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KINKI CIVIL AFFAIRS REGION
CAMP MAIZURU
APO 15 (Osaka Honshu)

20 November 1950

SUBJECT: Letter of Transmittal

TO : Chief,
Kinki Civil Affairs Region
APO 15 (Osaka Honshu)

1. Returned herewith are signed copies of WD AGO Forms 444,446 and 581 with reference to ordnance property received at Camp Maizuru.

2. Request these receipts be forwarded to Civil Affairs Section (Annex) SCAP, APO 500 in accordance with their letter 141 (4 Nov. 1950) CAS (Anx)-L, subject "Letter of Transmittal", dated 4 November 1950.

FOR THE CAMP COMMANDER

Robert H. Fuller
Major Armor
Administrative Officer

1st Ind

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HQ Kinki Civil Affairs Region, APO 15, 27 November 1950.

TO: Chief, Civil Affairs Section Annex
GHQ SCAP, APO 500

Forwarded as requested by the property responsible officer, Camp Maizuru, M/R account No. M-26.

FOR THE CHIEF:

3 Incl
CV-22-M26
CV-145-51
CV-159-51

STERLIN C. MOORE
Major Infantry
Deputy Chief

1st Ind

SUBJECT: Disposition of Damaged Weapons

Hq., Kinki Civil Affairs Region, APO 15. 21 Nov 1950.

TO: Chief, Civil Affairs Section Annex, GHQSCAP, APO 500

1. Enclosed is a request from Camp Nara as to the disposition of damaged carbines received.
2. Request instructions as to the proper procedure in placing the carbines in serviceable condition.

FOR THE CHIEF:

STERLIN C. MOORE
Major Infantry
Deputy Chief

HEADQUARTERS
KINKI CIVIL AFFAIRS REGION
APO 15 (Osaka, Honshu)

21 November 1950

SUBJECT: Army Shipping Document

TO: Chief
Civil Affairs Section Annex
GHQ, SCAP
APO 500
Attn: Chief, Logistics Division

1. Enclosed is information copy of Army Shipping Document sent with shipment of carbines between property responsible officers as indicated.

2. Subject document is forwarded in accordance with instructions received through telephone call, your headquarters, 10 November 1950.

FOR THE CHIEF:

1 Incl.
a/s

STERLIN C. MOORE
Major Infantry
Deputy Chief

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KINKI CIVIL AFFAIRS REGION
AFO 15 (Osaka, Honshu)

4 November 1950

SUBJECT: Turn-In Slips

TO: Accountable Officer SA-404-DSK
Ikego Ammunition Depot
AFO 503

1. Transmitted herewith are Turn-In Slips on expended carbine ammunition and ammunition boxes.
2. Request that one or more copies of the subject turn-in slips be returned to this organization after items have been received.
3. Cartridge cases and ammunition boxes were shipped from Gifu, Japan on 1 November 1950.

FOR THE CHIEF:

1 Incl.
a/s
(3 Copies)STERLIN C. MOORE
Major Infantry
Deputy Chief

HYOGO PREF. NRP HQ

July 24, 1950.

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RE: REPORT ON THE EXPLOSION(as of July 23)

Today around 10.30 a.m. as we got a letter of inquiry of explosion, we immediately made connection with the police-substation in the coastal area within the jurisdiction and started investigation of the truth of the matter, which brought the real aspect to the following items by the ~~the~~ return of fishers who had been engaging in fishing nearby.

Remarks

1) Location : Above the sea, some 5 "ri" distant from the sea-shore of the boundary between Tsuiyama port under the pref. and Kumi-Hama of Kyoto Pref. (this distance is 3 "ri")

2) Date & time: July 23, '50, around 11.30a.m.

3) Summary of the event:

At the time, a bomber B 29(unknown exactly but in most likelihood) had been flying in the air and immediately after it flew away toward Yosa peninsula under the Kyoto Pref. five or six columns of water rose in the air, simultaneously with the explosion. By the bye there were no casualties.

Witness: Jun-ichi SHIRAFUJI, aged 53,
employee of Prefectural Public Works Detachment,
at Tsuiyama, Minato-mura, Kinosaki-gun.

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HEADQUARTERS
KINKI CIVIL AFFAIRS REGION
APO 25-1 (Osaka, Honshu)

RAS/may

8 September 1950

SUBJECT: Report of Ammunition Storage Locations

TO : Commanding officer
636th Ordnance Ammunition Company
APO 25-6

Control File

In compliance with request from 1st Lt. Harris, your headquarters, transmitted herewith is a report listing all former Japanese military installations in the Kinki Region known to have been used for ammunition storage purposes.

FOR THE CHIEF:

1 Incl.
As above

STERLIN C. MOORE
Major, Infantry
Deputy Chief

HEADQUARTERS 25TH INFANTRY DIVISION
OFFICE OF THE ORDNANCE OFFICER
APO 25 (Osaka, Honshu)

SUSPENSE
DATE 8 May 1950

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28 April 1950

SUBJECT: Effecting Economies in Reporting

TO : **Munitions Officer**
Kinki CAF Reg
APO 25

1. A review of recurring reports is being made by Headquarters, Eighth Army. The information requested on the inclosed questionnaires is essential to complete the review.

2. It is requested that you fill out, in duplicate, the attached questionnaires covering the Ammunition Lot Number Report and the Ammunition Situation Report and return to this office not later than 8 May 1950.

FOR THE ORDNANCE OFFICER:

- 2 Incl
1. Questionnaires on Ammo
Lot No. Report (in dupl)
2. Questionnaires on Ammo
Situation Report (in dupl)

IRA W. SNYDER
1st Lt, Ord Dept
Adm Officer

1st Incl

Hq Kinki Civil Affairs Region, APO 25, 2 May 1950

TO: **Ordnance Officer**
25th Infantry Division, APO 25

Completed questionnaires attached.

FOR THE CHIEF:

2 Incl:
n/e

STERLIN G. MOORE
Major Infantry
Deputy Chief

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HEADQUARTERS
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 GENERAL HEADQUARTERS, FAR EAST COMMAND
 APO 500

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HC (470) HSC

16 March 1950

SUBJECT: Return of Ammunition

TO: Unit Commanders, Headquarters and Service Group

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1. Reference is made to Eighth Army Circular Number 4, 18 January 1950, subject, "Ordnance Ammunition Supply".
2. Quarterly ammunition reports have indicated considerable excess of small arms ammunition in unit storage. It is proposed to recall excess stocks for the purpose of reallocation to unit competitive rifle and pistol teams.
3. Commanding Officers of all units will return all ammunition exceeding basic loads prescribed in reference, paragraph 1 above, between the hours of 1400 - 1630, 24 March 1950, to the General Headquarters rifle range. Such excesses will be listed as "expended" in first subsequent quarterly report prescribed by paragraph 10 of reference cited above and will be listed on a property turn in slip accompanying the shipment of ammunition.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WEIBLE:

Leonard S. Carroll
 LEONARD S. CARROLL
 Lt Col AGD
 Adjutant

FILE UNDER NO.

470

INDEX SHEET
SYNOPSIS

SUBJECT: Small Arms Ammunition Report

FROM: K C A R

TO: 25th Infantry Division

DATE: 4 March 1950

DOCUMENT FILED UNDER NO. 310 Report

HEADQUARTERS
KINKI CIVIL AFFAIRS REGION
APO 25 (Osaka, Honshu)

RFS/km

30 January 1950

1766 470
SUBJECT: Bomb Disposal

TO: Chief
Civil Affairs Section
GHQ, SCAP
APO 500

1. Whenever discovery is made of unexploded mines or other explosives used in the late war, the Japanese police notify Civil Affairs and the Bomb Disposal Unit of the 25th Infantry Division. In the past the practice has been for the local police and the Bomb Disposal Unit to arrange immediate disarmament of the mine or destruction of the explosive. Upon completion, the Bomb Disposal Unit certified to the destruction, and fees of the experts and others employed in the proper disposition of these explosives were paid by the Japanese Government.

2. The Troop Commander of the Kyoto Prefecture National Rural Police has reported that the foregoing procedure is no longer approved by the government. Now it is necessary to get an estimate of the cost for disposition and have the proposed expenditure approved before the mine or dangerous instrument can be rendered harmless. This prior approval requires about two months; in the meantime, a police guard must be maintained over the explosive, and in some cases, such as a beached mine, it is necessary to vacate the premises and keep people away from the possible danger area for two months. The inconvenience and cost seem excessive, and the NRP Troop Commander recommends that a procedure be approved which will permit immediate disposition, as was the former practice.

3. This headquarters is of the opinion that the request of the Troop Commander merits favorable consideration.

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Ltr, Hq Kinki Civil Affairs Region, file 470, subj: "Bomb Disposal"
 dtd 30 Jan 50

4. The attached newspaper clipping shows an example of a mine being guarded by the police. It is understood that buildings along the shore have been vacated pending disposal of the mine.

FOR THE CHIEF:

Sterlin C. Moore
 STERLIN C. MOORE
 Major INF
 Deputy Chief

1 Incl:
 Newspaper clipping
 and translation

471.6 (30 Jan 1950)CAS-EM 1st Ind

Civil Affairs Section, GHQ, SCAP, APO 500

28 FEB 1950

TO: Chief, Kinki Civil Affairs Region, APO 25

1. Reference is memorandum for the Japanese Government, AG 471.86 (12 Oct 49)GD, subject: "Disposal of Explosives and Explosive Ordnance Resulting from Wartime Operations", 6 February 1950 (SCAPIN 2077).

2. Referenced memorandum reaffirms the responsibility of the Japanese Government for disposal of explosives and explosive ordnance generated through wartime, and directs that the Japanese Government expedite the disposal of these materials.

3. Information received from representatives of the Japanese Government indicates that proper and expeditious implementation of referenced memorandum will insure elimination of delays such as cited in basic communication.

FOR THE CHIEF, CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION:

1 Incl:
 n/c

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J. A. O'Brien
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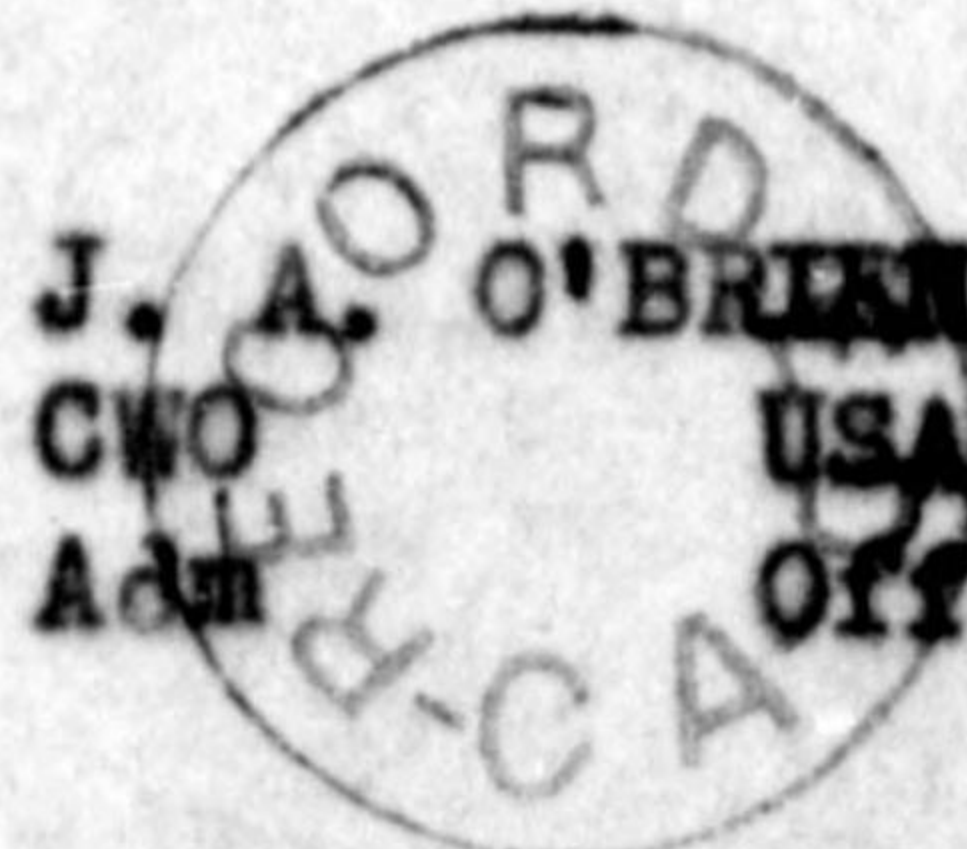
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1 Incl:
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Extract from the Press Mainichi
Dated 25th January 1950

SUBJECT: Danger!
Instruction to Evacuate
A Depth Bomb drifts ashore at the mouth of
ASAMOGAWA River.

On 17th, at the mouth of ASAMOGAWA River, AMINO-cho, Takeno-gun, Kyoto-fu, a 92 type depth bomb for submarine drifts ashore and was left there intact up to 24th.

People residing in the neighborhood sought refuge and evacuated.

AMINO-cho Town Police also immediately requested Kyoto Prefectural N.RP Hq to dispose it and at the same time ordered civilian houses within 200 meters to evacuate, pending for the arrival of Bomb Disposal Unit.

As the procedure of bomb or mine disposition changed since last year, in the first place Liaison Section of Prefectural Government has to make out an estimate* (* for expenses to be incurred for disposal) and get approval from Ministry of Finance and only after that disposal of bomb could be done.

It is said that until such time they can't do anything.

Marked X is a depth bomb drifts ashore (See picture)

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危いッ！立退き指令
 浅茂川尻に爆雷が漂着
 浅茂川尻に爆雷が漂着、明、瀬野町警備隊と山陽隊が本
 隊の前進を阻害するや、これを以て言
 明、瀬野町警備隊は立退き命令を受け、川
 尻の到着を待たずに、警備隊
 などの訓練手続が昨年以來変更
 され、手野野隊は、見直しを行
 ったため、大規模の訓練を受け、初め
 て訓練が開始となり、それまでど
 うにもならないといふ。



×印が漂着した爆雷