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COUNTER EVIDENCE AGAINST OUR INCLUSION
IN THE CATEGORY "G" OF PURGE DIRECTIVE

Produced by
MASAO SUGIYAMA
President
DAINIPPON SHUPPAN KABUSHIKI KAISHA
"5, Ginza 1-chome, Chûô-ku, Tokyo"

Our company, Dainippon Shuppan Kabushiki Kaisha (Dainippon Publishing Company) has been designated as a publishing company falling under Category "G" of Purge Directive announced on 27th, June, 1947. However, on the grounds of the following two strong counter-evidences, which we produce here to be examined by you, we wish that our Company should be excluded from the list of the organizations falling under that Category.

1. That the number of circulation of the magazine in question has never approximated to or surpassed 10,000.
2. That the number of cases of violation has never reached 10, and that our Company has never been answerable for the compilation.

Below will these two counter-evidences be explained more fully:-

Counter-Evidence 1.

The magazine "Teiyû Rinrikai Rinri Kôenshû", (Ethical Lectures Given by Teiyû Ethical Research Society), which gave the reason for considering our Company as falling under Category "G" of Purge Directive, has invariably had a small circulation of about 2,000 (please see Document No. 1, appended hereto), a number far short of the number mentioned by the government as determining a publisher in the Category "G", i.e. approximately 10,000 or upwards. We beg to add that the said magazine is a magazine for the members, to whom only they are as a rule distributed, only a small number of copies being sold through book-agencies to the specially interested public, in which respect it has a greatly different character from most other magazines.

Counter-Evidence 2.

Nominally, our Company is the publisher of the magazine, "Teiyû Rinrikai Rinri Kôenshû". Our situation, however, differs a great deal from what is usually understood to be the form of magazine-publishing. As will be clear from the Document No. 2 appended hereto, the magazine is prepared by a learned society called Teiyû Rinrikai (Teiyû Ethical Research Society), which compiles the articles written by its members, edits them, sends them to the press, has them printed and bound, and gives them

to our Company, whereupon our Company takes up the responsibility for the business of their distribution.

The relation between the learned society and our Company is like that between a publisher and the sole agent. In its relation to the Teiyū Rinrikai, our Company is in no other capacity than the sole agent to the publisher, and therefore it is highly inadequate to treat our Company in the same way as the publisher of an ordinary magazine is treated.

What is more, among the articles that appeared in the magazine, ~~sixty~~ forty-one (41) have been designated as susceptible of the Category "G" purge, but to our mind the cases of violation are almost negligible, and are only liable to charge as a matter of opinion. Seventeen (17) articles, in particular, out of the forty-one alluded to, seem to be completely free from the suspicion of violation, according to the Defence by the Teiyū Rinrikai, appended hereto as Document 3. When these seventeen are excluded, the number of suspicious articles that appeared in the years 1937-41 will be as follows:-

1937	-	4
38	-	2
39	-	3
40	-	7
41	-	8

Thus it will be observed that in no single year the minimum number of cases of violation quoted as establishing a publisher in the Category "G", i.e. ten, has been reached.

Document No. 1.

Jul. 19, 1947

MASAO SUGIYAMA
President
Dainippon Shuppan
Kabushiki Kaisha

Application for Certifying
the Number of Copies Printed

Re: The Magazine "Teiyû
Rinrikai Rinri Kôenshû"

Messrs. Dainippon Insatsu Kabushiki Kaisha

Please certify that the numbers of copies printed of the said magazine monthly during the period July 1937 to December 1941 were as follows:-

July 1937 to Dec. 1939	2,300 monthly
Jan. 1940 to Jan. 1941	2,000 "
Febl 1941 to Dec. 1941	2,100 "

Jul. 25, 1947

CHOKICHIRO SAKUMA
President
Dainippon Insatsu
Kabushiki Kaisha

We hereby certify the above numbers of copies printed of the magazine "Teiyû Rinrikai Rinri Kôenshû" to be correct.

Document No. 2.

NOTICE

By the Teiyū Rinrikai

(Appearing in the "Teiyū Rinri Kōenshū", Series 469)

1. We ask that all business relating to the compilation of the "Teiyū Rinrikai Rinri Kōenshū", and to the "Question and Answer" should be referred or addressed to:-

MASANORI OSHIMA
52, Komagome-Sendagi-cho, Hongo-ku, Tokyo
Tel. Komagome 467

2. We ask that all business concerning information, gift of books to the Society, exchange of magazines and collections of ethical essays, etc., should be addressed to:-

Office of the Teiyū Rinrikai
389, Totsuka-machi 3-chome, Yodobashi-ku, Tokyo
Tel. Ushigome 7359

3. Those who want to subscribe the Rinri Kōenshū and those who want to have their advertisements put in the magazine are asked to apply to:-

Dainippon Shuppan Kabushiki Kaisha
5, Ginza 1-chome, Kyobashi-ku, Tokyo
Tel. Kyobashi 2407
P.O. Furikae Account, No. 136125 Tokyo

Advertisement Agency: Hakuhōdō
9, Nishiki-cho 3-chome, Kanda-ku, Tokyo
Tel. Kanda 2181

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Document No. 3.

DEFENCE
For Dainippon Shuppan Kabushiki Kaisha
Against Inclusion
In the Category "G" of Publishers

Produced by

TEIYU RINRIKAI
130, Koenji 2-chome
Suginami-ku, Tokyo

We are very sorry to learn that Dainippon Shuppan Kabushiki Kaisha has come to be designated as a publishing company falling under the Category "G" of the Purge Directive, as a result of having published the "Teiyū Rinrikai Rinri Kōenshū", compiled by our Society, the Teiyū Rinrikai. Convinced that the said magazine, "Kōenshū", so far as its basic principle is concerned, is in no way liable to the charge of violation regarding the Category "G" of the Purge Directive, we hereby beg to explain our views at some length to appeal to your most impartial and discreet judgement.

"Teiyū Rinrikai Rinri Kōenshū" is an organ in which the members (numbering 40 to 50) of the Teiyū Rinrikai, subject to no other restraints than that of law, have been publishing their opinions most freely and in a most democratic way. Since the appearance of its first number in 1900, the Society has sent to the world 530 series of articles.

The Society is made up exclusively of free and cultured people, who must first of all be learned persons. Their articles are all liberalistic, cultured, cosmopolitan and democratic, featuring ideological studies and criticism of current affairs characteristically opposed to totalitarian, authoritarian, imperialistic and feudalistic ideas.

True to themselves, the contributors to the magazine have never flattered the journalism of the day, the trend of thought of the times, or even the readers, but have always said what they believe to be true, and the magazine has been distributed only to those readers who take interest in them. Naturally it has never been an undertaking for monetary profit, and has always had a small circulation. After the outbreak of the China Incident, and more especially during the Pacific War, the magazine had to undergo an unusual oppression by the government because of its unbending character with which it freely and scathingly criticized state policies and popular opinions. In particular it was allowed only a minimum amount of paper ration, barely enough to keep it alive.

The Society has had no special regulations by which to control its activities, the opinions of its members being sought when any decision had to be made. A secretary for general affairs and finance, and another for the compilation of the magazine, were appointed to manage

the actual business. The latter, however, has been responsible only for arranging the manuscripts contributed and having them printed, and not authorized to modify the contents of the articles. (Such being the case, it would be needless to say that the publisher, Dainippon Shuppan Kabushi Kaisha, has been allowed absolutely no say in the compilation or editing of the magazine.)

The term of office of the secretaries has customarily been one year, and they have been renewed every year by the mutual election of the members. They can, however, be elected more than once. Besides the secretaries there is an assistant editor (who is a non-member of the Society), responsible for the matters of compilation and proof-reading. Legally, this assistant editor has been nominated as the editor, but this is only to eliminate the inconvenience in legal and other procedures arising from the fact that the secretaries are renewed every year. Neither the secretaries nor the assistant editors are whole-time staff-members but ^{ve} had other occupations.

Recently, forty-one of the articles that have appeared in our magazine have been quoted by the cabinet as cases of violation relative of the Category "G". The "Teiyû Rinrikai Rinri Kôenshû", however, as has been said, is primarily an organ for publishing academic studies of thought and criticism of social affairs by scholars who are avowed exponents of liberalism, intellectualism and cosmopolitanism. If the free and democratic system, in

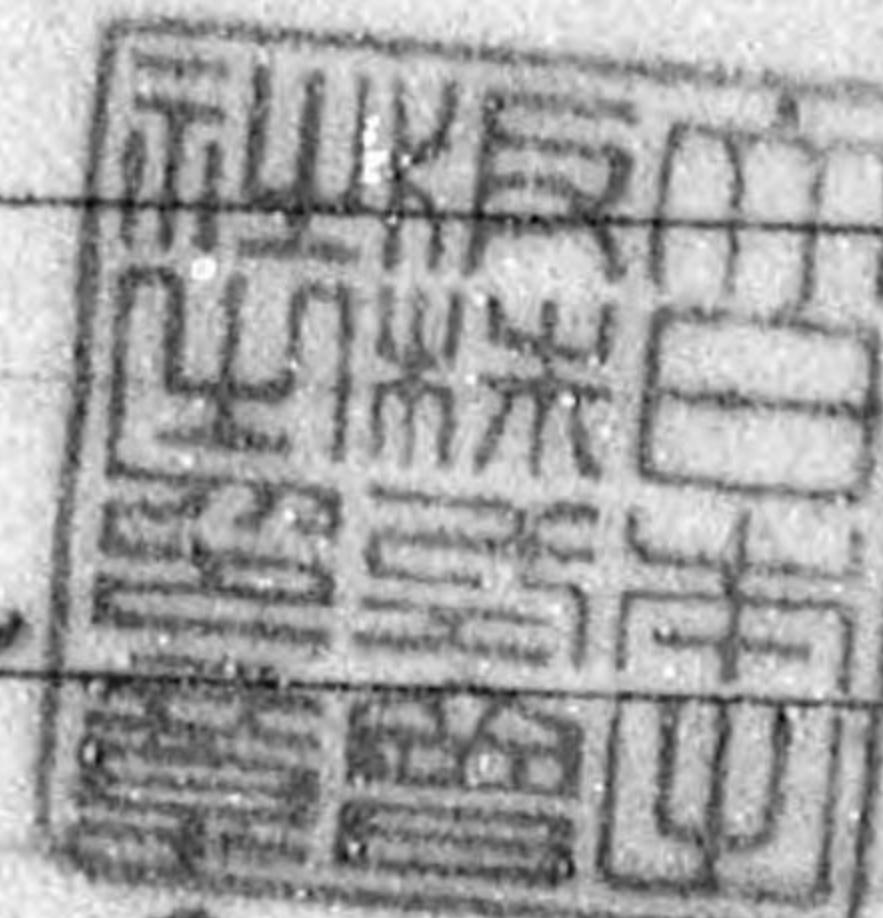
which the members of the Society, subject to no restriction save that of law, bring together their papers into a volume, has, in the excessive stress laid on personal freedom, unfortunately led to the appearance of a few articles that may by some be suspected of violation with regard to the Category "G", we are very sorry.

Those articles, however, which we enumerated in our former report have been cited by us only for fear lest they may contain some points to which the purge standard of the Category "G" might be applicable; we know well enough that, in spirit, none of them fall under that category. Lastly, we beg to add that we can say with absolute certainty that at least 17 out of the 41 articles recently designated by the Cabinet are immune from the charge of violation with regard to the Category "G" of the Purge Directive.

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Reports
of
The Chief Members, Rules for allotting Dates
and List of Constitution.

of
Dai Nippon Shuppan Kabushiki Kaisha
No. 5, chome Ginza, Chūō Ku, Tokyo



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(Presentation of 1947, July 26th.)

Dear Mr. & Mrs. John C. Dill
you will appear before me
on the 2d of September
we will then go to official you
if it
John C.

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Dai Nippon Shuppan Kabushiki Kaisha (from. 1940. Nov. till 1941. Dec.)

Position	Name	Date of Assumption Resignation	Present Profession	Present Address	Remarks
President	Sugiyama Tsunejiro	1940. 11. 14 (Ass.) 1944. 4. 28 (Res.)	" none	No. 704 Ōimotoshiba cho, Shinagawa Ku, Tokyo	none
Director	Egusa Shigetada	1940. 11. 14 (Ass.) 1944. 3. 10 (Res.)	Death	Death	Death
Director	Ōhashi Shinichi	1940. 11. 14. (Ass.) 1944. 3. 10. (Res.)	none	No. 38 Ushigome Wakamiya cho Shinjuku Ku, Tokyo	none
Director	Sugiyama Yūichiro	1940. 11. 14. (Ass.) 1947. 7. 25 (Res.)	none	No. 5 1 chome, Ginza Chūō Ku, Tokyo	none
Director	Miyakawa Ikuo	1940. 11. 14 (Ass.) 1944. 3. 10 (Res.)	none	No. 15 Takata Ōimatsu cho, Bunkyo Ku, Tokyo	none
Inspector	Miyakawa Keizō	1940. 11. 14. (Ass.) 1944. 3. 10. (Res.)	none	No. 122, 2 chome, Kami Ogikubo, Suginami Ku, Tokyo	none
Inspector	Ōhashi Yūkichi	1940. 11. 14 (Ass.) 1944. 3. 10. (Res.)	none	No. 203, Hase Higashi Machi, Kanakura	none
Head of the Department of General Affairs	Sugiyama Tsunejiro	1940. 11. 14 (Ass.) 1944. 4. 28 (Res.)	none	No. 704 Ōimotoshiba cho, Shinagawa Ku, Tokyo	none
Head of the Department of Editor	Sugiyama Tsunejiro	1940. 11. 14 (Ass.) 1944. 4. 28 (Res.)	none	No. 704 Ōimotoshiba cho, Shinagawa Ku, Tokyo	none

Founded 1940. 10. 30.

Rules for allotting duties of Dai Nippon Shuppan Kabushiki Kaisha

(from 1940. nov.)
(till 1941. Dec.)

President — General Management

Department of
General Affairs — Accounts, General Affairs, Business

Department of
Editor — Publishing, Project

(Remarks founded 1940. 10. 30)

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The List of Constitution of Dai Nippon Shuppa Kabushiki Kaisha

(from 1940. Nov.
till 1941. Dec.)

President - Department of General Affairs

 - Department of Editor

(founded 1940. Oct. 30.)

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