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MEMORANDUM FOR: JAPANESE GOVERNMENT

SUBJECT: Fire Protection

1. The provision of fire protection for occupation force facilities located within or a part of a municipality is considered to be the responsibility of the Japanese Government, the actual provision of such protection being recognized as a responsibility of the municipality. Procurement demands will not be issued to cover the provision of this protection.

2. Maintenance and operation of the Marunouchi Special Fire Station falls within the purview of paragraph 1.

3. The Commanding Generals, Eighth Army and Far East Air Forces, within their respective commands, are responsible for fire prevention, fire protection, and fire fighting for occupation force facilities, whether located within or without a municipality. The Commanding General, Headquarters and Service Group has been assigned like responsibility for the Tokyo area. In the exercise of these responsibilities for occupation force facilities located within or a part of a municipality, the commands concerned have been directed to coordinate with the Japanese Government and/or municipality concerned to insure that the Japanese Government's responsibility, set forth in paragraph 1 above, is most effectively discharged within the means available.

4. As an exception to the general policy enunciated above, supplemental fire fighting facilities established by adequate directives of the Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers to serve certain large concentrations of occupation force facilities, which are located within the limits of a municipality have been provided and will continue to be provided by means of procurement demands upon the Japanese Government.

5. As a further exception to the general policy enunciated above, the Marunouchi Special Fire Station is authorized the use of United States Army fire fighting equipment as determined by the Commanding General, Headquarters and Service Group. Likewise, the use of United States Army or Air Force fire fighting equipment presently assigned to municipalities by the commander concerned is authorized.

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