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## DEPARTMENT OF STATE

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May 6, 1946

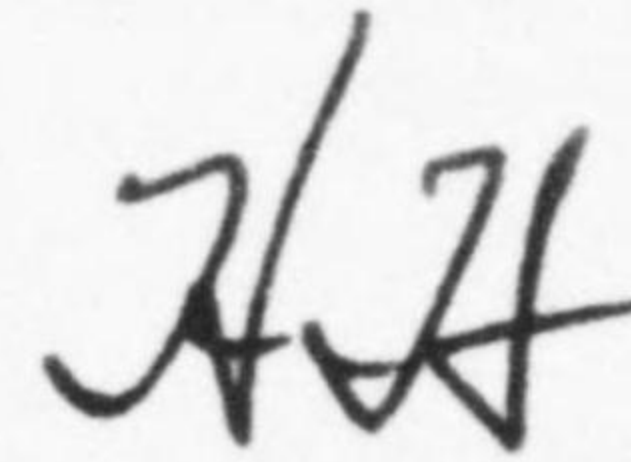
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Mrs. Halla:

The attached five letters are all on the same subject. The pottery industry of the United States is protesting General MacArthur's request for two American ceramic engineers to work with Military Government in Japan.

Mr. T. M. Brewer, a Department personnel officer detailed to the War Department for the recruitment of Military Government personnel, has informed me by telephone that General MacArthur has withdrawn his request for these engineers. The message is contained in a War Department telegram.

Several Congressmen appealed to Mr. Benton for help in answering letters on this subject.

I found these five letters scattered in different offices and nobody was answering them. I understand there will be more.



Haldore Hanson

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MAY 7 1946

Dear Mr. Wells:

I am replying to your letter of April 1, 1946 concerning the recruitment of two ceramic engineers requested by the Military Government Authorities in Japan.

You will note in the original letter from the Department of State, dated March 19, 1946, that these engineers were requested by the War Department. They were to be employed and paid by the War Department.

The Department is now informed that General MacArthur has withdrawn the request for the two engineers.

Sincerely yours,

DEAN ACHESON

Acting Secretary

Mr. J. M. Wells  
Secretary-Treasurer,  
The Homer Laughlin China Company,  
Newell, West Virginia.

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*Whitman* OK. *for JK.*  
*RHM*

April 25, 1946

JK - Mr. Martin

This problem was referred to Mr. Benton by the Small Business Committee of the House, with which we have been working closely.

I have drafted this reply with information obtained from you and Mr. Whitman. Please change it in any way you wish.

My only concern is that some reply is sent as soon as possible, in order that we may give a copy of it to the Small Business Committee.

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Haldore Hanson

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*Hanson's Office - Mrs. Glenn, 2488 - wants us to call on our action on this.*



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1. The request originated with MacArthur
2. No details re job to be done in Japan by these two engineers has ever been supplied by War Dept.
3. State Dept merely servicing War Dept in this case as a part of regular program for backstopping War Dept Occupation Forces.
4. Probable economic policy involved is restoration of peaceful (non-military) Japanese industry to provide employment and funds to help defray the

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- cost of occupation, reparations,  
etc + thus help reduce the  
cost to the American taxpayers.
5. No guarantees re imports into  
US.
  6. No knowledge of what market  
will be used to sell  
products
  7. An informal <sup>of JK</sup> view on controls  
vs undue competition  
is that there will probably  
be set up an <sup>interdepartmental</sup> committee  
to review cases like this  
+ make recommendations.





ADDRESS OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS TO  
THE SECRETARY OF STATE  
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
WASHINGTON

March 19, 1946



In reply refer to  
DP-SR

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Dear Mr. Laughlin:

We are seeking your assistance in the selection of two Ceramic Engineers to serve as advisors to the Chief of the Economic and Scientific Section of the Military Government and Control Activities in Japan regarding technical problems of the Japanese Ceramic Industry.

We do not have full details regarding the duties but we understand that these positions require highly qualified technicians with a broad experience in the various fields of Ceramics. The salaries will range up to \$7800 per annum.

All positions in the Military Government Activities are, of course, under the jurisdiction of the War Department. In accordance with a cooperative arrangement, however, the Department of State is responsible for recruiting and recommending personnel for certain specialized positions such as these. The minimum period for an assignment of this nature is nine months, though it is hoped that an appointee may remain for an indefinite period. Transportation is provided at government expense, and living costs are exceedingly low since the Army provides living quarters and meals similar to those of officers at a nominal charge of approximately \$40.00 per month. Families cannot accompany civilian appointees at present, but there is a fair prospect that they may be able to follow later on in the summer or fall.

We would greatly appreciate any suggestions which you may be in a position to make regarding personnel who may be qualified for and interested in these positions.

Very truly yours,

T. M. Brewer, Recruitment Officer  
Special Recruitment Section  
Division of Departmental Personnel

Mr. Homer Laughlin  
American Domestic Pottery Manufacturing Co.  
East Liverpool, Ohio



THE HOMER LAUGHLIN CHINA COMPANY  
Newell, W.Va.

April 1, 1946

Hon. James F. Byrnes, Secretary  
The State Department  
Washington, D. C.

*out in A-B  
4-4-46*

Sir:

Several days ago I received a letter addressed to:

Mr. Homer Laughlin  
American Domestic Pottery Manufacturing Co.,  
East Liverpool, Ohio

and signed by:

T. M. Brewer, Recruitment Officer  
Special Recruitment Section  
Division of Departmental Personnel.

The letter requested that we recommend two experienced and competent Ceramic Engineers for service in Japan at the expense of the State Department, to teach the Japanese how to improve and increase their production of Ceramic products.

This is the most brazen example I have yet encountered of the State Department's consuming desire to spend our people's tax money to take their jobs away. It is particularly galling that the beneficiary of this incredible plan should be the vicious, blood-thirsty Japs who were responsible for the killing and maiming of so many thousands of our fine young men - many of them from our Ceramic Industry. Just what answer can there be to our question "Why does our Government spend our money to make jobs for the members of this despicable race which will mean that our men, who fought and suffered in defeating them, will be walking the streets jobless"?

Now please don't insult my intelligence by dragging out the old and absurd bromide that we must buy their competitive merchandise so that our workmen will have employment in making the things they will buy from us in return.

Let us take a single simple example and see how we Americans make out. First of all, as you are well aware, the Department of Commerce, in reporting the balance of trade figures, uses the indefensible and wholly fallacious method of balancing imports at foreign values against exports at American values. So we accept a thousand dollars worth of china dinnerware (Japanese value) to balance a thousand dollars worth (American value) of automobiles, business machines, farm machinery, or what have you. In manufacturing the china dinnerware in an American factory, that such an import displaces, there would be paid out in wages to American workmen more than twelve hundred dollars.



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The wages paid out for producing the balancing export of automobiles or whatnot, would be less than two hundred dollars. And you ask us, as though it was a patriotic duty, to assist you in spending the pottery worker's tax money to improve and increase the dishes made in Japan for export to the United States. Fantastic!

You will admit, I am sure, that it is inconceivable Great Britain or any other of the United Nations would give a moments consideration to a plan so prejudicial, to the welfare of a large number of its Nationals, as is this. Is our State Department then, the only one that is right and all the rest of the world wrong?

Another question. On what information, and by what reasoning, did the State Department determine that American Ceramists could teach anything to the Japanese potters? Before the war, they were making and selling in this country just as fine china as any made here and at less than one-half the American cost of production. At that time, according to the Tariff Commission reports, Japan was shipping more than eighty percent of all of the china dinnerware used in the United States. England furnished about fifteen percent and, of the balance, only three percent was produced in American factories.

If the State Department must spend money on Ceramic technicians, would it not be the most ordinary kind of common sense to pay them to work with the American potters in an effort to produce china that could compete in price with the imports? But I presume it would be pure isolationism to suggest that the State Department should show some remote interest in job opportunities for the people who supply the funds to carry on its activities.

It is probably too much to expect that this letter might actually reach your hands, Mr. Byrnes; but, if it should will you please advise Mr. Brewer that his request is respectfully but very definitely refused.

Very truly yours,

The Homer Laughlin China Company

J. M. Wells,  
Secretary-Treasurer



DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
ASSISTANT SECRETARY

May 2, 1946

MEMORANDUM

To: Mr. Hansen

Mr. Brewer, the man who was recruiting the two ceramic engineers for General MacArthur, called me this afternoon and said that he had talked with Congressman Nobel Johnson of Indiana about a number of letters of protest the Congressman had received concerning the Department's request. The Congressman asked Brewer to supply him with copies of any letters which the Department had sent out on the subject. I told Brewer that we would give him a copy of your outgoing letter to Mr. Wells. Don't forget that I gave you a letter from the Mayor of Minerva, Ohio protesting on the same subject. Some sort of an answer should go out to the Mayor also. If you don't want to send one out I will draft a reply based on your letter to Wells.

*Jm*  
Jesse M. MacKnight

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Brewer asks  
if we will send  
out a reply  
letter to Wells  
what do you want  
to do if the  
cloned.  
Jm



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**Village of Minerva**

**OFFICE OF ASSISTANT SECRETARY STATE DEPARTMENT**

**CITY HALL 211 NORTH MARKET STREET**

*Minerva, Ohio*

April 22, 1946

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T. M. Brewer, Recruitment Officer  
Special Recruitment Section  
Division of Departmental Personnel  
Department of State  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Brewer:

We are informed that your Department is asking the services of Ceramic Engineers to serve as advisors in the Japanese Ceramic Industry.

Previous to the war, Japan was shipping more than 80 per cent of all the China Dinner Ware used in the United States, and of very good quality. Statistics show that only about three per cent of the Dinner Ware was produced in our American factories of the United States. Then your Department has the nerve to ask our Pottery Industry to recommend to you Ceramic Engineers that would fulfill these positions at a high rate of salary per annum.

It is absurd that the State Department of our United States have the "gutts" to spend our tax payers money to enable the Japanese to produce a high grade of Dinner Ware that may be superior to that made in the United States, manufactured and delivered here at a much lower cost than can be produced in this country.

It would seem more logical to the writer that if the Pottery workers' tax money is to be spent, that it should be spent on our own Ceramic Departments that they might be improved, rather than to benefit the blood thirsty Japs who were the cause of so many of our boys loosing their lives.

Competition is a great value in some lines of business. I feel that you must agree that if we receive shipments of Japanese Ware in this country it only means that our Ceramic workers will be walking the streets without jobs; therefore, before this movement should go any further, I sincerely hope that it will be given much further consideration.

Respectfully yours,

MAYOR OF THE VILLAGE OF MINERVA

*W. Ray Brown*  
W. Ray Brown  
Mayor

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MAY 7 1946

My dear Mayor Brown:

This is in reply to your letter of April 23, 1946, addressed to Mr. T. M. Brewer of the Department concerning the recruitment of two ceramic engineers for service in Japan.

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This Department is now informed that General MacArthur has withdrawn his request for the two ceramic engineers.

Sincerely yours,

WREAN ACHESON  
Acting Secretary

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The Honorable  
W. Ray Brown,  
Mayor of Minerva,  
Ohio.

MAY 6 1946 P.M.

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*Village of Minerva*

CITY HALL 211 NORTH MARKET STREET

*Minerva, Ohio*

April 22, 1946

OFFICE OF ASSISTANT SECRETARY STATE DEPARTMENT

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DC/R RECORDS BRANCH

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The State Department  
Washington, D. C.

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DIVISION OF JAPANESE AND KOREAN ECONOMIC AFFAIRS

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Respectfully yours,

MAYOR OF THE VILLAGE OF MINERVA

*W. Ray Brown*  
W. Ray Brown  
Mayor

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*No further reply necessary. Secretary advised identical letter addressed to DP.*

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MAY - 9 1946

My dear Mr. Hickman:

This is in reply to your letter of April 23, 1946 concerning the recruitment of two ceramic engineers for service in Japan.

The two engineers were requested by the Military Government Authorities in Japan. They were to be employed by the War Department and paid by that Department.

This Department is now informed that General MacArthur has withdrawn his request for the two ceramic engineers.

Sincerely yours,

DEAN ACHESON

Acting Secretary

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*LAH*  
*JB*

Mr. Royal Hickman,  
Royal Hickman Industries,  
411 West Twenty-second Street,  
Chattanooga, Tennessee.

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5/8/46

*Same letter cleared previously with DP and JK*  
*AJH*





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CHATTANOOGA,  
TENNESSEE

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STATE DEPARTMENT

DIVISION OF PUBLIC LIAISON  
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James F. Burns, Sec'y. State  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I have been informed that you have been casting about trying to find some Ceramic Engineers to send to Japan with the thought in mind of bringing back Japanese dinnerware and pottery. I am writing this letter in the form of a vigorous protest against my Government spending our hard earned tax money on such a project.

Your department cannot help but know if any investigation at all is made that this will again mean the "swan song" of the American Potter.

It is bad enough, in some respects, that we have your approval on the English market in ceramics under our reciprocal trade agreement, however, there are differentials in labor cost in Japan and this country; and if Japan again is encouraged in any way in the ceramic field it will mean the complete destruction of our ceramic setup in this country, which in the past has been attacked through our trade agreements by every other country in the world promoting cheap labor market.

It is a fact that the English Government would not entertain a scheme of this kind for one moment, as you know their Government is very proud of the English names on their china such as Wedgwood, Crown Dalton, Royal Dalton, etc., etc.

DIVISION OF COMMERCIAL POLICY  
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CHATTANOOGA,  
TENNESSEE

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James F. Burns, Sec'y. State, Washington, 4-23-46

I am one of the foremost designers of American ceramics and manufacturer of same, and earnestly request the idea of promoting Japanese ceramics be dropped at once.

Very cordially yours,

Royal Hickman

RH:mls

CC: C of C-Chattanooga  
C of C-Nashville  
Senator Tom Stewart  
Seantor Kenneth D. McKeller  
Rep. Estes Kefauver



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Brewer

OHIO CHAMBER OF COMMERCE  
COLUMBUS

HERSCHEL C. ATKINSON  
EXECUTIVE VICE-PRESIDENT

April 25, 1946

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Mr. T. M. Brewer, Recruitment Officer  
Special Recruitment Section  
Division of Departmental Personnel  
Department of State  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Brewer:

The Ohio Chamber of Commerce has received spirited objections to the proposed employment of two ceramic engineers to serve as advisors to the Chief of the Economic and Scientific Section of the Military Government and Control Activities in Japan.

The phrase employed in your communication of March 19, 1946, addressed to selected executives in the industry, which may be the source of the objection, was that such engineers were to advise "regarding technical problems of the Japanese ceramic industry."

I would assume that the basic purpose of such technical advisors would be to supervise Japanese ceramic activities, studying their methods and reporting to our Government, rather than to instruct the Japanese concerning improved methods - to the detriment of competitive American industry.

Any information you may be in a position to give me concerning this matter will be relayed to those persons in the ceramic industry in and near Ohio who have urged us to join them in a protest to the State Department.

Sincerely,

*Herschel C. Atkinson*  
Executive Vice President

DIVISION OF JAPANESE AND KOREAN  
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My dear Mr. Atkinson:

The receipt is acknowledged of your letter of April 25, 1946 addressed to Mr. T. M. Brewer of the Department concerning the recruitment of two engineers for service in Japan.

The two engineers were requested by the Military Government authorities in Japan. They were to be employed by the War Department and paid by that Department.

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Sincerely yours,

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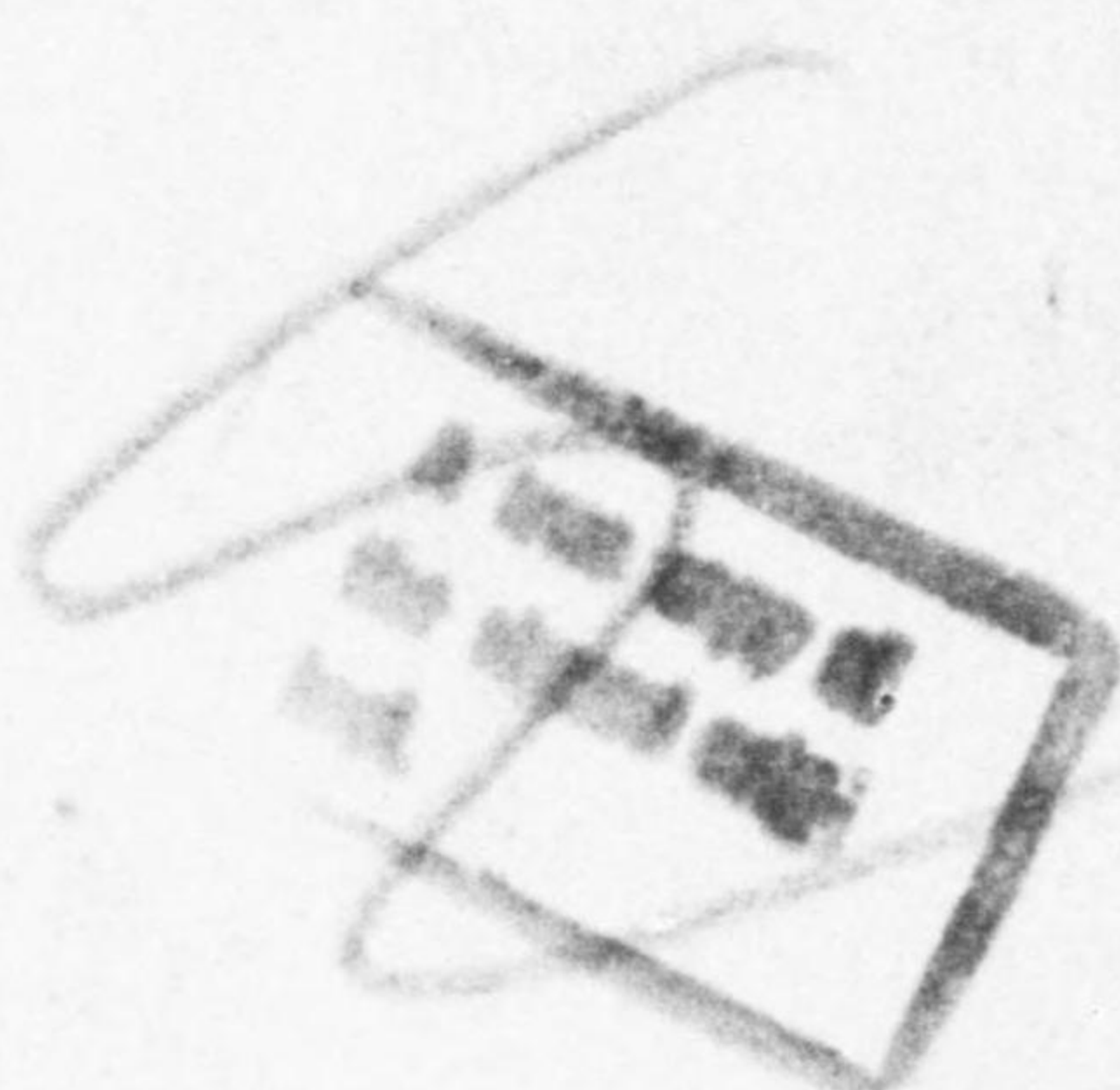
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Roswell H. Whitman  
Acting Chief,  
Japanese and Korean Economic  
Division

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Mr. Herschel C. Atkinson,  
**CR**  
Executive Vice President,  
Ohio Chamber of Commerce,  
Columbus, Ohio

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DIVISION OF JAPANESE AND KOREAN ECONOMIC AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT OF STATE refer to A-B MAY 6 1946

St Louis 14, Mo. U.S.A.

Honorable James F. Byrnes Secretary of State State Department Washington, D. C.

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MAY 20 4 13 PM '46 DEPARTMENT OF JAPANESE AND KOREAN ECONOMIC AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT OF STATE MAY 28 1946

Dear Mr. Byrnes:

I was rather surprised to read a news item that someone in the State Department has considered the bright idea of hiring a couple American experts in pottery production to send to Japan to teach the Japanese how to produce pottery and chinaware more efficiently and at a lower cost. And, to top it, all expense of this to be paid for by the American taxpayer.

I have read from time to time quite a little criticism of many policies of the State Department, and while I know even the best of people make mistakes if there is any policy making branch of your department with such ideas it would seem in the best interest of the American people to tie the biggest can you can find to this personnel and send them on their way.

We operate a small manufacturing plant here, and before the war our business was greatly injured by Japanese competition, due to the simple fact that the Japanese workmen received less for a days work than we paid for an hour. It was, therefore, possible for the Japanese manufacturer to sell below our cost and make a very substantial profit. Now, I know that some of the bright boys in Washington up until recently have gone on the assumption that the cost of labor was not a part of production, and it didn't make any difference. However, if your competitor in Japan had the same machinery that you had, and his payroll for a year was \$10,000 and yours was \$100,000 it is not necessary to apply differential or intergral calculus to know that \$90,000 is a lot of money, and that an individual manufacturer can't laugh it off simply with a flick of the ashes from his cigar.

Now, if you really want to help the Japanese people, and I might also say the American workman as well, why not send a corps, or if there are not that many available, a company; or even a squad of some of these social minded individuals to Japan, and see that the Japanese get:

1. Minimum wage law that will enable each workman to support his family in comfort.
2. Forty hour week with a penalty of fifty per cent for time worked in excess of the eight hours a day, or forty hours a week, whichever yields the biggest paycheck to the Japanese workman.
3. That they institute Social Security benefits, permitting the aged Japanese to retire, and that dependent childrens' physical needs be taken care of, etc.

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ST LOUIS 14, Mo.  
U.S.A.

Mr. Byrnes

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April 27, 1946

Now, if you will do this latter, I am sure that you'll have the backing of practically every American citizen with the exception, of course, of a few importers who would like to see the other policy, but in effect for their personal profit.

Respectfully,

John Frier

JF:AG



JUN 4 1946

In reply refer to  
JK

My dear Mr. Frier:

The receipt is acknowledged of your letter of April 27, 1946 addressed to the Secretary concerning the recruitment of two engineers for service in Japan.

The two engineers were requested by the Military Government authorities in Japan. They were to be employed by the War Department and paid by that Department.

This Department is now informed that General MacArthur has withdrawn his request for the two engineers.

Sincerely yours,

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Roswell H. Whitman  
Acting Chief,  
Japanese and Korean Economic  
Division

Mr. John Frier,  
c/o The Alex Manufacturing Company,  
6160-80 Maple Avenue,  
St. Louis 14, Mo.

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# United States Senate

COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

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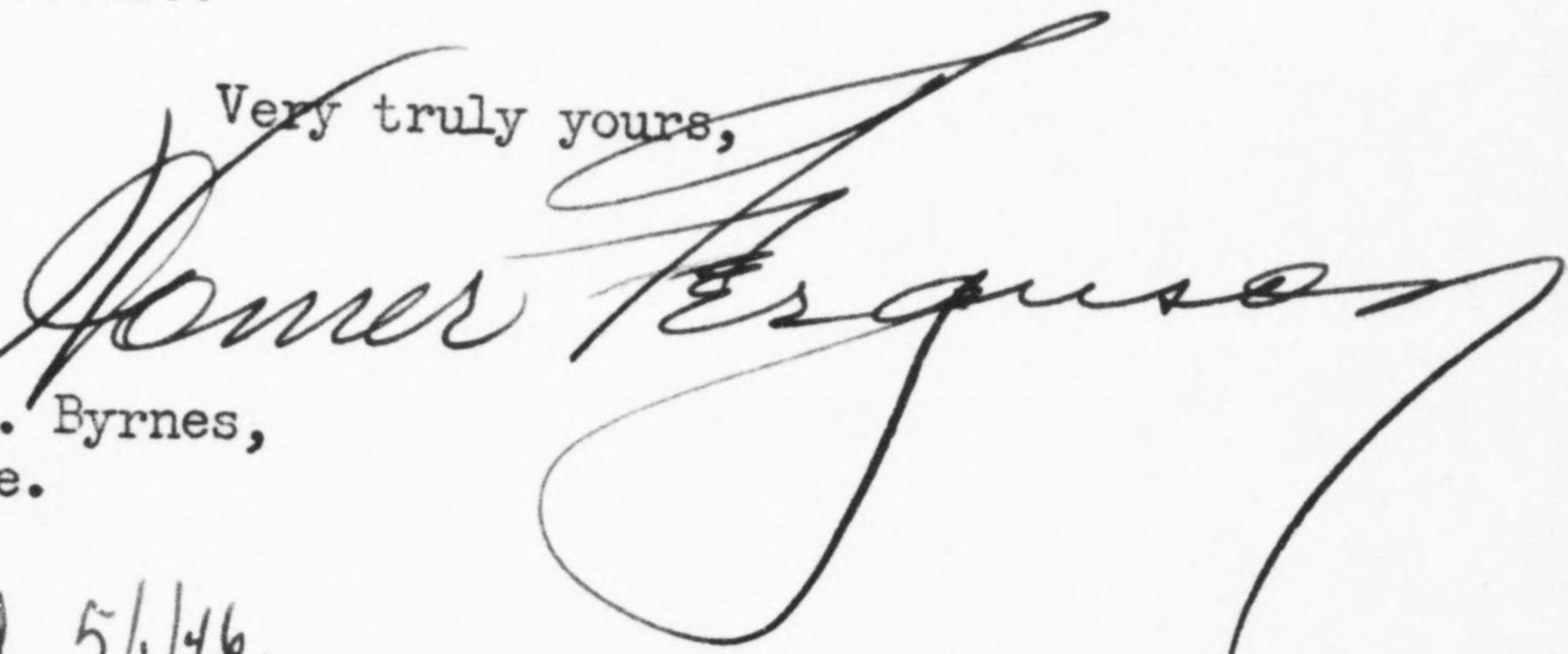
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My dear Mr. Secretary:

I am enclosing a letter which I have received from Mr. Frank H. Riddle, 1420 Strathcona Drive, Detroit 3, Michigan, together with the newspaper clipping attached from the Detroit Times of April 21. This clipping has reference to correspondence between J. M. Wells, Secretary-Treasurer, Homer Laughlin China Company, East Liverpool, Ohio, and Mr. T. M. Brewer of the State Department, in regard to recommending two ceramic engineers to serve as advisers in Japan regarding the technical problems of the Japanese ceramic industry. Mr. Riddle objects on the grounds that the Japanese will be able to compete with us in the manufacture of tableware for United States consumption.

With the return of the enclosures, I will appreciate your sending me an explanation in order that I may reply to Mr. Riddle.

Very truly yours,



Honorable James F. Byrnes,  
 Secretary of State.

Enclosures. rec'd 5/1/46.  
 HF/f P.K.

DCR - ITP Unit

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My dear Senator Ferguson:

This is in reply to your letter of April 29, 1946, enclosing a letter from Mr. Frank H. Riddle of Detroit concerning the recruitment of two ceramic engineers for service in Japan.

The two engineers were requested by the Military Government Authorities in Japan. They were to be employed by the War Department and paid by that Department.

This Department is now informed that General MacArthur has withdrawn his request for the two ceramic engineers.

I am returning the enclosures as you requested.

Sincerely yours,

DEAN ACHESON

Acting Secretary

Enclosure:

Letter dated April 23, 1946 to Senator Ferguson from Mr. Frank H. Riddle, attaching article from Detroit Times of April 21, 1946.

The Honorable  
Homer Ferguson,  
United States Senate.

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WILLIAM R. THOM  
REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS  
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Hon. James F. Byrnes  
Secretary of State  
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Secretary:

I enclose herewith copy of a letter from the Mayor of Minerva, Ohio, protesting the program of the Department of State in dispatching United States ceramic engineers to Japan for the purpose of rehabilitating their industries.

Minerva is a pottery town and apparently the Mayor feels that Japanese competition will ruin the city's chief industry.

What comments do you have to make?

Very truly yours,

*WRT*

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The Honorable William R Thom  
Congressman from the 16th District of Ohio  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Thom:

We have been informed that the Department of State of Washington is seeking assistance in the selection of Ceramic Engineers to be stationed in Japan to assist the Japanese Ceramic Industry to become more efficient. Being located in a pottery community, we feel that this request should not be fulfilled.

Previous to the war, Japan was shipping more than 80 per cent of all the China Dinner Ware used in the United States, and of very good quality. Statistics show that only about three per cent of the Dinner Ware was produced in our American factories of the United States. Then your Department has the nerve to ask our pottery industry to recommend to you Ceramic Engineers that would fulfill these positions at a high rate of salary per annum.

It is absurd that the State Department of our United States have the "gutts" to spend our tax payers money to enable the Japanese to produce a high grade of Dinner Ware that may be superior to that made in the United States, manufactured and delivered here at a much lower cost than can be produced in this country.

It would seem more logical to the writer that if the Pottery workers' tax money is to be spent, that it should be spent on our own Ceramic Departments that they might be improved, rather than to benefit the blood thirsty Japs who were the cause of so many of our boys losing their lives.

Competition is a great value in some lines of business. I feel that you must agree that if we receive shipments of Japanese Ware in this country it only means that our Ceramic workers will be walking the streets without jobs; therefore, before this movement should go any further, I sincerely hope that it will be given much further consideration.

We request your support in blocking this measure if at all possible.

Respectfully yours,

MAYOR OF THE VILLAGE OF MINERVA

W. Ray Brown  
Mayor

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LOUIS LUDLOW  
11TH DISTRICT INDIANA

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April 30, 1946

Hon. T. M. Brewer, Recruitment Officer  
Special Recruitment Section  
Division of Departmental Personnel  
Department of State  
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Dear Mr. Brewer:

I have received a letter from Mr. J. J. Wendt, President of Crown Potteries Company, Evansville, Indiana, protesting the recruitment of ceramic engineers to teach the pottery industry to the Japanese. I quote from his letter:

"During the years 1932 to 1939 the Japs were increasingly each year piling more dinnerware into the United States, causing us to operate only two-three and four days a week. By 1939 they had our prices driven down to a profitless level.

"The Office of Price Administration adopted the years 1936 to 1939 as our base period with the result that this company operated at a loss in 1943-1944 and 1945, due to our base period low prices and we are still operating at a loss.

"The Japs will soon enough again become serious competition to the American Pottery industry without our spending money to educate them."

I shall be most appreciative of your consideration of the views expressed, and any advice on the matter which you can give me.

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Sincerely yours

*Louis Ludlow*

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My dear Mr. Ludlow:

The Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of April 30, addressed to Mr. T. W. Brewer of the Department concerning the recruitment of two engineers for service in Japan.

The two engineers were requested by the Military Government Authorities in Japan. They were to be employed by the War Department and paid by that Department.

This Department is now informed that General MacArthur has withdrawn his request for the two engineers.

Sincerely yours,

James F. Byrnes

The Honorable  
Louis Ludlow,  
House of Representatives.

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My dear Mr. Thom:

This is in reply to your letter of April 30, 1946, enclosing a letter from Mr. W. Ray Brown of Minerva, Ohio, concerning the recruitment of two ceramic engineers for service in Japan.

The two engineers were requested by the Military Government Authorities in Japan. They were to be employed by the War Department and paid by that Department.

This Department is now informed that General MacArthur has withdrawn his request for the two ceramic engineers.

Sincerely yours,

DEAN ACHESON

Acting Secretary

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Hon. J.J. Byrnes,  
Secretary of State,  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir;

*HOMER LAUGHLIN*

Your recent request to the ~~Synceuse~~ *Synceuse* China Company to loan your department two of their engineers to help in rehabilitating the factories of Japan has been brought to our attention thru a trade journal.

As we are the exclusive representatives of a line of ceramic art, the Ynez line of lace trimmed figures, and well informed of the hardships the American china manufacturer has endured because of the low price of the Japanese china imports; we feel it important to register with you our disapproval of the American china manufacturer in any way making it easy for the Japanese manufacturer to again produce his cheap lines and undersell our own manufacturers.

Of course it is necessary for the Japanese to live, and with the equipment they have available they can make a ware that need not be a competitive threat to the now nicely established American manufacturers. Such of their wares need not of necessity enter the United States but can be sold in the Asiatic countries near by and into Russia.

As it would seem at the present time we have to feed the entire world, please let us make at least the plates we can serve it on.

Very truly yours,

PAUL A. SCHMIDT & COMPANY,

*Margaret S. Schmidt*

Mrs. P.A. Schmidt.

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MAY 17 1946

Dear Mrs. Schmidt:

I am acknowledging your letter of May 1, 1946 addressed to the Secretary of State concerning the recruitment of two ceramic engineers for service in Japan.

The two engineers were requested by the Military Government Authorities in Japan. They were to be employed by the War Department and paid by that Department.

This Department is now informed that General MacArthur has withdrawn his request for the two ceramic engineers.

Sincerely yours,

Francis H. Russell  
Acting Director  
Office of Public Affairs

Mrs. Paul A. Schmidt  
Paul A. Schmidt & Co.,  
3328 West Washington Boulevard,  
Los Angeles 16, California.

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My dear Senator Capehart:

The receipt is acknowledged of your letter of May 6, 1946, addressed to Mr. T. M. Brewer of the Department concerning the recruitment of two engineers for service in Japan.

The two engineers were requested by the Military Government Authorities in Japan. They were to be employed by the War Department and paid by that Department.

This Department is now informed that General MacArthur has withdrawn his request for the two engineers.

Sincerely yours,

James F. BYRNE

The Honorable  
Homer E. Capehart,  
United States Senate.

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HOMER E. CAPEHART  
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Mr. T. M. Brewer, Recruitment Officer  
Special Recruitment Section  
Division of Departmental Personnel  
Department of State  
Washington, D. C.

*Amid*

Dear Mr. Brewer:

I have been informed that it is presently the contemplation of the State Department to send ceramic engineers to Japan as technical advisors to those in the ceramic industry in that country.

If my information is correct, I wish to protest the expenditure of the American taxpayers' money to educate the Japanese in ceramics and, thereby, place them in direct competition to the American pottery industry. With the low wage standards prevailing in Japan, the adverse effect upon our industry is readily imagined.

It is strongly urged that you reconsider your action in this matter.

I will appreciate being advised of the final action which you take.

Sincerely,

*Homer E. Capehart*

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The Secretary of State,  
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Sir:

It has come to my attention that your Department has suggested sending ceramic engineers to Japan at the expense of our Government to teach the Japanese how to improve and increase their production of ceramic products.

In view of protests that I have been receiving, I should appreciate your advising me as to what is contemplated in this respect.

Thanking you for your courtesy, I am,

Sincerely yours,

*Charles A. Halleck*

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My dear Mr. Halleck:

I am replying to your letter of May 9, 1946 concerning the proposal to send two ceramic engineers for service under the Military Government Authorities in Japan.

The two engineers were requested by the Military Government Authorities in Japan. They were to be employed by the War Department and paid by that Department.

This Department is now informed that General MacArthur has withdrawn his request for the two ceramic engineers.

Sincerely yours,

DEAN ACHESON

Acting Secretary

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The Honorable  
Charles A. Halleck,  
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MAY 18 1946

My dear Mr. Mathews:

This is in reply to your letter of May 13, 1946 concerning the recruitment of two ceramic engineers for service in Japan.

The two engineers were requested by the Military Government Authorities in Japan. They were to be employed by the War Department and paid by that Department.

This Department is now informed that General MacArthur has withdrawn his request for the two ceramic engineers.

Sincerely yours,

DEAN ACHESON

Acting Secretary

The Honorable  
Frank A. Mathews, Jr.,  
House of Representatives.

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FRANK A. MATHEWS, JR.  
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WASHINGTON, D. C.

May 13th, 1946.

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My dear Mr. Secretary:

A newspaper article has been called to my attention which alleges that your Department is endeavoring to get American Ceramic Engineers on the government payroll to send to Japan in order to enable the Japanese to get into competition with the American Ceramic and Pottery Industry.

In my District there are large pottery and ceramic plants and if the above report be true, it seems to me a serious situation. Just why these American industries should be forced by taxation to contribute to have their own engineers sent to our late enemy to develop that enemy as a competitor, when it is well known that we are trying to maintain a high standard of living for the American workingman, and that the Japanese have never been accustomed to any such high standard, is a little more than I can understand.

Perhaps it is a continuation of the policy which fed scrap, and oil and scrap iron, almost up to the day of Pearl Harbor, when they launched their attack against us.

If this policy be correctly reported I want to enter my vigorous protest - in fact a protest as vigorous as I know how to make - against such an appalling situation.

I will appreciate hearing from you on this subject.

With personal regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,

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Honorable James F. Brynes,  
Secretary,  
Department of State,  
Washington 25, D. C.

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Honorable James Francis Byrnes  
 Secretary of State  
 Department of State  
 Washington, D.C.

My dear Mr. Secretary:

I enclose herewith letter received from Mr. E.M. Hommel, President of the O. Hommel Company and also letters and enclosures received from the United States Potters Association.

I assume that your department has received a number of complaints on the same subject. Will you kindly return the enclosed letters with your comments which I may use in replying to these gentlemen.

Sincerely yours,

*James F. Guffey*

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My dear Senator Guffey:

I acknowledge your letter of May 15, 1946 in which you request information concerning recruitment of ceramic engineers for service in Japan.

The engineers were requested by the Military Government authorities in Japan. They were to be employed by the War Department and paid by that Department.

I am now informed that General MacArthur has withdrawn his request for the engineers.

I am returning the correspondence as requested.

Sincerely yours,

James V. BYRNE

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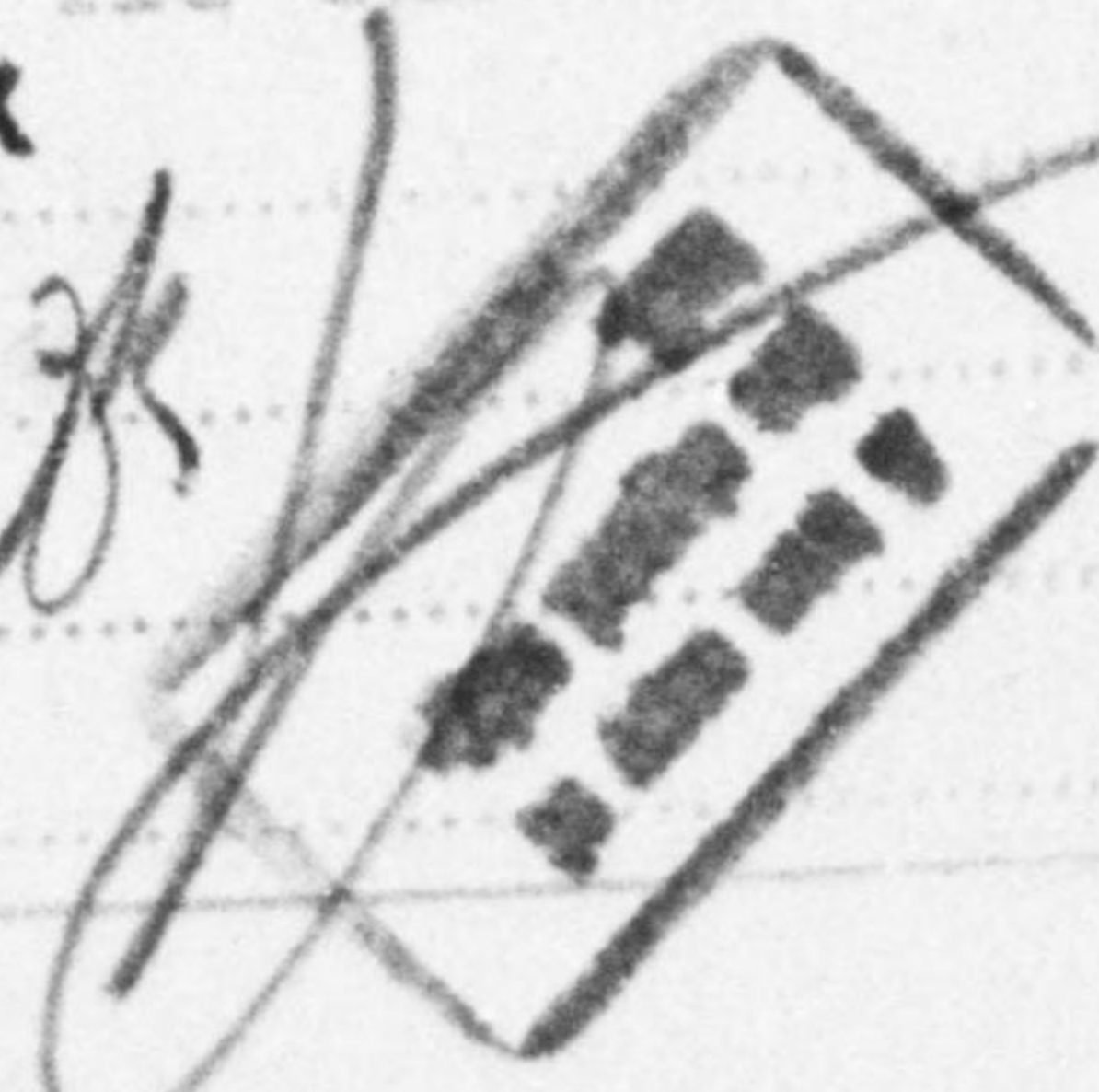
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The Honorable  
Joseph F. Guffey,  
United States Senate.

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My dear Mr. Bulwinkle:

I have your letter of May 15, 1946 concerning the recruitment of two ceramic engineers for service in Japan.

The two engineers were requested by the Military Government authorities in Japan. They were to be employed by the War Department and paid by that Department.

I am now informed that General MacArthur has withdrawn his request for the two engineers.

Sincerely yours,

James F. Byrnes

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The Honorable

A. L. Bulwinkle,

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Washington, D. C., May 16, 1946

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Respectfully,

----- Tom Connally -----  
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My dear Senator Connally:

I have the correspondence you referred to this Department on May 16, 1946 concerning the recruitment of two ceramic engineers for service in Japan.

These engineers were requested by the Military Government authorities in Japan. They were to be employed by the War Department and paid by that Department.

I am now informed that General MacArthur has withdrawn his request for the two engineers.

I am returning the correspondence for your files.

Sincerely yours,  
James F. Byrnes

Enclosures:

Three letters dated  
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The Honorable  
Tom Connally,  
United States Senate

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A. L. BULWINKLE  
11TH DISTRICT NORTH CAROLINA

CHARLES F. GOLD, JR.  
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ASSISTANT SECRETARY

Congress of the United States

House of Representatives

Washington, D. C.

May 15, 1946

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Honorable James F. Byrnes  
The Secretary of State  
Washington, D. C.

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Dear Mr. Secretary:

It has been brought to my attention that the Department of State has requested that the American Domestic Pottery Manufacturing Company recommend two experienced and competent ceramic engineers to be sent to Japan for the purpose of teaching the Japanese how to improve and increase their production of ceramic products.

May I not call to your attention that the Japanese have known for years how to make fine pottery? They do not need teaching. May I further call to your attention that for some years Japanese imported china has flooded the American markets in competition with the American manufacturers of pottery and with American feldspar, kaolin, and clay products?

In my opinion, if this program is carried out, it will be detrimental to the American miner and manufacturer, and it is a useless expense.

Sincerely yours,

*A. L. Bulwinkle*  
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My dear Mr. Fulton:

I have your letter of May 17, 1946 concerning the recruitment of two ceramic engineers for service in Japan.

These engineers were requested by the Military Government authorities in Japan. They were to be employed by the War Department and paid by that Department.

I am now informed that General MacArthur has withdrawn his request for the two engineers.

I am returning your letter from Mr. Hommel, together with a copy of our reply to him.

Sincerely yours,

James F. Byrnes

Enclosure:

Letter dated April 30.  
Copy of letter to Mr. Hommel.

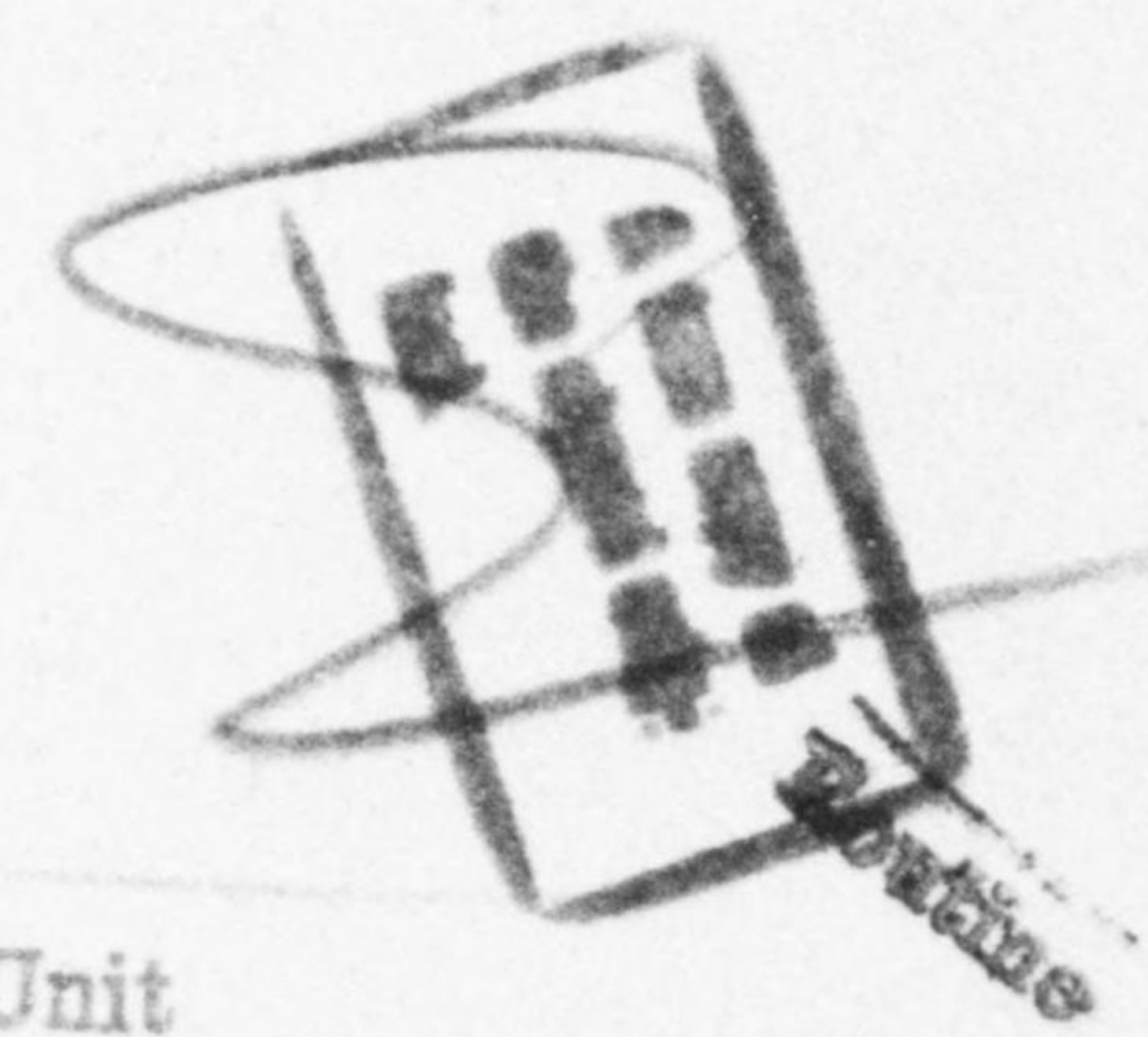
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1031 Federal Building,  
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Department of State  
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:

I have received a letter from The O. Hommel Company,  
209 Fourth Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, which I am forward-  
ing to your office for your attention.

I would appreciate your answering Mr. Hommel directly,  
advising this office at 1031 Federal Building, Pittsburgh,  
Pennsylvania, when you have done so.

Sincerely,

*James G. Fulton*

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Mr. T. M. Brewer  
 Recruitment Officer  
 Special Recruitment Section  
 Division of Departmental Personnel  
 Department of State  
 Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Brewer:

I herewith enclose a letter and enclosures which I have received from Mr. W. A. Betz, Secretary-Treasurer of The United States Potters Association.

Please let me know whether or not the experts on ceramic art have been sent to Japan and what the purpose is.

Very truly yours,

*Brent Spence*

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In reply refer to  
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My dear Mr. Spence:

The receipt is acknowledged of your letter of May 27, 1946, addressed to Mr. T. M. Brewer of this Department concerning the recruitment of two Ceramic Engineers for service in Japan.

The two engineers were requested by the military government authorities in Japan. They were to be employed by the War Department and paid by that Department.

This Department is now informed that General MacArthur has withdrawn his request, and therefore we are no longer seeking applicants.

Sincerely yours,

W. Pierce MacCoy  
Chief  
Division of Departmental Personnel

Enclosure  
(From Mr. Betz  
with enclosures)

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The Honorable  
Brent Spence,  
House of Representatives.

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My dear Mr. Hommel:

Your letter of April 30, 1946 addressed to The Honorable James G. Fulton has been referred to us for reply concerning the recruitment of two engineers for service in Japan.

The two engineers were requested by the Military Government authorities in Japan. They were to be employed by the War Department and paid by that Department.

This Department is now informed that General MacArthur has withdrawn his request for the two engineers.

A copy of this letter is being sent to The Honorable James G. Fulton.

Sincerely yours,

Roswell H. Whitman  
Acting Chief,  
Japanese and Korean Economic  
Division

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