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SPECIAL INVESTIGATION

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(A) I.D No. 46

October 23 , 1950

FROM : Director Mitsusada YOSHICAWA of Special Investigation Bureau, Attorney-General's Office.

FOR : Major Jack P. Napier, Government Section, G. H. Q.

SUBJECT : Making Special Exception for SUMIDA Shoichi in Accordance with the Organizations Control Order

I. Ex-inspector SUMIDA Shoichi of the DAINIPPON GENRON HOKOKU KAI(Japan Speech Patriotic Service Association) which was dissolved in accordance with the former Imperial Ordinance No. 101 (Organizations Control Order), took up his post of the chairman of the board of directors of the ZAIDAN HOJIN TOKYOTO JUTAKU KYOKAI (Foundation Tokyo Metropolitan Housing Association) Aug. 27, 1950.

A written application has been submitted by him asking the Attorney-General to make special

exception for him in accordance with the Organizations Control Order Article 5.

II. Our bureau initiated an investigation in this matter Oct. 3, 1950 and the following facts have been disclosed.

A. Foundation TOKYO Metropolitan Housing Association.

1. Location of the Office:

4th floor of the SHISEI KAIKAN (Municipal Government Hall) in Hibiya Park, Chiyoda Ward, Tokyo.

2. Date of Establishment:

Feb. 4, 1920.

3. Purpose and Character:

This association shall aim to smooth housing supply, install housing facilities to meet the needs of the current trend and supply them in the interest of the public and also to improve the public livelihood. This association shall be the outlined organization of the Tokyo Metropolitan Housing Bureau.

B. SUMIDA Shoichi.

1. Sketch of his life;

a. Jul.7, 1918 Employed by the SUZUKI SHOTEN K.K. (Suzuki shoten Co.,Ltd.)

as the chief of the Shipping Department.

A Apr.,1928. Resigned his post due to the dissolution.

b. Apr., 1929. Appointed director of the KOKUSAI KISEN K.K. (International Steamship Company) (resigned his post due to the dissolution in force). Took up the position of director of the DAINIPPON ENGYO K.K. (Japan Salt Industry Company).

c. Dec., 1943. Took his position of inspector of the DAINIPPON GENRON HOKOKU KAI (Japan Speech Patriotic Service Association).

d. Sep., 1945. Resigned the above post.

e. Jun., 1947. Appointed vice-Governor of the Tokyo Metropolis.

f. Nov., 1949. Resigned the above post.

g. Aug., 1950. Appointed chairman of the board directors of the TOKYOTO JUTAKU KYOKAI (Tokyo Metropolitan Housing Association).

2. Relations between the GENRON HOKOKU KAI and him.

a. The former Intelligence Bureau pushed the forcible unification of the speech information organs and organizations in order to unify speeches throughout this country and to elevate the fighting consciousness of the people during

war, resulting in the formation of the GENRON HOKOKU KAI with a membership of representatives and intellectuals selected from various circles Dec. 1942, There were those who had various ideas among the constituent members.

b. He who held the position of the director of the DAI NIPPON ENGYO K.K. (Japan Salt Industry Company) in 1943 was nominated for an inspector of the GENRON HOKOKU KAI against his will as the civilian representative and held his position.

His major business in the association was restricted to accounting one such as the examination and approval of the statement of accounts, and his open active movement were not recognized. His activities in the association were so negative that he only attended conferrence meetings two(2) or three(3) times in his service for one(1) year and ten(10) months. Under such circumstances, he was not designated a person falling under the Momorandum.

c. Tendency of his Thought.

He comes from business circles as his career shows. The reason why he was appointed vice-Governor of the Tokyo Metropolis was that he

was duly appreciated by the authorities concerned of his excellent management ability.

It is was only two(2) years or more that he had relations with politics as vice-Governor of the Tokyo Metropolis. it is admitted that he had little political connection and moderate liberal ideas peculiar to business men.

III. It is true that SUMIDA Shoichi had the position of the inspector of the Dissolved Organization DAINIPPON GENRON HOKOKU KAI. His activities in the association were very negative. Judying from the tendency of his thought, career and the fact that he took care of building administration as vice-Governor of Tokyo Metropolis for two(2) years or more in the past and was familiar with the routine of the office, it is recognized that his holding the position of the chairman of the board of directors of the JUTAKU KYOKAI which is characteristic of as mentioned above will do no harm.

We should like to permit him to make special exception for him based upon the Organizations Control Order so that he will remain in office. We shall be much obliged if you give us your aggreement on th above.

IV. Investigation to be discontimued.

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October 26, 1950

FROM : Director Mitsusada YOSHICAWA of Special Investigation Bureau, Attorney-General's Office.

FOR : Major Jack P. Napier, Government Section, G. H. Q.

SUBJECT : Re-election of the member of the House of Representatives in Nanatani Village Naka Kambara County, Niigata Prefecture.

I. On the report received from Chief of our Shinetsu Branch Office.

II. Regarding the foregoing report, an investigation was made by Secretary KIHARA of Fourth Subsection, Second Section, ID, SIB, and the following matters have come to light.

A. Bird's-eye view of Nanatani Village, Naka Kambara County, Niigata Prefecture.

Nanatani Village is approximately 80.68 square Kilometres in area and has 729 houses

and a population of 4.772 a 90 per cent of the villagers engaging in farming. In the prewar time it was a mountain village with deep feudalirtic colour praised by the Home Ministry as an excelleng village. But after the close of the war the reforming influence has raised its head by some tenant strata standing for the construction of democratic agricultural districts and by the Young Men's strata awakened in the age in opposition to those feudalistic leaders. And a sign of collision of those two influences was seen gradually, when it came to the surface with the Agricultural Land Reform and the first election of Agricultural Land Committee.
Since that time the villagers have been divided into the conservative group and the radical group and pitted agaist each other in every thing until today.

B. Circumstances under which the Re-election of the Members of the House of Representatives came to be held.

On January 24, 1949, when the sixth Election of the members of the House of Representatives was held the candidates and the number of the votes polled are as follows:

Elected or	Political Party	Candidates	Votes Polled in 2nd District	Votes Polled in Nanatani Village	Balame	Remark
Elected	Liberal	Watanabe Yoshio	59,116	307	58,809	
"	Independent	Tamai Yukichi	32,685	62	32,623	
"	Democratic	Inaba Osamu	29,640	5	29,635	
"	Socialist	Miyake Shoichi	29,222	802	28,420	
Second	Democratic	Takaoka Tadahiro	28,739	377	28,362	
Failed	Communist	Nirazawa Shiro	25,080	40	25,04	
"	Liberal	Shima Meiken	16,361	17	16,344	Dead
Total			220,843	1,610	219,233	

Among the foregoing candidates, the second TAKAOKA Tadahiro instituted a suit to the Tokyo High Court against Chairman of Niigata Prefectural Electoral Administration Committee that the election was null and void as the recent election in Nanatani Village was held with the Electoral Administrators, the witnesses and the scruitneers who were chosen by the village headman and the deputy village headman whithout taking the regular course by the Electoral Administration Committee of the said village. And on November 21, 1949, judgment was given as the plaintiff had claimed, and on September 30 this year notification was given by the Niigata Prefectural Electoral Administration to hold the Re-election in Nanatani Village

C. Trend of the Political Parties and Organizations in connection with the Re-election.

1. Liveral Party.

The Liveral Party has not such a close connection with the present election as the Social Democratic Party and the People's Democratic Party. The trend to the positive election of it is not recognized up to this time.

2. Social Democratic Party.

The present election is concerned with the success or failure of MIYAKE Shoichi, and therefore it is making its positive movements carefully.

a. On October 10 Chief Secretary ASANUMA, INOMATA Kozo, KOBAYASHI Kohei, SHIMOJO Yasumaro, INAMURA Junzo, KIYOZAWA Toshihide, KAWASAKI Natsu and KATO Kanju went down from the Central Headquarters of the Party and made the Public Speeking Meeting to support MIYAKE Shoichi.

b. Towards the end of October KATAYAMA Tetsu and MIZUTANI Chozaburo are expected to go down there to open the Publec Speaking Meeting to support MIYAKE Shoichi in his final campaign.

c. The Joint Conference of Niigata Prefectural Farmers' Union filed the declaration for the change of the purpose of the Conference to support MIYAKE Shoichi and started to give him the positive support.

3. People's Democratic Party.

It is doing its utmost to retrieve the influence of the Party and to see MIYAKE Shoichi elected and, applying to the Liberal Party to cooperate with it, it has got of the conservative villagers

under the link of the Conservative Political Parties. In that way, it is making its vigorous movements continuously.

a. On October 20, the Conservative Group of the Village is expected to open the Great meeting for the Critism of the Village Admiration to support Candidate TAKAOKA.

b. At the end of October Chief TOMABECHI of Highest Committee, ASHIDA Hitoshi and NARAHASHI Wataru and so on are expected to open the Public Speaking Meeting to support Candidate TAKAOKA.

Such being the case, it is expected that all the Political Parties are going to expand the vigorous electoral campaigns, and their trend is worth noticing. Furthermore, any peculiar trend of the principal officers and constitient members has not been recognized up to this time.

Director of Special Investigation Bureau,
Attorney-General's Office.

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October 19, 1950

FROM : Director Mitsusada YOSHICAWA of Special Investigation Bureau, Attorney-General's Office.

FOR : Major Jack P. Napier, Government Section, G. H. Q.

SUBJECT : Purge designation of the principal officers of dissolved organization.

I. As in the annexed report (the first report being accompanied with this)

II. This to ask for your instructions as to whether or not we should designate the principal officers of YORII IKKA TSUNODA NIDAIME MORITA GUMI (Morita Group of Second Generaltion of Tsunoda of Yorii Ikka) as in the annexed report, according to the provision of Article 11 of the Organizations Control Order (the Cabinet Order No. 64 of 1949) as having been excluded from public office, following the example of those who have fallen under the Memorandum in accordance with

the provisions of the Imperial Ordinance (the Imperial Ordinance No.1 of 1947) concerning the removal and exclusion from public office. Kindly give us your directive on the matters.

Yorii Ikka Tsunoda Nidaime Morita Gumi

Boss: HONGO Shiro alias

MORITA Shin-ichi

Director of Special Investigation Bureau,

Attorney-General's Office.