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ANALYSIS OF DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE

DESCRIPTION OF ATTACHED DOCUMENT

Title and Nature: Loose, mimeographed sheets (2) - top-secret Foreign Ministry Document entitled, "Gist of the Excuse for Opening Hostilities Against AMERICA and BRITAIN."

Date: Undated, Original (x) Copy () Language: Japanese
(presumably 1941)

Has it been translated? Yes (x) No ()
Has it been photostated? Yes () No (x)

LOCATION OF ORIGINAL

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SOURCE OF ORIGINAL:

Japanese Foreign Ministry

PERSONS IMPLICATED:

(Foreign Ministers of that period and other responsible cabinet members - no specific names or signatories given)

CRIMES OR PHASE TO WHICH DOCUMENT APPLICABLE:

Relations with U.S. - Decision for war.

SUMMARY OF RELEVANT POINTS

Translation of the "Gist of the Excuse for Opening Hostilities Against AMERICA and BRITAIN" is as follows:

"That it is the cardinal point of the foreign policy of the Empire to secure the stability of EAST ASIA, and bring about World Peace, and that it is the unswerving national policy of the Empire to attempt the construction of the New Order of GREATER EAST ASIA to attain that objective."

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