

Sent to Colombian Envoy

MEMORANDUM

The Department of State has been requested by the Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers in Japan, on behalf of the Japanese Government, to forward to the Government of Colombia as well as to other governments not represented in Japan a resolution adopted by the Japanese House of Representatives on April 28, 1949. This resolution, of which a translation is enclosed, expresses the gratitude of the Japanese for the relief parcels and other aid given Japan by Japanese residing abroad.

In transmitting the text of the resolution, the Japanese Government expressed the hope that it would be brought to the attention of Japanese and foreign citizens of Japanese origin residing in the Western Hemisphere.

Enclosure:

Translation.

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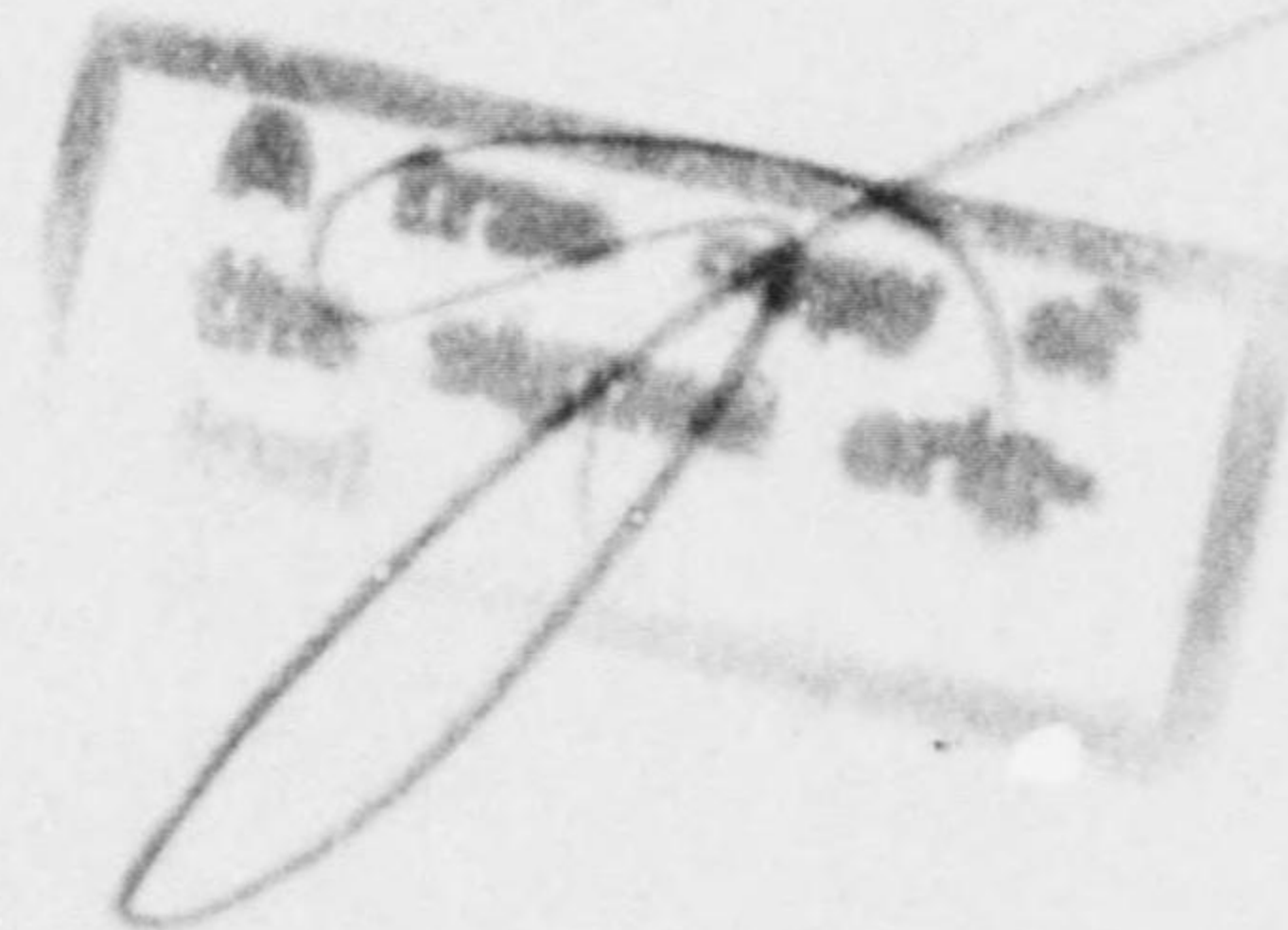
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Sent to Argentine Embassy

MEMORANDUM

The Department of State has been requested by the Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers in Japan, on behalf of the Japanese Government, to forward to the Government of Argentina a resolution adopted by the Japanese House of Representatives on April 28, 1949. This resolution, of which a translation is enclosed, expresses the gratitude of the Japanese Government for the relief parcels and other aid given Japan by Japanese residing abroad.

In transmitting the text of the resolution, the Japanese Government expressed the hope that it would be brought to the attention of Japanese and persons of Japanese parentage residing in the Western Hemisphere.

Enclosure:

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Department of State,

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The Embassy of Cuba has the honor to acknowledge

the receipt of the Memorandum of the Department of State, of June 28, 1949, informing of the request of the Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers in Japan, on behalf of the Japanese Government, to forward to the Government of Cuba as well as to other governments not represented in Japan a resolution adopted by the Japanese House of Representatives on April 28, 1949, expressing the gratitude of the Japanese for the relief parcels and other aid given Japan by Japanese residing abroad, and transmitting translation of said resolution.

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As requested, this resolution will be forwarded to the pertinent authorities in Cuba in order that it may be brought to the attention of Japanese and foreign citizens of Japanese origin residing in Cuba.

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The Colombian Embassy has been pleased to trans-

mit to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Colombia the translation of the Resolution adopted by the Japanese House of Representatives on April 28, 1949 expressing the gratitude of the Japanese for the relief parcels and other aid given Japan by Japanese residing abroad received with the Department's Memorandum of June 28, 1949.

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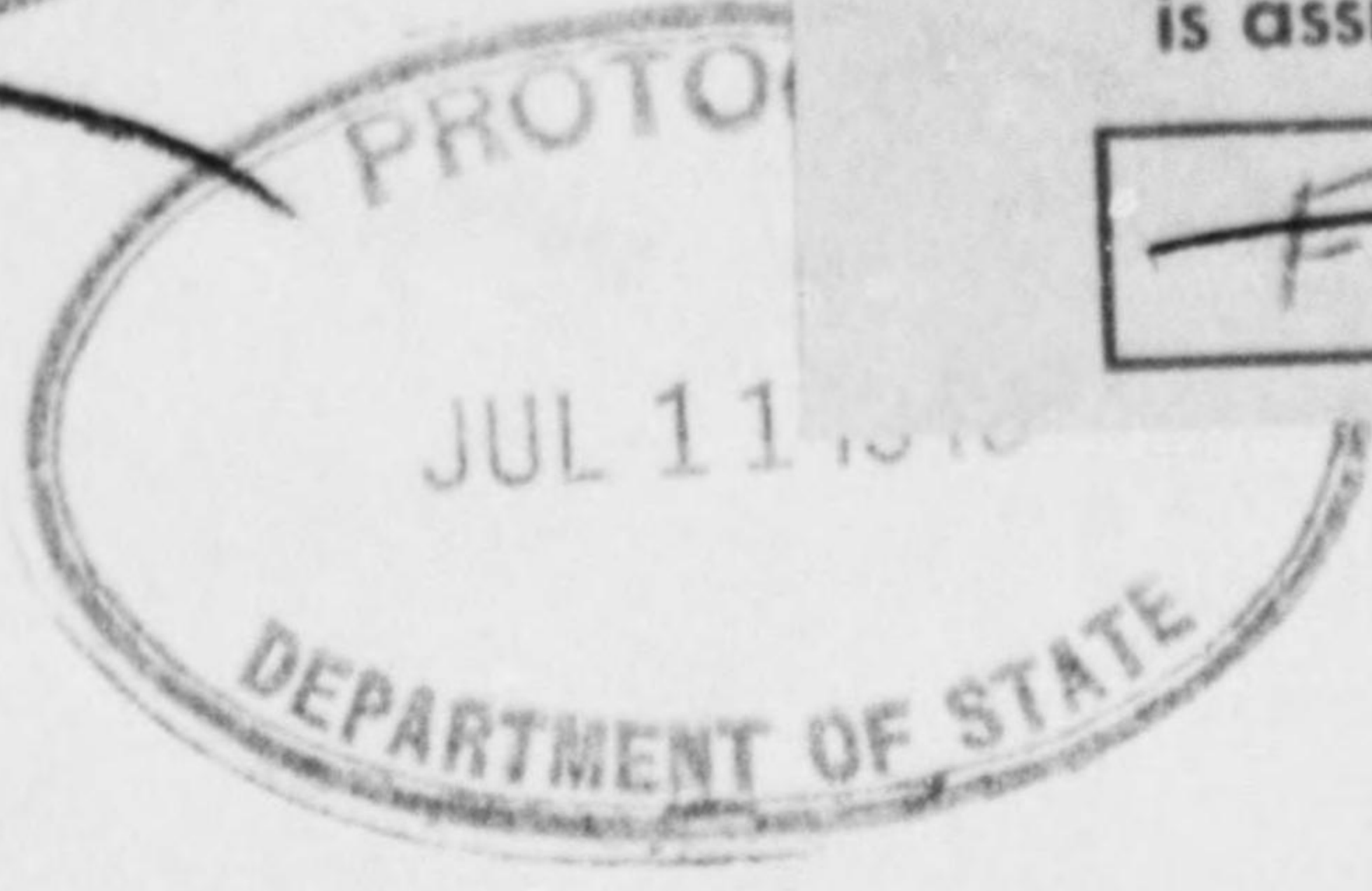
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La Embajada de la República Argentina presenta sus atentos saludos al Departamento de Estado y tiene el agrado de acusar recibo al memorandum de fecha ^{ne} 28 de junio ppdo., a la cual se acompaña la resolución de la Cámara de Representantes del Japón expresando el agradecimiento del Gobierno japonés por los paquetes y otra ayuda dados al Japón por los japoneses residentes en el exterior.

Al manifestar al Departamento de Estado que dicha resolución ha sido puesta en conocimiento del Gobierno Argentino a fin de que se la haga saber a los japoneses y personas de parentesco japonés que residen en la Argentina, la Embajada Argentina se complace en saludar al Departamento de Estado con su alta y distinguida consideración.

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Secretary of State,
Washington.

A-314, November 18, 1949.

Following news item released November 17, 1949, by Public Information Office, General Headquarters, (U.S.) Far East Command, Tokyo, under heading "NRS Assumes Flood Control Responsibility":

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"Natural Resources Section announced today that it has assumed responsibility for coordination of flood control, flood prevention and watershed management.

"Lt. Col. Hubert G. Schenck, Chief of NRS, said this action will fill the urgent need for a sound, coordinated program to reduce severe recurring flood and storm damage which has in the past been the concern of several SCAP sections and Japanese agencies. Centralizing control, he explained, will make for a more effective program.

"Flood damage is increasing in ratio to the amount of timber cut from the watersheds (inland mountain slopes), Colonel Schenck pointed out. Unless these watersheds are covered with trees and vegetation, the heavy rains which are frequent in Japan run off quickly, flooding and silting in rivers, canals and low areas.

"He described the situation as follows:

- 1) A total of 7,500,000 acres requiring reforestation is being increased by about 750,000 acres each year.
- 2) About 75 percent of rail transportation maintenance costs is for flood damage repairs.
- 3) From 24 to 91 percent of the reservoir capacity of 10 principal hydro-electric developments is silted in.

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4) Four and one-half billion yen were needed in 1947 to reconstruct destroyed and damaged levees, bridges and roads.

5) Direct damage to 100,000 tillable acres with heavy crop losses.

6) The toll of five storms in 1947-48 was 2,573 persons killed or missing, 11,153 homes destroyed and 294,487 damaged.

"Colonel Schenck said the solution lies in legislation to insure selective cutting of mature trees only instead of clear cutting in two-thirds of Japan's forests that are privately owned and speeding timber growth by replanting with fast growing trees.

"NRS is guiding the Japanese Resources Council, Economic Stabilization Board, in the collection of hydrological data to establish sound basis for predicting the occurrence and damage potential of future floods plus measures for flood control, land reclamation, forest conservation and soil erosion.

"Hydrological studies will be conducted as a basis for a comprehensive program of utilization of underground water and for recommending areas in which additional hydro-electric power projects are feasible."

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