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INTERROGATION NO: 52

PLACE: TOKYO.  
DATE: 18 Oct 45

Division of Origin: Shipping and Rail Transportation.

SUBJECT: General Information on Operation of Navy Cargo Ships  
("B" Ships).

Personnel interrogated and background of each:

Captain YOSHIDA, Chief of the 3rd Section, Bureau of Military  
Affairs, a competent man but not acquainted with details.

Commander OJIRO, 3rd Section, Navy Department, a statistical  
assistant.

Neither speaks English but both can apparently read it.

Where interviewed: Captain YOSHIDA's office, Navy Department.

Interrogator: Mr. Albert C. Ingersoll, Jr.

Interpreter: John Taji.

Allied Officers Present: Captain BLAU, Lt FEW.

Summary:

Presented Captain YOSHIDA with a questionnaire, summarized  
as follows: 1. Records of "C" ships. All official records  
burned; Commander OJIRO reconstructing history. 2. Repairs  
of "B" ships. OJIRO assembling information. 3. Allocation  
of "B" ships. History of allocation briefly summarized. 4.  
Exports of military supplies. Records burned; OJIRO preparing  
approximate statement. 5. Imports in "B" ships. Records Burned;  
assembling fragmentary report. 6. Fuel. Written statement be-  
ing prepared. 7. Trips per month. YOSHIDA summarizing re-  
collections. 8. YOSHIDA preparing summary on wartime problems  
in Navy merchant shipping.