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On 9 January 1946 the records of the Personnel Section, Cabinet Secretariat were examined at the Diet Building, Tokyo.

Complete personnel records of the subject were micro-filmed. Photostatic copies, together with translation, are on file as Exhibit No. 125.

Following is a transcript of the translation:

MASAYUKI TANI

BORN : 9 February 1889

RESIDENCE: Kumamoto Prefecture

RANK : Samurai Family

1895 Apr Entered Shimada Primary School

1899 Mar Graduated from the above school

1899 Apr Entered the Higher Primary School in the same district

1900 Mar Finished the First Year Class of the same school

1900 Apr Transferred to the Second Year Class of the Primary School
attached to the Prefectural Normal School of the same
prefecture

1901 Mar Finished the same class of the same school

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1901 Mar	Finished the same class of the same school
1901 Apr	Entered Kumamoto Prefectural Middle School at Kumamoto
1906 Mar	Graduated from the above school
1906 Sep	Entered the 5th Higher School at Kumamoto
1909 Jul	Graduated from the above school
1909 Sep	Entered the Law College of the Tokyo Imperial University, specializing in Political Science
1913 Jul	Graduated from the above university
1913 Oct	Passed the Diplomatic and Consular Service Examinations
1914 Jan 14	Appointed as eleve consul; Conferred the 7th Grade of the Higher Civil Service (Cabinet); Salaried at 5th Class (Foreign Office); Ordered to serve in Canton
Mar 10	Conferred the 7th Court Rank, Junior Grade
Mar 28	Ordered to serve in Hamburg (Cabinet); Appointed Diplomatic Probationer; Conferred the 7th Grade of the Higher Civil Service (Cabinet); Salaried at 5th Class (Foreign Office); Ordered to serve in Holland
1915 Dec 27	Salaried at 4th Class
1916 Apr 1	Conferred the 6th Grade of Merit and decorated with the Order of the Sacred Treasure in recognition of his meritorious service during the 1914-1915 Incident
Dec 23	Salaried at 3rd Class
1917 Jun 30	Conferred the 6th Grade of the Higher Civil Service (Cabinet); Salaried at 3rd Class (Foreign Office)
Jul 20	Conferred the 7th Court Rank, Senior Grade
1918 Jun 28	Appointed as 3rd Secretary of the Embassy; Conferred the 6th Grade of the Higher Civil Service (Cabinet) Salaried at 2nd Class (Foreign Office) Ordered to serve in France (Foreign Office)
1919 Feb 5	Appointed as attendant to the Peace Plenipotentiary (Cabinet)

- 1919 Jun 30 Salaried at First Class (Foreign Office)
- Dec 26 Conferred the 5th Grade of the Higher Civil Service (Cabinet);
Salaried at Second Class (Foreign Office)
- 1920 Jan 10 Appointed as member of the Peace Treaty Execution
Committee (Cabinet)
- Jan 30 Conferred the 6th Court Rank, Junior Grade
- 1920 Sep 7 Decorated with the 5th Class Order of the Double Rays
of the Rising Sun and awarded the sum of ¥1,300 in
recognition of his meritorious service in connection
with the conclusion of treaties, including the Peace
Treaty with Germany, and also during the 1915-1919
Incident;
Conferred the 5th Grade of merit and decorated with the
order of the Double Rays of the Rising Sun (Board of
Decorations)
- Oct 20 Appointed as attendant to the Imperial Delegation to the
First General Assembly of the League of Nations held
in Geneva, Switzerland (Cabinet)
- Dec 28 Relieved of the foregoing assignment following the
conclusion of the meeting
- 1920 Dec 28 Appointed as Second Secretary of the Embassy;
Conferred the Fifth Grade of the Higher Civil Service (Cabinet);
Salaried at Second Class (Foreign Office);
Ordered to serve in France
- 1921 Jun 27 Salaried at First Class (Foreign Office)
- Sep 1 Appointed as attendant to the Imperial Delegation to the
Second General Assembly in the League of Nations held
in Geneva, Switzerland (Cabinet)
- 1922 Jun 30 Conferred the 4th Grade of the Higher Civil Service (Cabinet);
Salaried at Second Class (Foreign Office)
- 1922 Jul 20 Conferred the 6th Court Rank, Senior Grade
- 1922 Aug 22 Appointed as attendant to the Imperial Delegation to the
3rd General Assembly of the League of Nations (Cabinet)
(Geneva, Switzerland)

- 1922 Nov 4 Appointed as attendant to the Plenipotentiary to the Near East Peace Conference held in Lausanne, Switzerland (Cabinet)
- 1923 May 19 Relieved of his post on the Peace Treaty Execution Committee (Not reported in the Official Gazette)
- 1923 May 30 Appointed as Councillor of the Foreign Office; Conferred the 4th Grade of the Higher Civil Service; Salaried at 3rd Class (Foreign Office); Assigned to an additional post in the Asia Bureau
- 1923 Jun 21 Appointed to concurrent post of private secretary to the Foreign Minister; Conferred the 4th Grade of the Higher Civil Service (Cabinet)
- 1923 Oct 27 Relieved of concurrent posts;
- 1923 Dec 27 Salaried at 2nd Class (Foreign Office)
- 1924 Dec 15 Appointed as secretary of the Foreign Office; Conferred the 4th Grade of the Higher Civil Service (Cabinet); Salaried at Second Class (Foreign Office); Appointed as Chief of the First Section of the Asia Bureau and concurrently Chief of the Second Section of the same bureau (Foreign Office)
- 1924 Dec 20 Relieved of concurrent post of Chief of the Second Section of the Asia Bureau (Foreign Office)
- 1925 Jan 25 Appointed as secretary of the Investigation Committee on Cultural Enterprises towards China (Cabinet)
- 1925 Mar 31 Conferred the 3rd Grade of the Higher Civil Service (Cabinet)
- 1925 Mar 31 Salaried at First Class (Foreign Office)
- 1925 Apr 15 Conferred the 5th Court Rank, Junior Grade
- 1926 May 31 Appointed as provisional member of the Higher Civil Service Examination Committee (Cabinet)
- 1926 Sep 25 Conferred the 4th Grade of Merit and decorated with the Order of the Sacred Treasure
- 1927 Jan 15 Relieved of the post of provisional member of the Higher Civil Service Examination Committee (Cabinet)

- 1927 Jun 7 Appointed as first secretary of the Embassy;
Conferred the 3rd Grade of the Higher Civil Service (Cabinet);
Ordered to serve in U.S.A. (Foreign Office)
- 1929 Mar 9 Appointed as Secretary of the Foreign Office;
Conferred the 3rd Grade of the Higher Civil Service (Cabinet);
Salaried at First Class (Foreign Office)
Appointed as Chief of the First Section of the Asia
Bureau (Foreign Office)
- 1929 Mar 12 Appointed as Secretary of the Investigation Committee on
Cultural Enterprises towards China (Cabinet)
- 1929 May 27 Appointed as Acting Chief of the Asia Bureau of the Foreign
Office during the absence of Hachiro ARITA, its Chief
(Foreign Office)
- 1929 Jun 29 Appointed as provisional member of the Higher Civil Service
Examination Committee (Cabinet);
Relieved of the post of Acting Chief of the Asia Bureau
upon the return of its Chief, Hachiro ARITA from abroad
(Foreign Office)
- 1929 Oct 24 Appointed concurrently as Secretary of the Communications
Ministry;
Conferred the 3rd Grade of the Higher Civil Service (Cabinet);
Assigned to the Bureau of Electric Affairs (Communications
Department)
- 1930 Jan 25 Relieved of the post of provisional member of the Higher
Civil Service Examination Committee (Cabinet)
- 1930 May 1 Conferred the 5th Court Rank, Senior Grade
- 1930 May 31 Granted additional annual salary of ¥700 (Foreign Office)
- 1930 Jun 13 Appointed as provisional member of the Higher Civil Service
Examination Committee (Cabinet)
- 1930 Oct 31 Appointed as Chief of the Asia Bureau of the Foreign Office;
Conferred the 2nd Grade of the Higher Civil Service (Cabinet)
- 1930 Dec 6 Appointed as member of the Investigation Committee on
Cultural Enterprises towards China
- 1932 Jun 1 Appointed government delegate on matters under jurisdiction
of the Foreign Office in 62nd Session of the Imperial Diet

- 1932 Aug 25 Appointed government delegate on matters under jurisdiction of the Foreign Office in 63rd session of the Imperial Diet
- 1932 Oct 15 Conferred the Third Grade of Merit and Decoration with the Order of the Sacred Treasure
- 1933 May 16 Appointed as member of the Organizing Committee of the Japan-Manchukuo Joint Communications Co., in Manchuria (Cabinet)
- 1933 Jun 12 Appointed as Examiner of the Relief Examining Committee (Cabinet)
- 1933 Aug 1 Appointed as Councillor of the Embassy;
Conferred the Second Grade of the Higher Civil Service (Cabinet)
- 1933 Aug 1 Ordered to serve in Manchukuo (Cabinet);
Salaried at Third Class (Foreign Office)
- 1933 Aug 24 Appointed as member of the Organizing Committee of the Japan-Manchukuo Joint Communications Co., in Manchuria (Cabinet)
- 1933 Sep 19 Relieved of the post of member of the Organizing Committee of the Japan-Manchukuo Joint Communications Co., in Manchuria (Cabinet)
- 1934 Oct 20 Conferred the First Grade of the Higher Civil Service (Cabinet)
- 1934 Nov 1 Conferred the 4th Court Rank, Junior Grade
- 1935 Aug 15 Appointed as Imperial Government Committeeman on the Japan-Manchukuo Joint Economic Committee (Cabinet)
- 1934 Apr 29 Conferred the 2nd Grade of Merit and Decorated with the Order of the Sacred Treasure
- 1936 Apr 27 Appointed as Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary;
Conferred the 1st Grade of the Higher Civil Service (Cabinet)
- 1936 Apr 27 Ordered to serve in Austria (Cabinet);
Salaried at 3rd Class (Foreign Office)
- 1936 May 2 Appointed to concurrent post of Minister to Hungary (Cabinet)
- 1936 Dec 26 Salaried at Second Class (Foreign Office)
- 1938 Feb 19 Relieved of his post of Minister to Austria and also concurrent post in Hungary (Cabinet);
Ordered to provisionally engage in the affairs of the Foreign Office;
Granted full salary while awaiting orders (Foreign Office)

- 1938 Mar 23 Ordered to take an official trip to China (Foreign Office)
- 1939 Sep 26 Appointed as Foreign Vice Minister;
Conferred the First Grade of the Higher Civil Service (Cabinet)
- 1939 Sep 28 Appointed as member of the Investigation Committee on
Cultural Enterprises towards China (Cabinet);
Appointed as member of the Investigation Committee on
Damages Sustained during the China Affair (Cabinet)
- 1939 Oct 3 Appointed as Councillor of the Planning Board;
Appointed as member of the Electric Communication Committee;
Appointed as member of the Provisional Examination Committee
on Japanese Pioneers in Manchukuo (Cabinet)
- 1939 Oct 4 Appointed as Committee Member of the Cabinet Information
Bureau;
Appointed as member of the National Spirit General
Mobilization Committee;
Appointed as member of the Asia Development Committee;
Appointed as committee member of the National General
Mobilization Council;
Appointed as member of the Appraisal Committee on
Government Investments in the North-China Development
Co., Ltd. and the Central-China Development Co., Ltd.;
Appointed as member of the Central Statistics Committee;
Appointed as Councillor of the Manchurian Affairs Bureau
(Cabinet);
Appointed as member of the Overseas Colonization Investigation
Committee (Cabinet)
- 1939 Oct 4 Commissioned as member of the Preparatory Committee for
Establishing the Ministry of Trade (Cabinet)
- 1939 Oct 10 Appointed as member of the Preparatory Committee on the
Construction of Central Government Buildings (Cabinet)
- 1939 Oct 12 Appointed as member of the Liquefied Fuel Committee (Cabinet);
Appointed as member of the Trade Council (Cabinet)
- 1939 Oct 13 Appointed as member of the Planning Council (Cabinet);
Appointed as member of the International Tourists Committee
(Cabinet)
- 1939 Oct 16 Appointed as member of the Board of Trustees of the 2,600th
Celebration (Cabinet);
Appointed as member of the Sea-Route Control Committee;
Appointed as member of the Ship Control Committee (Cabinet)

- 1939 Nov 10 Appointed as Secretary of the Foreign Exchange Control Committee (Cabinet)
- 1939 Nov 29 Appointed as member of the Government Loans Disposition Committee (Cabinet)
- 1939 Dec 2 Appointed as temporary member of the Provisional Capital Fund Adjustment Committee (Cabinet)
- 1939 Dec 9 Appointed as member of the Customs Duty Investigation Committee (Cabinet)
- 1939 Dec 9 Appointed as a member of the Opium Committee (Cabinet)
- 1939 Nov 15 Conferred the 4th Court Rank, Senior Grade
- 1940 Mar 30 Appointed as member of the Consular Court Committee (Cabinet)
- 1940 Feb 2 Appointed as reserve member of the Higher Civil Service Limitation Committee (Cabinet)
- 1940 Jul 17 Appointed as member of the Cabinet Celebration Committee (Cabinet)
- 1940 Jul 18 Appointed as Chief of the Second Reception Section of the Cabinet Celebration Committee (Cabinet)
- 1940 Jul 25 Relieved of his main post at his own request (Cabinet)
- 1941 Oct 18 Appointed as President of the Cabinet Information Board (Cabinet)
- 1941 Nov 15 Appointed as government committeeman in the 77th Imperial Diet (Cabinet)
- 1941 Dec 15 Appointed as government committeeman of the 78th Imperial Diet (Cabinet)
- 1941 Dec 25 Appointed as government committee-man in the 79th Imperial Diet (Cabinet)
- 1942 Feb 21 Appointed as Secretary of the Greater East Asia Construction Council (Cabinet)
- 1942 May 26 Appointed as government committee-man in the 80th Imperial Diet (Cabinet)

- 1942 Aug 19 Conferred the First Grade of Merit and decorated with the Order of the Sacred Treasure
- 1942 Sep 17 Appointed as Foreign Minister and concurrently President of the Cabinet Board of Information (Cabinet)
- 1942 Oct 1 Conferred the 3rd Court Rank, Junior Grade
- 1942 Dec 17 Appointed as Imperial Government representative on the Japanese-German-Italian Mixed Specialists Committee held in Tokyo (Cabinet)
- 1943 Apr 20 Relieved of both the main and concurrent posts at his own request (Cabinet)
- 1943 Apr 28 Appointed as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary; Ordered to serve in China (Cabinet)
- 1940 Apr 29 Decorated with the Order of the Double Rays of the Rising Sun in recognition of his services in the China Affair

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Shibuya Soichi
Signature of Official

Witness: Shibuya Soichi

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