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INTERNATIONAL MILITARY TRIBUNAL FOR THE FAR EAST

THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA et al

-vs-

ARAKI, Sadao et al

SWORN DEPOSITION

Deponent: HOSOKAWA, Morisada

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.

I, HOSOKAWA, Morisada, make oath and say as follows:

(1) I married KONOYE, Yoshiko, daughter of Prince KONOYE, Fumimaro in April 1936, and as his son-in-law I naturally had many confidential and private conversations with Prince KONOYE.

I assumed the post of Secretary to the Prime Minister under the second and third KONOYE Cabinets from July 23, 1940 to October 16, 1941.

Later, during the war, I acted as private secretary to Prince KONOYE, in addition to other duties and I assumed the post of Secretary to Prince KONOYE who

was Minister of State without portfolio in HIGASHIKUNI Cabinet from August 16, 1945 until the resignation of the cabinet en bloc.

(2) Prince KONOYE told me Marquis KIDO's efforts for terminating the war, "Marquis KIDO's efforts for terminating the war have been indeed magnificent." I recall that Prince KONOYE often paid this compliment to Marquis KIDO from the time when the Prince was chosen as special envoy to the Soviet Union (though he did not go to the Soviet Union) to Japan's surrender.

On this 3rd day of Feb. 1948

At Zaimokuza, Kamakura

DEPONENT: /s/ HOSOKAWA, Morisada (seal)

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

On the same date,

at the same place.

Witness: /s/ HOZUMI, Shigetake (seal)

OATH

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

/s/ HOSOKAWA, Morisada (seal)

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亞米利加合衆國 其他

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宣審供述書

供述者 細川 慶貞

逕東國際軍事裁判所

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宣誓 供述書

供述者 細川 護 貞

自分儀我國に行はるゝ方式に従ひ先づ別紙の通り宣誓を爲したる上次  
の如く供述致します。

私、細川護貞は宣誓の上左の通り陳述致します。

(一) 私は一九三六年四月公署近衛文麿の女嬬子と結婚し、従つて婿とし

て始終近衛公と打解けた話を致しました。

私は一九四〇年七月二十三日より一九四一年十月十六日迄第二次及  
第三次近衛内閣の總理大臣秘書官に在任しました。  
其後戦時中は他の仕事をも遣り乍ら近衛公の私設秘書として働き、

更に一九四五年八月十六日東京逕内閣の無任所國務大臣に近衛公が  
就任した時に其秘書官となり同内閣が總辭職する迄在任しました。  
近衛公は木戸侯の終戦に就ての努力を常に「木戸の終戦に就ての努  
力は素晴らしいものであつた」と、私に話して居られました。  
是は丁度公が藤原へ使されること（之は實現しませんでした）に  
なつて以來、終戦に到る期間常に口にされたことでした。

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昭和二十三年（一九四八年）二月三日 於鎌倉市材木座

供述者 細川 護 貞

右ハ當立會人ノ面前ニテ宣誓シ且ツ署名捺印シタルコ●ヲ證明シマス

同日於同所

立會人 穂積 重 威

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