asked to inquire as to the resuming of normal diplomatic relations with that Government to which I was told that the question was under study."

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Form No. 108
"NAPRICO" 700M 10-20-45

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THE MAKING OF AN EXACT COPY OF THIS MESSAGE IS FORBIDDEN

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AG 201

6 November 1945

SUBJECT: Proposed trip of Father Higinio Berganza.

TO : Commander-in-Chief, Pacific Fleet.

1. The attached letter from the Spanish Minister in Japan requests that facilities be provided for Father Higinio Berganza to visit Catholic Missions at Truk, Mortlock and Ponape islands.

2. If favorably considered by you, request your recommendation as to means of transportation.

For the SUPREME COMMANDER:

1 Incl: Ltr fr Spanish Minister, 2 Nov.

Information copies to:
Comdr Marshall-Gilbert Islands
Comdr Mariana Islands
Comdr Fifth Fleet

Comdr Micronesia-Polynesia F-17

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Re Landau - [illegible]
Col Munson

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GH? . AFPAC
APO 500

4 Nov 1945

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General Willoughby _____	Information _____
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Colonel Buck _____	Note & Return _____
Colonel Cooper _____	Necessary Action _____
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C O P Y

Spanish Legation
Tokyo

The Spanish Legation presents its compliments to His Excellency Major-General C. A. Willoughby and has the honour to communicate what follows:

According to private information received by the Central House in Tokio of the Catholic Mission in Caroline, Mariana and Marshall Islands, the Japanese troops have murdered the Fathers Elias, Marino, Espriella, Blanco, Francisco Hernandez and Villar, all of Spanish nationality.

Father Timoner was murdered by the Japanese in Rota.

There is no news of the Catholic Mission in Truk, Mortlock and Ponape, but we are afraid that the same atrocities were committed by the Japanese against the Spanish missionaries there.

The Superior of these Missions, Father Higinio Berganza, Spanish subject, hasalready applied for a permit to visit these Islands to get direct information of all that has happened during the sad years of Japanese occupation.

The Spanish Legation would be very thankful to His Excellency Major-General C. A. Willoughby if the General Headquarters could provide to the mentioned Father, a permit and facilities for his investigation trip.

Tokyo, November 2nd, 1945.-

Seal of the
Spanish Legation
Tokio

His Excellency

Major-General C. A. Willoughby

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Comdr Mariana Islands
Comdr Fifth Fleet.

F/L File

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Madame de Vigo called:

Requested an appointment be made with General Eichelberger for 0900, Thursday morning, 8 November 1945 in Yokohama for the Spanish Ambassador and herself. Stated that purpose of appointment would be to thank the General for the tires obtained.

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Mrs. de Vigo notified of appointment RG

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GENERAL HEADQUARTEF
UNITED STATES ARMY FORCES, PACIFIC

CHECK SHEET

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File No.:

Subject: Purchase of Tires for Spanish Minister

From: ~~XXXXX~~
NOTE
NO.

FROM: G-2 **To:** G-4 Adv **Date:** 15 Oct 45

1. A verbal request was made to us by the Spanish Minister, Mr. Santiago De Vigo, for four (4) automobiles tires 6.25x 16 for the use of the official Spanish Embassy car.

2. It is recommended that this request be approved on the same purchase basis as requests of other diplomatic representatives.

C.A.W.

FROM: G-4 TO: G-2 3 Nov 1945

1. Inclosed herewith is a copy of letter to the CG Eighth Army authorizing the sale to the Spanish Minister to Japan of four (4) 6.25x16 automobile tires for the use on the official Spanish Embassy car.

2. It is requested that your office notify the Spanish Minister of this action.

H.E.E.

1 Incl:
As indicated.

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SPANISH FILE

GB/QSL/val

Trucks for Spanish Embassy

G-2

Headquarters
Commandant

29 Oct 45

(1) 1. It is requested that two (2) trucks be dispatched to Karuizawa for the purpose of moving furniture for Mrs. de Vigo to the Sapnish Embassy in Tokyo.

2. It is suggested that two drivers who have already been in Karuizawa, be assigned to this job. They are to depart Tokyo at 0500, 30 Oct, with sufficient rations for one (1) day.

3. Onarrival at Karuizawa, one of the drivers should contact Mrss de Vigo's secretary, Miss Plana, by phone for directions. The telephone number is - 429. M.P.'s will be able to direct them to a phone.

For the A. C. of S., G-2:

Q. S. L.

F/L Copy

Drivers: Pfc. Richard M. Halloway 37585684
T/5 Frederick K. Caron - 36455478

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Trucks for Spanish Embassy

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(1) 1. It is requested that two (2) trucks be dispatched to Karuizawa for the purpose of moving furniture for Mrs. de Vigo to the Sapnish Embassy in Tokyo.

2. It is suggested that two drivers who have already been in Karuizawa, be assigned to this job. They are to depart Tokyo at 0500, 30 Oct, with sufficient rations for one (1) day.

3. Onarrival at Karuizawa, one of the drivers should contact Mrs. de Vigo's secretary, Miss Plana, by phone for directions. The telephone number is - 429. M.P.'s will be able to direct them to a phone.

For the A. C. of S., G-2:

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