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To the:

American Consul General,  
Alexandria, Egypt.

The Secretary of State transmits for the information of the Officer-in-Charge correspondence which Ambassador Pauley has submitted with the request that a reply be made. For the background of the Officer-in-Charge the following facts are stated:

The Department of State is endeavoring to ascertain from Japan whether there are stocks of tobacco available for export. If available, tobacco would be treated as a commercial export, since it does not fall within the group of items subject to reparations claim. Any possible shipments of tobacco or similar products from Japan would have to be handled by some official government agency duly accredited to General MacArthur's Headquarters, since it is not yet possible to permit private trading relations between Japanese and the nationals of any other country.

It is suggested that any Egyptian firm communicate its interest in the purchase of Japanese tobacco to the appropriate members of the British Mission accredited to General MacArthur in Tokyo.

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Correspondence from  
Mr. Raphael S. Soussi,  
Alexandria, Egypt, to  
Ambassador Edwin W. Pauley.

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February 21, 1946

MEMORANDUM

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DIVISION OF JAPANESE AND KOREAN  
ECONOMIC AFFAIRS  
DEPARTMENT OF STATE

TO: Mr. Edward Martin  
FROM: H. D. Maxwell

FEB 25 1946

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There is attached hereto a copy of my letter of February 21st to Mr. Raphael S. Soussi and the originals of certain correspondence from him. These documents are self-explanatory.

*H. D. Maxwell*  
H. D. Maxwell

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February 21, 1946

Mr. Raphael S. Soussi  
13 Rue de la Poste  
Alexandria, Egypt

Dear Mr. Soussi:

Your various letters and telegrams addressed to Mr. Pauley with regard to the acquisition of Japanese un-manufactured tobacco stocks have come to my attention.

Matters of detail with regard to Japanese reparations such as the matter raised by you in your correspondence will ultimately be handled by the appropriate officials of the State Department in Washington. Accordingly your inquiries should properly be addressed to the State Department. I would suggest that you communicate with Mr. Edward Martin of the State Department, Washington, D. C. I am turning over your correspondence to Mr. Martin.

Sincerely yours,

H. D. Maxwell,  
Chief of Staff,  
Japanese Reparations Mission.



The White House  
Washington, D. C.  
November 28, 1945

Mr. Raphael S. Soussi  
P.O.B. 168  
12 Rue de la Poste  
Alexandria, Egypt

My dear Mr. Soussi:

Your letter of November 10th addressed to  
Mr. Pauley has arrived in Mr. Pauley's absence  
from the country.

I shall see to it that your letter and its  
attachments are forwarded to him immediately.

Sincerely yours,

Justin R. Wolf  
Office of Ambassador  
Edwin W. Pauley



The White House  
Washington

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IN PAYMENT REPARATIONS. HAVE READY BUYERS WHATEVER AVAILABLE STOCKS  
OR FUTURE DELIVERIES. KINDLY INDICATE QUALITIES, GRADES, PRICES,  
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Alexandria, 11th. January 1946

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12, Rue de la Poste, Alexandria

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS:

TELETABAC, ALEXANDRIA

Mr. Edwin W. Pauley  
OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE  
ALLIED COMMISSION ON REPARATIONS  
THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON D.C.

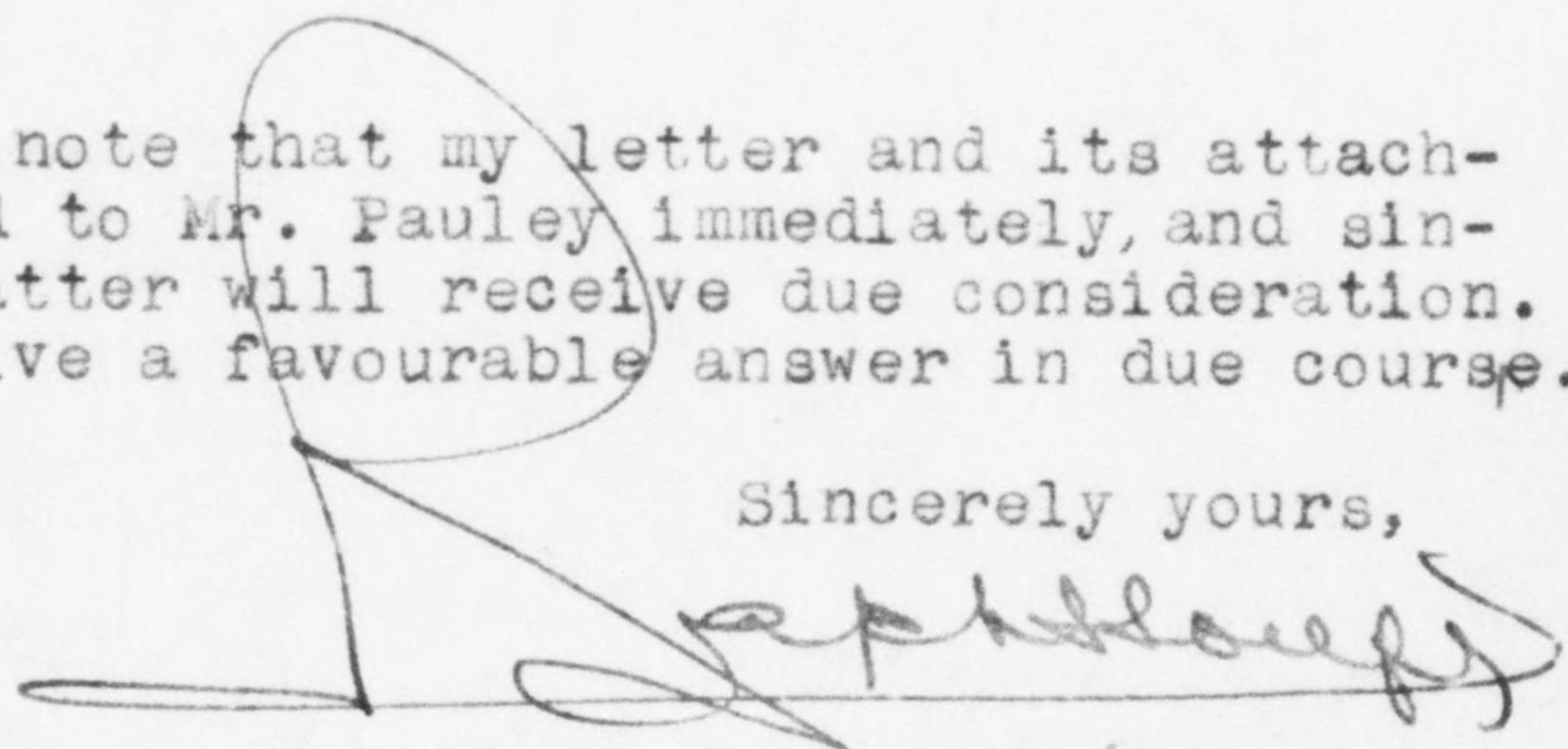
Dear Sir,

Subject : JAPANESE LEAF TOBACCO.

I have to thank you for your kind letter of No-  
vember 28th. and note that my letter of November 10th. rea-  
ched your Office during the absence of Mr. Pauley from  
U.S.A.

I am glad to note that my letter and its attach-  
ments will be forwarded to Mr. Pauley immediately, and sin-  
cerely hope that the matter will receive due consideration.  
I look forward to receive a favourable answer in due course.

Sincerely yours,



R. C. 22170 Alexandria



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142, Rue de la Poste Alexandria

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS:

TELETABAC, ALEXANDRIA

Mr. Edwin W. Pauley  
Ambassador  
U.S.A. Allied Commission on Reparations  
The White House  
WASHINGTON D.C.

Dear Sir,

JAPANESE TOBACCO UNMANUFACTURED PRODUCED IN JAPAN  
IN PAYMENT OF REPARATION CLAIMS TO THE U.S.A.  
-----I beg to refer to my letter of November 10th. with  
attachments and have to thank you for your kind letter of  
November 28th. of which I acknowledged receipt on January  
11th.I beg to confirm my cable of today's date addressed  
to your Department as follows :-"NLT AMBASSADOR EDWIN PAULEY ALLIED COMMISSION REPARA-  
" TIONS WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON  
"ANXIOUSLY AWAITING DECISION REGARDING JAPANESE TOBACCO  
"SUPPLIES IN PAYMENT REPARATIONS STOP HAVE EADY BUYERS  
"WHATEVER AVAILABLE STOCKS OR FUTURE DELIVERIES KINDLY  
"INDICATE QUALITIES GRADES PRICES FOB JAPAN OR CIF EGYPT  
" RAPHAEL SOUSSI"You will admit my anxiousness to obtain an answer  
from your Department regarding my enquiry for the purchase  
of any available stocks of Japanese unmanufactured tobacco  
which is only salable in Egypt. I have been longing for  
your answer and would like to repeat again herewith my of-  
fer of purchasing whatever stocks or future deliveries of  
Japanese tobacco in leaves. I presume that your Depart-  
ment have had ample time to study with the proper Japanese  
Authorities and/or the Japanese Tobacco Monopoly Bureau for  
the eventual disposal of such tobaccos and I shall be glad  
if you could let me know the qualities available for export  
and their respective prices either F.O.B. Japanese Port or  
C.I.F. Egyptian Port.The matter is of the utmost importance inas much as  
our country has already decided for barter business of Egyp-  
tian raw cotton against any commodities necessary for Egyp-  
tian trade or industry. The Japanese tobacco was consu-  
med in this country in large quantities and will never be  
competitive to U.S.A. Virginia tobacco, it being understood  
that the latter is consumed on a small scale for the Vir-  
ginia cigarette produced here while the Japanese tobacco was  
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TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS:

TELETABAC, ALEXANDRIA

Mr. Edwin W. Pauley, Ambassador  
The White House WASHINGTON D.C.

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used for the Egyptian 'Turkish type' blended cigarette.

I shall be thankful if an immediate decision is taken as regards the disposal of Japanese tobacco against which we can either pay the counter-value in Sterling or Egyptian currency or eventually in U.S.A. Dollars or we can barter with Egyptian cotton or Egyptian phosphates for fertilizers and other industrial purposes.

Anxiously awaiting your reply,

I beg to remain, Dear Sir,

Yours sincerely,

R. C. 22170 Alexandria



EMMANUEL FRANKEL  
MANAGING DIRECTOR  
THE NILE COMMERCIAL COMPANY

ALEXANDRIA  
14, FALAKI STREET  
PHONE 29075 - P. O. B. 1032

CAIRO  
17, SH. MALIKA FARIDA  
PHONE 56702 - P. O. B. 663

c/o Queen's Hotel,  
Montreal, Que.  
December 21st, 1945.

AIRMAIL.

Mr. Pauley,  
Head of Far Eastern (Japan)  
Reparations Commission,  
Department of State,  
Washington, D.C.

Subject: Japanese & Gorean Leaf Tobacco  
for export.

Dear Sirs-

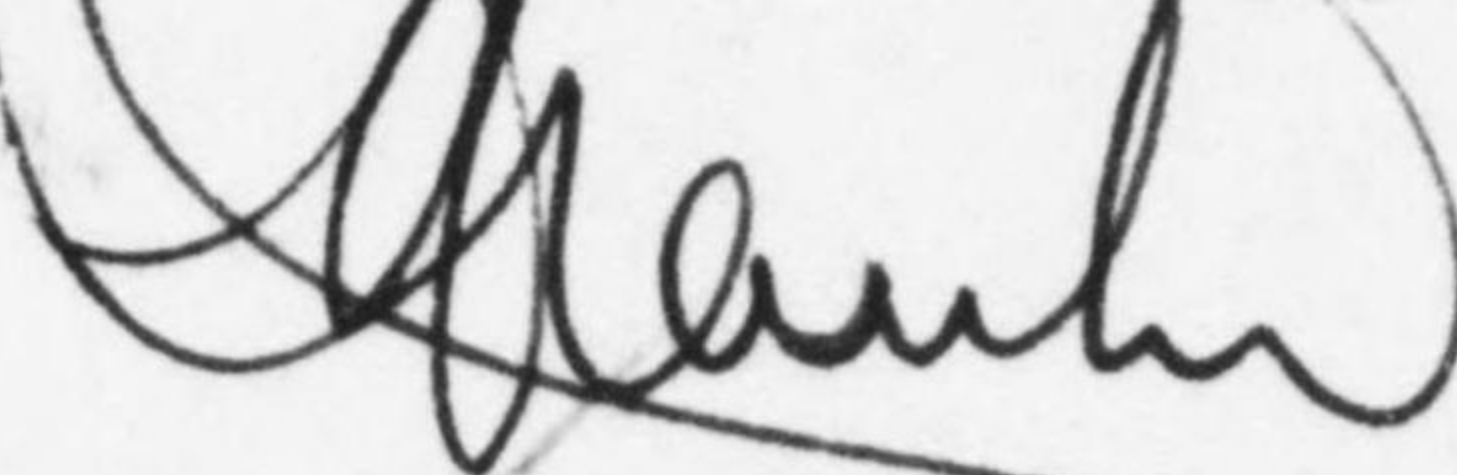
Mr. Raphael S. Soussi of Alexandria,  
Egypt, has posted me copy of his letter to you dated  
November 10th, 1945.

As I will be in New York on January  
2nd at the address hereunder mentioned, I would app-  
reciate if you would kindly write to me, indicating  
whether the proposal submitted to you by Mr. Raphael  
Soussi with regard to the sales in Egypt of Japanese  
Leaf Tobacco, is of interest to you.

Affirmatively, I might visit you in  
Washington to discuss the subject at a date to be fixed  
by your good self, between the 5th and 12th of next  
month.

Looking forward to the pleasure of  
your reply.

Yours very truly,



E. Frankel,  
The Nile Commercial Company.

EF:VR

Please reply to:  
E. Frankel,  
c/o Charles L. Huisking & Co. Inc.,  
155 Varrick St.,  
New York City, N.Y.



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The Honorable  
Secretary of State  
Department of State  
WASHINGTON D.C.

Your Honor,

I have the honor to bring to your notice that I sent a letter dated 10th. November 1945 addressed to Ambassador Edwin W. Pauley, U.S.A. Allied Commission on Reparations, The White House, Washington D.C., copy of which I enclose herewith.

Having been notified that Ambassador Edwin W. Pauley has now been substituted by Major General Frank McCoy, I shall thank you if you will be kind enough to communicate the enclosed copy of letter to Major General McCoy requesting him to answer my demand as early as possible.

On the 30th. January 1946 I took the liberty of cabling as follows to Ambassador Edwin Pauley :-

"AMBASSADOR EDWIN PAULEY ALLIED COMMISSION REPARATIONS"  
" WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON "  
" ANXIOUSLY AWAITING DECISION REGARDING JAPANESE "  
" TOBACCO SUPPLIES IN PAYMENT REPARATIONS STOP "  
" HAVE READY BUYERS WHATEVER AVAILABLE STOCKS "  
" OR FUTURE DELIVERIES KINDLY INDICATE QUALI- "  
" TIES GRADES PRICES FOB JAPAN OR CIF EGYPT "  
" RAPHAEL SOUSSI "

to which I am still awaiting an answer.

It would be much appreciated if your Honor will take the necessary steps so that I could obtain a definite positive or negative-answer to my above mentioned application.

Yours sincerely,

*Raphael Soussi*

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Alexandria, 10th November 1945

Teleg. Address :  
RAPHAEL SOUSSI  
12, Rue de la Poste AlexandriaMr. PAULEY,  
Head of FAR EASTERN (Japan)  
Reparations Commission,  
Department of State,  
WASHINGTON D.C.AIR MAIL

Dear Sir,

Subject: JAPANESE & COREAN LEAF TOBACCO For EXPORT  
=====The vernacular papers have reported the following cable from  
TOKYO, dated 8th November 1945 :"THE AMERICAN COMMISSION FOR REPARATIONS ARRIVED IN TOKYO ON 7th  
NOVEMBER. IT is constituted by 15 members, most of whom are  
experts in economical questions in the Far East, having already  
resided long ago in JAPAN. The head of this Commission is  
Mr. PAULEY, actually in the PHILIPPINES, who will arrive on 13th  
November at TOKYO. The Commission intends to study ON THE SPOT  
the capacities of JAPAN proper for payment of reparations, and  
will go throughout the territories of JAPAN, COREA and MANCHURIA."The object of my present letter is to bring to your notice  
that JAPANESE AND KOREAN LEAF TOBACCO have been shipped in large quan-  
tities to EGYPT since 1918 up to November 1941. Japanese and Korean  
Tobacco imported for the manufacture of cigarettes (low qualities) in  
EGYPT reached up to 4,000,000 lbs. yearly and the highest item, say about  
33% of total imports of leaf tobacco into EGYPT was from Japan.  
It is therefore presumed that from 1941 up to 1945, stocks of Japanese  
and Korean tobacco leaf accumulated in Japan, probably in the KOBE-TOKYO  
area, under the Type-names of : MATSUKAWA, BITCHU, BINGO, DARUMA, SATSUMA,  
NAMBU, KOREAN YELLOW, KOREAN HATANO, KOREAN SUIFU and FORMOSAN TOBACCO.  
All these qualities besides local consumption are suitable ONLY FOR  
EXPORT TO EGYPT, a little for Germany. The prewar value of Tobacco  
Imports in EGYPT from JAPAN varied from ONE to TWO MILLION DOLLARS, but  
present estimated value may amount to TEN MILLION DOLLARS or more.From this you will gather that there is a substantial amount  
which can be recovered as REPARATIONS, should it be decided by your  
Department to ship to EGYPT whatever SURPLUS JAPANESE, KOREAN & FORMOSAN  
TOBACCO LEAF would be available for EXPORT, and as to payment of its  
countervalue this can be easily arranged by : 1) Letter of Credit in  
Sterlings, Egyptian or American USA Dollars in your Favour, or, 2°) By  
Advance payment to the AMERICAN EMBASSY in EGYPT of 50% of the value  
of tobacco available for export, in Dollars or Egyptian Currency, as it  
may suit your purpose.



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Alexandria, 10th November 1945

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Mr. PAULEY,  
 FAR EASTERN (JAPAN)  
 REPARATIONS COMMISSION,  
 Department of State,  
 WASHINGTON D.C.

Teleg. Address :  
 RAPHAËL SOUSSI  
 12, Rue de la Poste Alexandria

The JAPANESE & KOREAN LEAF TOBACCO business was until NOVEMBER 1941 handled by THE JAPANESE TOBACCO MONOPOLY BUREAU, at TOKYO, and all JAPANESE & KOREAN TOBACCO EXPORTS were handled by : KYODO TOBACCO COMPANY LIMITED, YUSSEN BUILDING, MARUNOCHI, TOKYO (JAPAN) whose Export Manager was Mr. KOSAKU KASASHIMA (see attached letter addressed to myself undersigned). - It was THE NIPPON MENKWA KABUSHIKI KAISHA (JAPAN COTTON TRADING Co Ltd.) of Tokyo and Osaka, whose Import Branch Office, I was managing from 1923 up to 1941 in ALEXANDRIA (Egypt) who was the Firm exclusively in charge of selling JAPANESE & KOREAN LEAF TOBACCO in EGYPT and Palestine. I presume it will be easy for your competent Staff to trace out and contact the above-mentioned :

Mr. Kasashima or Mr. Kikkawa of KYODO TOBACCO COMPANY  
 Mr. K I B A of NIPPON MENKWA KABUSHIKI KAISHA, TOKYO  
 or the EXPORT DEPARTMENT at TOKYO of THE JAPANESE TOBACCO MONOPOLY BUREAU

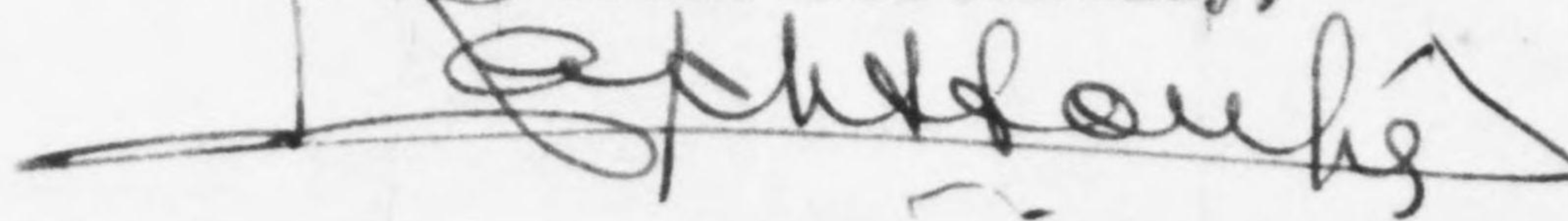
They will undoubtedly give you the fullest particulars as to the substantial quantities of exportable tobacco to Egypt, and will also give you information about myself, as having managed during over EIGHTEEN YEARS the TOBACCO leaf business.

Actually, I am established in ALEXANDRIA, Egypt, specializing in the Import of Tobacco leaf from : USA, INDIA, SOUTH AFRICA SOUTHERN & NORTHERN RHODESIA, NYASSALAND, UGANDA, JAVA & SUMATRA, TURKEY, PALESTINE & CYPRUS. As to my standing and morality you can refer to :

THE BRITISH EMBASSY, Cairo  
 THE U.K.C.C., Cairo  
 THE AMERICAN EMBASSY, Cairo  
 THE AMERICAN CONSULATE, Alexandria  
 All LEADING BANKS in Alexandria

It is my specific aim to handle this business and cooperate with your Department in the DISPOSAL of any SURPLUS EXPORTABLE TOBACCO FROM JAPAN AND KOREA, in payment of REPARATIONS, and not at all in any way to help the sale of Japanese Tobacco, nor to help the Japanese Tobacco Monopoly or any Tobacco people. My only aim and GOAL is COOPERATION to help you recovering from the Japanese Government the countervalue of any available tobacco suitable for this country. I am ready to give you directly or through THE COMMERCIAL ATTACHE OF THE AMERICAN EMBASSY in CAIRO, all particulars or information you may require further on this item.

Soliciting the favour of an early reply,  
 Yours faithfully,





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To the:

American Consul General,  
Alexandria, Egypt.

The Secretary of State transmits for the information of the Officer in Charge a copy of a letter dated March 19, 1946, from Mr. Raphael Soussi of Alexandria with further reference to his earlier inquiries about the export of Japanese leaf tobacco.

For the guidance of the Officer in Charge the following information is furnished:

Inquiries have been made at the Headquarters of the Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers in Japan regarding the availability of leaf tobacco for export. As soon as such information is received it will be transmitted, in the same manner as that used herein, to Mr. Soussi. In the meantime, the Department of State has had communications from Mr. A.N. Thompson who represents Mr. Soussi's firm in the United States and has informed him of the status of this matter.

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Enclosure:

Copy of Letter from Mr. Raphael Soussi, Alexandria, Egypt, to Dept. of State, dated March 19, 1946.

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Alexandria, 19th. March 1946

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12, RUE DE LA POSTE, ALEXANDRIA

Mr. Edward Martin  
STATE DEPARTMENT  
WASHINGTON

DIVISION OF COMMERCIAL POLICY  
APR 17 1946  
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS:  
TELETABAC, ALEXANDRIA

Dear Mr. Martin,

JAPANESE TOBACCO LEAF STOCKS IN JAPAN IN LIEU  
OF REPARATIONS.

You might have by now known my name through the courtesy of Mr. H.D. Maxwell, Chief of Staff, Japanese Reparations Mission, who has been good enough to advise me that all particulars and correspondence addressed to Mr. Edwin W. Pauley on the 10th. November 1945, 3rd. January 1946 and 11th. January, have been turned over to you.

I need not repeat here such particulars, but you will allow me to inform you that the sooner you will let me have a definite answer with full details as to the existing stocks including Korean and Formosan tobacco which may be available for disposal and sale to Egypt, the better.

I have taken the liberty of entrusting to Mr. A.N. Thompson, Attorney, of Radio Corporation of America, San Francisco, who was with me in Cairo the first week of January last, to negotiate with the Representative of the Allied Commission on Reparations in Washington with a view to push up matters and obtain on my behalf the fullest particulars as well as to explain to me the means of quickly entering into possession of such stocks after naturally paying their counter-value to the proper Authorities in American currency or Egyptian currency or British Sterling currency.

I shall, consequently be much obliged if you will take this matter up and answer my enquiry as early as you possibly can. If my presence is necessary either in Washington or preferably in Tokio, thus allowing me to inspect and estimate the grades and qualities and actual conditions of the goods which are offered for export, I shall be glad to do it, provided of course that your State Department will reserve for me on one of your planes the necessary passage to Tokio and back, for which I am ready to pay the necessary fees. You probably know that priorities and privileged passages with T.W.A. Airlines and other American lines, from Cairo to U.S.A. or to Japan are in the hands of your Government Authorities and it is only through your medium that I could obtain such a priority passage.

I shall be very thankful if, on receipt of the present letter you will keep me fully posted as to your conversations with my attorney Mr. A.N. Thompson so that I should  
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~~12 Rue de la Poste Alexandria~~

Mr. Edward Martin

WASHINGTON

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS:

TELETABAC, ALEXANDRIA

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prepare myself as well as my customers to put at your disposal the necessary funds for the purchase of the existing stocks of Japanese Tobacco Leaf.

Very sincerely yours,

R. C. 22170 Alexandria



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VIA RADIOGRAM

AMERICAN CONSUL

ALEXANDRIA, EGYPT

MAY 9 1946  
*10 am*

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Request you obtain from Raphael Soussi firm bid in American dollars for 300 metric tons leaf tobacco (Matsukawa type) available for immediate export from Japan. Bid should quote price by grade and specify which grades acceptable. For your info believe minimum offer acceptable is 525 - 550 dollars per ton f.o.b. Japan for typical grades. If acceptable bid received please obtain irrevocable letter of credit for total sum, payable to US Secretary of Treasury for Supreme Commander Allied Powers, which can be forwarded here when tobacco arrives Egypt. Shipping and operating details probably handled by US Commercial Co. Please reply soonest.

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*Becheron acting (RHw)*

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"Raphael Soussi bids for 300 tons crop 1944 or crop 1945 Matsukawa type grades four, five, six and seven, 750 bales each (75 tons each). Grade only main and middle leaves in equal quantities for each grade quality to be certified by Japanese Government strictly equal to prewar grades at average price of \$537.50 per ton f.o.b. Japan packing included. Subject to approval of hand samples being airmailed immediately to Alexandria buyers, If impracticable suggest Japan ship immediately 500 bales basis which after examination Egypt buyers would confirm balance 2500 bales immediate shipment and will start negotiate further 1000 tons Japanese or Korean tobacco to be available within six months hence. Bales packing of 50 kilos preferred to usual 100 kilos bales with new Hessian covers outside and straw lined inside also properly iron hooped strongly. Sellers to provide freight space in one or several steamers each separate shipment to consist of all the four grades bought freight rate to be advised to buyers soonest possible. All above subject to Egyptian Government import permit and dollars obtainable letter credit to be opened as requested and handed American Consulate Alexandria on business conclusion. If dollars unobtainable Soussi ready to pay Egyptian or sterling currency. For particulars prewar tobacco exporters to Egypt refer to Kosaku Kasashima of Kyodo Tobacco Company, Tokyo or T. Kiba Director Japan Cotton Trading Company (Nippon Menkwa Kabushiki Kaisha) Osaka Alexandria office.

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-2-#55, May 13, from Alexandria

Soussi suggests necessary his presence Japan  
inspection examination and approval tobacco requesting  
American authorities provide visa priority air passage  
to Tokyo and return earliest.

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ALEXANDRIA, EGYPT

REURTELS 64, 28th, and 55, 13th. Appreciate your promptness.

Since USCC about to assume responsibility, subject to approval  
new contract, for handling Japanese export transactions of this  
type to third countries, that agency will take initiative in carrying  
through further negotiations involved in proposed transaction,  
including airmailing of samples.

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Dated May 28, 1946

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64, Twenty-eighth

My telegram 55, 13th, your telegram 38, 9th, Soussi requests ascertain decision. Application filed for dollars and import license which your confirmation would help secure.

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OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES POLITICAL ADVISER  
FOR JAPAN

No. 88

Tokyo, February 11, 1948.

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Subject: Distribution of American Tobacco as Incentive Goods.

The Acting Political Adviser has the honor to forward here-  
with five copies of a directive from General Headquarters to the  
Japanese Government dated January 30, 1948 (SCAPIN 1854) in which  
the Japanese Government is authorized to distribute a certain  
amount of American tobacco products to Japanese coal miners and  
rice growers as incentive goods.

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Government, SCAPIN 1854,  
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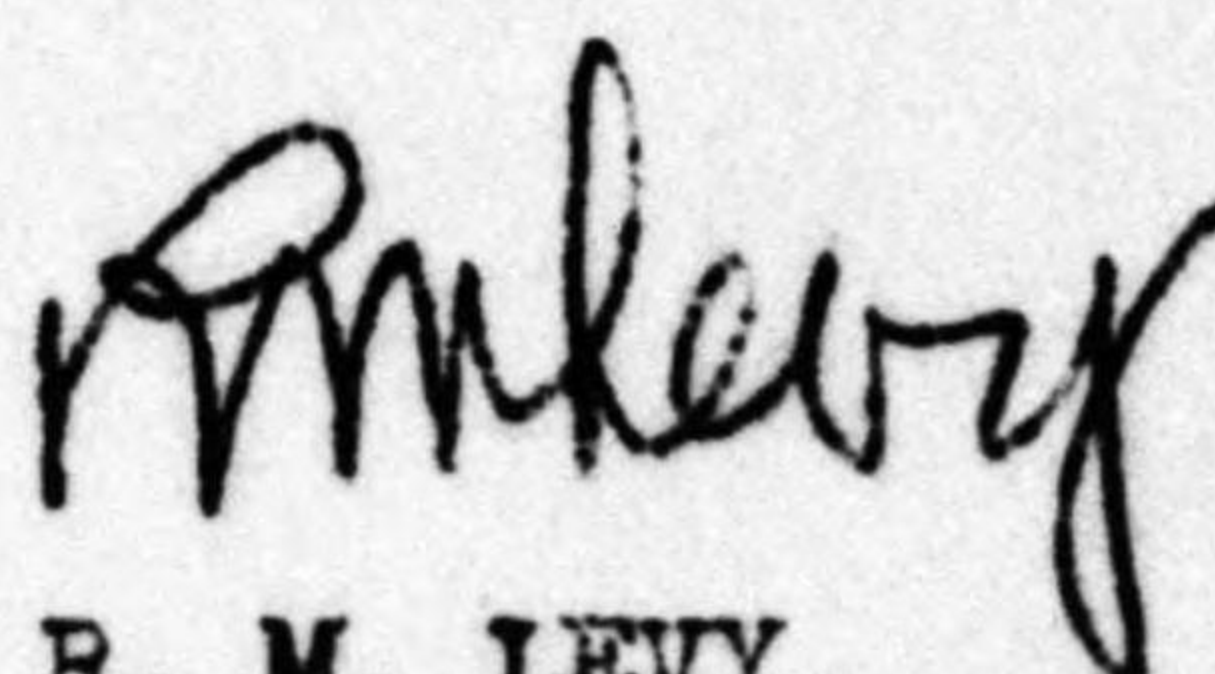
MEMORANDUM FOR: JAPANESE GOVERNMENT

THROUGH: Central Liaison Office, Tokyo

SUBJECT: Distribution of American Tobacco as Incentive Goods

1. The Japanese Government is authorized to:
  - a. Distribute cigarettes from American tobacco products in the custody of the Japanese Government as incentive goods to encourage coal production and the delivery of rice to the official collection system.
  - b. Offer 250,000 packages (2 oz.) of pipe tobacco as incentive goods to coal miners.
  - c. Utilize not to exceed 1,000 pounds of pipe tobacco and cigars to conduct operating tests as to the feasibility of utilizing these products in the manufacture of cigarettes for distribution as incentive goods.
  - d. Release all chewing tobacco for use as raw material in the manufacture of insecticides for farmers.
2. Each package of cigarettes and pipe tobacco will be clearly and distinctively marked to indicate that these products are authorized for legal release and to distinguish them from American tobacco used by Occupation Forces.
3. The Japanese Government will take all necessary action to assure that this tobacco and any products manufactured therefrom, are distributed only through official channels and do not appear in public, unauthorized sales.
4. Detailed distribution plans and prices to be charged for these commodities will be submitted to General Headquarters, Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers for approval prior to actual distribution.

FOR THE SUPREME COMMANDER:



R. M. LEVY,  
Colonel, AGD,  
Adjutant General.



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FROM: Tokyo

TO : Secretary of State

NO : Z-44207, April 3

FROM SCAP TOKYO TO STATE DEPT AND DEPT OF ARMY.

REURAD DTG 010055Z 141.

Subject is tobacco report. Requested information as follows: (1) for calendar year 1946, zero imports and zero exports.

(2) For calendar year 1947, zero imports and 492 metric tons leaf tobacco exported to Egypt.

(3) Estimated report of leaf tobacco during calendar year 1948 will total approximately 10,000 metric tons. Prospective market is Egypt.

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FROM: Tokyo

TO: Secretary of State

NO: ✓ Z-46421, April 12 (Army Message)

FROM SCAP TO DEPARTMENT OF ARMY PASS TO DEPARTMENT OF STATE.

URAD DTG050148Z April 1949.

Subject is leaf tobacco report. Requested information as follows:

For calendar year 1947, zero imports and 492 metric tons export to Egypt.

2. For calendar year 1948, zero imports and 3.2 metric tons exported to United States.

3. Estimate for calendar year 1949, zero imports and exports totaling 850 metric tons of 1947 crop sun-cured, 2500 metric tons of 1948 crop sun-cured, and 1500 metric tons of 1948 crop flue-cured.

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