

9 June 1947

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Capt. Robinson USN Att: Cmdr. Cole; Mr. Lopez;
Mr. Edwards; Mr. Sutton
FROM : EDWARD P. MONAGHAN, Chief,
Investigative Division, IPS
SUBJECT : Defense Witness

1. Please find attached hereto list of material available on the following witness and/or witnesses.

DEFENDANT - ITAGAKI

The attached information has been taken from the compiled report prepared by MIS. The report was previously classified secret however this classification has been cancelled and at the present time does not carry any classification. It will be noted that much of this information has been furnished in curriculum vitae obtained from the Cabinet Secretariat's office.

WITNESS

SUETAKA, Kamezo

LIST OF MATERIAL AVAILABLE

Info from MID report

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EDWARD P. MONAGHAN

Lieutenant General Kamezo SUETAKA (Retd.): Former Member Supreme Military Council.

1884 Sept.	Born Saga Prefecture. Son of Sukehei Otani, and adopted by Sustaka family. Married Sueko, daughter of Shumpei Yoshioka.
1904 *	Graduated Military Academy. Staff, Military Education Department; Commander 61st Infantry Regiment; Commander, Kurume First Tank Corps; Chief of Staff, Tokyo Defense Garrison.
1937	Commander 19th Division in Korea.
1939 Oct.	Commander Second Army, North China.
1941 Mar.	Appointed Supreme Military Councilor.

Omission of Suetaka's name from Japanese Army Register of 15 October 1942 may indicate retirement.

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11 April 1947

MEMORANDUM FOR: CAPTAIN JAMES J. ROBINSON, USNR
FROM : DOUGLAS L. WAIKORF, Chief, Investigative Division, IPS
SUBJECT : Defense Witness

1. Please find attached hereto list of material available on the following witness subpoenaed by the Defense:

Defendant - ITAGAKI, Seishiro

Witness

List of Material Available

SUETAKA or OTAKA Kamezo ←

Curriculum Vitae

2. In the event that this is not complete, the remainder of the data will be forwarded to you without delay as soon as it is received by this office.

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DOUGLAS L. WAIKORF
Chief, Investigative Division
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CURRICULUM VITAE

SUETAKA or OTAKA Kamezo

Former name UHTANI Kamezo

Born on the 28th of September, 1884

Permanent Address: SAGA Prefecture

Social Rank: HEIMIN (Commoner)

Aug. 1, 1902	Appointed probationary officer.	
Dec. 1, 1902	Enrolled in the 2nd Company of the 13th Infantry Regiment.	
Oct. 24, 1904	Graduated from the Military Academy.	
Nov. 1, 1904	Appointed 2nd lieutenant, infantry.	Cabinet
Nov. 1, 1904	Ordered to join the supplementary battalion of the 13th Infantry Regiment.	
Nov. 16, 1904	Appointed judge of court-martial under control of the 6th division.	
Dec. 8, 1904	Granted 8th class (senior grade) of the Court Rank.	
Apr. 24, 1906	Attached to the 13th Infantry Regiment.	
Apr. 1, 1906	Awarded the 6th Order of the Single Ray Rising Sun.	
	Was given commemoration medal for the 1904-1905 war and Yen 250.	
Dec. 21, 1907	Appointed lieutenant, infantry.	
Mar. 20, 1908	Granted the 7th class (Junior grade) of the Court Rank.	
Dec. 15, 1909	Relieved of his main appointment and attached to cadet corps of the Military Academy.	
May 20, 1913	Granted 7th class (Senior grade) of the Court Rank.	
May 31, 1913	Awarded the 5th Order of the Sacred Treasure.	
Aug. 31, 1931	Appointed captain, infantry.	Cabinet
	Appointed company commander of the 13th Infantry Regiment.	

Dec. 13, 1913	Ordered to enter Military College, and graduated from the College on the 25th of November in 1916.	War Ministry
Oct. 13, 1914	Appointed troop staff-officer at the War Ministry	War Ministry
May 23, 1916	Relieved of his main appointment and attached to the 13th Infantry Regiment.	War Ministry
Aug. 8, 1923	Appointed lieutenant-colonel, Infantry	War Ministry
Dec. 12, 1916	Relieved of his main appointment and appointed company-commander of the 13th Infantry Regiment.	War Ministry
Nov. 5, 1917	Relieved of his post and appointed staff-officer attached to the Military Infantry School.	War Ministry
Mar. 12, 1925	Relieved of his post and attached to the	War Ministry
July 10, 1918	Granted the 6th class (Junior grade) of the Court Rank.	War Ministry
Apr. 10, 1925	Relieved of this post and attached to the	War Ministry
June 1, 1918	Relieved of his main appointment and appointed instructor of the Military Infantry School.	War Ministry
July 1, 1925	Commander of the 1st Tank Unit.	War Ministry
Apr. 1, 1919	Appointed instructor of the Military Infantry School.	Cabinet The War Office
Sept. 1, 1919	Appointed chief of the Regular Course Concurrently appointed member of the Research Dept. at the Military Infantry School.	War Ministry
Sept. 1, 1927	the junior grade of the fifth class Court Rank.	War Ministry
Dec 25, 1919	Appointed major, infantry.	Cabinet
Mar. 30, 1923	Decorated with the third Order of the	War Ministry
Mar. 29, 1920	Decorated with the fourth Order of the Sacred Treasure.	War Ministry
Aug. 1, 1931	Appointed commander of the 51st Infantry	War Ministry
Aug. 10, 1920	Relieved of his main and concurrent posts; and attached to the Department of Military Education.	Cabinet
Aug. 2, 1933	Decorated with the Lesser Cordon of the	Cabinet
Nov. 1, 1920	Order of the Rising Sun.	War Ministry
Sept. 1, 1933	Given a grant of ¥1600 for his services in the war 1915-20.	War Ministry
Mar. 16, 1933	Appointed Chief of Staff of Tokyo Garrison.	War Ministry
8 Feb. 1922	Relieved of his post; and appointed section staff-officer, Department of	War Ministry
June 1, 1934	Military Education. or of late fleet-admiral Marquis Heihachiro Togo's funeral.	War Ministry
Dec. 14	Appointed troop Chief of Staff of 1935 military inauguration review.	War Ministry

Apr. 7, 1922	Appointed member of the suite of the Second Special (Army) Inspector.	War Ministry
Oct. 13, 1922	Appointed Troop staff-officer at the Review on the Emperor's Birthday.	War Ministry
Aug. 6, 1923	Appointed lieut-colonel, infantry; and raised to the senior grade of the sixth class Court rank.	Cabinet
	Relieved of his post and appointed staff-officer of the 14th Division.	War Ministry
Mar. 18, 1925	Relieved of his post and attached to the Headquarters of the 14th Division.	War Ministry
Apr. 10, 1925	Relieved of this post and attached to the Headquarters of the 18th Division.	War Ministry
May 1, 1925	Appointed commander of the 1st Tank Unit.	
July 26, 1927	Appointed colonel, infantry.	Cabinet
	Appointed chief of the Regular Course Cadets' Corps of the Military Academy.	War Ministry
Sept. 1, 1927	Raised to the junior grade of the fifth class Court Rank.	
Mar. 30, 1928	Decorated with the third Order of the Sacred Treasure.	
Aug. 1, 1931	Appointed commander of the 61st Infantry Regiment.	War Ministry
Aug. 8, 1932	Appointed major general.	Cabinet
	Attached to the Army Ordnance Main Depot.	War Ministry
Sept. 1, 1932	Granted Junior Grade of 5th class Court Rank.	
Mar. 18, 1933	Appointed Chief of Staff of Tokyo Garrison.	War Ministry
June 1, 1934	Appointed Chief of Staff of Military and Naval guards of honor of late fleet-admiral Marquis Heihachiro Togo's funeral.	War Ministry
Dec. 14	Appointed troop Chief of Staff of 1935 military inauguration review.	War Ministry

Apr. 8, 1935	Appointed troop Chief of Staff of Emperor's birthday review.	War Ministry
July 23	Changed name to OTAKA	
Aug. 1	Appointed Commander of the 2nd Independent Garrison Unit (not published in official gazette)	War Ministry
Apr. 29, 1934	Granted 2nd Order of Sacred Treasure For services in 1931-1934 Incident.	
Apr. 28, 1936	Appointed Lieutenant General.	Cabinet
June 1	Granted Junior grade of 4th Class Court Rank.	
Mar. 1, 1937	Appointed Commander of 19th Division.	Cabinet
Mar. 1	Discharged Command of 2nd Independent Garrison Unit. (not published in official gazette.)	War Ministry
July 10, 1936	Decorated with Order of Double Rays of the Rising Sun. For Services in 1931-1934 Incident.	
June 15, 1938	Granted Senior grade of 4th class Court Rank.	
Nov. 9, 1938	Relieved of his main post (not published in the official gazette).	War Ministry
Nov. 9, 1938	Appointed Commander of 12th Army (not published in official gazette).	Cabinet
July 7, 1937	Decorated with 1st Order of Merit with Grand Cordon of Rising Sun. For services in 1931-1934 Incident.	
Sept. 12, 1939	Relieved of his main post.	War Ministry
Sept. 12, 1939	Appointed Commander of 3rd Army (Not published in official gazette).	Cabinet
Mar. 1, 1941	Relieved of his main post.	War Ministry
Mar. 1	Appointed supreme war councillor.	Cabinet
June 19	Granted Junior Grade of 3rd Class Court Rank.	
June 21	Transferred to first reserve.	
July 4	Raised in Court rank one degree as an act of grace from the Throne. Granted Senior Grade of 3rd class Court Rank.	

7 May 1947

MEMORANDUM FOR: Maj. General A.N. Vasilyev, Assoc. Prosecutor,
Russian Division

FROM : Capt. James J. Robinson, Mr. William E. Edwards,
Mr. Pedro Lopez

SUBJECT : Witness - SUEYAKA, Kamezo (ITAGAKI)

1. Above named witness has been requested to testify on behalf of ITAGAKI to prove "that as commander of the 19th Division he was in charge of operations at Chang Kunfen, where Jap and Russian forces clashed over a boundary line dispute", and that "He has full knowledge of all aspects thereof and can acquaint this Tribunal with what exactly occurred, and the causes and the result."

2. Request that you furnish us any available data, summary of evidence or document that you may have for possible use in cross-examination or re-buttal.

Capt. Robinson
William E. Edwards
Pedro Lopez

By: