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MIE MILITARY GOVERNMENT TEAM
APO 710

WLT/si

20 December 1947

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SUBJECT: Additional Blackmarket Control.THRU : Commanding Officer
Tokai-Hokuriku Mil Govt Region
APO 710TO : Commanding General
I Corps
APO 301
(Attn: Mil Govt Section)

1. Allied vehicles, used for illegal transporting of blackmarket items, are increasing. Three Japanese nationals (drivers for the Fifth Air Force motor pool) were recently apprehended and are now awaiting trial. Said drivers were illegally transporting clothing material from Mie Prefecture to Aichi Prefecture through use of Fifth Air Force motor vehicles. Further, one of this unit's jeeps was recently stolen for purpose of transporting blackmarket rice through the Nara-Mie Japanese Police Prefectural road block.

2. This unit is enforcing the following measure to curtail black-marketing in Occupation Force vehicles:

a. Requesting that the Japanese Police stop Allied vehicles, driven by Japanese nationals and not escorted by Allied personnel, for the purpose of seeing that no blackmarket items are being transported. (This request will be enforced at boundaries of Mie Prefecture as well as within the prefecture.)

b. Instructing the Japanese drivers of this unit to stop, upon request of Japanese Police, and submit to search.

c. Instructing the Prefectural officials to plainly mark all of their vehicles, recently purchased from U.S. Army surplus, so that they can easily be recognized by the Japanese Police.

3. In order that the Japanese Police can properly comply with above-mentioned instructions, it is requested that all Allied personnel stop at road blocks long enough for the Japanese Police to identify him as not being a Japanese national driver, travelling without Allied escort.

BASIC: Letter, Hq Mie Mil Govt Team, subject: "Additional Black-market Control", dated 20 December 1947.

4. It is further suggested that MPs be stationed intermittently at Ise-o-hashi Bridge, Kawana City, Mie Prefecture, river boundary between Mie and Aichi Prefectures, to encourage Japanese Police to stop illegal transporting and to spot-check Allied vehicles passing said transportation road check point.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

DESMOND P. WILSON
Major, PA
Adjutant

Report Control Symbol
47/E/PC/2

BASIC: Ltr, Hq Mie Mil Govt Team, APO 710, dtd 20 Dec 47,
Subj: "Additional Blackmarket Control"

1st Ind

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Hq Tokai-Hokuriku Mil Govt Region, APO 710, 24 Dec 1947

TO: CG, I Corps, APO 301
ATTN: Mil Govt Section

This headquarters concurs with the measures taken by the
Mie Military Government to curtail black market activities.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

WALTER O. WADE
Captain, INF
Adjutant

AG 000.5 - BA

2nd Ind

RFS/lha

Hq I Corps, APO 301

TO: CG, Tokai-Hokuriku Mil Govt Region, APO 710

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1. It is desired that the plan outlined in basic letter be discussed and coordinated with the Provost Marshal, Nagoya Metropolitan Area. It is further desired that the problems arising from dispatching military vehicles to Japanese drivers be made known to the immediate responsible officers of the several motor pools in your area.

2. A report on the operation of the plan will be submitted to this headquarters.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WOODRUFF:

WILDER A. JOHNSON
Capt. A. G. D.
Asst. Adj. Gen.

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HEADQUARTERS
OSAKA MILITARY GOVERNMENT TEAM
APO 25

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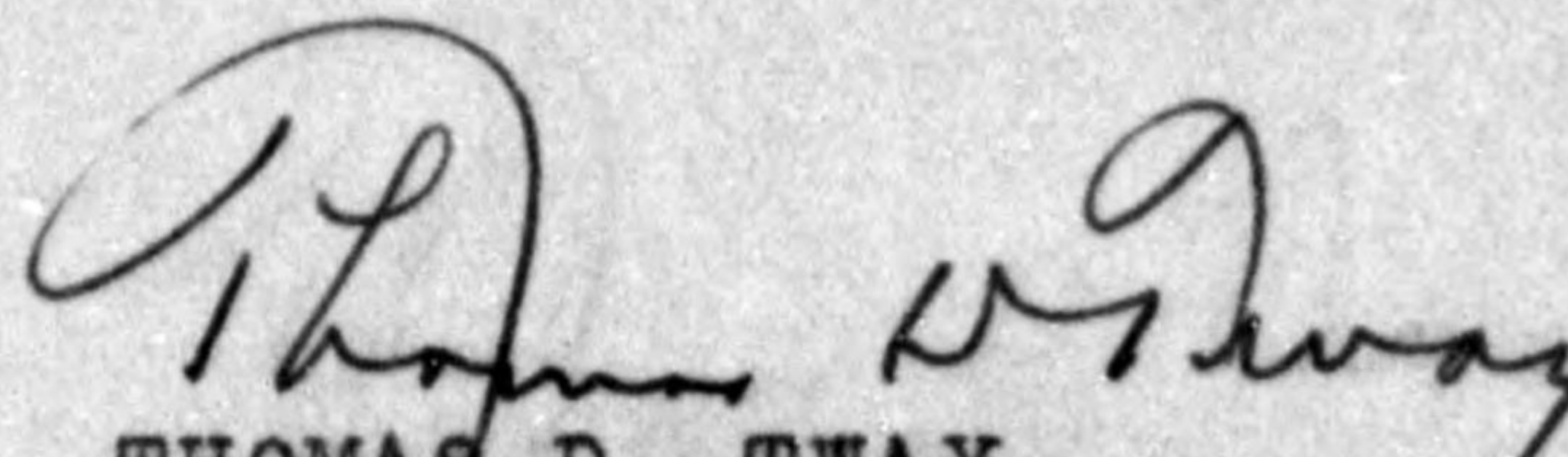
4 December 1947
47/LG/B/4

SUBJECT: Suppression of Blackmarket Activities

TO: Commanding Officer
Kinki Mil Govt Region,
APO 317
ATTN: Legal & Govt Officer

1. On Wednesday, 3 December 1947, a meeting was held in Osaka City to devise ways and means for obtaining staple food in consumer areas without violating the ceiling price law through the "cooperative weight" system. The meeting was attended by all of the governors from the Kansai area.

2. A resolution passed at the meeting requested the assistance of Military Government units throughout Japan in supervising the collection and distribution of staple foods in production areas at ceiling prices. The request was specifically aimed at obtaining fish from Hokkaido and other areas outside of the Kansai area.


THOMAS D. TWAY
Lt. Colonel, Infantry
Commanding

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HEADQUARTERS
OSAKA MILITARY GOVERNMENT TEAM
APO 25

JBS/myt

25 November 1947
47/LG/B/3

SUBJECT: Blackmarkets Control

TO: Commanding General
I Corps,
APO 301

1. A report was submitted concerning the results of activities of the Osaka Government Railway Bureau in conjunction with the Economic Crime Section of the Prefectural Police Department in the control of traffic in staple food over the Osaka Government Railway system.

2. During the month of October, 13,516 cases were apprehended at six important railway terminals. The staple food confiscated by the authorities consisted of rice, 35%; sweet potatoes, 35%; fish, 20% and wheat, 10%.

Thomas D. Tway
THOMAS D. TWAY
Lt. Colonel, Infantry
Commanding

BB 68008

000.5 Blackmarket

HEADQUARTERS
KYOTO MILITARY GOVERNMENT TEAM
APO 713 (Kyoto, Honshu)

TRH/m

21 November 1947

SUBJECT: Bartering Imported Food
TO: C G Eighth Army, APO 343
THRU: Mil Channels

1. Clarification of above subject is desired. Investigation of possible black market activities by a Japanese Soy-sauce plant revealed that soy-sauce was being exchanged for imported flour. A variable percentage of the flour exchanged is retained for use by the company. Unless this retained flour is traced into the black market, no corrective or disciplinary action can be taken since such a situation is not covered in existing directives from SCAP and very sketchily in Japanese law.

2. The subject company announces to the public by posters conspicuously placed, that on a given day they will exchange soy-sauce for imported flour. This is carried out at either a large intersection or in a vacant lot. Since the company is making a profit, and that on imported flour, it is the opinion of this office that such practice is illegal, but no directives' definite enough for prosecution of responsible people can be found.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

/s/ Thomas R. Harbin
/t/ THOMAS R. HARBIN
1st. Lt. Inf.
Adjutant.

AG 000.5 - BA 1st Ind GLA/mk
Hq I Corps, APO 301,
TO: CG, Eighth Army, APO 343

NOV 29 1947

Attention is invited to basic letter for your information and advice.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

Charlie Ramsey
C. W. O. U.S.A.
Asst. Adj Gen

General

Ltr, Hq Kyoto Mil Govt Team, dtd 21 Nov 47, subj: Bartering Imported Food.

AG 430 (MG-Ep)

2nd Ind

Headquarters Eighth Army, APO 343, 8 December 1947

TO: Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers, APO 500
(Attn: ESS/Price Control and Rationing Division)

Information is requested upon which to base a reply to basic communication.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

R SCHAFER
Lt Col, AGD
Asst Adj Gen

AG 383.8 (21 Nov 47)ESS/PC 3rd Ind

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS, SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS,
APO 500, 20 December 1947

TO: Commanding General, Eighth Army, APO 343

1. The bartering of soy sauce for imported flour as reported in the basic communication violates Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry Ordinance No. 6, dated 17 January 1942. Article 5 of that ordinance states that any person who makes it his business to produce soy sauce with a view to sale may not sell or transfer soy sauce produced by him to any person other than the person designated by the prefectural governor. The "person designated" by the Kyoto Prefectural Governor is the Kyoto Shoyu Control Co., Ltd. Article 5 also provides that in "special circumstances" the prefectural governor may grant exceptions to the provisions of the article, but in the opinion of the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry the situation reported in the basic communication by the Kyoto Military Government Team does not constitute a "special circumstance" for which an exception should be granted.

BASIC: Ltr, Hq~~s~~ Kyoto Mil Govt Team, APO 713, dated 21 November 1947, subject: Bartering Imported Food.

2. The Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry is requesting a full investigation by the Kyoto prefectural government of the reported violation. Appropriate corrective action will be taken.

3. The Kyoto Prefectural Governor is being requested to inform the Kyoto Military Government Team of the results of the investigation, and subsequent action.

4. If the results of the investigation are not reported within a reasonable period of time or if such a report is received but considered unsatisfactory, it is requested that the Kyoto Military Government Team forward comments regarding same.

BY COMMAND OF GENERAL MacARTHUR:

A. J. REHE
Major, AGD
Asst Adj Gen

MG

Ltr, Hq Kyoto Mil Govt Team, dtd 21 November 1947, subj:
Bartering Imported Food.

AG 430 (MG-Ep) 4th Ind

Headquarters Eighth Army, APO 343, 26 December 1947

TO: Commanding General, I Corps, APO 301

Your attention is invited to 3rd indorsement.

BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL EICHELFERGER:

R SCHAFER
Lt Col, AGD
Asst Adj Gen

~~AG 430~~

5th Ind

RFS/lha

Kinki Mil Govt Region, APO 301 28 JAN 1948

TO: CO, Kyoto Mil Govt Team, APO 713

Attention is invited to 3rd indorsement and especially
to paragraphs 3 and 4 thereof.

BY ORDER OF COLONEL DEVINE:

J. E. ENGLEHARDT
Captain, AGD
Adjutant

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Reports Control
Symbol 47/LG/BM/No. 1HEADQUARTERS
WAKAYAMA MILITARY GOVERNMENT TEAM
APO 25

17 November 1947

SUBJECT: Blackmarket Activities at Railroad StationsTHRU : Commanding Officer, Kinki Mil Govt Region
APO 301TO : Commanding General, I Corps
APO 301
ATTN: Natural Resources Section

1. Reference Message RCBA-572, 16 October 1947.

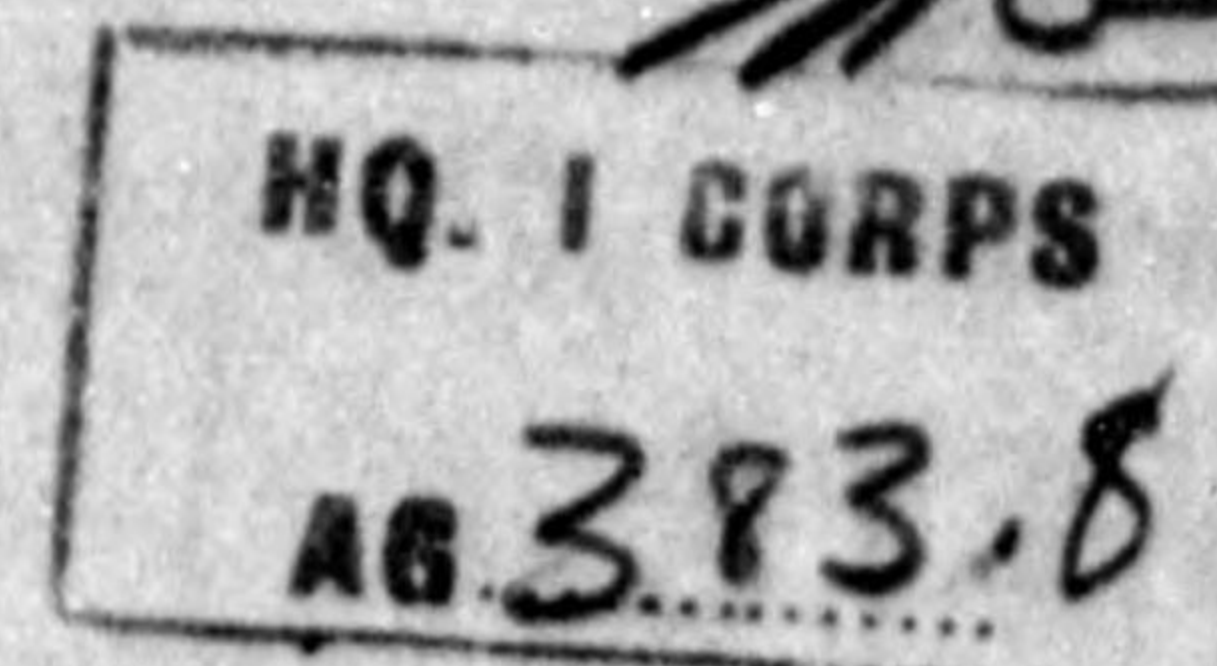
2. The following plan for control of transport of food-stuffs has been in effect in this Prefecture with good results for some time.

a. Check points at following railroad stations:

- (1) Wakayama-shi station
- (2) Wakayama station
- (3) Higashi-Wakayama station
- (4) Kii-Nakanoshima station
- (5) Hanwa-Kii station
- (6) Nankai-Kinokawa station
- (7) Hashimoto station

b. Check points for control of shipment of staple food by motor vehicles established at following points:

- (1) Kimi-Toge, Kimi-mura, Ito-gun
- (2) Kazefuki-Toge, Negoro-mura, Naga-gun
- (3) Kyoshi-Toge, Kishi, Wakayama-shi



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Subj: Blackmarket Activities at Railroad Stations, 17 Nov 47,
cont'd.

3. In addition to the above, policemen and economic inspectors in producing areas are ordered to exercise strict surveillance over staple foods to prevent their flow into illegal channels.

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C. M. LYONS
Lt Col, Inf
Commanding

NARA MILITARY GOVERNMENT TEAM
APO 25, Unit 4

WNE/mcl

30 October 1947

SUBJECT: Report on Black-market Prevention Plans (and Activities of Nara Prefecture Police)

TO : Commanding General, I Corps, APO 301
ATTENTION: Natural Resources Section

1. Reference, Messageform, Headquarters I Corps, Cite ICBA-572.
2. The following action is being taken in this prefecture.

a. At the present time there are 43 policemen and 53 'Economic Inspectors' working in connection with the prevention of illegal sale and transportation of critical items. The control plan formulated by Prefecture officials calls for 68 policemen and 53 Economic Inspectors. Police officials state that the shortage is due to the fact that there are not enough qualified men available.

b. Special emphasis is placed on large scale activities. Brokers are closely surveyed to assure that their activities do not include critical commodities. This is the season when rice and sweet potatoes are likely to be at the top of the black market list, and so special attention is given to them.

c. Check-points at Oji and Nijo, both key rail centers in the illegal transportation of critical items, have been enlarged. Two new check-points have been established at the Prefecture Boundary of Narasaka and Minami-Tahara.

d. The special team of police at the Yagi Station has been enlarged. This station is the transfer point from the electric car to the steam train to Osaka.

e. Spot checks are made on the trains of the Kansai-line at regular intervals.

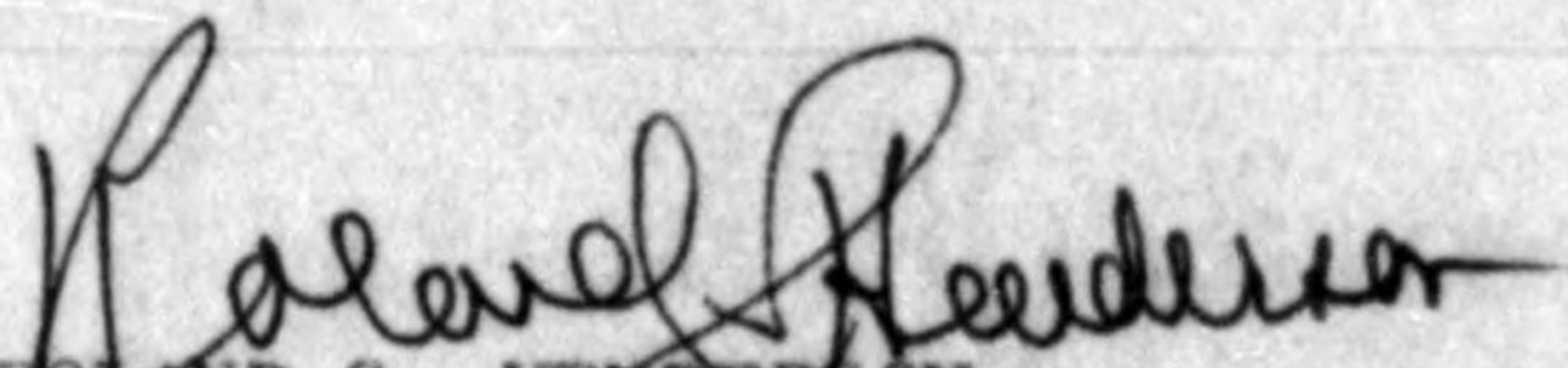
f. In consuming areas, careful checks are made of special ration rice allocations to prevent such subterfuges as ghost laborers.

g. Recently a large black-market broker team was arrested by the Gose police. The rice and barley which they were transporting amounted to 39.7 koku, and supposedly originated at Kamiichi, to the south of Gose. The currency involved was reported to be 344,630 yen.

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Ltr, Nara Mil Govt Team, APO 25, dtd 27 Oct 1947, subj: "Report on Black-market Prevention Plans (and Activities of Nara Prefecture Police)

h. Japanese police have been instructed to increase their efforts to end such practice. It is expected that they will cooperate to the best of their ability and that the situation will soon improve.


ROLAND S. HENDERSON
Lt Col, Cav
Commanding

HEADQUARTERS
SHIGA MILITARY GOVERNMENT TEAM
APO 25 Unit 3 (Otsu, Honshu)

CAP/jcm

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17 October 1947
47/LG/EM/1SUBJECT: Control of Black Market Activities

TO: Commanding General, I Corps, APO 301.

1. Reference is made to TWX ICBA 572, Headquarters I Corps, dated 16 October 1947.
2. On October 2, 1947 Japanese police of this prefecture began strict enforcement on illegal transportation of staple foods by train, electric cars, automobiles, etc.
3. Twenty one permanent investigation posts have been established throughout the prefecture and policemen are stationed at them to check illegal transportation into other prefectures. Particular emphasis has been placed on railroad stations where passengers entrain for the Kyoto-Osaka-Kobe area and on main highways leading out of the prefecture.
4. In addition to the permanent investigation posts unannounced concerted action by policemen in force have greatly impaired black market activities of groups of individuals travelling out of producing areas.
5. As a result of police activity along this line, which followed early conferences with this team, it is believed that a substantial curtailment of illegal transportation of staple foods has resulted. Spot checks by members of this team have shown that the police in this prefecture are vigorously enforcing economic controls on staple foods.
6. The Police Department in Shiga has adopted the slogan "not one grain of rice will reach illegal channels".
7. In the event that the spot checks referred to in reference TWX disclosed any inactivity on the part of local police in this Prefecture it would assist this team in correcting the situation if the specific stations were known.

CHARLES A. PAGE
Major, Infantry
Commanding

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BASIC: Ltr, Hq Shiga Mil Govt Team, 000.5, subj: "Control of Black Market Activities", dtd 17 Oct 47.

AG 000.5 -BA

1st Ind

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Hq I Corps, APO 301,

22 OCT 1947

TO: CO, Shiga Mil Govt Team, APO 25

1. Contents of basic communication noted.
2. With reference to paragraph 7, basic communication, no spot check has been made to date in your prefecture covering the illegal transportation of basic commodities by individuals.

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BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WOODRUFF:

G. H. SCHWDT
MAJOR, AGD
ASST. ADJ. GEN.



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HEADQUARTERS I CORPS
APO 301 (Kyoto, Honshu)

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15 SEP 1947

AG 000.5 - BA

SUBJECT: Report of Blackmarket Activity
in Imported Sugar

TO : Commanding Officer
Kyoto Military Government Team
APO 713

1. The attached communication from a resident of Kyoto indicates possible malfunctioning of the distribution system for imported sugar.
2. Forwarded to your headquarters for investigation and appropriate action.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WOODRUFF

1 Incl:
Ltr, with translation

WILDER A. JOHNSON
Capt. A. G. D.
Asst. Adl. Gen.



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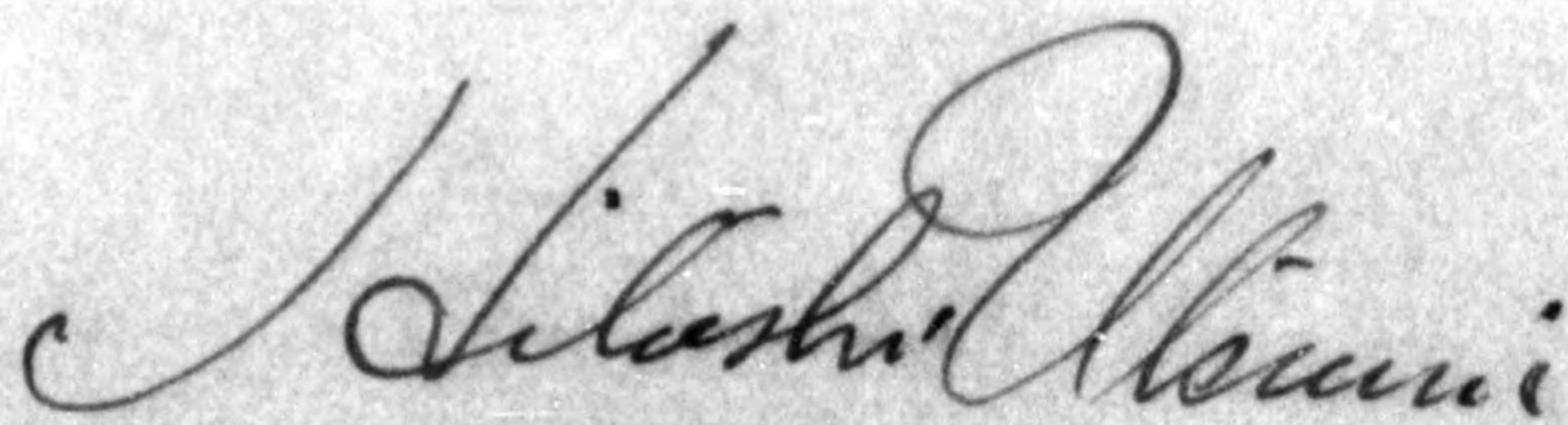
KYOTO PREFECTURAL POLICE DEPT. HQ.

Aug., 2rd, 1947.

Subject: Monthly report on the economic crimes dealt with.

To: ~~(Provost Marshal, Kyoto Area)~~
~~(Office of the Provost Marshal, I Corps.)~~
~~(Kyoto Military Government Team.)~~

We beg to send you herewith the monthly report on the economic crimes dealt with at the rural police stations under jurisdiction, during the month of July 1947, as per attached sheets.



Hitoshi Utsumi,
Chief,
Economic Crimes Control Division,
Kyoto Prefectural Police Dept.

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Monthly
Weekly Report

CASES		GOODS	Rice	Wheat	Sweet potato	Potato	Vegetables	Fruits	Cereals	Flour	Cereals' powder	Salted bean-paste
Cases dealt with during this week	Cases examined		307	37		130	256	7	3	2	1	
	Cases against regulation		89	15		51	11			2	1	
Nationalities of persons concerned with said cases against regulation	Japanese	Civilian	65	12		40	11				1	
		Retired service man	14	2		7				1		
		Civilian & retired service man mixed										
	Chinese											
	Korean		10	1		4				1		
	Others											
Disposals of said cases against regulation	Prosecution		79	12		8	6			2	1	
	Detention											
	Fine					17						
	Cases under investigation		10	3		26	5					
Disposals of cases pending from last week	Total number of cases		84	5	1	2	17					
	Prosecution		26	1			9					
	Detention											
	Fine											
	Guiltlessness		12	2		2	8					
Cases under investigation		46	2	1								
Cases turned to next week			56	5	1	26	5					

Date August 2nd, 1947.

Monthly Report On Economic Cases Dealt With (CASES ON FOOD STUFFS)

	Cereals' powder	Salted bean-paste	Soy	Salt	Sugar	Canned Foods	Macaroni	Bread	Confectionery	Wine	Food Oil	Boiled Rice	Meat	Fish	Drugs
	1		1	5						2				125	2
	1													22	
	1													18	
														3	
														1	
	1													18	
														3	
														1	
				6		2								13	
				1										1	
						2								5	
				5										7	
				5										8	

Michio Tsunoi

Chief
Economic Crimes Control Division
Kyoto Pref. Police Department

(SES ON FOOD STUFFS)

1st. Week, August 1946

Confectionery	Wine	Food Oil	Boiled Rice	Meat	Fish	Dried Fish	Drinkables	Seaweeds	Others	Total
	2				125	25	6			907
					22					191
					18					147
					3					27
					1					17
					18					126
					3					20
					1					45
					13				2	132
					1					38
					5					31
					7				2	63
					8				2	108

Monthly
Weekly Report On E

CASES		GOODS	Raw silk	Silk woven clothes	Woven clothes	Clothes	Cotton clothes	Threads	Toilet goods	Medicine	Soap	Mach
Cases dealt with during this week	Cases examined		/			4						2
	Cases against regulation		/			4						2
Nationalities of persons concerned with said cases against regulation	Japanese	Civilian	/			4						2
		Retired service man										
		Civilian & retired service man mixed										
	Chinese											
	Others											
Disposals of said cases against regulation	Prosecution					2						2
	Detention											
	Fine											
	Cases under investigation		/			2						
Disposals of cases pending from last week	Total number of cases					3						
	Prosecution											
	Detention											
	Fine											
	Guiltlessness					3						
	Cases under investigation											
Cases turned to next week			/			2						1

Date *August 2nd, 1947.*

Report On Economic Cases Dealt With (CASES ON OTHER GOODS THAN FOOD STUFFS)

Soap	Machinery	Delicate machinery	Farming tools	Orna-mental goods	Metal	Precious metal	Rubber goods	Fuel	Oil	Paper	Fittings	Fertilizer	Provender	Wooden materials
	2		4		1		2	49	6		5			4
	2		1		1		2	21	2					
	2		1		1		2	21	2					
	2				1			5						
			1				2	16	2					
					1			11		1	5	3		4
					1			7				3		
								1			5			3
								3		1				1
			1				2	19	2	1				1

Hiroshi Okumura
 Chief
 Economic Crimes Control Division
 Kyoto Pref. Police Department

OTHER GOODS THAN FOOD STUFFS)

Month, July, 1947
Week, 1946

Fuel	Oil	Paper	Fittings	Fertilizer	Provender	Wooden materials	Leather	Wooden clogs	Umbrella	Vehicle	Finance	Others	Total
49	6		5			4	13	6				7	97
21	2						1					1	36
21	2						1					1	36
5							1					1	12
16	2												24
11		1	5	3		4				1			29
7				3						1			12
1			5			3							12
3		1				1							5
19	2	1				1							29

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Monthly
Weekly Report on Control Kept Over R

Cases		Violation	Violation of price regulation	Negligence of price ind
Cases Examined			105	20
Cases against Regulation				
Nationalities of persons concerned with said cases against regulation	Japanese			
	Chinese			
	Korean			
	Others			
Disposals of said cases against regulation	Prosecution			
	Detention			
	Fine			
	Cases under investigation			
Disposals of cases pending from last week	Cases pending from last week			
	Prosecution			
	Detention			
	Fine			
	Guiltlessness			
	Cases under investigation			
Cases turned to next week				

Date August 2nd, 1947

Shirohito Kawanishi

Chief
Economic Crimes Control Division
Kyoto Pref. Police Department

Report on Control Kept Over Restaurants

1st. Week, August, 1946

Price regulation	Negligence of price indication	Others	Total
05	20	151	276
		7	7
		7	7

Shirohito Kawanishi

Chief
Economic Crimes Control Division
Kyoto Pref. Police Department

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HEADQUARTERS
KINKI MIL GOVT REGION
(APO 301, Kyoto, Honshu)

EHN/nd

18 JUN 1947

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SUBJECT: Letter of Transmittal

TO: Commanding Officer
Kyoto Military Government Team
APO 713

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Inclosure 1 to the basic communication consist of a report from members of the Farmers' Association, Okubo Mura, Kyoto Prefecture, which contains evidence of possible black market operations. The report is forwarded to your headquarters for investigation and appropriate action.

*M.G.
EHN
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BY ORDER OF COLONEL PARTRIDGE:

1 Incl:
Civilian letter
(with translation)

J. E. ENGLEHARDT
Capt., INF
Acting Adjutant

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M.G.

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000.5 Black Market

S - 1 July 1947

HEADQUARTERS
KINKI MIL GOVT REGION
(APO 301, Kyoto, Honshu)

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7 JUN 1947

SUBJECT: Black Market Transactions

TO: Commanding Officer
Kyoto Military Government Team
APO 713

Attached investigation forwarded for your information and appropriate action.

BY ORDER OF COLONEL PARTRIDGE:

1 Incl:
As indicated

WILLIAM H. GILTNER
Capt. CAC
Administrative Officer

Giltner
W.H.G.
1 July 1947

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FILE UNDER NO. ~~600.5 Violation of Terms~~

INDEX SHEET

SYNOPSIS

SUBJECT: Reported Cache of Lubricating Oil
FROM : OMG
TO : KMGR
DATE : 15 May 47

DOCUMENT FILED UNDER NO. 463 Fuel, Light, Water, Power

KYOTO PREFECTURAL POLICE DEPARTMENT

000,5 Crime

Kyoto, April 28th, 1947.

SUBJECT: Weekly report on Economic Crimes dealt with during in third week of April.

TO : Commander, I Corps, H.Q.

Enclosed please find, the weekly report on Economic Crimes dealt with during the third week of April 1947.

Hitoshi Utsumi
(Hitoshi Utsumi),
Chief,

Economic Crimes Control Division,
Kyoto Prefectural Police Dept. Hq.

Weekly Report

CASES		GOODS	Rice	Wheat	Sweet potato	Potato	Vegetables	Fruits	Cereals	Flour	Cereals powder	Salted bean-paste
Cases dealt with during this week	Cases examined		614	11	28		16		12	31		
	Cases against regulation		35				1					
Nationalities of persons concerned with said cases against regulation	Japanese	Civilian	20				1					
		Retired service man										
		Civilian & retired service man mixed										
	Chinese											
	Korean		15									
	Others											
Disposals of said cases against regulation	Prosecution		25									
	Detention											
	Fine											
	Cases under investigation		10				1					
Disposals of cases pending from last week	Total number of cases		36		2		1			8		
	Prosecution		22							4		
	Detention											
	Fine											
	Guiltlessness		2									
	Cases under investigation		12		2		1			4		
Cases turned to next week			22		2		2			4		

Date April 21st, 1947.

Weekly Report On Economic Cases Dealt With (CASES ON FOOD STUFF)

Cereals	Flour	Cereals' powder	Salted bean-paste	Soy	Salt	Sugar	Canned Foods	Macaroni	Bread	Confectionery	Wine	Food Oil	Boiled Rice	Meat
12	31					2		14	8	3	16		1	1
						1		3	1		3			
						1		3	1		4			
											1			
											2			
								1						
						1		2	1		3			
	8			5	2			5		1	3	2	5	
	4													
											1		2	
	4			5	2			5		1	2	2	3	
	4			5	2	1		7	1	1	5	2	3	

Chief
 Economic Crimes Control Division
 Kyoto Pref. Police Department

SES ON FOOD STUFF)

3rd. Week, April 1947.
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Confectionery	Wine	Food Oil	Boiled Rice	Meat	Fish	Dried Fish	Drinkables	Sea-weeds	Others	Total	Total
3	16		1	1	262	184			93	1313	
	3				7				7	58	
	4				5				7	38	
	1				1					2	
	2				1					18	
										26	
	3				7				7	32	
1	3	2	5		9	1			1	81	
										26	
	1		2			1				6	
1	2	2	3		9				1	49	
1	5	2	3		16				8	81	

Weekly Report On Econo

CASES		GOODS	Raw silk	Silk woven clothes	Woven clothes	Clothes	Cotton clothes	Threads	Toilet goods	Medicine	Soap	Machinery	De mac
Cases dealt with during this week	Cases examined			7	20	6		1					
	Cases against regulation			3		1		1					
Nationalities of persons concerned with said cases against regulation	Japanese	Civilian		3		1		1					
		Retired service man											
		Civilian & retired service man mixed											
	Chinese												
	Korean												
	Others												
Disposals of said cases against regulation	Prosecution												
	Detention												
	Fine												
	Cases under investigation			3		1		1					
Disposals of cases pending from last week	Total number of cases		5	64	18	2		16		1			
	Prosecution							3					
	Detention												
	Fine												
	Guiltlessness				2								
Cases under investigation			64	16	2		13		1				
Cases turned to next week			5	67	16	3		14		1			

Date April 21st. 1947.

Weekly Report On Economic Cases Dealt With (CASES ON OTHER GOODS THAN FOOD STUFFS)

Threads	Toilet goods	Medicine	Soap	Machinery	Delicate machinery	Farming tools	Orna-mental goods	Metal	Precious metal	Rubber goods	Fuel	Oil	Paper	Fittings	Fertilizer
1										2	21		9		
1											9		6		
1											9		6		
														1	
1											9		5		
16		1						1			37	1	4		
3											11				
3		1						1			26	1	4		
4		1						1			35	1	9		

Chief
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OTHER GOODS THAN FOOD STUFFS)

3rd. Week, April, 1947.
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Fuel	Oil	Paper	Fittings	Fertilizer	Provender	Wooden materials	Leather	Wooden clogs	Umbrella	Vehicle	Finance	Others	Total
21		9		1								15	82
9		6										9	29
9		6										9	29
		1											1
												6	6
9		5										3	22
37	1	4				2	20		4			7	182
11													14
													2
26	1	4				2	20		4			7	166
35	1	9				2	20		4			10	188

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Weekly Report on Control Kept Over

Cases		Violation	Violation of price regulation	Negligence of price index
Cases Examined			20	11
Cases against Regulation			3	
Nationalities of persons concerned with said cases against regulation	Japanese		3	
	Chinese			
	Korean			
	Others			
Disposals of said cases against regulation	Prosecution			
	Detention			
	Fine			
	Cases under investigation		3	
Disposals of cases pending from last week	Cases pending from last week		9	
	Prosecution		4	
	Detention			
	Fine			
	Guiltlessness		1	
	Cases under investigation		4	
Cases turned to next week			7	

Date April 21st, 1947.

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Economic Crimes Control Division
Kyoto Pref. Police Department

Report on Control Kept Over Restaurants

3rd. Week, April, 1947

Price regulation	Negligence of price indication	Others	Total
10	11		31
3			3
3			3
3			3
9			9
4			4
1			1
16			16
7			7

Chief
 Economic Crimes Control Division
 Kyoto Pref. Police Department

Weekly Report on Cases Dealt with Judicially during

Goods		Rice	sweet potato	Charcoal	Textiles woven	Confec-tionary	Food
Punishment							
Penal Servitude	6 months		1				
	8 months	2					
	1 year	1					
Fine	500	1	1				
	1000	1		1			
	2000	3	1	1			
	2500	1					
	3000	5					
	4000	1					
	5000	1				1	
	6000					1	1
	8000	1					
	Case dropped		3	1			
Deferment of prosecution		4	2				
Prosecution		3	1		2		
Others (1 died)							
G. Total.		27	7	2	4	1	

Dealt with Judicielly during 3rd week April 21st, 1947

Charcoal	Textiles woven	Confec- tionary	Food oil	Nail	Vermicelli	Total
						1
						2
						1
						2
1						1
1				1	1	4
						1
						5
						1
	1					2
	1	1				2
						1
						4
						6
	2					6
			1			1
2	4	1	1	1	1	44

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SMGO		GEN AFFAIRS	1	(M)	RES & IND		
EXECUTIVE		LABOR			AGRI & FISH		
ADM OFF		REPATRIATION			IMP & EXP		
ADM ASST		PUB WELFARE	3	(M)			
ASST ADM OFF		PUB HEALTH			GOVT & LEGAL	2	(M)
CHIEF CLERK		ENEMY PROP			PUBLIC SAFETY		
CORRES CLERK							
SECRETARY		CI & E			PROCUREMENT		
SUPPLY		Mr. TAYLOR					
ASST SUPPLY		Mr. WALK			CIVIL PROP		

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REMARKS: Since 1 February 1947 the prefectures of Kyoto, Osaka, and Hyogo have been conducting an intensive drive against blackmarketing of staple foods.

KYOTO PREFECTURAL POLICE DEPARTMENT

February, 17, 1947.

Subject: Weekly Report on Economic Crimes Dealt with.
To : Kyoto Military Government Team; I Corps Military
Government Team, Provost Marshal, Kyoto Area.

We herewith report on the above-mentioned subject in the
second week of February as per annexed tables.

Hitoshi Utsumi

(Hitoshi Utsumi)

Chief,

Economic Crimes Control Division.

Weekly Report On Econo

CASES		GOODS	Raw silk	Silk woven clothes	Woven clothes	Clothes	Cotton clothes	Threads	Toilet goods	Medicine	Soap	Machinery	De mac
Cases dealt with during this week	Cases examined				13	5							
	Cases against regulation				6								
Nationalities of persons concerned with said cases against regulation	Japanese	Civilian			3								
		Retired service man			1								
		Civilian & retired service man mixed											
	Chinese												
	Korean				1								
	Others				1								
Disposals of said cases against regulation	Prosecution												
	Detention				3								
	Fine												
	Cases under investigation				3								
Disposals of cases pending from last week	Total number of cases	2			15			1					
	Prosecution				1								
	Detention												
	Fine												
	Guiltlessness	2			2								
	Cases under investigation				12			1					
Cases turned to next week					15			1					

Date Feb. 17, 1947

Report On Economic Cases Dealt With (CASES ON OTHER GOODS THAN FOOD STUFFS)

Soap	Machinery	Delicate machinery	Farming tools	Orna-mental goods	Metal	Precious metal	Rubber goods	Fuel	Oil	Paper	Fittings	Fertilizer	Provender	Wooden materials
								26						15
								4						15
								4						15
								4						15
					3			48						17
								4						
					3			44						17
					3			48						32

Atsushi Asami

Chief
Economic Crimes Control Division
Kyoto Pref. Police Department

OTHER GOODS THAN FOOD STUFFS)

2nd Week, Feb, 1947

Fuel	Oil	Paper	Fittings	Fertilizer	Provender	Wooden materials	Leather	Wooden clogs	Umbrella	Vehicle Tobacco	Finance	Others- Cement	Total
26						15				38			97
4						15				13			38
4						15				11			33
													1
										2			3
													1
													3
4						15				13			35
48						17	20				20	6	132
													1
4							15					3	26
44						17	5				20	3	105
48						32	5			13	20	3	140

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Weekly Report

CASES		GOODS	Rice	Wheat	Sweet potato	Potato	Vegetables	Fruits	Cereals	Flour	Cereals powder	Salted bean-paste
Cases dealt with during this week	Cases examined		110	2	148				1	7		
	Cases against regulation		21		1				1	3		
Nationalities of persons concerned with said cases against regulation	Japanese	Civilian	12		1				1	3		
		Retired service man	4									
	Civilian & retired service man mixed											
	Chinese											
	Korean	5										
	Others											
Disposals of said cases against regulation	Prosecution		17							1		
	Detention											
	Fine											
	Cases under investigation		4		1				1	2		
Disposals of cases pending from last week	Total number of cases		22		4		5		2	1		
	Prosecution		9		1		4					
	Detention											
	Fine											
	Guiltlessness		4		3				2			
	Cases under investigation		9				1			1		
Cases turned to next week			13		1		1		1	3		

Date Feb. 17, 1947

Weekly Report On Economic Cases Dealt With (CASES ON FOOD STUFFS)

Year	Cereals powder	Salted bean-paste	Soy	Salt	Suger	Canned Foods	Macaroni	Bread	Confectionery	Wine	Food Oil	Boiled Rice	Meat	Fish	Drugs
7			3				23	11	61	1		4		42	
							4								
							4								
							2								
							2								
				1			6		2	4	2			5	
									1					2	
									1	1					
				1			6			3	2			3	
				1			8			3	2			3	

Hitoshi Utsumi

Chief
Economic Crimes Control Division
Kyoto Pref. Police Department

SES ON FOOD STUFFS)

2nd Week, Feb., 1947

Confectionery	Wine	Food Oil	Boiled Rice	Meat	Fish	Dried Fish	Drinkables	Sea-weeds	Others				Total
61	1		4		42								413
													30
													21
													4
													5
													20
													10
2	4	2			5				1				56
1					2				1				18
1	1												11
	3	2			3								27
	3	2			3								37

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Weekly Report on Control Kept Over R

Cases		Violation	Violation of price regulation	Negligence of price indic
Cases Examined			27	2
Cases against Regulation			3	
Nationalities of persons concerned with said cases against regulation	Japanese		1	
	Chinese			
	Korean			
	Others			
Disposals of said cases against regulation	Prosecution		2	
	Detention			
	Fine			
	Cases under investigation		1	
Disposals of cases pending from last week	Cases pending from last week		7	
	Prosecution			
	Detention			
	Fine			
	Guiltlessness			
	Cases under investigation		7	
Cases turned to next week			7	

Date Feb. 17, 1947

Hitoshi Otsunoi

Chief
Economic Crimes Control Division
Kyoto Pref. Police Department

Report on Control Kept Over Restaurants

2nd Week, Feb., 1947

Price regulation	Negligence of price indication	Others	Total
27	257	36	320
3	2		5
1	2		3
2			
1	2		3
7			7
7			7
7	2		9

Hiroshi Otsumi

Chief
Economic Crimes Control Division
Kyoto Pref. Police Department

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HEADQUARTERS I CORPS
APO 301 (Kyoto, Honshu)

S-25 February 1947
WTD/mmh

13 FEB 1947

AG 000.5 - BA

SUBJECT: Suspected Concealment of Former Army Clothing

TO : Commanding Officer
Kyoto Military Government Team
APO 713

1. Attached copy of translation of anonymous Japanese post card is forwarded for your information and investigation.
2. A report of the findings and action taken will be forwarded so as to reach this headquarters not later than 25 February 1947.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WOODRUFF:

H B Taylor
 H. B. TAYLOR
 MAJOR, A. B. D.
 ASST. ADJ. GEN.

1 Incl:
Translation of a Japanese
post card.

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BASIO: Ltr HQ I Corps, AG 000.5 - BA, dated 13 February 1947, subject:
"Suspected Concealment of Former Army Clothing."

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HQ, Kyoto Military Government Team, APO 713, 25 February 1947.

TO: Commanding General I Corps, APO 301
ATT: Military Government Section.

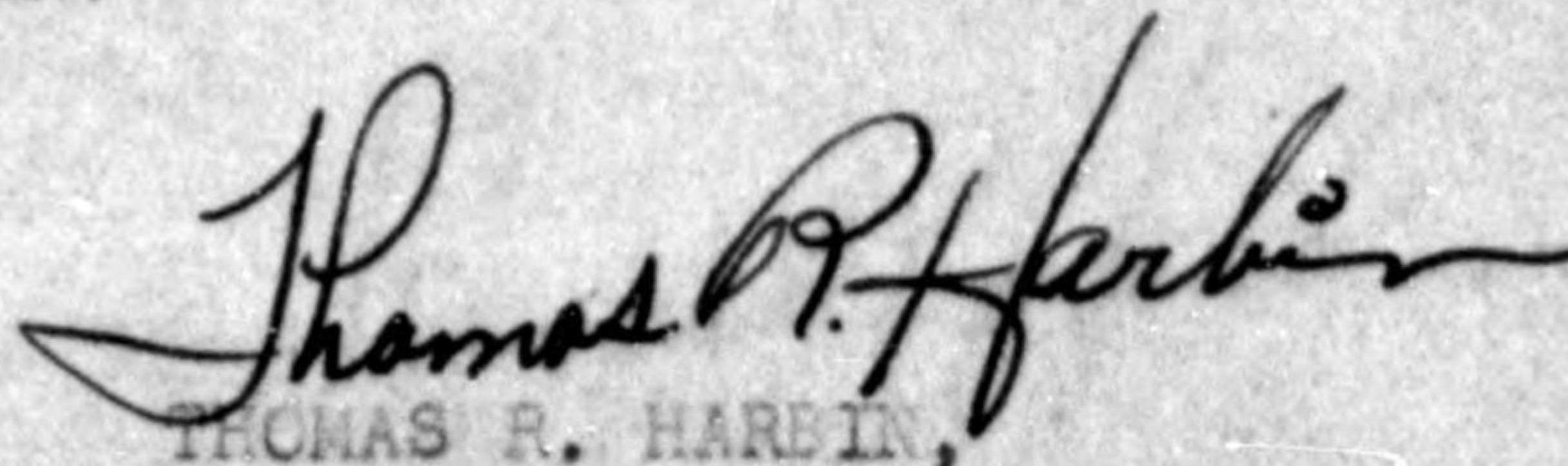
1. Investigation conducted by this office, 24 February 1947, confirmed the fact that the "vacant house" mentioned in the anonymous Japanese post card, was containing former Navy clothing.

It was found out that this house is the "Sakai Warehouse" owned by the Kyoto Warehouse Company. The goods stored in this warehouse belong to the Kyoto Fu Sen-i Seihin Kabushiki Kaisha (Kyoto Prefectural Textile Goods Co. Ltd), an authorized agency for clothing-distribution.

2. Records of said company and check made on the Prefectural Government files indicate that, after the turning over of all former Japanese Army and Navy goods by the Occupation Forces to the Japanese Home Ministry, the above mentioned Navy clothing was in custody by the Maizuru Local Administration Office, which upon orders from the Kyoto Pref. Government released it to the Kyoto Pref. Textile Goods Co. Ltd. for distribution. Accordingly the Navy clothing was obtained through legal channels.

3. Enclosed for your reference is a written statement by Y. Takenaga, Director and President of the Kyoto Pref. Textile Goods Co, certified for truth by T. Senkei, Chief of Commerce and Industry Section, Kyoto Pref. Government.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:



THOMAS R. HARBIN,
1st Lt, Inf.
Public Safety Officer.

2 Incls:

- a. translation of Jap. post card.
- b. written statement as indicated.

HEADQUARTERS I CORPS
163d Language Detachment
APO 301

T. KAWASHIMA
Translator

Translation No. 5086

Translation of a Japanese post card (no date)

TO : Commandant, I Corps
KARASUMA, SHIJO SAGARU, City

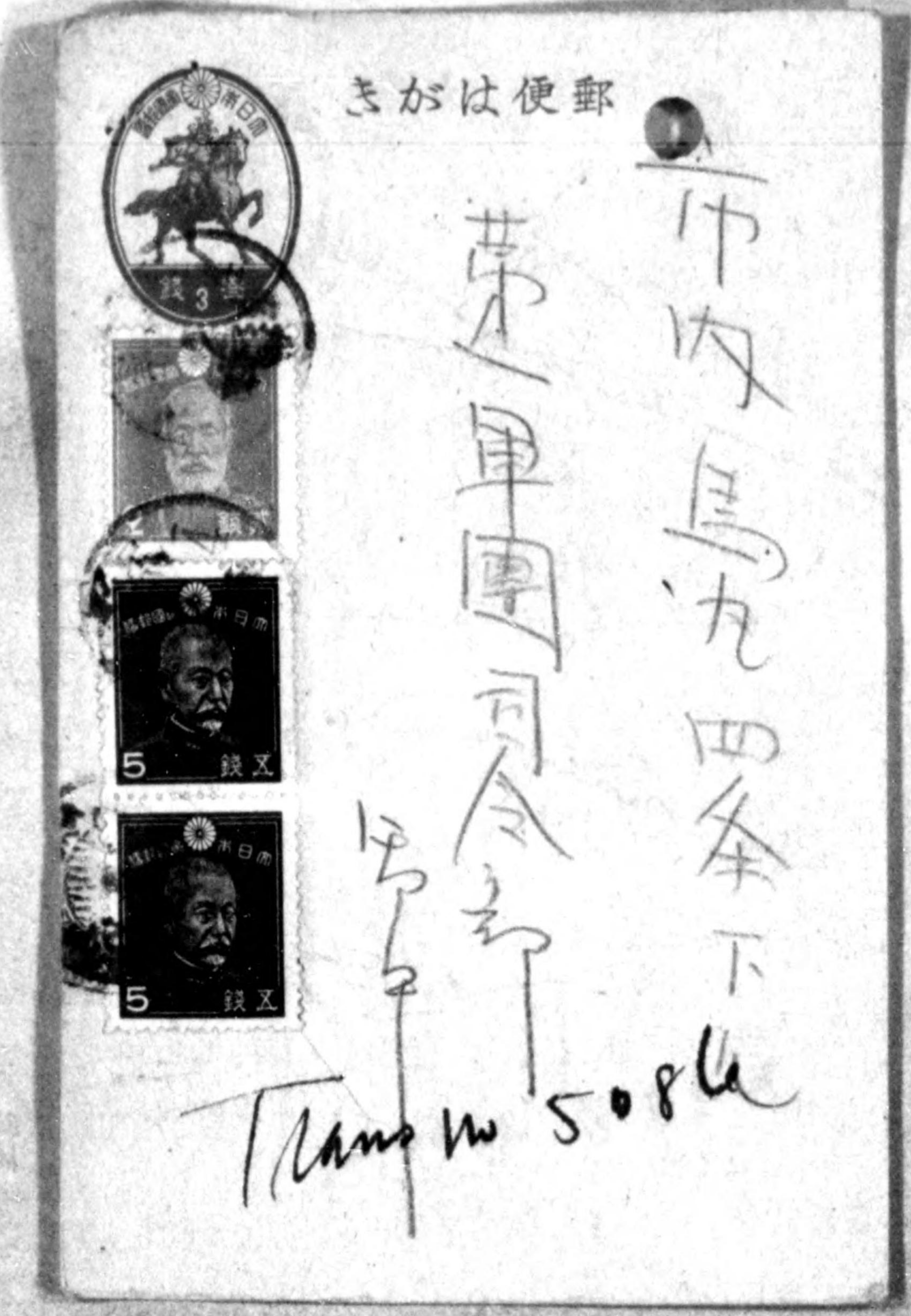
FROM : No sender's name

Dear Sirs:

I beg to inform you that much army clothing is hidden
in the vacant house south of the MIYAZAKI furniture store,
EBISUGAWA-SAGARU, SAKAIMACHI.

Respectfully yours

183442, Incl 1'



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 場町英川下九宮崎家自店、南隣
 ノ空屋ニ軍、被服多致隠匿
 あり由通報申上りマス

REPORT

To : Lt. Thomas R. Harbin
Public Safety Section,
Kyoto M. G.

Subject: Military Goods Disposed of

Feb. 25, 1947.

We beg to inform you that we keep in the warehouse below the goods formerly belonged to Japanese Navy, disposed of by Kyoto Pref. authorities to our company after having been returned from the Allied Troops to Japanese Ministry of Home Affairs.

Sakaimachi Warehouse of Kyoto Soko Co.,Ltd.

Ehisugawa-sagaru, west-side,

Sakaimachi-dori, Nakakyoku,

Kyoto City. (Temporarily hired)

J. Takemaga

Director and President
Kyoto Pref. Textile Goods Co.,Ltd.

(Kyoto-fu Seniseihin
Kabushiki Kaisha)

We certify that the above statement is true.

T. Sanku

Chief of Commerce and Industry
Section, Kyoto Pref.

Feb. 25, 1947.

KYOTO PREFECTURAL POLICE DEPARTMENT

August, 1947.

SUBJECT: Monthly Report on Economic Cases

TO : Commander of Military Government, I Corps.

It is a pleasure to report you at once, in response to your request, the total number of economic cases rounded up, *Jan. this* ~~year~~ year, by police stations outside of this city in Kyoto Prefecture as per annexed table.

M. Atsumi
Mitsui Atsumi,

CHIEF,

Economic Crimes Control Division,
Kyoto Pref. Police Department Hd.

Monthly Weekly Report

CASES		GOODS	Rice	Wheat	Sweet potato	Potato	Vegetables	Fruits	Cereals	Flour	Cereals powder	Salted bean-paste
Cases dealt with during this week	Cases examined		134	5	38	5	50	11	24			1
	Cases against regulation		41	2		1			1			
Nationalities of persons concerned with said cases against regulation	Japanese	Civilian	30			1			1			
		Retired service man	3									
		Civilian & retired service man mixed										
	Chinese											
	Korean	8	2									
Others												
Disposals of said cases against regulation	Prosecution		14									
	Detention											
	Fine											
	Cases under investigation		27	2		1			1			
Disposals of cases pending from last week	Total number of cases		22	4			3					
	Prosecution		9	3			2					
	Detention											
	Fine											
Cases under investigation	Guiltless		4				1					
	Cases under investigation		9	1								
Cases turned to next week			36	3		1			1			

Date Feb. 3. 1947.

Monthly
Weekly Report On Economic Cases Dealt With (CASES ON FOOD STUFFS)

Flour	Cereals' powder	Salted bean-paste	Soy	Salt	Suger	Canned Foods	Macaroni	Bread	Confectionery	Wine	Food Oil	Boiled Rice	Meat	Fish
		1	5	6			3		3	4				44
				5	1									2
														1
				5	1									
				5	1									

Chief
Economic Crimes Control Division
Kyoto Pref. Police Department

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SES ON FOOD STUFFS)

Week.

Jan.

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Confectionery	Wine	Food Oil	Boiled Rice	Meat	Fish	Dried Fish	Drinkables	Seaweeds	Others	Total
3	4				44	6			7	346
										45
										32
										3
										10
										14
										31
					2					38
					2					16
					1					6
										16
										47

Monthly
~~Weekly~~ Report On Econ

CASES		GOODS	Raw silk	Silk woven clothes	Woven clothes	Clothes	Cotton clothes	Threads	Toilet goods	Medicine	Soap	Machinery	D
Cases dealt with during this week <i>month</i>	Cases examined			2	2	4		2	14		2		
	Cases against regulation					1							
Nationalities of persons concerned with said cases against regulation	Japanese	Civilian				1							
		Retired service man											
		Civilian & retired service man mixed											
	Chinese												
	Korean												
	Others												
Disposals of said cases against regulation	Prosecution												
	Detention												
	Fine												
	Cases under investigation					1							
Disposals of cases pending from last week <i>month</i>	Total number of cases		2	2									
	Prosecution			1									
	Detention												
	Fine												
	Guiltless		2										
Cases under investigation													
Cases turned to next week <i>month</i>				1		1							

Date *Feb. 3, 1947.*

Report On Economic Cases Dealt With (CASES ON OTHER GOODS THAN FOOD STUFFS)

Line	Soap	Machinery	Delicate machinery	Farming tools	Orna-mental goods	Metal	Precious metal	Rubber goods	Fuel	Oil	Paper	Fittings	Fertilizer	Provender	Wood mate
	2			12		4		1	89						
								1	34						
								1	31						
									1						
									2						
								1	1						
									33						
						1		2	17						
								1	7						
						1		1	10						
						1		1	43						

Chief
 Economic Crimes Control Division
 Kyoto Pref. Police Department

OTHER GOODS THAN FOOD STUFFS)

Week: Jan. ¹⁹⁴⁷/₁₉₄₆

Fuel	Oil	Paper	Fittings	Fertilizer	Proverder	Wooden materials	Leather	Wooden clogs	Umbrella	^{Cigaret} Vehicle	Finance	Others	Total
89						7	13	3		14		18	187
84						5	3			14		2	60
81						5	3			13		1	55
												1	1
1													1
2										1			3
1													2
83						5	3			14		2	58
17						1						1	26
													1
7													10
10						1						1	15
23						6	3			14		3	73

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Month
Weekly Report on Control Kept Over

Cases		Violation	Violation of price regulation	Negligence of price indic
Cases Examined			110	89
Cases against Regulation				
Nationalities of persons concerned with said cases against regulation	Japanese			
	Chinese			
	Korean			
	Others			
Disposals of said cases against regulation	Prosecution			
	Detention			
	Fine			
	Cases under investigation			
Disposals of cases pending from last week <i>Month</i>	Cases pending from last week			
	Prosecution			
	Detention			
	Fine			
	Guiltlessness			
	Cases under investigation			
Cases turned to next week <i>Month</i>				

Date *Feb. 3. 1947.*

Chief
Economic Crimes Control Division
Kyoto Pref. Police Department

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Weekly Report

CASES		GOODS	Rice	Wheat	Sweet potato	Potato	Vegetables	Fruits	Cereals	Flour	Cereals' powder	Salted bean-paste
Cases dealt with during this week	Cases examined		258	12	1,068		156	6	29	31		
	Cases against regulation		14									
Nationalities of persons concerned with said cases against regulation	Japanese	Civilian	8									
		Retired service man										
		Civilian & retired service man mixed										
	Chinese											
	Korean		6									
	Others											
Disposals of said cases against regulation	Prosecution		10									
	Detention											
	Fine											
	Cases under investigation		4									
Disposals of cases pending from last week	Total number of cases		8		3		6					
	Prosecution											
	Detention											
	Fine											
	Guiltlessness				1							
	Cases under investigation		8		2		6					
Cases turned to next week			12		2		6					

Date Feb. 2nd. 1947.

Report On Economic Cases Dealt With (CASES ON FOOD STUFFS)

Cereals powder	Salted bean-paste	Soy	Salt	Suger	Canned Foods	Macaroni	Bread	Confectionery	Wine	Food Oil	Boiled Rice	Meat	Fish	Dried Fish
		2	3	2		6		2	2		1	11	19	34
				2					2		1			
				2					2		1			
											1			
				2					2					
		1	1						1			13	9	
													4	
		1												
			1						1			13	5	
			1	2					3			13	5	

H. Tsunoda
 Chief
 Economic Crimes Control Division
 Kyoto Pref. Police Department

ES ON FOOD STUFFS)

5th Week, Jan. 1946

Confectionery	Wine	Food Oil	Boiled Rice	Meat	Fish	Dried Fish	Drinkables	Seaweeds	Others	Total
2	2		1	11	19	34	1	2	37	1682
	2		1						1	20
	2		1						1	14
										6
									1	11
			1							1
	2									8
	1			13	9				1	44
					4					4
										3
	1			13	5				1	37
	3			13	5				1	45

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Weekly Report On Economic

CASES		GOODS	Raw silk	Silk woven clothes	Woven clothes	Clothes	Cotton clothes	Threads	Toilet goods	Medicine	Soap	Machinery	De ma
Cases dealt with during this week	Cases examined		2		8	2		7					
	Cases against regulation		2		8	2		6					
Nationalities of persons concerned with said cases against regulation	Japanese	Civilian	2		8	2		6					
		Retired service man											
		Civilian & retired service man mixed											
	Chinese												
	Korean												
	Others												
Disposals of said cases against regulation	Prosecution												
	Detention							3					
	Fine					2		3					
	Cases under investigation		2		8								
Disposals of cases pending from last week	Total number of cases		3		4			1					
	Prosecution		3										
	Detention												
	Fine												
	Guiltlessness												
	Cases under investigation				4			1					
Cases turned to next week			2		12			1					

Date Feb. 1947.

Report On Economic Cases Dealt With (CASES ON OTHER GOODS THAN FOOD STUFFS)

Soap	Machinery	Delicate machinery	Farming tools	Orna-mental goods	Metal	Precious metal	Rubber goods	Fuel	Oil	Paper	Fittings	Fertilizer	Provender	Wooden materials
							1	56			15			12
							1	20						8
								20						8
							1							
							1	20						8
					3			31						29
								3						
														1
					3			28						28
					3		1	48						36

H. Atsumi
 Chief
 Economic Crimes Control Division
 Kyoto Pref. Police Department

OTHER GOODS THAN FOOD STUFFS)

5th Week, Jan., 1946

Fuel	Oil	Paper	Fittings	Fertilizer	Provender	Wooden materials	Leather	Wooden clogs	Umbrella	^{Cigaret} Vehicle	Finance	Others	Total
56			15			12		1		3		2	109
20						8		1		3		2	53
20						8		1		3		1	51
													1
												1	1
										8			
													3
								1					6
20						8				3		2	44
31						29	32				20		123
3													6
						1	27						28
28						28	5				20		89
48						36	5			3	20	2	133

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Cases		Violation	Violation of price regulation	Negligence of price inc
Cases Examined			15	
Cases against Regulation				
Nationalities of persons concerned with said cases against regulation	Japanese			
	Chinese			
	Korean			
	Others			
Disposals of said cases against regulation	Prosecution			
	Detention			
	Fine			
	Cases under investigation			
Disposals of cases pending from last week	Cases pending from last week			
	Prosecution			
	Detention			
	Fine			
	Guiltlessness			
	Cases under investigation			
Cases turned to next week				

Date Feb. 2, 1947.

H. Matsushima

Chief
Economic Crimes Control Division
Kyoto Pref. Police Department

TABLE OF ECONOMIC CASES DEALT WITH JUDICIALLY 4th Wk

Punishment	Goods	rice	wheat	sweet potato	finance	fibrous goods
Penal services	8 months	3				
	10 "	4	1			
	1 year	6				
Fine	1000 yen	3	1			
	2000 "	6				
	3000 "	2		2		1
	5000 "				1	1
	8000 "	1				
	10000 "	1				
	20000 "	1				
cases dropped		6				
no suspicion		5				
cases permitted stay of prosecution		24	1	1		
guiltlessness						1
Total		65	3	3	1	3

with Judicially 4th week.

Jan. 1947.

Sheet No.	finance	fibrous goods	marine products	Total
				14
2	1	1		20
1		1		41
3	1	3		75

can to ~~the~~ something which ~~is~~ present is almost too large and too extensive to control with any degree of effectiveness. We have the same situation there as we had during Prohibition and meat shortages in the States. People are going to eat ^{and drink} and must adequate supplies and food stuffs are available thru normal distribution channels we are going to have the black market. Getting a few of the operators either large or small will not deter others. It is a situation that has to be corrected at the source. ~~It is~~

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ADM ASST		PUB WELFARE	GOVT & LEGAL	<i>3</i>
ASST ADM OFF		PUB HEALTH	PUBLIC SAFETY	
CHIEF CLERK		ENEMY PROP		
COMES CLERK			PROCUREMENT	
SECRETARY		CI & E	ASST PROCUREMENT	
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ASST SUPPLY			CIVIL PROP	
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REMARKS

Attached shows what is being done in Osaka Prefecture. I am getting an informal report from Kyoto on their program. Road & R.R. checks and inspections are made periodically in most prefectures to coordinate B.M. operations. Police seem to be doing what they

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SUPPLY			Mr. TEXTOR			
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REMARKS: For information concerning action being taken by the Japanese relative to price control in the Kyoto area. We receive a report similar to the attached, each week.
 (Attache)

Noted. What is being done to catch the big black marketers?

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Weekly Report

CASES		GOODS	Rice	Wheat	Sweet potato	Potato	Vegetables	Fruits	Cereals	Flour	Cereals' powder	Salted bean-paste
Cases dealt with during this week	Cases examined		36		30		12	4	1	2		
	Cases against regulation		4		3		2					
Nationalities of persons concerned with said cases against regulation	Japanese	Civilian	3		3		2					
		Retired service man										
		Civilian & retired service man mixed										
	Chinese											
	Korean		1									
	Others											
Disposals of said cases against regulation	Prosecution											
	Detention				2							
	Fine											
	Cases under investigation		4		1		2					
Disposals of cases pending from last week	Total number of cases		7		3		4					
	Prosecution		3									
	Detention											
	Fine											
	Guiltlessness				1							
	Cases under investigation		4		2		4					
Cases turned to next week			8		3		6					

Date Jan. 27th. 1947.

Report On Economic Cases Dealt With (CASES ON FOOD STUFFS)

Cereals powder	Salted bean-paste	Soy	Salt	Suger	Canned Foods	Macaroni	Bread	Confectionery	Wine	Food Oil	Boiled Rice	Meat	Fish	Dried Fish
		/		/				2	/			/	18	4
								2	/				5	
								2	/				4	
													1	
								2					2	
									/				8	
		/	/	/				/				13	8	
				/									2	
		/	/					/				13	6	
		/	/					/	/			13	9	

Takao Koyama
 Acting Chief
 Economic Crimes Control Division
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SES ON FOOD STUFFS)

4th Week, Jan. 1946

Confectionery	Wine	Food Oil	Boiled Rice	Meat	Fish	Dried Fish	Drinkables	Sea-weeds	Others	Total
2	1			1	18	4				113
2	1				5					17
2	1				4					15
					1					1
										1
2					2					6
	1				8					11
1				13	8				1	40
										3
					2					4
1				13	6				1	33
1	1			13	9				1	44

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Weekly Report On E. on

CASES		GOODS	Raw silk	Silk woven clothes	Woven clothes	Clothes	Cotton clothes	Threads	Toilet goods	Medicine	Soap	Machinery
Cases dealt with during this week	Cases examined				3	9		8		/		
	Cases against regulation				1	8		8				
Nationalities of persons concerned with said cases against regulation	Japanese	Civilian			1	8		8				
		Retired service man										
		Civilian & retired service man mixed										
	Chinese											
	Korean											
	Others											
Disposals of said cases against regulation	Prosecution											
	Detention					8		7				
	Fine											
	Cases under investigation				1			1				
Disposals of cases pending from last week	Total number of cases		4		4							
	Prosecution											
	Detention											
	Fine											
	Guiltlessness		1		1							
	Cases under investigation		3		3							
Cases turned to next week			3		4			1				

Date Jan. 27th. 1947.

Report On Economic Cases Dealt With (CASES ON OTHER GOODS THAN FOOD STUFFS)

Line	Soap	Machinery	Delicate machinery	Farming tools	Orna-mental goods	Metal	Precious metal	Rubber goods	Fuel	Oil	Paper	Fittings	Cigarettes	Match	Fertilizer	Provender	Wooden materials
/						4			13				19	2			46
						3			13				9	2			27
						3			13				9	2			27
													1				
													2	2			
													6				
						3			13								27
									20						1		2
									1						1		
									1								
									18								2
						3			31								29

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OTHER GOODS THAN FOOD STUFFS)

4th Week, Jan. 1946

	Oil	Paper	Fittings	Fertilizer Cigarettes	Provender Match	Wooden materials	Leather	Wooden clogs	Umbrella	Vehicle	Finance	Others	Total
13				19	2	46	53	22	1	8		1	190
13				9	2	27	27	10	1	1		1	111
13				9	2	27	13	10	1	1		1	97
							10						10
							4						4
				1				1					2
				2	2			9	1	1		1	31
				6									6
13						27	27						72
20				1		2	7				20		58
1				1									2
1							2						5
18						2	5				20		51
31						29	32				20		123

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Cases		Violation	Violation of price regulation	Negligence of price
Cases Examined				
Cases against Regulation				
Nationalities of persons concerned with said cases against regulation	Japanese			
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	Korean			
	Others			
Disposals of said cases against regulation	Prosecution			
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	Cases under investigation			
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	Prosecution			
	Detention			
	Fine			
	Guiltlessness			
	Cases under investigation			
Cases turned to next week				

Date Jan. 27th. 1947.

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 Acting Chief
 Economic Crimes Control Division
 Kyoto Pref. Police Department

Table of Economic Charge Data with Penalties

Punishment	Good	Rice	Sweet potato	Vegetable	Soy	Cigaret
Penal servitude	8 months	1				
	10 "	2				
	8 months					
	1/4 400.00	1				
	10 months					
	1/4 1000.00			1		
	1/4 1.00	5		1		
Fine	1/4 300.00			2		
	" 500.00					1
	" 1000.00	1		1	1	
	" 3000.00	2		1		
	" 4000.00	1				
	" 5000.00	1				
	" 8000.00			1		
	" 12000.00	1				
	" 15000.00	1				
	" 60000.00				2	
Cases dropped						
Cases permitted stay of guiltiness		10	1			
		3				
<u>Total</u>		28	4	5	1	1

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HEADQUARTERS
OSAKA MILITARY GOVERNMENT TEAM
APO 660

HHH/mh

17 January 1947

SUBJECT: Special Report, "Black Market Activities"

TO: Commanding General
I Corps, APO 301
ATTENTION: Mil Govt Sec

Forwarded for your information.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

1 Incl:
Special Report (quad)

EDWARD B. MILLETT
Major, F.A.
Adjutant

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OSAKA MILITARY GOVERNMENT TEAM
APO 660

16 January 1947

RESOURCES-COMMERCE-INDUSTRY

SPECIAL REPORT

SUBJECT: Black Market Activities

COAL

Under the coal distribution system worked out by the Japanese Government it was not possible to get coal in Osaka other than through the official coal distribution agency. From all information available, coal allocation through this agency was insufficient to supply even 50% of the amount used by the industries of Osaka during the past year.

There have been all kinds of explanations as to where the remaining 50% or more came from. Officials claimed that plants had good stocks of coal on hand, which is very hard to believe. No such coal piles were found around the plants during the middle of 1946.

The most sound explanation is that the plants continued purchasing black market coal from time to time. An explanation of this operation is necessary. It is true that no black market coal came into Osaka via the railway from the coal mines of Kyushu. However, there were ship-loads of coal coming into Kizugawa coal dumps from Wakamatsu, all under the guise of coal failing to meet the specifications. These boats were loaded with first class coal, covered with coal under specifications, sent to inspection, obtained official permit as unqualified coal, sailed out of Wakamatsu. Upon arrival in Osaka this coal was sold at around ¥2,000 per ton (ton in most cases only contained 750 kg) which meant that an actual ton cost the purchaser around ¥2,667.

It is estimated that not less than 1,500,000 tons of coal came into Osaka in this manner. Of this amount probably 50% went into industry. The remaining 50% must have gone into private households through further

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black market operations. In such cases coal is sacked in bags containing about 30-35 kg and sold for ¥150 - ¥200 per sack, which means that a ton of coal cost the households around ¥10,000 per ton. All the foregoing figures do not include storage nor transportation charges.

Some means of checking the loading at Wakamatsu is necessary to stamp out this evil.

Though not definitely decided, there is a move to give the Nippon Seitetsu K.K., Kawasaki Seihan K.K., and Kobe Seiko K.K., a concession to the coal mined and shipped out of Sasebo and Hokusho areas if conveyed in their own ships. If this plan goes through these restricted concerns will have all the coal necessary, while the other plants must rely upon the allocation from the newly planned distribution organ. Constructive and destructive effects of such a plan must be carefully studied.

CONTRACTS AND BUILDING MATERIALS

It may be said that there is not a single construction project under way to-day that is not in some way involved in black market procedure. Even in the Army contracts black market materials are used on a large scale.

A good example is cement.

The official price of cement is somewhere around ¥18 per sack. The Japanese Government cannot allocate cement to the jobs and in most cases insists that the contractors obtain them in open market. The prices range from ¥140 - ¥150 per sack. Such exorbitant prices cannot be claimed for. The Government instructs the contractors to increase the quantity of cement and use prices around ¥70 per sack.

In many cases itemized prices cannot be quoted, only the lump sum amounts of contract are stated.

The same situation exists in all other fields of business. The large transactions are carried on with commodities stacked up in warehouses or in plants. Those seen on the streets or peddled around are of very meager quantities and in amount may not exceed more than 20% of all the illegitimate transactions. In order to eradicate these illegal deals the sources of supply must be checked.

SHEET IRON

It is a known fact that there are a lot of thick plates, billets and ingots available to manufacturers, but sheet iron supply has dwindled. Those who have stocks of these thin sheet metals are hoarding them. In most cases they were stocked when the price was in the neighborhood of ¥1,000 per ton. The ceiling price today is around ¥3,000, the open market price is now ¥9,000. For this reason it is far more profitable to hoard the sheet and wait for the price to rise then to utilize them in the manufacture of sheet metal articles.

Same may be said of sheet glass and nails.

BASIC: Ltr, Hq Osaka Mil Govt Team, Subj: "Special Report, "Black Market Activities", dtd 17 Jan 47.

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Hq I Corps, APO 301.

22 JAN 1947

TO: CG, Eighth Army, APO 343

1. The inclosed special report from Osaka Military Government Team on black market activities is forwarded as a matter of information.

2. The problems presented in the report are of a broad nature, and are not peculiar to the Osaka region. The difficulties referred to are created by the normal operation of the law of supply and demand. Ultimate solution of the problem will be achieved by increased production within the Japanese economy.

3. It has been the practice of this headquarters to forward all information received concerning black market operations to the military government regions and teams involved. The military government teams are instructed to conduct necessary investigations, and to take appropriate action whenever violation of a directive from SCAP is noted. When a violation of a Japanese law is indicated, the case is turned over to Japanese officials for prosecution. MG

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

1 Incl:
Special Report (trip)

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*000.5 Black market*KYOTO MILITARY GOVERNMENT TEAM
APO 713 (Kyoto)

13 January 1947

SUBJECT: Blackmarket Operations in Silk.

TO: Commanding General I Corps, APO 301.
Att: Military Government Section.

1. Reference is invited to Ltr. Hq. I Corps, AG 000.5-BA, dated 24 October 1946, Subject: "Blackmarket Operations in Silk", and 1st Ind. this Headquarters, dated 29 November 46.

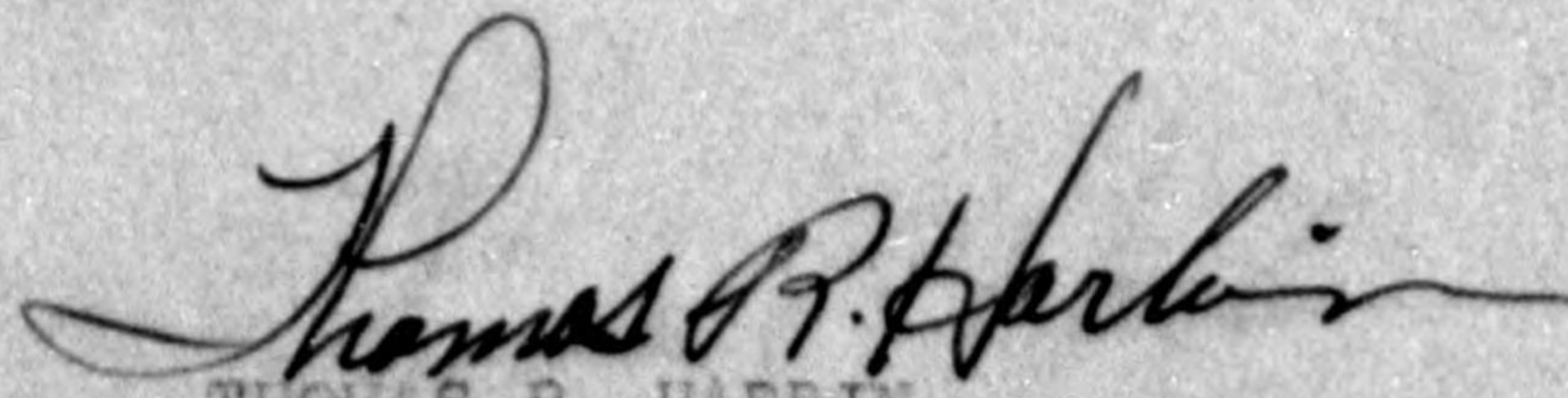
2. According to Japanese Police reports, as required by this office, final investigations were completed, and the case involving 57 violators was referred to the Kyoto Local (Ward-) Court. The silk materials concerned were turned over to the Kyoto Prefectural Fibrous Goods Control Company.

3. Due to difficulties in the preparation of the charges as described in reference 1st Ind., the Kyoto Prefectural Police Dept. requested the Home Ministry for necessary information.

The Home Ministry is of the opinion that the Japanese Imperial Amnesty Ordinance of 3 November 1946, effecting violations of war-time laws, is not applicable in the case of acts detrimental to directives issued by occupation forces, i.e. acts prejudicial to objectional objectives. Accordingly, the Kyoto Prefectural Police initiated charges on which the said 57 persons are to be tried for violations of the "Fibrous Goods Supply and Consumption Regulations", a Commerce and Industry Ministry regulation, enacted upon the authority of the war-time "National General Mobilization Law". The scope of these charges is broader than that of the charges for violations of the "Imperial Ordinance Concerning Harmful Acts Committed Against Occupational Objectives of the Allied Powers" (Imperial Ordinance No. 311), which would include only those violations committed subsequent to 15 July 46, as the mentioned ordinance came into effect on that day.

4. Report on results of the trial will be submitted by this office at the earliest possible date.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

THOMAS R. HARBIN,
1st Lt, Infantry,
Public Safety Officer.~~31606~~

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BASIC: Ltr, Hq Kyoto Mil Govt Team, subj: "Blackmarket Operations
in Silk", dtd 13 January 1947

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Hq I Corps, APO 301, 4 JUN 1947

TO: CO, Kyoto Mil Govt Team, APO 713

1. Attention is invited to paragraph 3 and 4 of preceding indorsement.

2. This headquarters is interested in obtaining information concerning the outcome of the textile cases mentioned in subject correspondence.

3. Attention is invited to SCAPIN 1465, subject: "Release of Raw Silk", dated 14 January 1947, which may have affected the outcome of these cases.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WOODRUFF:

O. H. Schmidt
O. H. SCHMIDT
MAJOR, AGD
ASST. ADJ. GEN.

2 Incls:

1. Ltr, Hq I Corps, subj:
"Blackmarket Operations
in Silk", dtd 24 Oct 46,
w/1st Ind.
2. SCAPIN 1465

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BASIC: Ltr, Hq Kyoto Mil Govt Team, Subj: "Blackmarket Operations in Silk", dtd 13 January 1947.

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2nd Ind.

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Hq Kyoto Mil Govt Team, APO 713, 19 June 1947.

TO: Commanding General, I Corps, APO 301.
ATT: Mil Govt Section.

1. Attention is invited to paragraph 3 of basic communication.

2. The Kyoto Local Court found the silk blackmarket dealers, referred to in basic communication, as being exempted from amnesty, in accordance with the exception provision in art 1 of the General Amnesty Ordinance (Jap. Imperial Ordinance No. 511), dated 3 Nov 46. Consequently the defendants were found guilty of violations of the wartime General Mobilization Law, and were sentenced to punishments ranging from 1 year penal servitude plus ¥ 20,000 fine to merely a fine of ¥ 1,500.

One defendant, Namie Eiichi, sentenced by said local court to 1 year penal servitude and ¥ 20,000 fine, appealed to the Kyoto District Court. Based on the same theory as that of the Kyoto Local Court, the District Court found him guilty of the same violation, but granted, in lieu of the original 1 year penal servitude, a respite for three (3) years, due to the said defendant's personal and family circumstances.

3. The silk blackmarket dealings concerned are substantially violations of the wartime General Mobilization Law. They are direct offenses, committed prior to 3 Nov 46, against the Fibrous Goods Supply and Consumption Regulation, a Commerce & Industry Ministerial Ordinance, enacted by authority of the said General Mobilization Law. Art 1 of the General Amnesty Ordinance (Imp. Ord. #511) made persons committing offenses against wartime laws during the time prior to 3 Nov 1946, immune from prosecution, provided that the offenses were not simultaneously offenses against the Occupation Forces, especially those mentioned in Imperial Ordinance concerning Harmful Acts committed against Occupational Objectives of the Allied Powers (Jap. Imp. Ord. #311). In regard to the terms: "Acts Committed against Occupational Objectives of the Allied Powers" the Courts (and the Procurator's Offices) conceived that this should mean: any acts committed against existing Occupational Directives or the purport thereof. Accordingly the silk blackmarket dealings were considered as being acts against the purport of the Occupational Directives on the freezing of silk (SCAPIN 438, dtd 13 Dec 45). Consequently the violators concerned were declared not immune from prosecution, in accordance with the exception provision of art 1 of the aforesaid General Amnesty Ordinance.