

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS  
SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS

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21 January 1947

AG 400.703 (21 Jan 47)ESS/FT  
(SCAFIN 1480)

MEMORANDUM FOR: IMPERIAL JAPANESE GOVERNMENT

THROUGH: Central Liaison Office, Tokyo

SUBJECT: Surplus United States Government Property to be  
Purchased by the Imperial Japanese Government

1. Reference is made to Memorandum AG 400.703 (9 Dec 46)ESS/FT,  
(SCAFIN 1384), 9 December 1946, subject as above.

2. Paragraph 5 is amended to read: "Trucks and trailers will be operated by established agencies, governmental, prefectural and municipal, charged with the responsibility of promoting public health, safety and welfare, reconstruction and rehabilitation of devastated areas; fulfilling the Imperial Japanese Government's responsibilities in connection with meeting the needs of the Allied Forces, and prosecution of all occupational force construction projects; and distribution of food, clothing, fuel and such other essential commodities as are required for the prevention of disease and unrest among the civilian population. Title to all vehicles will be retained by the Imperial Japanese Government. These vehicles will not be used by the government for the purpose of competing with private enterprises. In cases where suitable public agencies do not exist for the accomplishment of the objectives mentioned above, the government may lease equipment to private operators, such arrangements to be subject to prior approval of General Headquarters, Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers. Plans covering the distribution and use of these trucks and trailers will be submitted to General Headquarters, Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers (Attn: Transportation Section) for approval prior to such distribution."

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