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INTERNATIONAL MILITARY TRIBUNAL FOR THE FAR EAST

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA et al

-vs-

ARAKI, Sadao et al

SWORN DEPOSITION

Deponent: ISHIWATA, Sotar

Having first duly sworn an oath as on attached
sheet and in accordance with the procedure followed
in my country I hereby depose as follows.

- 1) From January 1939 to August 1939 I was Minister
of Finance in the HIRANUMA Cabinet.

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2) It is quite inconceivable that concerning the falsification of Chinese papermoneys, a matter affecting so seriously the credit of Japan, a member of the cabinet should have made a carele~~s~~ statement without any arrangement beforehand with the finance minister. As Finance minister I was never consulted by Overseas Minister KOISO on subjects of this kind. Nor do I remember Mr. KOISO making such a statement at any Cabinet Conference.

On this 28day of Jan. 1948

At Tokyo

DEPONENT: ISHIWATA, Sotaro (seal)

I, Matsuzaka, Tokihiko,
hereby certify that the above statement was
sworn by the Deponent, who affixed his signature and so
thereto in the presence of this witness.

On the same date

At Tokyo

Witness: /s/ MATSUZAKA, Tokihiko (seal)

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OATH

In accordance with my conscience I swear to tell the
whole truth withholding nothing and adding nothing.

/s/ Ishiwata, Setare (seal)

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新東國際軍事裁判所

亞米利加合衆國

對

其他

荒木貞夫

其他

宣誓供述書

對

其他

石渡

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太

郎

自分體我國ニ行ハルル方式ニ從ヒ先ヅ別紙ノ通り宣誓ヲ爲シタル上次ノ
如ク供述シマス

石渡莊太郎口述

一 私は一九三九年一月より一九三九年八月迄平沼内閣の大蔵大臣でありました

二 中興の紙幣を発造するが如きは國家の信用に繋する由々しき問題でありますので閣僚が大蔵大臣に何等の打合せもなくして其上で發言するふらんことなことは到底考へられぬことであります。私は大蔵大臣としまして右様な問題に付て小磯拓務大臣から何等の諮詢を受けたことはめりません、又閣議の席上小磯拓務大臣が其激な發言をされたと云ふ様なことは全然記憶にありません。

昭和二十三年（一九四九年）一月廿八日

於 東京都世田ヶ谷區成城町四五五

供述者 石渡莊太郎

右ハ當立會人ノ面前ニテ宣誓シ且ツ署名捺印シタルコトヲ聲明シマス

同日於同所

立會人 松坂時彦

良心ニ從ヒ眞美ラ述べ何事ラモ狀態セズ又何事ラモ附加セザルコトヲ
宣誓書

署名捺印 石渡莊太郎