

Report by: J. G. Lambert

Memorandum for the file

Subject Kretschmer, Alfred (General)

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Kretschmer, Alfred is referred to in:

file no. 244	Serial	62
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KRETSCHMER, Alfred (Lt. Gen.)

Request by: KIMURA, Heitaro

- (a) The nationality of the witness is German.
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AFFIDAVIT

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Kretschmer
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SOURCE: CIS Files.

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1. The following listed names are additional witnesses for the Defense Section, International Military Tribunal for the Far East.

Nanami, Toshio
Kagoshima, Torao
Namba, Tsunekazu
Shibayama, Kanechiro
Ichida, Jrio
Kretschmer, Alfred

2. It is requested that this list be screened through your files in an effort to make available to this office any information which may be useful in determining the credibility of the indicated witnesses.

-----T. G.-----
Ex.O.

7 May 1947

MEMORANDUM FOR:

Mr. Sutton; Capt. Robinson USN Att: Cmdr. Cole;
Mr. Edwards; Mr. Lopez

FROM : EDWARD P. MONAGHAN, Chief, Investigative Division, IPS

SUBJECT : Defense Witness

1. Please find attached hereto list of material available on the following witness and/or witnesses.

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Investigative Division, IPS

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