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GIFU MILITARY GOVERNMENT TEAM APO 25, Unit 2 (Gifu, Honshu)

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5 November 1948

SUBJECT: Use of Radioactive Compounds

THRU:

Commerce and Industry Section Gifu Prefectural Government

TO:

Gifu Ken Pottery Research Laboratory Tajimi, Gifu

- 1. Reference is made to your petition dated 16 September 1948 for authority to use a stock of ammonium uranati amounting to 50 grams for purposes of pottery research.
- 2. Pursuant to 4th Ind, G.H.Q., SCAP, dated 26 October 1948, to Letter, file 470, Subject: "Request for Use of Radio Active Compound", this headquarters, dated 4 October 1948, subject petition is approved.

FRANK C. SEITZ Lt. Col., Infantry Commanding DECLASSIFIED E.O. 12065 SECTION 3-402/NNDG NO. NA/tt GIFU MILITARY GOVERNMENT TEAM APO 25, Unit 2 (Gifu, Honshu) 4 October 1948 470 Request for Use of Radioactive Compound Commanding Officer THRU: Tokai-Hokuriku Mil Govt Region APO 710 Commander-in-Chief TO: G. H. Q., SCAP APO 500 Attn: Special Projects Unit E.S.S. In compliance with verbal instructions given the Gifu Ken Pottery Research Laboratory by Dr. H. C. Kelly, Special Projects Unit, E.S.S., G.H.Q., SCAP., petition for authority to use radioactive compound in stock for pottery research is forwarded herewith. FRANK C. SEITZ Lt. Col., Infantry Commanding l Incl: Petition from Gifu Pottery Research Laboratory

BASIC: Ltr, Hq Gifu Mil Govt Team, APC 25, dtd 4 Oct 48, Subj: "Request for Use of Radioactive Compound"

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1st Ind

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Hq Tokai-Hokuriku Mil Govt Region, APO 710, 7 Oct 48

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

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FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

MARION S. BELL Capt, Inf Adjutant

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3rd Ind

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Headquarters Eighth Army, APO 343



TO: Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers, APO 500

(Attn: Economic & Scientific Section, Industrial Division, Special Projects Unit

l Incl: n/c W. M. M.

Ltr, Gifu Mil Govt Team, 470, subj: Request for Use of Radioactive compound, 4 Oct 48

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4th Ind

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS, SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS, APO 500 26 October 1948

TO: Commanding General, Eighth Army, APO 343

Request from the Gifu Ken Pottery Research Laboratory contained in inclosure to basic communication is approved.

BY COMMAND OF GENERAL Macarthur:

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Major, AGD Asst Adj Gen

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Headquarters Eighth Army, APO 343

Commanding General, I Corps, APC 301

Attention is invited to the 4th indorsement.

BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL WALRER:

l Incl:

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Hq I Corps, APO 301,

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

Attention is directed to the 4th indorsement.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL SWING:

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7th Ind

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Hq Tokai-Hokuriku Mil Govt Region, APO 710, 2 Nov 48

TO: Commanding Officer, Gifu Mil Govt Team, APO 25

Attention is directed to 4th indorsement.

BY ORDER OF COLONEL DUMONT:

1 Incl:

MARION S. BELL Capt, Inf

Adjutant

Report Control Symbol 48 /E/IR/8

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MILITARY GOVERNMENT TEAM
APO 25, Unit 2 (Gifu, Honshu)

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19 October 1948

SUBJECT: Manufacture of Fireworks

THRU : Commanding Officer
Tokai-Hokuriku Mil Govt Region
APO 710

Commanding General
Eighth Army
APO 343

1. References:

a. Letter, file AGMGEM 471.86, Subj: "Manufacture and Use of Fireworks and Pyrotechnics", Headquarters, Eighth Army, dated 30 July 1948.

b. Letter, file AG 004-BA, Subj: "Permit for Manufacture of Fireworks", Headquarters I Corps, dated 7 September 1948.

- 2. It has come to the attention of this headquarters that an allocation of 96 kilograms of black powder was made to Mannosuke Matsuo, Ishiki-mura, Motosu Gun, Gifu Prefecture by the Chemical Bureau, Commerce and Industry Ministry on 31 August 1948 for the purpose of fireworks manufacture. Allocation was made by letter, file 23 Chemical No. 4245, to the Governor of Cifu Prefecture, dated 31 August 1948. Subject fireworks manufacturer does not appear in the list appended to reference la above.
- 3. It has also been learned by this headquarters that five additional manufacturers of fireworks are operating in this prefecture under prefectural license. These persons have not had allocations of black powder, but have used chemicals obtainable in local shops. None of these is listed in inclosure to reference la above. All six manufacturers were reported to the Chemical Bureau, Commerce and Industry Ministry in October in response to a request by that

DECLASSIFIED E.O. 12065 SECTION 3-402/NNDG NO. GMGT 471.86 19 October 1948 Subject: Manufacture of Fireworks agency, in which it was stated that an effort would be made to secure approval for their continued operation. 4. This headquarters has recommended to the Gifu Prefectural Government that all such manufacture be suspended pending clarification of the status of subject enterprises: Recommendations: a. That this headquarters be advised whether the allocation referred to in Par. 2 above is valid and whether Mannosuke Matsuo should be issued a permit by this headquarters. b. That this headquarters be advised whether manufacturers of fireworks as listed in Par. 3 come within the scope of references la and 1b. If so, it is requested that this headquarters be advised whether it is contemplated to extend manufacturing authorization or whether the Gifu Prefectural Government should be required to revoke the licenses and terminate the operations. c. That the Commerce and Industry Ministry be required to clarify policy on this entire matter to the prefectural Governments, who are still operating on the basis of a regulation promulgated in 1910 and not revised since 1923. SIDNEY T. MIXON Major, Infantry Commanding

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TO: Commanding Officer, Gifu Mil Govt Team, APO 25

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DECLASSIFIED E.O. 12065 SECTION 3-402/NNDG NO. HEADQUARTERS NA/tt GIFU MILITARY GOVERNMENT TEAM APO 25, Unit 2 (Gifu, Honshu) 471.86 6 January 1949 SUBJECT: Manufacture of Fireworks THRU: Commanding Officer Tokai-Hokuriku Mil Govt Region APO 710 Commanding General TO: Eighth Army APO 343 1. Reference: Special Report (Report Control Symbol 48/E/IR/8), subject: "Manufacture of Fireworks", this headquarters, dated 19 October 1948. 2. As recommended by this headquarters, the Gifu Prefectural Government has directed the suspension of manufacture of fireworks by concerns without permits pending clarification of the questions raised in reference special report. However, it creates financial burden for these persons to remain in a state of uncertainty as to whether they shall be permitted to resume operations or whether they should proceed on the assumption that they must permanently discontinue such production. 3. It is requested that the information asked for in Par. 5 of reference report be provided this headquarters as quickly as is possible, in order to clarify the position of both the prefectural government and the manufacturers in question. ADLAI C. YOUNG Colonel, Infantry Commanding

DECLASSIFIED E.O. 12065 SECTION 3-402/NNDG NO. Ltr, Hq Gifu Mil Govt Team, APO 25, dtd 6 Jan 49, Subj: "Manufacture of Fireworks." KBB/ss AG 471.86 1st Ind Hq Tokai-Hokuriku Mil Govt Region, APO 710, 8 Jan 49

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

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Hq I Corps, APO 301,

To: CG, Eighth Army, APO 343

- 1. Special Report referenced in paragraph 1, basic communication, was forwarded to your headquarters by 2nd indorsement, Headquarters I Corps on 28 October 1948.
- 2. Clarification of status of manufacturers of fireworks in question in Gifu prefecture is requested.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

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DECLASSIFIED E.O. 12065 SECTION 3-402/NNDG NO. 3rd Ind AGMGEM 471.86 SUBJECT: Manufacture of Fireworks (6 January 1949) Headquarters Eighth Army, APO 343 TO: Commanding General, I Corps, APO 301 1. Reference is made to letter this headquarters, file AGMGEM 471.86, subject: "Manufacture and Use of Explosives", dated 20 January 1949 which included a list of plants in your zone of responsibility authorized to manufacture fireworks. 2. Only those plants listed on inclosure 2 to the above reference are authorized to manufacture fireworks in 1949. Local military government teams are authorized to issue manufacturing permits to these listed plants upon application. BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL WALKER: Major, AGD EHN/msk 4th Ind AG 471 - BA FEB 14 1949 Hq I Corps, APC 301, TO: CC, Tokai-Hokuriku Mil Govt Region, AFC 710 1. Reference: Letter, this headquarters, to Commanding Officer, Tokai-Hokuriku Military Government Region, AG 471-BA, subject: "Manufacture" and Use of Fireworks", dated 11 February 1949. 2. Mannosuke Matsuo, Ishiki-mura, Motosu Gun, Gifu Prefecture is included on the list attached to inclosure 1, reference letter, and is authorized to engage in the manufacture of fireworks. BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL COULTER: Charlie Radisey

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6 January 1949

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THRU: (

Commanding Officer Tokai-Hokuriku Mil Govt Region

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Commanding General Eighth Army APC 3A3

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