

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS  
SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS

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MEMORANDUM FOR: JAPANESE GOVERNMENT

THROUGH: Central Liaison Office, Tokyo

SUBJECT: Disposition of Silk

1. Reference is made to:

- a. Paragraph 2a of SCAPIN 58, dated 25 September 1945, subject: Operation of Manufacturing Industries.
- ✓ b. SCAPIN 438, dated 13 December 1945, subject: Inventory of Raw Silk, Semi, Creige, and Finished Goods.
- ✓ c. SCAPIN 711, dated 6 February 1946, subject: Restrictions on Releases of Silk for Civilian and Military Use.
- ✓ d. SCAPIN 866, dated 6 April 1946, subject: Release of Silk Fabrics in Retail Stores.
- ✓ e. SCAFIN 870, dated 8 April 1946, subject: Manufacture of Silk Fabric for Export.
- ✓ f. SCAPIN 901, dated 25 April 1946, subject: Preparation of Silk Piece Goods for Export.
- ✓ g. Paragraphs 1, 2, and 3 of SCAPIN 1302-A, dated 23 July 1946, subject: New Silk Test Certificates.
- ✓ h. SCAPIN 1465, dated 14 January 1947, subject: Release of Raw Silk.

2. The above references are hereby rescinded.

3. All raw silk, mixed silk, pure silk articles, mixed silk articles, end items, or any other forms of silk in raw, yarn or manufactured state, are hereby released to the Japanese Government for:

- a. Reservation for export as hereafter indicated by General Headquarters, Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers, through validation of Form IL-100, or as provided for in contracts with foreign

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buyers entered into by the Board of Trade, with validation by General Headquarters, Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers.

b. Control and allocation, according to the "Designated Textile Material Distribution Rule" of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, and other applicable distribution and allocation regulations of agencies of the Japanese Government.

c. Release in accordance with requirements of the Central Purchasing Office, or against proper Procurement Demands issued by any other authorized Occupation agency.

4. Direct communication between interested sections of General Headquarters, Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers, and the Japanese Government, is hereby authorized to implement the provisions of this memorandum.

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