

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS

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MEMORANDUM TO: JAPANESE GOVERNMENT

THROUGH: Central Liaison Office, Tokyo

SUBJECT: Disposition of Vessels Abandoned on the Japanese Coast

1. References:

a. Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers memorandum to the Japanese Government, file AG 091.31 (4 Jun 46)ESS/PC, (SCAPIN 996), subject: Illegal Import and Export Trade.

b. Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers memorandum to the Japanese Government, file AG 000.5 (10 Dec 46)GC, (SCAPIN 1391), dated 10 December 1946, subject: Suppression of Illegal Entry into Japan.

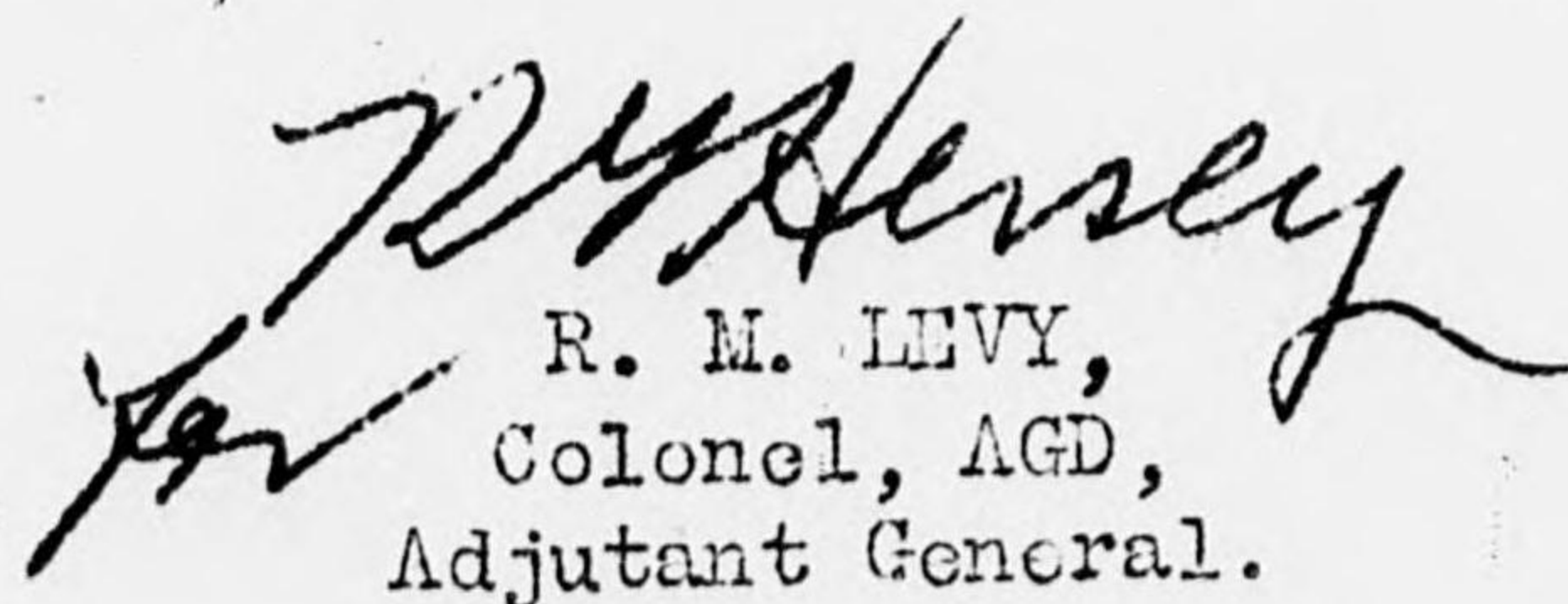
c. Central Liaison Office letter number 1413 (CM) dated 4 March 1947, subject as above.

2. After 2 September 1945 but prior to the issuance of references a and b, a large number of small vessels (less than 100 gross tons) arrived illegally in Japan from other areas; and, having been abandoned by their owners, are at present neither properly supervised nor profitably employed.

3. The Japanese Government is directed to take custody of such vessels in order that they may be effectively put to use in the transportation and fishing industries.

4. A report on the measures to be taken in compliance with this directive will be submitted by the Japanese Government within thirty (30) days of the receipt of this memorandum.

FOR THE SUPREME COMMANDER:


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