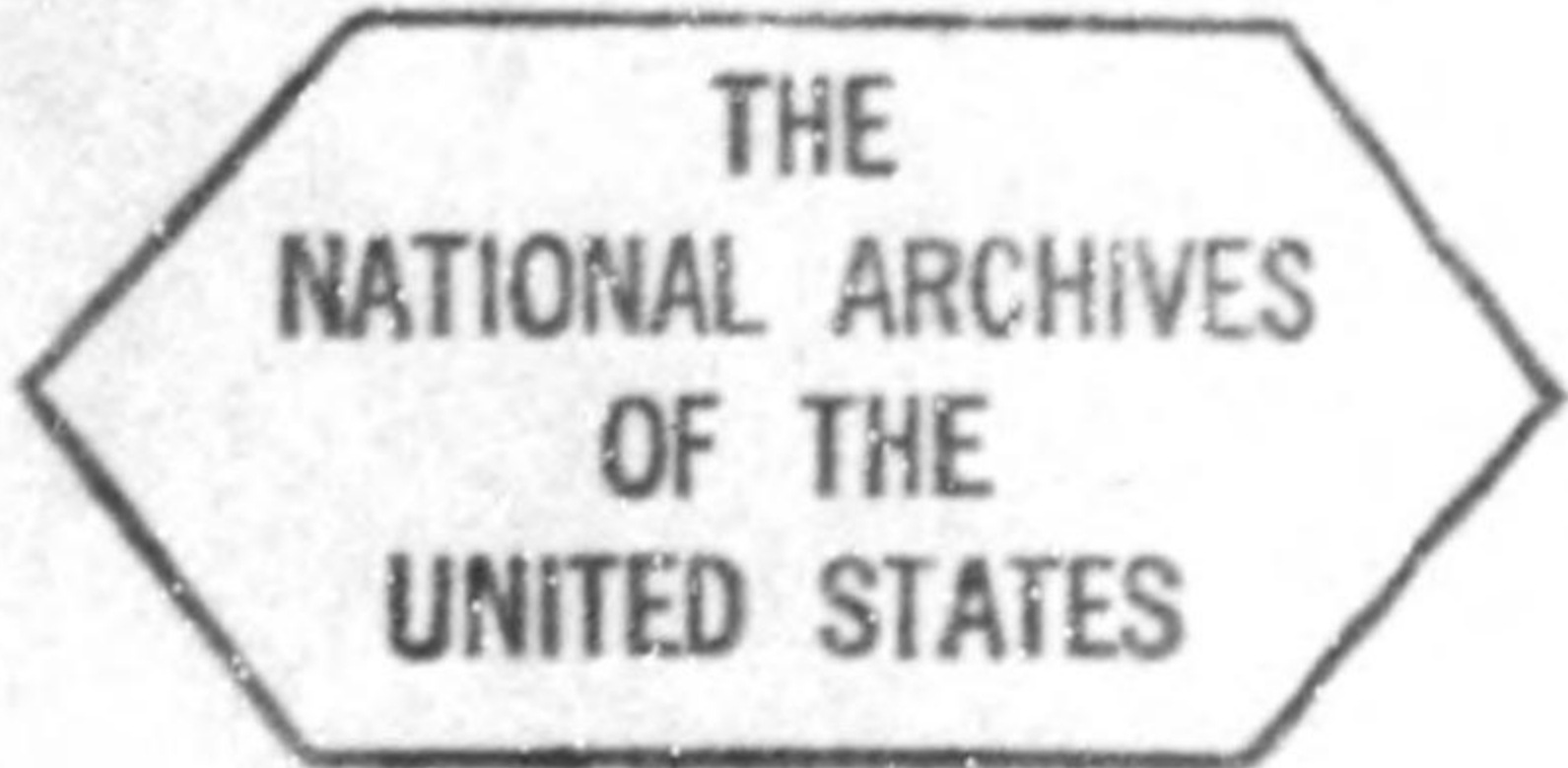


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GENERAL HEADQUARTERS  
SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS  
APO 500

AG 000.1 ( 25 May 50)GS

28 May 1950


SUBJECT: House of Councillors Election

TO: Commanding General, Eighth Army, APO 343  
Commanding General, Headquarters and Service Group,  
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BASIS: Ltr, Hq 109th Mil Serv Co. dated 5 July 46, Subj: "SS Ohteri Maru."

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GENERAL HEADQUARTERS, SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS, APO 500  
27 Aug 1946.

TO: Commanding General, Eighth Army, APO 345

1. Request you provide for return of subject vessel to owner at earliest practicable date.

2. Direct communication is authorized with CG, USAFIK, to make detailed arrangements for return of vessel.

By Command of General MacARTHUR:

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORDS:

1. Eighth Army requested instructions as to disposition of vessel mentioned in petition of present Japanese custodian. Correspondence forwarded to USANGIK for investigation of ownership and recommendation.

2. 5th Ind. by USANGIK indicates validity of ownership and urgent request of owner for return of the vessel.

3. Instant indorsement requests Eighth Army to return vessel to owner in Korea and authorizes direct communication for that purpose.

CANE G. BURNESS  
Capt. Inf.



AGMGL 319.1 (Gen)

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JUL 21 1949

SUBJECT: Special Report on Chief Procurator, Numazu Branch of the  
Shizuoka District Procuratorial Office, dtd 30 June 1949.

Headquarters Eighth Army, APO 343

TO: Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers, APO 500

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2. Mr. Featherstone, Legal Officer, Kanagawa Civil Affairs Team, has been informed of the contents of this letter and of the expected transfer.

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FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

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HEADQUARTERS  
SHIZUOKA MILITARY GOVERNMENT TEAM  
APO 1007

30 June 1949

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SUBJECT: "Special Report on Chief Procurator, Numazu Branch of the  
Shizuoka District Procuratorial Office".

TO: Commanding General  
Eighth Army  
APO 503  
ATTN: Military Government Section

1. Since the middle of 1948, the Legal-Government Section of the Shizuoka Military Government Team has received many complaints concerning the lack of action on the part of the Numazu Branch of the Shizuoka Procuratorial District. The Numazu Branch is headed by Procurator SUGIMURA. Most of these complaints have been from the police in the Numazu area. During this time the LGO has constantly attempted to gather all possible information concerning Procurator SUGIMURA. The following is the result of that attempt. The principal informant has been checked by CIC and OK'd by them.
2. SUGIMURA appears to be under the control of a Chinese "Boss" (Oya-bun), Chinese name Sen Setsu Se, Japanese name Ito and group name MASUYA, residing in Fujinomiya. In the last election at Fujinomiya on 5 April 1947, Ito secured full power there through the Vice Mayor and Vice Chairman of the Assembly. Since then he seems to have been branching out through the IZU Peninsular Area. Since the Chinese Communist have been winning, it has been reliably reported that Ito will go communist.
3. Besides Ito, SUGIMURA is in constant association with two Communist Party Lawyers, named HITOSUGI, Tohei and SATO, Eiichi. It is significant that the the Numazu area is the communist center of activity, no cases involving communist have been tried in the past twelve months. HITOSUGI will run for Mayor of Numazu next election and he will be backed by the boss of Numazu, and purges by the name of YAMASHITA, Hideji. With this backing, it is impossible for him to lose.
4. If SUGIMURA remains in office, there is no doubt that the entire Numazu Procuratorial area, including the IZU Peninsular will be under the Communist.
5. Though Procurator IKEDA, second procurator of Numazu Branch is to be charged with malfeasance and other charges, the investigation of these charges by the Shizuoka Procurators office did not go far enough. YAMASHITA, Hideji was a major in the Japanese army, and a superior to



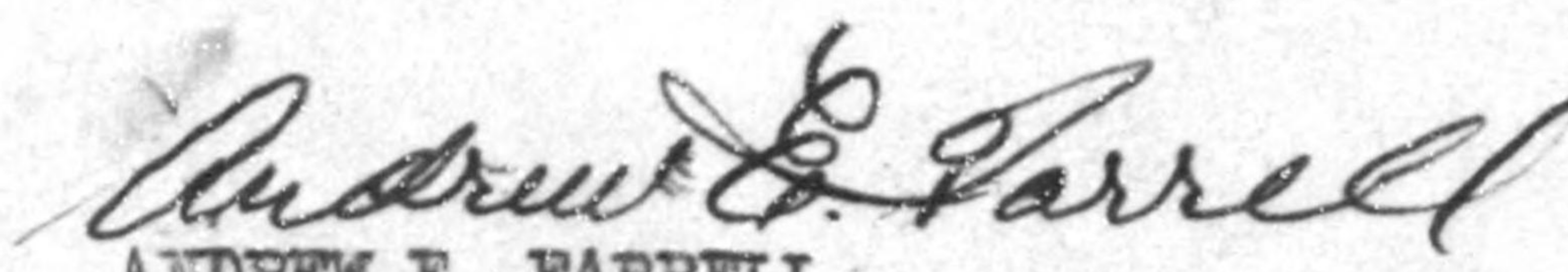
Procurator IKEDA. Upon returning to Numazu after the war, he set up a credit company (Tokai Shinyo Shoji Kabushiki Kaisha). Actually this is a front for him to operate as a go-between between the accused and Procurator SUGIMURA and IKEDA. These three then split the fee.

6. Chief Procurator SHIRAGAMI, Hiroshi, of the Shizuoka District Procurators Office has been constantly pressing SUGIMURA to resign. SUGIMURA has refused and seems to have a strong connection with higher Procuratorial Officials. The Chief Procurator has informed the LGO of these attempts and stated that if SUGIMURA is to move, Military Government will have to do it. That he, the Chief Procurator is powerless as far as SUGIMURA is concerned.

7. The Legal-Government Section of Shizuoka Military Government Team has since the appointment of a new and reliable police chief at Numazu, begun a joint program with the Civil Information Section to interest the people in bettering their city government. The Procurators office is the main stumbling block in any such program. We are finding too, that a similar program begun in Fujinomiya last May (Ref. Monthly Activities Rpt. for May 49) is bogging down for the same reason. It is interesting to note too, that it has been reported that the Lawyers Association of Numazu will refuse to recognize SUGIMURA if he attempts to establish a law practice there.

8. Based upon the above information and some ten months of surveillance, it is the considered opinion of the Legal-Government Officer of the Shizuoka Military Government Team, that it is imperative to the maintenance and promotion of law and order in the Numazu area, that SUGIMURA be removed. It is that officers further opinion that this removal can be accomplished only by Eighth Army Military Government Section taking sufficient action to cause the Tokyo Higher Procuratorial to make a complete investigation of all of the activities of the Numazu Branch during the past twelve months.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

  
ANDREW E. FARRELL  
Major, Cav  
Adjutant



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GENERAL HEADQUARTERS  
SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS

AG 319.1 (Nov 45)GS

APO 500  
November 1945

SUBJECT: Reports on Japanese Public Administration and Politics.

TO : Commanding General, Eighth Army, APO 348.

1. Objective

This guide is published for the purpose of acquainting the Occupation Forces with the nature of the information on public administration and politics required by the Supreme Commander and for the purpose of defining the scope of their responsibilities with respect thereto. It is essential that this Headquarters be provided with all current data on these subjects.

2. Policy

Direct action; that is, direct interference in Japanese civil administration, is not to be undertaken in the absence of specific orders from the Supreme Commander. The functions of the Occupation Forces are to observe and report on the progress of Japanese compliance with the directives of the Supreme Commander and to observe and report on the development of the concept and institutions of free popular government. Encouragement shall be given to the development of these institutions and freedom of speech and assembly shall not be impaired.

3. General Instructions

Complete reliance should not be placed on material received from official Japanese sources alone. Particular care should be taken to safeguard



all sources of information. Any persecution of individuals resulting from their disclosures should be interdicted immediately and a full report made to this headquarters forthwith.

4. The Information Desired

The information desired includes the following subjects but should not be limited to them alone, all information bearing on public administration and politics being considered important:

a. All available data relating to the existence and functioning of every agency of civil government and all changes therein.

b. All political activity. This embraces every form of popular movement, including aims, classes embraced, numbers involved, etc., as well as the practices and procedures of party politics.

c. The methods by which government is administered and the success or failure of such administration in terms of domestic tranquility and the public welfare. This embraces a consideration of the actual impact of administration on the people. Study should be made, on the one hand of the elements of official influence and achievement, and on the other hand of the extent of popular acceptance, popular compliance and popular protest.

d. The extent to which and how and by whom measures of control, repression and oppression are exercised.

e. The extent to which graft and corruption are prevalent, with full details where available.

f. All activities of the judicial system, and the attitude of the people toward the same.

g. Election practices and procedures. It is of especial importance that all elections and all electoral campaigns be closely watched. Here,



as in some other fields of activity, official action such as posting observers at the polls should be taken. It is vital to the success of our mission that when elections are called for they be absolutely free and untrammelled.

5. The Responsibilities of the Occupations Forces

a. Investigations are not called for unless specific instructions are issued to that effect. What is primarily desired is observation and conclusion.

b. In every case documentary evidence should be submitted where available, including official orders, ordinances, regulations, instructions, etc.

c. The oral comment and the written communications of individuals are always of value.

d. The press should be followed closely.

e. Recommendations should be made to this headquarters whenever appropriate.

f. Trends, movements and political developments are the more fully understood when the local background is known. This background, as well as the national background when available should be reported. It involves not only historical but social, economic and political factors.

6. Transmission

Reports, whether negative or positive, will be forwarded on the first day of each week through channels to this headquarters.

7. Special Reports

From time to time, special surveys requiring specific investigation will be called for.

By command of General MacARTHUR:



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GENERAL HEADQUARTERS  
SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS

AG 014.33 '27 Aug 46)GS

APC 800  
27 August 1946

SUBJECT: Investigation of Demobilization Agencies.

TO : Commander Naval Activities, Japan.  
Commanding General, Eighth Army, APO 343.

1. The Supreme Commander has under consideration a request of the Japanese Government for permission to continue to employ in the Demobilization Board and the Local Assistance Bureaus approximately four thousand former army and navy officers who unless specifically exempted are subject to mandatory removal under the political purge directive of 4 January 1946 (SCAPIN 550).

a. According to recent information, the First Demobilization Bureau (army) employs about 9,000 persons, of whom 3,500 are former soldiers; the second Demobilization Bureau (navy) employs about 29,000 persons, of whom 8,000 are former navy personnel. The request for exemption affects about 1900 former officers in the First and 2100 in the Second Demobilization Bureau.

b. The request for retention of these persons is based on their special qualifications for the task of repatriation and demobilization.

c. Information in possession of General Headquarters, Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers, indicates that (1) the number of former army and navy officers employed by the Demobilization Board and the Local Assistance Bureaus may be unduly large in relation to the amount of technical work requiring the special qualifications of these officers, (2) some of the functions of these agencies might be more appropriately performed by civilians, (3) quasi-military organizations and practices continue in some localities.

2. The Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers desires that an investigation be made to ascertain the extent to which retention of the personnel in question is essential to complete the task of repatriation and demobilization of the balance of Japanese forces still overseas.

a. The investigation will cover the staffing and functions of all demobilization agencies, local and national, which handle the repatriation, demobilization and resettlement of former military and naval personnel, with particular attention to the following:

- (1) Extent of need for the special knowledge and skills of former officer personnel in the performance of functions essential to repatriation and demobilization, with quantitative estimates by which the Japanese Government's request may be appraised.

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(2) Irregularities such as excessive or illegal disbursements, employment of unnecessary personnel, maintenance of unity of former military groups, continuation of military or naval discipline, organization or tradition in any guise whatever, into civilian life.

3. a. The Commanding General, Eighth Army, will investigate and report on those activities of the Demobilization Board and Local Aid Bureaus which relate to the demobilization of former army men, and on the need to retain the former army officers tabulated in the Japanese Government's list for the First Demobilization Bureau (Inclosure 1).

b. The Commander, Naval Activities in Japan will investigate and report on those activities of the Demobilization Board and Local Aid Bureaus which relate to the demobilization of former navy personnel, and on the need to retain the former navy officers tabulated in the Japanese Government's list for the Second Demobilization Bureau (Inclosure 2).

4. It is desired that these reports, including appropriate recommendations, be dispatched promptly to General Headquarters, Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers.

FOR THE SUPREME COMMANDER:

2 Incls.

1. List of 2d Class Secys of the First Demob. Bur. & Loc. Offices -- to CG, 8th Army.
2. List of 2d Class Secys of the Second Demob. Bur. & Loc. Offices -- to COMNAVJAP



**BASIC:** Ltr, Hq 107th Hq & Hq Det Mil Govt Sp, dated 14 Feb 1946,  
**Subject:** "Return of Interned Boat."

AG 560 (14 Feb 46) GS

13th Ind.

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS, SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS, APO 500  
34 July 1946.

**TO:** Commanding General, United States Eighth Army, APO 343

1. For your information and necessary action.
2. Upon completion of salvage operations you will be notified through General Headquarters, Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers.
3. You are authorized direct communication with Commanding General, USAFIK to obtain proper clearance for Japanese crew to pick up vessel in Korea.

By Command of General MacARTHUR:

(Stamped) A. J. Rehe  
Major, AGD  
Asst. Adj Gen

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD:

Ship "Myojin Maru" has been held in Korea since April pending decision upon petition of Japanese owner for return of the vessel. 7th Ind. directs CG, USAFIK, make arrangements for return of vessel.

Arrangements for return require salvage of the ship, which is now sunk in Pusan Harbor. Salvage operations will be completed approximately 10 August, at which time GHQ will be notified.

This indorsement passes correspondence to Eighth Army for action in preparation for picking up the vessel, and authorizes direct communication with CG, USAFIK for clearance of Japanese crew to pick up ship in Korea.

G-1 concurs (Lt Col Cullen, Lt Farrelly)

CARL G. BURESS  
Capt Inf.



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BASIC: Ltr, 2nd MAF Div., dated 23 Jan 46, Subject: "Dairi Maru, Stolen Japanese Sailing Vessel"

AG 560 (23 Jan 46)GS

3d Incl.

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS, SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS, APO 500,  
19 March 1946

TO: Commanding General, United States Eighth Army, APO 343.

1. Radio TFFMG 1162, dated 12 March 1946, from CG XXIV Corps to SCAP which was passed to CG Second Marine Division stated: "Reused 051552/1. No knowledge thus far on sailing vessels Dairi Ma u and Saichi Yoshida Maru. Port superintendents at Korean ports of entry are still on the lookout."

2. No additional action is deemed necessary.

By command of General MacARTHUR:

(Stamped) HAROLD FAIR,  
St. Col., AGD,  
Asst. Adjutant General

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD:

1. Basic communication and inclosures set forth alleged theft by Shosha Kaneko of Japanese fishing vessel Dairi Maru from Saichi Yoshida at Hagaya and escape to Korea, that radio 051552/1 was sent CG XXIV Corps by CG Second Marine Division reporting theft and requesting apprehension of thieves and impounding and return of vessel, with no reply received by 23 Jan, and requested direction as to any additional action deemed advisable. First and second endorsements, by I Corps and Eighth Army, merely forwarded the basic communication and inclosures.

2. In view of radio TFFMG 1162 from CG XXIV Corps no further action is deemed necessary.

3. G-4 (Commander Ryan) concurs informally.

H. B. Stevens  
Comdr. USNA  
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GENERAL HEADQUARTERS  
SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE FOR THE ALLIED POWERS

APC 500  
27 March 1946

AG 000.1 (27 Mar 46)GS

SUBJECT: Election Reports

TO : Commanding General, Eighth Army, APO 343

1. In view of the importance of having complete and detailed factual information on the 10 April Election by prefectures, it is desired that each unit of the field forces observing the election submit to SCAP through channels:

a. Two copies of the official Japanese Election Bulletin for each election district.

b. Summary of election law violations and comments on action taken by prefectural governors.

c. A post election report summarizing proceedings and observations on election day.

d. Comments on results of elections from Japanese citizens, groups and officials.

2. Item a, paragraph 1, above to be submitted as soon as available. Items b and c to be submitted by 20 April and item d by 30 April.

By command of General MacARTHUR



AG210483 (2 Oct 46) GS

4th Ind.

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS, APO 500, 22 Jan 47  
13 February 1947

TO: Commanding General, Eighth Army, APO 343

1. In accordance with recommendation contained in basic communication, USANGIK Liaison Teams will continue in Japan after the end of mass repatriation.

2. Since there is yet no provisional government in Korea to accredit a diplomatic mission recommendation contained in 3rd Indorsement cannot be acted upon at present; USANGIK Liaison Teams will therefore remain attached to Eighth Army.

3. A study is being made by the Department of Foreign Affairs, USANGIK, to determine the necessity for retaining the team now located at Hakata. This study will be completed by 1 March 1947, and decision as to retention or discontinuance of that team will be predicated upon its findings.

4. It is requested that in so far as is practical facilities requested in paragraph 3 basic communication be furnished USANGIK Liaison Teams attached to your headquarters.

BY COMMAND OF GENERAL MACARTHUR:

(Stamped) JOHN B. COOLEY  
Colonel, AGD  
Adjutant General



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HEADQUARTERS EIGHTH ARMY  
United States Army  
Office of the Commanding General APO 343

AG 091 (Japan) (NG-X)

11 Dec 47

SUBJECT: Dissolution of Japanese Central Liaison Offices

TO: Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers, APO 800

1. On 10 October 1947 Mr. Hayes and Mr. Swope of the Government Section, GHQ, SCAP, conferred with personnel at this headquarters relative to the dissolution of the field offices of the Central Liaison Office. It was agreed at this conference that no change would be made in the number or status of the field offices until this headquarters could study and make recommendations concerning the Eighth Army's needs for their retention, dissolution or expansion. Such a study is being conducted. It is anticipated that recommendations relative thereto will be submitted to SCAP early in January 1948.

2. Indications have reached this office that dissolution of these field offices is continuing. Specifically, it is reported that those located in Oita and Kagoshima prefectures are to be closed on 31 December 1947. Accordingly, it is requested that the Japanese Government be directed to make no changes in the number or status of these field offices pending the above noted recommendations from this headquarters.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

/s/ R. SCHAFER  
/t/ R. SCHAFER  
Lt. Col, AGD  
Asst Adj Gen



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**BASIC: Ltr. Hqs. Eighth Army, AG 091 (Japan) (MG-X) dated 11 Dec 47,  
subject: Dissolution of Japanese Central Liaison Offices.**

**AG 091.1 (19 Dec 47) GS**

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**GENERAL HEADQUARTERS, SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS,  
19 December 1947**

**TO: Commanding General, Eighth Army, APO 343**

1. The first paragraph of basic letter correctly reports the visit of Messrs. Hays and Swope of the Government Section to your Headquarters on 10 October 1947. In any changes proposed in the re-organization of Local Liaison Office, it was assumed that the Japanese Government would coordinate its proposed action with your Headquarters. No field changes were suggested by GHQ, SCAP.

2. In a telephone conversation with Col. Beasley, Chief of Military Government Section of your Headquarters, Mr. Swope explained the position described in paragraph 2 and he was satisfied.

**BY COMMAND OF GENERAL MACARTHUR:**



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GENERAL HEADQUARTERS  
SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS

AG 091.1 (22 Jan 48) GS

APO 500  
22 January 1948

SUBJECT: Central Liaison Office Reorganization

TO: Commanding General, Eighth Army, APO 343  
Commander, United States Naval Forces, Far East, APO 3923  
Commanding General, Far East Air Forces, United States Air Force, APO 928  
Commanding General, Headquarters and Service Group, General Headquarters, Far East Command, APO 500

1. Effective 1 February 1948 the Central Liaison Office, as it has existed under the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, will be abolished. A number of sections, whose services are no longer required, will be completely eliminated, while others will be reactivated by the Japanese Government as shown in paragraph 2.

2. Reactivated portions of the Central Liaison Office and the form of organization will be as follows:

a. Prime Minister's Office

(1) Liaison and Coordination Office

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- (d) War crimes matters and liaison with the International Military Tribunal for the Far East, International Prosecution Section, and Legal Section, Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers, concerning such matters.
- (e) Administrative and operational control of local (field) liaison offices and staffs.

b. Cabinet

(1) Reparations Commission

All matters pertaining to reparations.



**(2) Accommodation Office**

Supply materials and labor to occupation forces.  
This is temporary as it is expected that the Special  
Procurement Board, organized for that purpose, will  
presently take over these duties.

**c. Ministry of Foreign Affairs.**

**(1) Repatriation Division**

Repatriation matters.

**(2) Records Unit**

Assemble and preserve significant records pertaining  
to the occupation.

3. Local (field) liaison offices are not affected by this reorgani-  
zation except that they will be under administrative and operational  
control of the Prime Minister rather than the Foreign Minister as before.

BY COMMAND OF GENERAL MACARTHUR:

R. M. LEVY  
Colonel, AGD.  
Adjutant General.



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GENERAL HEADQUARTERS  
SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS

APO 500  
January 1948

AG 091.1 (Jan 48)GS

SUBJECT: Central Liaison Office Reorganization

TO: Commanding General, Eighth Army, APO 543  
Commander, United States Naval Forces, Far East, APO Navy 3923  
Commanding General, Far East Air Forces, United States Air  
Force, APO 925  
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BY COMMAND OF GENERAL MACARTHUR:

E. M. LINT  
Colonel, AGP,  
Adjutant General.



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GOVERNMENT SECTION

26 December 1947

**SUBJECT:** Examination for Positions in the  
Japanese National Personnel Commission

**TO:** Military Government Officers, HQ Eighth Army

1. The following is provided for your information. An examination will be held in Tokyo by the newly-created Japanese National Personnel Commission on January 15 for the purpose of selecting approximately 250 employees for the staff of the Commission. The examination will be given in the Chiyoda Building Auditorium in Kyobashi, Tokyo. Application to take the examination should be made to the National Personnel Commission, Chiyoda-Ku, Nagata-Cho, 2 Chome 2. This examination is open to graduates and under-graduates of any of the state or private universities and also the junior colleges throughout the country. All Military Government teams are urged to facilitate in any possible way the dissemination of information concerning this examination to any Japanese who might be interested within their respective jurisdictions. The positions to be filled in the National Personnel Commission range from technical positions in the fields of position classification, examination, and training to the usual run of clerical and administrative positions. Those who are successful in this examination will be placed in a training school for a period of 100 days in which they will be given intensive courses of instruction in the duties of the positions they will be expected to fill. The training school will be conducted by members of the staff of the Civil Service Division, Govt. Sect., GEM, SCAP.

2. Any Japanese who is interested may obtain further information concerning this examination and the training courses by communicating with the Japanese National Personnel Commission, Chiyoda-Ku, Nagata-Cho, 2 Chome 2.

FOR CHIEF OF GOVERNMENT SECTION:

CARL DANHELL  
Lt. Col. FA  
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GENERAL HEADQUARTERS WEO/HHC/CDM/tai  
SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS

7 December 1945

AG 370.5 (7 Dec 45) GS-KD

SUBJECT: Location and Assignment of Military Government Units in Korea.

TO: Commanding General, XXIV Corps, APO 236

1. Reference is made to letter Headquarters, USAFIK, Office of the Military Governor, Subject: "Assignment of Military Government Groups and Military Government Companies in Korea South of 38°." 11 October 1945, and the attached inclosure, listing location of military government units as shown by records in this headquarters.

2. It is requested that detailed information similar to that contained in letter reference paragraph 1 above be furnished this headquarters, attention Government Section, indicating current assignments and locations of military government units in Korea.

By Command of General MacARTHUR:

(Stamped) HAROLD FAIR  
Lt. Col., A.G.D.,  
Asst. Adjutant General

1 Incl:  
Incl 1 - List of MG units in Korea.

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD:

Request for current data on assignment and location of MG units in Korea, for use of Govt Section and G-3. Incl 1 furnished by G-3. Natural Resources Section (Lt Col Schenck) has asked Korean Branch for this information. Concurrence: G-3 (Major Cummings).

G. B. HARRIS  
Lt Col, Cav,  
Govt Section



**Unit****Location**

96 Hq &amp; Hq Det. Mil Govt Gp

Kunshan

97 Hq U Hq Det. Mil Govt Gp

Seoul

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BASIC: Ltr, 34th Mil Govt Hq & Hq Co., subject: "Repatriation of Japanese From Korea" dated 18 February 1946.

AG 370.05 (18 Feb 46)GS

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GENERAL HEADQUARTERS, SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS, APO 500.  
11 March 1946.

TO: Commanding General, Eighth Army, APO 343.

Mail communication between Japan and Korea through civilian channels is available to the persons referred to in the basic communication and nothing contained therein indicates any need for action by military authorities in the instant case.

BY COMMAND OF GENERAL MACARTHUR:

(Stamped) HAROLD FAIR,  
Lt. Col., AGD,  
Asst. Adjutant General

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD:

1. Basic communication from Military Government Unit states that a certain Japanese was repatriated from Korea and his wife, who was born in Korea but is believed to have become Japanese by marriage, and child remained in Korea at insistence of her parents who believed living conditions unsatisfactory in Japan, that he has made satisfactory living arrangements and desires repatriation of wife and child and that Mil Govt unit refused him permission to return to Korea to repatriate family but agreed to assist him through military channels because of difficulties and restrictions of civilian communications. The information is forwarded for possible reference to Mil Govt in Korea.
2. 1st and 2nd indorsements from IX Corps and 8th Army recommend forwarding request to CG 24 Corps.
3. Civil Censorship Detachment advises that civilian mail channels are available and adequate in this situation.
4. Under these circumstances action through military channels is unnecessary.
5. G-3 (Lt Col Strauss) concurs informally.

H. E. STEVENS  
Comdr, USNR



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APO 500  
14 October 1948

AG 014.33 (14 Oct 48)GS

**SUBJECT:** Japanese Evacuee Requests Return to Former Residence.

**TO :** Commanding General, Eighth Army, APO 343.

1. The enclosed letter from a Japanese evacuee, who apparently desires permission from ward authorities to return to his former place of residence in Yokohama, is forwarded as a matter relating to your Command and for such disposition as you deem appropriate.

By Command of General MacARTHUR:



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AG 461 (23 Aug 46)GS

APO 500  
23 August 1946

SUBJECT: Letter of Transmittal.

TO : Commanding General, Eighth Army, APO 343

Transmitted herewith for your information are fifty (50) copies of Military Government Regulations No. 14, subject: "Transportation".

By command of General MacARTHUR:

A. J. REBE  
Major, AGD  
Asst. Adj. Gen.

1 Incl:  
MGR 14 (50 Copies)

Mailed 1510 Aug 23 '46 AG GEQ



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GENERAL HEADQUARTERS  
SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS

AG 370.5 (11 Oct 45)GS

AFG 500  
11 October 1945

SUBJECT: Shipment of Military Government Personnel to Eighth Army.

TO : Commanding General, Eighth Army, APO 343.

1. Reference is made to:

a. Radio CX 35904, 21 August 1945, from CINCAFPAC to Commanding Officer, Civil Affairs Holding and Staging Area, Presidio of Monterey, California, copy attached as Inclosure 1.

b. Radio K 10012, 29 September 1945, from Commanding General, Sixth Army to CINCAFPAC ADV, stating that eighteen (18) Military Government officers, now in Hawaiian Islands, were not needed by the Sixth Army and were available for reassignment.

c. Radio D 71780 DE, 29 September 1945, from Commanding General, Eighth Army to CINCAFPAC ADV, requesting that fifteen (15) Military Government officers be furnished.

d. Radio CAX 52835, 6 October 1945, from CINCAFPAC ADV TO Commanding General, AFMIDPAC, which requested that the eighteen (18) Military Government officers now in Oahu be ordered to the Eighth Army.

2. Though it cannot be definitely determined at this time, the records of this headquarters indicate that the shipment of eighteen (18) officers effected by the reference made in sub-paragraph 1. d. above consists of eight (8) staff officers and the officers of one Military Government Company, as follows:

a. Staff Officers:

Administrator

Major Hessler, Earle W. AC 0255883

Resources

Capt Bramble, Mayne L. FA 0355029

Legal

Capt Brinsfield, Sol E., Jr AC 0907295

Public Safety

Lt (Jg) Pensworth, William L. D.-V(S)USNR 400195



**BASIC LTR: Shipment of Military Government Personnel to Eighth Army, AG 370.8(11 Oct 45)MG, Dtd 11 October 1945.**

Supply

Capt Sahn, Clayton H. AG 0560504

Engineering

Capt Berry, Francis W., Jr. CMP 0153200

Transportation

Capt Graham, John EA 0376915

Labor

Capt Metcalf, Clarence W. Inf 0292267

**b. 37th Hq & Hq Co, Military Government (TO&E 20-52F):**

SMGO	(Vacancy)
Public Safety Officer	(Vacancy)
Public Safety Officer	3d Lt Floyd H. Arrowood, CMP, 01799028.
Legal Officer	1st Lt Nathaniel W. Schwartz, CAC, 01052953
Salvage Officer	1st Lt. John S. Wagener, CAC, 0286858
Supply Officer	Lt (jg) John H. Sadle, SC-V(S)USNR, 347926.
Labor Officer	1st Lt Alfred H. Ferguson, Inf, 0226852
Civilian Feeding Officer	Capt Charles W. Roush, AG, 0390150
Engineer - Construction	Capt Charles A Payne, Jr, Sig C, 0304418
Engineer - Utilities	1st Lt Stanley J. Thill, CE, 0110288
Sanitation Officer	Capt Charles A Varner, AG, 0901408
Public Health Officer	1st Lt Phillip T. Hedgin, MC, 0557981

3. An information copy of this letter has been furnished the Commanding General, Sixth Army.

BY COMMAND OF GENERAL MacARTHUR:

1 Incl -  
Radio CX 35904



AG 410.4 (13 Feb 46)GS

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GENERAL HEADQUARTERS, SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS,  
APO 500, 26 February 1946.

TO: COMMANDING GENERAL, EIGHTH ARMY, APO 343 (Attention Provost  
Marshal, Major  
Cuthbert, CID.)

For investigation and report.

By command of General MacARTHUR:

HAROLD FAIR  
Lt. Col. AGD  
Asst. Adjutant General

Mailed 1010 Feb 27 '46 AG-GHQ







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GENERAL HEADQUARTERS  
SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS  
MILITARY INTELLIGENCE SECTION, GENERAL STAFF  
ALLIED TRANSLATOR AND INTERPRETER SECTION

NOTE: Translation directed by the Commander-in-Chief.

Received ATIS: 15 May 1946

DIGEST OF LETTER

TO: GENERAL MacARTHUR.  
FROM: KATAHIE, Fumi ( ). KAGOSHIMA-Ken, HIOKI-Gun,  
GUNZAN-Mura, KAWADA KAMI.  
9 May 1946.

The writer inquires as to the legality of the 12 year prison sentence given her brother who deserted the Japanese army at BOUGAINVILLE Island. She states that her brother is now in a prison in NAGASAKI. She believes that since the war is terminated, her brother should be released. The writer asks for an investigation of this case.



GENERAL HEADQUARTERS  
SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS

AGO 500  
17 June 1946

AG OCO.5 (17 June 46)GS

SUBJECT: Complaints of Japanese Citizens About Criminal  
Prosecution in Individual Cases.

TO : Commanding General, Eighth Army, APO 543  
(Attention: Military Government Section).

1. The inclosed two letters are referred for such action as you  
deem appropriate.

2. Request information as to action taken.

By command of General MacARTHUR:

S. T. OKADA  
2d Lt, AUS  
Actg Asst Adj Gen

2 Incls:  
Incl 1. Letter from  
TANIGUCHI, Keitaro  
Incl 2. Letter from  
KATAHIRA, Fumi

Mailed 1700 Jun 18 '46 AG-GHQ



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GENERAL HEADQUARTERS  
SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS  
MILITARY INTELLIGENCE SECTION, GENERAL STAFF  
ALLIED TRANSLATOR AND INTERPRETER SECTION

NOTE: Translation directed by the Commander-in-Chief.

DIGEST OF LETTER

TO: General MacARTHUR's Headquarters, Legal Section.

From: TANIGUCHI, Keitaro; SAGAKEN, NISHIMATSUJURA GUN,  
OKAWA NOMURA.

The writer states that the postmaster of his village said in effect during a speech last spring that JAPAN was in a worse predicament than the newspapers indicated and was therefore jailed and tried by the public procurator. The writer wishes to know if there is not some way by which the postmaster can regain his lost honor.



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GENERAL HEADQUARTERS  
SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS

APO 500  
18 June 1946

AG 095 (18 June 46)GS

SUBJECT: Complaint of Japanese Citizens about Judicial  
Procedure in an Individual Case.

TO : Commanding General, Eighth Army, APO 343.

1. The inclosed letter is referred for such action as is deemed appropriate.
2. Request information as to action taken.

By command of General MacARTHUR:

Incl: Letter from  
Shoji Mura

A. J. REBE  
Major, AGD  
Asst. Adj. Gen.

Mailed 1410 Jun 18 '46 AG-GHQ



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Nakajiro, Otamaehi, Kujigun  
Ibaraki Prefecture.

May 9, 1946

C.I. & E. GEQ

We hereby inform you of the following fact and ask your fair judgment for it.

Kinzeburo Takawa, a former army captain and member of the executive committee of the Ibaragi prefectural branch of the Imperial Rule Assistance Political Society, was sentenced to two-year's imprisonment at the Mito sub-District Court on January 16, for his crime of embezzle of army property after the termination of the Pacific war and the illegal concealment of ammunitions in his residence which were disclosed by the hand of the M.P. last December.

He appealed from this sentence to the Mito District Court, a higher court, where his former sentence was commuted to one year's imprisonment, on April 30. However, he was discharged from prison and came back to his home on May 2. It is rumoured that he will be found innocent and acquitted if he should appeal to the Tokyo Court of Appeal.

We cannot understand why his first sentence was commuted to one year and also he was given a firm conviction of innocence for his guilt despite of his complete recognition for the crime of embezzling. If he is innocent, we doubt the judgment in the Japanese court.

As we are confident that if such a man is to be released without any fair punishment, he will soon come back and become a formidable nucleus of militarism, we should like to ask your thorough investigation of him.

Shoji Murai  
Chuhei Kimura

See Memo for Record 10 June 46 from AG Oppler File ooc.5 Crimes Book I



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GENERAL HEADQUARTERS  
SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS

AG 201-Matthew R Kinde (23 Oct 45)GS

APO 500  
23 October 1945

SUBJECT: Transmittal of Records.

TO : Commanding General, Eighth Army, APO 343

1. Transmitted herewith is WD AGO Form No 66-1 of Lt Col Matthew R. Kinde, 0437309, MC.

2. Subject officer was released from assignment this Headquarters, detached service Headquarters, Eighth Army and assigned Headquarters, Eighth Army, APO 343, on letter order AGPD-A 658, dated 19 October 1945.

3. Request acknowledgment of receipt.

By command of General MacARTHUR:

(Stamped) E. W. ALLEN  
Colonel, A. G. D.,  
Asst. Adjutant General.

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1. WD AGO 66-1.
2. ASR Card.



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Ltr, Hq Kagoshima MG Team, APO 929, dtd 3 June 47, Serial No: 537, subj: Request for Return of Official Documents from Oshima.

AG 461(MG-L)

3rd Ind.

Headquarters Eighth Army, APO 343

TO: Commander-in-Chief, Far East Command, APO 500

18 JUN 1947

1. Request for return of records from Hase, Amami Oshima to Kagoshima is forwarded.

2. Recommend direct communication concerning this matter between Kagoshima Military Government Team and Military Government at Hase be authorized.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

R. SCHAFER  
Lt Col, AGD  
Asst. Adj Gen

3 Incls: n/c

AG 312.1 (3 June 47) GS

4th Ind.

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS, FAR EAST COMMAND, APO 500

3 July 1947

TO: Commanding General, Eighth Army, APO 343

1. Direct communication, for return of records from Hase, Amami Oshima to Kagoshima, between Kagoshima Military Government Team and Military Government at Hase is authorized.

2. It is requested that full use be made of duplicate copies or certified true copies to eliminate the possibility of the removal of records not pertinent to the problem.

3. A copy of this correspondence has been furnished the Commanding General, Ryukyus Command.

BY COMMAND OF GENERAL MACARTHUR:

3 Incls: n/c

R. M. LEVY,  
Colonel, AGD,  
Adjutant General

Copies furnished:  
CG, RYCOM, APO 351



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GENERAL HEADQUARTERS  
SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS

AFPO 500  
1 April 1947

AG 000.1 (1 Apr 47) GS

SUBJECT: Surveillance of National and Local Elections

TO : Commanding General, Eighth Army, APO 343.

REFERENCE: (1) AG 000.1 (21 Feb 47) GS "National Elections"  
(2) AG 000.1 (28 Feb 47) GS "Local Elections"  
(3) Z 35991 (17 Feb 47) GS

1. References (1), (2), and (3) contained basic instructions for surveillance of forthcoming Japanese national and local elections by Commanding General Eighth Army.

2. References (1) and (3) indicated that final instructions for surveillance of the national elections, together with other necessary and pertinent information regarding election laws, would be forwarded in the near future. These instructions and this information are appended herewith as Inclosure #1 (entitled Handbook and Laws for Japanese Diet Elections - April, 1947).

3. Recent Japanese legislation and ordinances have slightly modified the information provided in Inclosure #1 to Reference (2) (entitled Local Elections in Japan - 1947). A mimeographed form (entitled Local Elections in Japan - 1947 - Annex 1) is therefore attached herewith as Inclosure #2. It is desired that reference document be considered as a supplement to Reference (2) Inclosure #1.

4. It is further desired that Inclosures #1 and #2 herewith be considered as part of the command instructions contained in References (1), (2), and (3).

BY COMMAND OF GENERAL MacARTHUR:

2 Incls:

- #1 Handbook and Laws for Japanese Diet Elections - April, 1947.
- #2 Local Elect in Japan 1947 - Annex 1.  
(Incl #2 not furnished special staff sections)



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GENERAL HEADQUARTERS  
SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS

APO 500

AG 091.112 (12 Jan 48) GS

SUBJECT: Removal of Undesirable Japanese Officials

TO: Commanding General, Eighth Army, APO 343

1. Information has been received at this headquarters that Military Government Units are experiencing difficulties in carrying out the objectives of the occupation due to a lack of procedure for the prompt removal of corrupt or incompetent Japanese Officials.

2. To remove such Japanese Officials, the following procedure is established:

a. Recommendations for the removal of corrupt or incompetent officials should be sent through channels, with supporting evidence, to this headquarters.

b. Where removal from office is indicated, the Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers will take the action necessary.

BY COMMAND OF GENERAL MacARTHUR:



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28 January 47

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SUBJECT: Local Government Elections

TO : Commanding General, Eighth Army, APO 343

1. On dates to be announced later elections for chief executives will be held in all local echelons of government in Japan. The same local entities will also in a separate election chose the members of their legislative assemblies.

2. These elections are of the utmost importance not only because they are the first local elections since the surrender but also because they mark the first time in Japanese history in which local chief executives will have been elected by direct popular vote, the first time in which membership in a local assembly has been more than an honorary position, and the first time in which any elections have been supervised by representative committees of citizens rather than by government officials. It is imperative, therefore, that the elections be a free and positive expression of the will of the Japanese people and assurance that elections be of this character thus becomes a major responsibility of the Occupation Forces.

3. Applicable election laws and ordinances, if faithfully enforced, will assure fair and impartial elections. Direct responsibility for such enforcement rests with the election administration committees which have been established in each local entity of government.

4. To ensure such enforcement it is desired that through the military government teams and other forces under your control you:

a. Inform election administration committees, chief executives, candidates, and the public in general that through your forces you will observe the administration of election laws from the time the campaign opens until the final results are made public.

b. Refer to the proper Japanese authorities for correction of all violations or delinquencies in the administration of the election laws which may come to your notice.

c. Obtain extensive publicity in press and radio to the effect that violations of or failure to enforce the election laws, as well as infringements upon individual liberties, should be reported to designated units if the Japanese authorities have failed to correct the abuses. Types of violations which may be expected include:

(1) Privileges granted to favored candidates.



- (2) Unlawful exclusions from the registration lists.
- (3) Police interference with legal campaign activity.
- 8 (4) Efforts of either established or petty political machines to buy votes by bribes with scarce commodities or cash.
- (5) Excessive campaign expenditures, in cash or kind, or failure to report campaign expenses. Excessive contributions by individuals.
- (6) Interference with bona fide election meetings, with access to the polls, or with free or secret voting.
- (7) Denials of rightful candidacy; improper candidacies.
- (8) Dishonest tabulation or reporting of results.
- (9) Failure of authorities to prosecute violators.

d. Provide extensive surveillance during campaign and on election day in particular.

5. It is further desired that the military government teams observing the election, report immediately by most rapid channels to SCAP all serious breaches in the administration of election laws. Information concerning the progress of campaigns and elections will also be included in military government bi-weekly reports.

6. A policy of strictest impartiality will be observed and enforced throughout your command.

7. Election laws and ordinances and other pertinent materials in bound mimeographed form entitled Local Elections in Japan, a copy of which is attached (Inclosure No. 1), have already been made available to military government teams at an officials conference held at this headquarters 6 to 11 January 1947. It is desired that the reference document be considered a part of these command instructions. Further supplementary aids will be provided by representatives of this headquarters in visits to the field.

8. In addition to the reports called for in paragraph 5 above, it is desired that a summary report conforming to the attached form (Inclosure No. 2), be dispatched to this headquarters within two weeks after the election.

BY COMMAND OF GENERAL MACARTHUR:

3 Incls

1. Local Elections in Japan
2. Summary Report Form



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AG 091.112(20 Sep 47)GS

APO 500  
20 September 1947

**SUBJECT:** Revised Ordinances Governing the Purge

**TO:** Commanding General, Eighth Army, APO 343

1. Reference AG 091.112(13 February 1947)GS, Subject, "Administration of the Purge."

2. The Japanese Government has issued amendments to Imperial Ordinances Nos. 1, 2, 3, and 4 of 1947 and Cabinet and Home Affairs Ministry Ordinance No. 1 of 1947 which implements SCAPIN 550, 4 January 1946, Subject, "Removal and Exclusion of Undesirable Personnel from Public Office." The amendments promulgated prior to 1 September 1947 have been incorporated in the revised Purge Ordinances (Inclosure).

3. Copies of the revised Ordinances are inclosed for distribution to Military Government units in the field to aid them in rendering assistance to SCAP.

BY COMMAND OF GENERAL MacARTHUR:

1 Incl  
Purge Ordinances (54 copies)

(Stamped) R. G. HERSEY  
Lt. Col AGD  
Asst Adj Gen



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BASIC: Ltr, Kyoto Mil Govt Team, APO 713, dtd 4 Feb 48. subj:  
Land Expropriation Law.

AG 013 (MG-L)

2nd Ind.

Headquarters Eighth Army, APO 343

TO: Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers, APO 500.

Report concerning the out-dated Land Expropriation Law is  
forwarded for your information and consideration.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

1 Incl:  
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R. SCHAFER  
Lt Col, AGD  
Asst Adj Gen

AG 602 (4 Feb 48) GS

3rd Ind.

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS, SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS, APO 500,  
26 February 1948.

TO: Commanding General, Eighth Army, APO 343

Revision of the Land Expropriation Law of 1900 had previously been  
initiated by the Japanese Attorney General's Office, in consultation with  
Government Section, and is under active consideration at the present time.  
It is contemplated that a draft of a new Bill will be ready for presentation  
during the present Diet session.

BY COMMAND OF GENERAL MacARTHUR:

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**AG 230 (23 Jul 48) GS**

**SUBJECT: Results of Japanese Civil Service Examinations**

**TO: Commanding General  
Eighth Army  
APO 343**

Herewith information copy of report of results of Civil Service Examinations held 27 June 1948 for the purpose of filling Personnel Technician and Clerical Positions in the Japanese Government. It is requested that copies of this memorandum be forwarded to the Commanding Officers of the Military Government Teams in Osaka, Kure, Fukuoka, Takamatsu, Sapporo, and Sendai whose cooperation contributed materially to the success of this examination.

**BY COMMAND OF GENERAL MacARTHUR:**

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AG 332.5(28 Nov 47)08

APD 500  
28 November 47

**SUBJECT:** Enforcement of SCAPIN 550

**TO:** Commanding General, Eighth Army, APO 343.

1. Reference: SCAPIN 550, Subject: "Removal and Exclusion of Undesirable Personnel from Public Office", dated 4 January 1946.
2. Enclosed allegations point to probably violations of reference SCAPIN.
3. It is requested that an investigation be initiated to determine if purged former officers of the Kawasaki Steamship Co. Ltd. (Kawasaki Kisen K.K.), namely Masasuke Itani, former president, Kenjiro Okubo, former managing director and Shotaro Kitamura, former business director, are visiting the offices of subject company, have set up offices in the same building as the offices of Kawasaki Kisen K. K., and are continuing to guide and influence the interests and activities of this company.
4. If investigation proves the above allegations to be true in whole or in part, it is requested that a summary report of investigation be made to Government Section and that evidence in the form of "han" statements or other legal documents be secured and forwarded with the report of investigation. Additional information which may be of assistance in the investigation is enclosed.

BY COMMAND OF GENERAL MacARTHUR:

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1. Ltr, Kobe
2. Ltr, Kobe
3. Info Key Personnel  
Kawasaki Kisen K. K.
4. List Present Officers  
Kawasaki Kisen K.K.



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AG 461 ( )GS

SUBJECT: National Personnel Authority Rules, Directives and Regulations

TO: Commanding General  
Eighth Army  
APO 343

ATTENTION: Commanding Officer, Civil Affairs Teams

1. Inclosed rules of National Personnel Authority when added to booklet sent 6 June 1949, brings NPA Rules up-to-date.

2. Most of these rules already forwarded to you in typewritten form. The following, however, sent to you for the first time: 1-6, 9-2 (Amended) and 14-5.

BY COMMAND OF GENERAL MacARTHUR:

1 Incl  
Printed copies of NPA Rules

*mailed 1130 Jul 19, 49*

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Letter To  
8th Army

APD 500

AG CDO.1 (26 Feb 49) GS

SUBJECT: Elections and By-Elections

TO: Commanding General  
Eighth Army  
APO 343

1. Local public entitled will hold a series of elections and by-elections, both hereinafter referred to as elections, during the current year to fill vacancies caused by the resignation of officials, by disqualification, disability, recall, death, or other reasons.

2. The conduct of these elections is governed by the election provisions contained in the Local Autonomy Law and by the Law of Exceptions concerning Writings, Drawings, and Others for Election Campaigns (first enacted on 17 March 1947, and renewed in December 1947, and in December 1948), and other pertinent laws.

3. It is possible, moreover, that by-elections for members of the Diet may be scheduled during this period.

4. It is imperative that these elections be a free and representative expression of the will of the Japanese people. General participation by the electorate and faithful observance of the applicable laws and ordinances will assure this outcome.

5. To ensure faithful enforcement it is desired that you, through the Military Government teams or other personnel under your control:

a. Inform local election administration committees, chief executives, candidates, law enforcement agencies, and the public in general that through your personnel you will observe the administration of the elections.

b. Refer to the proper Japanese authorities, all violations or delinquencies in the administration of the elections which may come to your notice.

c. Encourage efforts by information media to publicize the elections and to encourage free discussion of election issues.



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d. Insure that all local election administration committees provide candidates with complete instructions concerning their rights and freedom under the appropriate laws and regulations.

e. Observe election procedures.

6. In order to insure complete freedom of election activity during these elections you are requested to suspend all orders or instructions, written or verbal, issued by you or any unit of your command requiring advance notice or advance clearance of election or campaign meetings or speeches within the particular districts in which such elections are being held.

7. You are authorized to take such action as you deem appropriate in the event that any serious violations of the election regulations occur. The action you take in such event will be reported to this Headquarters without delay.

8. A policy of strictest impartiality will be observed and enforced throughout your command.

9. Request submission of reports to this Headquarters concerning the progress and results of each election.

BY COMMAND OF GENERAL MacARTHUR:

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GOVERNMENT SECTION

AG 312.1 ( )

SUBJECT: National Personnel Authority Rules, Directives and Regulations

TO : Commanding General  
Eighth Army  
APO 343

ATTENTION: Commanding Officer, Military Government Teams

1. The rule book of the National Personnel Authority is inclosed in compliance with the request of Colonel B. R. Papen, Military Government, for this type of publication.

2. This rule book which has just been printed covers all rules passed by the National Personnel Authority as of 25 March 1949 and incorporates both the Japanese and the English text of these current rules. The rule book is constructed to accommodate insertion of new rules which will be forwarded as they are printed.

BY COMMAND OF GENERAL MacARTHUR:

1 Incl

1. Rule Book of National  
Personnel Authority.



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GENERAL HEADQUARTERS  
SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS

AFPO 500

AG 091.112 (12 Jan 43) GS

SUBJECT: Removal of Undesirable Japanese Officials

TO: Commanding General, Eighth Army, APO 343

1. Information has been received at this headquarters that Military Government Units are experiencing difficulties in carrying out the objectives of the occupation due to a lack of procedure for the prompt removal of corrupt or incompetent Japanese Officials.

2. To remove such Japanese Officials, the following procedure is established:

a. Recommendations for the removal of corrupt or incompetent officials should be sent through channels, with supporting evidence, to this headquarters.

b. Where removal from office is indicated, the Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers will take the action necessary.

BY COMMAND OF GENERAL MacARTHUR:



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C O N F I D E N T I A L

Ltr CG, 8th Army, AGEO 000.5, subj: Violation of SCAPIN 548, 30 July 1948.

AG 000.5 (30 Jul 48) GS 1st Ind.

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS, SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS, APO 500,  
24 August 1948.

TO: Commanding General, Eighth Army, APO 348.

By Attorney General's Office Notification No. 51, issued 14 August 1948, the Japanese Government ordered the dissolution of the Korean National Defense Body as an organization existing in contravention to the principles contained in SCAPIN 548, as implemented by Imperial Ordinance No. 101 of 1946. Pursuant to dissolution of the organization the Japanese Government has directed seizure of its assets and designation of the officers as undesirable persons within the terms of SCAPIN 550.

BY COMMAND OF GENERAL MACARTHUR:

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3 Attorney General's Office  
Notification No. 51



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Government Section

APO 500  
22 September 1947.

**SUBJECT:** Enforcement of SCAPIN 550

**TO:** Chief, Military Government Section,  
Eighth Army, APO 343

1. Reference: SCAPIN 550, Subject, "Removal and Exclusion of Undesirable Personnel from Public Office," 4 January 1946.

2. It is desired that a detailed investigation be made by the Commanding Officer, Nagasaki Military Government Team of the allegations on the attached letter and that:

- a. such investigation be carried out as secretly as practicable,
- b. the validity of the allegations contained in paragraphs 1, 2, 5, and 9 of the attached letter be determined,
- c. if the allegations prove to be valid, evidence in the form of "han" statements, certified extracts of accounts and other pertinent legal certificates or documents be secured and
- d. a complete report accompanied by all available evidence be forwarded to Government Section, GHQ, SCAP.

3. The importance of this matter can hardly be over-emphasized for it represents an opportunity to prevent the overt continuity of influence or power by purgees in contravention to the letter and the intent of the reference SCAPIN.

FOR THE CHIEF, GOVERNMENT SECTION:

1 Incl  
Petition from Kawaninami Ind.  
Co., Ltd, dtd. 10 August 1947

GENL. A. DARNELL, Jr.  
Lt. Col. FA  
Executive Officer



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AG 333.5 (22 Sep 47)GS

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GENERAL HEADQUARTERS, SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS, APO 500  
18 November 1947

To: Commanding General, 8th Army, APO 343

1. It is directed that the basic, technical communication be forwarded to the Nagasaki Military Government Team for prompt action.

2. For obvious reasons it is essential that information of this kind from Japanese sources indicating non-compliance with directives of this Headquarters be thoroughly and promptly investigated to permit immediate corrective action where necessary.

3. It is not believed that highly trained investigative personnel are essential to check such matters.

BY COMMAND OF GENERAL MacARTHUR.

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GENERAL HEADQUARTERS  
SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS  
Government Section

17 November 1947

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

1. Basic communication forwarded to 8th Army by authority of Operational Instructions No. 4 and Operational Directive No. 25, Headquarters, 8th Army dated 7 March 1947, granting use of technical channels to Government Section on matters concerning implementation of SCAPIN's 548 and 550.
2. 2nd Indorsement approved by Chief, Government Section, following consultation with Secretary of the General Staff who indicated matter was entirely within scope of Government Section's responsibility.

/s/ Carl Darnell

CARL DARNELL, Jr.  
Lt. Col. PA  
Executive Officer



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5 Jan 1948

**BASIC: Ltr Hqs Techigi Mil Sect Team, APO 201, Subj: Request for  
Removal of Japanese Official, dtd 6 Dec 1947**

**AG 091.112 (6 Dec 47)CS**

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**GENERAL HEADQUARTERS, SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS,  
APO 500, 31 December 1947**

**TO: Commanding General, Eighth Army, APO 343**

1. The Japanese Government has been directed to have this man,  
Katsuo Kusakabe, removed from office.

2. If this action has not been completed in ten days, request  
this headquarters be notified.

**BY COMMAND OF GENERAL MACARTHUR**

(Stamped) A. J. HUNS  
Major, AGD  
Asst Adj Gen



GENERAL HEADQUARTERS  
SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS

APO 500  
21 February 1947

AG OOO.1 (21 Feb 47)GS

**SUBJECT:** National Elections

**TO :** Commanding General, Eighth Army, APO 343

1. The Japanese Government will hold a general election for members of the House of Councillors on 20 April and members of the House of Representatives on 25 April 1947.

2. These elections are significant and important not only because they mark the first time in history that the upper House of the Diet will be elected by popular vote but also because both houses of the Diet to be elected will be the first ones convened under the provisions of the new Japanese Constitution.

3. The Japanese Government through Election Administrative Committees--at the Prefectural, City, Town and Village level--is responsible for the conduct of these elections. The election laws for the House of Councillors and the House of Representatives, along with applicable ordinances, will, if faithfully enforced, assure fair and impartial elections.

4. To insure the proper enforcement it is desired that through the Mil Govt Teams and other field forces you:

a. Inform the Election Administrative Committees, Chief Executives, candidates and the public in general that through the personnel under your command you will observe the administration of election Laws from the inception of the campaign until the final results are made public.

b. Refer to the proper Japanese authorities for correction all violations or delinquencies in the administration of the election laws which may come to notice.

c. Provide extensive surveillance during the campaign and on election day in particular.

d. Obtain wide publicity through the press, radio and other channels to the effect that violations of or failure to enforce the election laws, as well as infringements upon individual liberties should be reported to designated units of your command if the Japanese authorities have failed to correct the abuses. Types of violations which may be expected include but are not limited to:

(1) Privileges granted to favored candidates.

(2) Unlawful exclusions from the registration lists.



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(3) Interference by police or government officials with lawful campaigning.

(4) Efforts of either established or petty political machines to buy votes by bribes with scarce commodities or cash.

(5) Excessive campaign expenditures, in cash or kind, or failure to report campaign expenses. Excessive contributions by individuals.

(6) Interference with bona fide election meetings, with access to the polls, or with free or secret voting.

(7) Denial of rightful candidacy; illegal candidacy.

(8) Dishonest tabulation or reporting of results.

(9) Failure of authorities to prosecute violators.

(10) Use of violence, threats of violence or other threats of intimidation.

(11) Use of school children in campaigning.

5. It is further desired that field forces observing the election, report immediately by most rapid direct channels to SCAP all serious breaches in the administration of election laws as well as any criticism of activities of occupation personnel in connection with the election. Information concerning the progress and conduct of the campaign and election will also be included in the routine monthly Occupation Activities Reports.

6. A policy of strictest impartiality will be observed and enforced throughout your command.

7. Election laws and other pertinent information will be formally transmitted to your headquarters when available in order that they may be made a part of the command instructions governing surveillance of national elections.

8. In addition to the reports called for in paragraph 6 above, it is desired that a summary report conforming to the attached form (Inclosure No. 1) be dispatched to this headquarters within two weeks after the elections.

9. Suggested check lists for the use of officers at polling places and ballot counting stations and appropriate for all elections, both national and local, are enclosed (Inclosure No. 2).

BY COMMAND OF GENERAL MACARTHUR

2 Incls:

Incl. No. 1. Report form on Surveillance  
of National Elections  
Incl. No. 2 Polling Station and Ballot  
Counting Station Check lists

(Stamped) JOHN B. GOOLBY  
Colonel, AGD,  
Adjutant General



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13 December 1947

Ltr Hqs Yamaguchi Mil Govt Team, APO 317, dtd 16 Sep 47, file Serial No. 1360-G, subj: Clarification of Powers of Prefectural Assemblies

AG 014.1 (16 Sep 47) GS

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GENERAL HEADQUARTERS, SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS, APO 500  
17 Dec 47

TO: Commanding General, Eighth Army, APO 348

1. Oral reply re planned amendments of Law No. 67, Law Concerning Local Autonomy, on powers and jurisdiction of all local assemblies, was given legal and government officer, Military Government Section, Headquarters 8th Army, 12 October 1947 and Chugoku Military Government Region 17 October 1947.

2. Article 14, an amendment among several others to Law Concerning Local Autonomy, is specific answer to question of local assemblies' powers and jurisdiction. It provides as follows:

"Article 14. An ordinary local public body may promulgate any by-law on affairs mentioned in paragraph 2 in Art. 2. Unless the by-law contravenes to the national law, cabinet order and ministerial regulation duly authorized by law.

The local public entity shall stipulate its disposition of the administrative affairs by its by-law unless otherwise provided by the national law, cabinet order and ministerial regulation duly authorized by law.

The prefectural government may stipulate the disposition of the administrative affairs of the city, town and village by its by-law unless otherwise provided by the national law, cabinet order and ministerial regulation duly authorized by law.

If the city, town and village by-law regarding the disposition of the administrative affairs contravenes, to that of the prefecture mentioned in the above clause, it shall be null and void.

The local public entity may stipulate by its by-law the imposition of the imprisonment with or without hard labor not exceeding two years, the fine not exceeding \$100,000, the detention, charge of confiscation for the violation of its by-law unless otherwise provided by the national law, cabinet order and ministerial regulation duly authorized by law.

The crime specified in the preceding clause falls under the jurisdiction of the national court.

'Subject to law' in para. 1 of Article 15 shall be amended as 'unless contrary to the national law, cabinet order and ministerial



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regulation duly authorized by law' and para 2 of the same article shall be  
amended as follows: The chief of the local public entity may impose  
the administrative fine not exceeding ¥2,000 for the violation of its  
regulation unless otherwise provided by the national law, cabinet order  
and ministerial regulation duly authorized by law."

BY COMMAND OF GENERAL MacARTHUR:

Incls: n/c

(Stamped) A. J. KUSH  
Major, AGD  
Asst Adj Gen



LETTERS FROM GOVT SEC TO EIGHTH ARMY WHICH WE ARE UNABLE TO LOCATE

<u>DATE</u>	<u>SUBJECT</u>
6 May 46	Violation of Japanese Election Law
9 Jan 47	Removal of Undesirable Japanese Officials
22 Mar 47	Insurance of Political Activities
18 Dec 47	Enforcement of SCAPIN 550
<del>26 Dec 47</del>	<del>Examination for positions in the Japanese Nat'l Personnel Commission</del>