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Name: KATSUO ABE (seal)

Permanent Domicile: 117, Nakashima, Imo-oka, Iwami-~~Kitagawa~~^{Mura}

Nishi-iwai-~~County~~^{gun}, Iwate Prefecture

Social Rank: Commoner

Birth place: Same as the permanent domicile

Born: 18 April, 1891

Family Members and their Dates of Birth:

wife: Yoshi; born on 4 March, 1902; married

on 18 April 1919

Elddest Daughter: Kimiko; born on 1 Aug, 1920

Elddest Son: Yasuhiko; born on 15 Aug, 1923

Second Son: Tamuhiko (died on 5 Sept, 1930)

Third Son: Nobuhiko; born on 3 May 1928

Fourth son: Hidehiko; born on 4 Mar. 1931

Fifth son: TAKARIKO; born on 31 Jul. 1935

1909 Sep 11 Ordered to ~~be~~ ^{become} student of Naval Academy (Naval Academy)

1912 Jul 17 Graduated from Naval Academy (Naval Academy)

" Appointed midshipman (Navy Ministry)

" Ordered to serve on board the Sōya (~~the~~ Navy Ministry)

1912 Aug 22 Sailed, Navigated to DAIREN and RYOJUN leaving Jimsem; returned to Sasebo on 4 September

1912 Dec 5 Left Yokosuka on a cruise
to Australia; ~~was~~ returned to
Yokosuka on 21 April, 1913

1913 May 1 Transferred from the Soya to the
Yahagi of the Second Fleet
(Navy Ministry)

Dec 1 Appointed ^{ensign} second lieutenant
(Cabinet)

" Transferred to the Ibuki, ~~the~~ ^{vessel}
1st reserve ~~fleet~~ (Navy Ministry)

1914 Jan 30 ^{Conferred} Given the 8th Court Rank, ^{grade} Senior
(Imperial Household Ministry)

" Apr 15 The Ibuki as the 2nd reserve vessel

" Aug 18 The Ibuki as a patrol vessel

1914 Aug 23 Entered state of war with

Germany

" 26 Left Miyajima to parti-

cipate in the war, ~~and~~ returning

to Kojima on 25 Dec.

" Oct 1

The Ibuki ^{became part of a} ~~is a~~ ~~dispatched~~

squadron specially dispatched

to the southern region

" Dec 28

Transferred ^{from} to the Ibuki to the

Kirishima (Navy Ministry)

1915 Apr 19

The Kirishima as the 1st reserve vessel

Jun 12

Assigned to the 1st fleet and

engaged in home front job for the ~~service~~ ~~in the war~~ at ~~home~~

1915 Nov 7 Decorated with the 6th Order of Merit with a Single Pigeon Rising
Sum was granted the sum of
£ 350 for the service in the
war of 1914-5 (Board of
Decorations)

" Decorated with the War Medal
in commemoration of the ^{war of} 1914-5
(Board of Decorations)

" Nov 10 Given the Coronation Commemorative
Medal ~~as~~ ^{in accordance with} indicated in the
Imperial Ordinance No. 154 (1911)
(Board of Decorations)

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1915 Dec. 13. Promoted ^{to} Sub-Lieutenant (Cabinets).

Relieved of assignment aboard the KIRISHIMA

(Navy Ministry)

Assigned student in general course of Naval

Torpedo School (Navy Ministry)

1916 Jan. 21. Conferred Junior grade ^{the} 7th Court Rank

(Imperial Household Department Ministry)

June 1. Relieved as student in general course of Naval

Torpedo School ^{upon} completion of the course, and

assigned as student in general course of Naval

Gunners School (Navy Ministry)

Dec. 1. Relieved as student in general course of Naval

Gunners School ^{upon} completion of the course (Navy Ministry)

(training ship)
Assigned aboard the YAKUMO. Training fleet.

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The YAKUMO was concurrently made guard ship
on 11th (etc) (Navy Ministry)

Dec. 13 Granted 1st grade salary.

Dec. 12 Sailed from SASEBO for China (guard).

Returned to JINSEN on Jan. 2, 1917 (returned
home temporarily.)

1917 Apr. 5 Sailed from YOKOSUKA for coast of North
America (guard). Returned to TAKU-HO on July 30.

Aug. 23 Relieved of assignment aboard ^{the} YAKUMO and
assigned aboard ^{the} ARARE (Navy Ministry)

1918 July 19 Sailed from RASHIN-HO for VLADIVOSTOK
(^{war} campaign duty).

Dec. 1 Promoted ^{to} First Lieutenant (Cabinets).

Relieved of assignment aboard ^{the} ARARE (Navy)

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Ministry)

Assigned student in higher course of Navy Gunnery

School (Navy Ministry)

1919 Jan. 10 Conferred Senior grade of 7th Court Rank

Imperial Household Department (Ministry)

Jan. 28 Applied for marriage. Approved on 31th of same month.

Sept. 25 Attached to ^{Headquarters} Command of 7th Fleet during Grand

Maneuvers of 1919 (Navy Ministry)

Nov. 28 Decorated with 5th Order of Merit with Order of Sacred Treasure (Decorations) Bureau

Dec. 1 Relieved as student in higher course of Naval

Gunnery School (Navy Ministry)

Assigned gunnery officer and additionally

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division officer of ^{the} ISOKAZE (Navy Ministry)

1920 June 3 Relieved of main and additional duties and

assigned gunnery ^{officer} and ~~concurrently~~ additionally

division officer of ^{the} SAWAKAZE (Navy Ministry)

Aug. 29 Sailed from TATEYAMA for coast of Russian

territory for guard ^{duty} and returned to ODARU on

Sept. 7 (Navy Ministry)

1934 Dec. 1 Granted 2nd grade salary.

Relieved of main and additional duties and

assigned staff officer and concurrently

adjutant of 2nd Fleet (Navy Ministry)

Nov. 1 Decorated with Order of Double Rays of

Rising Sun and granted 700 yen for services

in 1915-1920 War ^{Board} (Decorations Bureau)

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Awarded ^{memorial} medal for going to front in

1914~1919 war (Navy Ministry)

1921 June 10 Flagship of 2nd Fleet was changed from

KONGŌ to KIRISHIMA.

June 21 Flagship of 2nd Fleet was changed from

KONGŌ to KIRISHIMA.

Aug. 19 Sailed from SASEBO for ^{Port Arthur and} DALNY (guard) and

returned to ARIAKE Bay on 30th of same month.

Nov. 18 Relieved of main and additional duties and

assigned instructor and concurrently division

officer ^{at} Naval Gunnery School (Navy

Ministry).

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1922 Jan 11 Appointed member of the Committee
commissioner for the test
of airplanes take-offs
on flying up from the

warship "K150" (Yokosuka Naval
Station)

1920 Nov 1 Granted the Victory Medal
in accordance with
Ordinance ^{Bureau} (Bureau of Decorations)

1922 Dec 1 Granted the 1st grade salary
(Navy Ministry)

" " " Relieved of main and concurrent
duties (Navy Ministry)

" " " Ordered to be Class A Student
Staff
of the Naval War College
(Navy Ministry)

1923 Sept 5 Appointed member of the Navy Committee for
Earthquake Relief ~~Committee~~
 that he should ^{its} ~~be~~ ^{Transport} ~~in~~ ~~the~~ ~~Department~~
 and Communications Section Department
 (Navy Ministry)
 Navy Committee for
 1923 Oct 1 The Earthquake Relief Committee was abolished in accordance
 with No. 4 of the Secretariat No. 3055
 1924 Apr 15 Conferred the 6th Court Rank,
 Junior Grade (Imperial House-
 hold Ministry)
 Appointed Assistant Judge
 at the Grand Naval Manoeuvres
 of 1924

1924 Oct 1. ~~Writing form of a commission was~~

in accordance with

~~reference to "Navy, Personnel,"~~

"Navy, Personnel,"

No. 79

Promoted to

1924 Dec 1

~~Appointed~~ Lieutenant

Commander (Cabinets)

" " "

Appointed Assistant Gunnery
Section

Officer and ~~Commander~~ Commander

(Navy Ministry)

1925 Apr 15

Relieved of main and concurrent

posts: ordered to ~~reside~~ ^{reside}

in the United States (Navy

Ministry) Left Yokohama

by the SIBERIA-MARU on May 15.

" May 10

Set up a ~~branch of family~~ ^{separate home}

became ~~the~~ head of the household.

1926 Nov 29

Decorated with the 4th Order of
Merit of the Sacred Treasure
(Bureau
Board of Decorations)

1927 Apr 15

Ordered home. Arrived at
Shimonoseki on July 24

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(Navy Ministry)

1927 Aug 20

Ordered to serve in the Naval
General Staff and concurrently
in the Navy Ministry
(Navy Ministry)

" " "

Ordered to serve at the Bureau
of Naval Affairs, Navy Ministry
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(Navy Minister)

" " Assigned to the First Section

(Bureau of Naval Affairs)

Oct 1 Released from main and con-
current duties: appointed

member of the Bureau of Naval
Affairs ^{of the} Navy Ministry and

concurrently member of
the Technical Council of the

Navy Technical Department

(Navy Ministry)

Oct 16 Appointed Commissioner to
investigate the system and

institutions ^{for} ~~concerning~~ the

service and life (Navy
Ministry)

Oct 1 Assigned to the First Section
(Bureau of Naval Affairs)

Oct 6 Appointed member of the
Purchase List Investigation

Committee (Navy Ministry)
Appointed member of the
Military Warehouse Investigation

Committee (Navy Ministry)

" " Appointed member of the
Committee to ^{revise} ~~Patience for~~ ~~the~~

^{the} Naval Battle Service Regulations
(Navy Ministry)

" " Appointed secretary of the
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Committee to Investigate the
 accounts systems of the Naval
 Construction and Repair
 Office (Navy Ministry)

Dec 6 Believed of the duty as
 member of the Committee to
 Investigate the ~~Orders~~
~~for~~ the Naval Battle Service Regulations
 (Navy Ministry)

1928 Mar 6 Appointed member of the
 Preparatory Committee to
 Review
~~Reform~~ the Naval Regulations Dealing
 with Minor Punishments

~~Retired~~
~~Expired~~ upon completion of

the work (1929 Feb 14)

(Navy Ministry)

1929 Dec 10 Appointed Commander

(Cabinet)

1930 Feb 7 Appointed member of the

Thought Investigation

Committee (Navy Ministry)

Feb 14 Appointed member of the

Committee to ^{Review} ~~Report~~ the Naval

Regulations Dealing with Minor Punishments

(Navy Ministry)

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1929 Feb 27. Attached to the
~~Appointed~~ Special Inspector

~~General~~. (Navy Ministry)

Mar 15 Promoted to the 6th Coast Rank,

Senior Grade ~~Department of the~~ Imperial

Home Affairs Ministry)

May 23. Appointed commissioner to investigate

distinguished naval ^{merit} services. (Navy

Ministry)

1928 Nov. 16

Decorated with the ^{Crown} Commemorative
for Coronation

Medal in accordance with Imperial

Ordinance No. 188, 1928 (Bureau of
Decorations

Board)

1930 Feb 1

Appointed member of the Naval

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~~Terms Investigation Committee (Navy Ministry)~~

Mar 1 Appointed member of the ~~official~~

~~Commendation Investigation Committee~~

~~(Navy Ministry)~~

Mar 3 Ordered to make an official trip

to China (Navy Ministry)

Jun 20 Attached to the appointed Special Inspector

General (Navy Ministry)

Sep 11 Appointed judge at the

Special Grand Manoeuvres ^(in 1930) (Navy Ministry)

Dec 15 Appointed staff officer of the

2nd Fleet (Navy Ministry)

1929 Sep 5 Granted allowance of ¥120⁰⁰ ^{The sum} for

services in the China Affair ^{incident of 1928}

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and the China Disturbances in 1927-1928.

(Navy Ministry)

1931 Aug. 16. ^{Traveled} Went ~~to~~ to IWATE Prefecture

to ~~adjust~~ ^{arrange} family affairs for 14 days

~~with an added~~ ^{with an added} ~~5 days~~ ^{5 days} necessary for travel.

Aug. 28. Returned.

Dec. 1 Appointed instructor at the Naval

College Staff Academy (Navy Ministry)

Dec. 10 Appointed ~~examination~~ ^{examination} committee

~~commissioner~~ of naval students (Navy Ministry)

1932. Feb. 2 Appointed staff officer of the 3rd

Fleet (Navy Ministry)

Aug. 23. Transferred to the HAGI

Aug. 31. Transferred to the IZUMO

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1932. Dec 1. Promoted to Captain (Cabinet)

Dec. 28. Promoted to the 5th Court Rank,

Junior Grade - ~~Department of~~
(Imperial Household Ministry)

Dec 1. Appointed ^{examination} ~~nomination~~ ~~committee~~
~~commissioner~~ of naval students (Navy Ministry)

Nov. 15. Appointed instructor at the Naval
Staff College (Navy Ministry)

1932. May 10. Decorated with the 3rd Order
of Merit with the Order of the Sacred
Bureau of

Treasurer (Decorations Bureau)

Jun 1. Appointed judge at the 1132
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Special Grand Manoeuvre (Navy Ministry)

Sep 20. Appointed chief of the 1st Section

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Naval Affairs Bureau, ^{of the} Navy Ministry and concurrently
members of the Naval Technical Council
(Navy Ministry)

Sep 22 Appointed members of the Top
Installation Standard Investigation
Committee (Became extinct automatically
~~because~~
its business ended on 11th, Dec., 1934
when its business finished)
(Navy Ministry)

Sep 22 Appointed members of the Expedition
~~Preparation~~ ^{The} Investigation Committee
~~Preparation~~ for Expedition Preparation
(Navy Ministry)

Sep 22 Appointed members of the ^{Investigation Committee for the} Administration
Development
of Manchuria and Mongolia
(Navy Ministry)

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Armament limitation

~~Sep 22. Appointed member of the Disarmament~~

~~Investigative Committee (Navy Ministry)~~

Sep 22. Appointed commissioners to investigate

~~the systems and the establishments for~~

~~service and life (Navy Ministry)~~

Sep 26. Entrusted with the responsibility as

~~Thoughts~~ ^{manager} ~~Secretary~~ to assist the ^{commissioner of} ~~committee~~ of

~~The Counter-measures Committee for Thoughts~~

~~deliberate on moral counter-measures~~

~~("Cabinet")~~

Sep 22. Appointed ^{examination commissioner} ~~examination~~ committee

~~of naval students (Navy Ministry)~~

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Sep 22

Appointed a commissioner of the

Naval Propagation Department (Navy Min.)

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Appointed member of the ~~Rewards~~ Awarding

Finding Committee (Navy Ministry)

— " —

Appointed member of the Thought

Investigation Committee (Navy Ministry)

— " —

Appointed member of the Naval Dis-

ciplinary Law Amending Committee

(Navy Ministry)

— " —

Appointed member of the Committee

for Investigating Power Standard of

Naval Bases and Stations (Navy Min.)

— " —

Appointed member of the Army and

Naval Coordinating Committee for
Mobilization of Munitions Industries
(Navy) Ministry)

— " — Appointed a commissioner of the
Fuel Policy Investigation Board. (Navy Min) (do)

— " — Appointed member of the Committee
for Investigating Account System of
~~the~~ Naval Construction and Repair
Department (Navy) Ministry

— " — Appointed member of the Naval
Merits Investigation Committee (Navy Min)

1933 (2)
Oct 26 Appointed a reserve member of
the Civil Service Ordinary Limitation

Committee (War Ministry)

1933 Nov 18 Appointed member of the Committee
for Studying Limitation of Armaments
(Navy Ministry)

1933 Dec 26 Appointed member of the Committee
for Constructing the Naval Reference
Museum (temporarily named) (Navy Min)

1934 Mar 13 Appointed member of the Committee
for ^{Inquiring} Investigating the Disaster of the
Torpedo-boat Tomozuru (Navy Min)

1934 Apr 5 Appointed a commissioner of the
Extraordinary Ships Ability Investigation
Board (Navy Ministry)

- 1934 May 30 Appointed a funeral commissioner
of the Navy
for the late Fleet-Admiral Marquis
Heihachiro Togo (Cabinet)
- 1934 Jul 19 Relieved of the above duty (Cabinet)
- 1934 Sep 14 Ordered to be present as a represent-
-ative of the Imperial Government
at the 15th Session of the International
Red Cross Conference to be held in
Tokyo ~~as~~ from October 20 this year
(Minister)
- 1934 Dec 21 Entrusted with ^{duty as manager of} directorship in the
South Sea Islands Development Investigation
Committee (Cancelled) ^(automatically) on account of

the repeal / of the Committee / on
 December 23, 1935 / ~~T.N. not printed~~
~~in the Official Gazette /~~
 (Overseas Ministry)

1935. Jan 18 Appointed a secretary to the
 Manchurian Affairs Board (Cabinet)

1935 Feb 1 Released ^{automatically} from the ^{ship} membership of the Naval
 Technical Council ~~as a result~~ by virtue
 of the 1935 Amendment (Imperial Ordinance
 No. 8) of the Naval ^{Technical} ~~Shipbuilding~~
 Department Ordinance

— " — Appointed to the additional post of
~~the membership~~ ^{as} of the Naval Technical

Council by virtue of Imperial
Ordinance No. 7 (Navy Ministry)

— " — Appointed member of the Technical
Council of the Naval Shipbuilding
Department (Navy Ministry)

— " — Appointed member of the Technical
Council of the Naval Air Head-
quarters (Navy Ministry)

1934 Apr 29 Decorated with the Imperial
Military Order of the Golden Kite,
4th Class (~~Annuity: ¥ 500.00~~) and
the Middle Cordon of the Imperial Order
of the Rising Sun with ¥ 500.00 Annuity

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(Meritorious service - war of 1931-34)

(~~the~~ Bureau of Decorations)

- " - Conferred a 1931-34 War Medal

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Mar 1 1934

and allowed to wear the medal signifying
Received the order of meritorious
services in the construction of state ~~awarded~~
by the Manchurian Emperor of
and ~~was~~ allowed to wear it.

(The Bureau of Decorations)

Jun 20 1935

Appointed ~~an~~ ordinary member
of the Ordinary Disciplinary Commission
of Disciplinary Committee for
the ordinary Civil Officials

(The Naval Ministry)

Jul 15 1935

Appointed ~~the~~ member of
Expedient the counter-plan committee towards
against the

South Seas

May 1 1934 (The Naval Ministry)

Oct. 21 1935

Appointed ^a the ~~temporary~~
member of the ^{Temporary} Committee for
Improving ^{Strength} ~~Power~~ of War Vessels.
(The Naval Ministry)

Oct 30 1935 Ordered to serve in the Naval
General Staff ^{Office} Dept. and ~~at~~ The Naval
Ministry concurrently

Nov. 5 1935

Order^{ed} to accompany with the
Plenipotentiary ~~(at)~~ ^{London} ~~to attend~~ the Naval
Disarmament Conference.

Nov. 16. Started from Tokyo
via Manchukuo and Siberia.

(Cabinet)

Nov. 6 1935 Released from the ^{position of} administrative
official of the Bureau for ^{the} Manchurian
affairs (Cabinet)

Nov. 30 1935 Order to serve in the
Bureau of Naval Affairs of
the Naval Ministry

(Minister)

Nov. 20. 1935

Released as ^{position of} ~~from~~ ~~the~~ ~~member~~
^{Ordinary} ~~member~~ ^{Parliament}
of the Disciplinary Committee for

for ~~the ordinary~~ Civil Officials
(Naval Ministry)

NOV 30 1935

Released from the ~~preliminary~~ ^{position of a reserve} ~~ordinary~~ ^{Limitation} member of Civil Official ~~Limitation~~ Committee.

(War ~~Army~~ Ministry)

Mar. 16 1936.

Appointed ~~the~~ Captain of ~~The~~ JAMA,
~~the~~ guard and training ship.

(appointed on Mar. 18 1936
retired on Nov. 20 1936)

(Naval Ministry)

Feb 28 Returned to Japan

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Sept. 21, 1935. Allowed to receive
and wear the Commemoration
Medal to mark the visit of the
Manchurian Emperor given by
His Majesty. (Bureau of Decorations)

Nov. 16, 1936. Appointed ~~the~~
captain of the Ryuzo. (3rd Lt
Naval Fleet)
(Navy Ministry)

May 9, 1934. Allowed to receive
and wear the Third ^{order} grade
Keiunsho ~~Order~~ ^{awarded} given by
His Majesty, the Emperor of Manchukuo.

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(Bureau of Decorations)

Dec 1, 1937. Appointed the
captain of the Kaga.

Granted a special grade
of a salary.

(Navy Ministry)

Feb. 1, 1938. Promoted to the
senior 5th Court rank.

(^{Imperial} Household Ministry)

April 25, 1938. Appointed the Chief
of the 3rd Department of the
Naval General Staff -

Ordered to act as a ^{naval} staff
officer in the Imperial Headquarters.

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(Navy Ministry)

May 2, 1938. Appointed a member of the Expedient - Plan Committee towards the South Seas.

Appointed a member of the Naval Student Selection Committee.

Appointed a member of the Thought Investigation Committee.

Appointed a member of the Distinguished Naval Services Investigation Committee.

(Navy Ministry)

April 5, 1938. Appointed the Chief of the 3rd Department of the Naval

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General Staff.

(Imperial Headquarters)

Nov. 15, 1938. Promoted to the
rank of a rear admiral.
(The Cabinet)

Dec. 5, 1938. Ordered to make an
official tour of China.
(Navy Ministry)

Jan. 26, 1939. Ordered to serve
in the Navy Ministry in addition
to the positions already held.

Ordered to make an official
tour in Europe.

(Navy Ministry)

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May 22nd, 1939 : Returned to Japan.

May 10th, 1939 : Released of the additional post. (Navy Department) ^{Ministry}

Oct. 10th, 1939 : Ordered to serve in the Naval General Staff ^{Ministry}
~~office~~ and the Navy Department. (Navy Dep.) ^{Ministry}

Oct. 10th, 1939 : Released of ~~the~~ Naval Staff of the Imperial Headquarters. (Navy Dep.) ^{Ministry}

Oct. 18th, 1939 : Appointed ~~the~~ Director of the ^{Naval} Navy Affairs ^{Ministry}
Bureau of the Navy Department and ~~a~~ member
of the Admiral Council concurrently.
(Navy Dep.) ^{Ministry}

(Released of above duties on Oct. 15th, 1940).

Oct. 18th, 1939 : Appointed ~~the~~ staff of the Examination Sec- ^{Plans}
tion for Naval War Preparation in the
Imperial Headquarters. (Navy Dep.) ^{Ministry}

Oct. 18th, 1939 : Appointed the Naval Minister's ^{standing} attendant

~~to Navy Minister in the Imperial~~
~~Headquarters in the ordinary time. (Navy Dep.)~~
~~(Ministry)~~

Oct. 21~~st~~, 1939: Appointed ~~a~~ member of the War-time
Marine Insurance Indemnification
Investigation
Adjustment Committee. (Cabinet).

(This committee was abolished in accordance
with the additional rule of Imperial Ordinance No 391 of June 6th, 1940).

Oct. 26~~th~~, 1939: Appointed ^{secretary} ~~the manager~~ of the Temporary
Funds Adjustment Committee. (Cabinet).

Oct. 26~~th~~, 1939: Appointed the temporary ^{member} delegate of the
Electric Communications Committee.
(Cabinet).

(This committee was abolished in accordance
with Imperial Ordinance No. 723 of Dec.

27th, 1940).

Oct. 30th, 1939: Entrusted with position as member
~~Given charge of the delegate of the~~
Capacity Expansion
Industrial Power Strengthening
Committee. (Cabinet).

Oct. 30th, 1939: Appointed ~~a~~ member of the Committee for
Institutions such as
Planning, Establishment of the New
Strategic Bases etc. intended in
1937. (Navy Dep. ^{for} ministry)

Oct. 30th, 1939: Appointed ~~the~~ Chairman of the Research
Committee for ~~the~~ disposal toward China.
(Navy Dep. ^{ministry})

Oct. 30th, 1939: Appointed ~~a~~ member of the South Sea
Measures Research Committee for
(Measures toward South Seas
Navy Dep. ^{ministry})

Oct. 30~~th~~, 1939: Appointed a member of the General Committee
for the Economic Systematization of
Armament. (Navy Dep.) Ministry)

Oct. 30~~th~~, 1939: Appointed the Chief Delegate of No. 1 Divi-
sional Committee for the Economic
Systematization of Armament. (Navy
Dep.) Ministry)

Oct. 30~~th~~, 1939: Appointed the Chief Delegate of No. 5th Divi-
sional Committee for the Economic
Systematization of Armament. (Navy
Dep.) Ministry)

Oct. 30~~th~~, 1939: Appointed the Chairman of the Investigation
Committee for the Systems and Establishment
for Service
re Work and Livelihood. (Navy Dep.)
Ministry)

Nov. 1~~st~~, 1939: Appointed ~~a~~ member of the Investigation
Committee for Damages of the China In-
cident. (Cabinet).

Nov. 2~~nd~~, 1939: Appointed ~~the~~ Councillor of the Planning
Board. (Cabinet).

Nov. 2~~nd~~, 1939: Appointed ~~the~~ Councillor of the Man-
churian Affairs Bureau. (Cabinet).

Nov. 2~~nd~~, 1939: Appointed ~~the~~ ^{secretary} ~~Manager~~ of the Investigation
^{Council} Council of the Planning Board. (Cabinet).

Nov. 2~~nd~~, 1939: Appointed ~~the~~ ^{secretary} ~~Manager~~ of the Investigation
Council for ~~the~~ National Mobilization.
(Cabinet).

Nov. 2~~nd~~, 1939: Appointed ~~the~~ ^{secretary} ~~Manager~~ of the Science
Investigation Conference. (Cabinet).

Nov. 2nd, 1939: Appointed a member of the Liaison Committee
of the Asia Developing Board. (Cabinet).

Nov. 2nd, 1939: Appointed ~~the~~ Councillor of the General
Affairs Bureau of the Commerce and
Industry ^{Ministry} Department. (Cabinet).

Nov. 2nd, 1939: Appointed ~~the~~ Councillor of the Fuel
Bureau. (Cabinet).

Oct. 25th, 1939: Entrusted with position as member
Given charge of the delegate of the
General
National Mobilization Planning Committee,
(Planning Board).

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1939 Oct 25 Entrusted with position as
member of the Legislation
Committee for ^{the} General
Mobilization (Planning
Board)

" " Entrusted with position
as member of the Mobiliza-
tion Committee for the
Electric Power ~~of~~ ^{for} the
Traffic. (Planning
Board)

(This Committee was reorga-
nized into the Traffic
Mobilization Committee on

June 10, 1940)

" " " Entrusted with position as
member of the Trade Committee
(Planning Board)

(This position was abolished
on Sept. 17, 1940)

" " " Entrusted with position as
member of the Committee for
the Economic Counter-Plan
under the ^{Current} ~~Present~~ Situation.
(Planning Board)

(This position was abolished
on Sept. 17, 1940)

" " " Entrusted with position as
member of the Science

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Mobilization Committee

(Planning Board)

" Nov 6 Appointed member of the
Central Air Defense Com-
mittee (Cabinet)

" Oct 18 Appointed member of the
Committee for Study of the
Bridge of the Capital
Ship. (Navy Ministry)

" Nov 9 Appointed councillor of
the Over-sea Affairs
Bureau of the Over-sea
Affairs Ministry
(Cabinet)

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" Nov 11 Entrusted with position as
member of the Aviation
Affairs Investigation Com-
mittee (Communications
Ministry)

" " " Appointed councillor of the
Electric Board (Cabinet)

" Nov. 14 Appointed temporary member
of the National Park Com-
mittee (Cabinet)

" Dec 6 Entrusted with position as
member of the Committee
for Restricting the Use of

School Graduates (Welfare
Ministry)

1940 Jan 11 Appointed temporary member
of the Drafting Committee
(Welfare Ministry)

1939 Nov 30 Appointed member of the
Agricultural and Forestry
Planning Committee (Cabinet)

Dec 15 Appointed member of the
Steel Manufacturing
Committee (Cabinet)

" Dec 23 Appointed ^{manager} ~~secretary~~ of the
Temporary Fund Adjustment
Committee (Cabinet)

- " Sec 29 Appointed government representative at vic in the 75th Session of the Imperial Diet for matters under jurisdiction of the Navy Ministry (Cabinet)
- " Oct 25 Appointed Commissioner for selection of naval officer trainees (Navy Ministry)
- " " " Appointed standing commissioner for examination of midshipmen (Navy Ministry)
- " " " Appointed member of the Civil Service Ordinary Limitation Committee (Navy Ministry)

- " " " Appointed Commissioner for
investigation of Naval distin-
guished services (Navy Ministry)
- " " " Appointed member of the
Thought Investigation Committee
(Navy Ministry)
- " " " Appointed member of the
2600th Anniversary Committee
- " " " Appointed member of the
Committee For Study and
Research of ^{the} Naval Uniform
System (Navy Ministry)
- " " " Appointed chairman of the
Committee for Munitions

Mobilization Arrangement
between Army and Navy
(Navy Ministry)

" " " Appointed member of the
Fuel Policy Investigation
Committee (Navy Ministry)

" " " Appointed member of the
Committee for Investigation
of Power-Standard of Naval
Bases and Stations
(Navy Ministry)

" " " Appointed member of the
Naval Punishment Regulations
Revision Committee (Navy Min-
istry)

" " " Appointed chairman of
the Munitions, Peace-time
Production Arrangement
Central Committee (Navy
Ministry)
(This position was abolished
on Aug. 27, 1940)

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Translated by Miyoshi

1939 Oct 25 Decorated with the Medal of the

China Incident; Appointed

a member of Investigation

Committee (Navy Ministry)

1940 Feb 24

Appointed a member of

Personnel Mobilization Committee

(Planning Board)

May 15

Appointed Chairman Chief of Investigation

Committee for ^{systems and} Institutions for

Service and Life (Naval Ministry)

May 16

Appointed Receptionist for the

Emperor of Manchukuo

(Imperial Household Ministry)

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Entrusted with position as
1940 June 10 ~~Committee~~ a member of Electric
Power Mobilization Committee
(Planning Board)

June 6 Appointed member of Reinsurance
Committee for the Insurance
of War Damages (Cabinet)

July 17 Appointed member of Cabinet
Celebration Committee (Cabinet)

July 18 Appointed vice-Chief of the 4th
Reception ~~Division~~ ^{Section} in the Cabinet
Celebration Committee (Cabinet)

Entrusted with position as
Aug. 7 ~~Committee~~ a member of the 5th
Committee (Planning Board)

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1940 Aug. 3 Appointed Chief in charge of
 Special ^{Naval} Navy Review in commemoration of the 2600th year
 after the Accession of the Emperor
 of Japanese Era
 (Navy Ministry)

Aug. 24 Appointed member of the Investigation
 Committee for Experiment and
 Research Institution (Navy Ministry)

Entrusted with position as
 Sep 17 Committee member of the Material
 Control Committee (Agriculture
 Ministry of Agriculture and
 Forestry)

Ordered
 Oct 15 ~~Appointed~~ to serve in the Naval
 General Staff ^{and concurrently} as well as in Navy

- ① Ministry (Navy Ministry)
- Oct. 15 Released from ^{position as} member of ^{naval} War Plans Examination Department ^{Preparation} section of Imperial General Headquarters (Navy Ministry)
- Oct 15 Released from ^{position as} Ordinary attendant on Navy Minister in Imperial General Headquarters (Navy Ministry)
- Nov. 28 Released from ^{being entrusted with} a member of ^{as} Material Control Committee (Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry)
- Nov. 4 Released from ^{position as} vice-chief of the 4th Reception Section of the Cabinet Celebration Committee (Cabinet)

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Nov. 7

Released from ^{position as} Councilor of the

General Affairs Administration

Bureau of Ministry of Commerce

and Industry (Cabinet)

Released from ^{position as} member of

Material Goods Utilization Committee

(Cabinet)

Nov. 8

Released from ^{position as} Secretary of

National General Mobilization

Investigation Committee

(Cabinet)

Released from ^{position as} Secretary of

Science Investigation Committee

Nov. 14

Released from ^{position as} member of

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Enterprise 60

~~Iron Manufacturing Enterprises~~
Committee (Cabinet)

Nov. 21 Released from ^{positions as} Council of
~~Cabinet~~ Planning Board
(Cabinet)

Released from ^{positions as} member of
Liaison Committee for China
Affairs Board (Cabinet)

Nov 27 Released from ^{positions as} member of the
~~Department of Agriculture and Forestry~~
Planning Committee of Agriculture
and Forestry (Cabinet)

Dec. 2 Released from ^{positions as} member
~~Committee~~ of
Central Air Defence Committee
(Cabinet)

Dec 7 Released from ^{positions as} Council of
Fuel Bureau (Cabinet)

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1940 Nov. 13 Ordered to make an official trip to Europe (Started from Tsunuga on Dec. 6 by ^{the} Amakusamaru) (Navy Ministry)

1941 Jan. 8 Released from ^{being entrusted with} ~~position~~ member of the 5th Committee (Cabinet Planning Board)

Jan. 18 Released from ^{position as} Council of Manchurian Affairs Bureau (Cabinet)

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Checked by N. GTSUKA

Jan 21, 1941. Relieved of duty as Councilor
of The Electric Board (Cabinet)

Feb 1, 1941 Relieved of duty as a temporary
member of The National Park Committee
(Cabinet)

Feb 12, 1941 Relieved of duty as a member
of The Reinsurance Committee for
Insurance on War-Time Damages.
(Cabinet)

Feb 2, 1942 Permitted to accept and wear
(of the Order of ^{National Patriot} CHUKOKUSHO) of 2nd
The 2nd Order of Merit awarded by
Manchurian Emperor (Bureau of Decoration)

Feb 2, 1942 Permitted to accept and wear
 The Medal in Commemoration of
 Establishment of National Founding
 Memorial Shrine awarded by Manchurian
 Emperor (Bureau of Decoration)

Apr 29, 1940 Decorated with The 3rd Class
 Golden Kite and The 2nd Order
 of Merit with the Order of Double
 Rays of Rising Sun, and granted
 the sum of ¥ 6,000 in recognition
 of services in China Incident
 (Bureau of Decoration)

Apr 29, 1940 Awarded ~~the~~ War-Medal for
~~service~~ ^{service} engaged in China Incident (Bureau of Decoration)

- Oct 27, 1942 Permitted to accept and wear
 the Grand Officer, Saint Alexandre
 awarded by ^{the} Bulgarian
 Emperor (Bureau of Decoration)
- Nov 1, 1942 Promoted to Vice-Admiral
 (Cabinet)
- Dec 1, 1942 Raised to the 4th Court-Rank,
 Junior Grade (Ministry of
 Imperial Household)
- Jan 23, 1941 Appointed ~~to~~ suite attached
 to the Imperial delegates to the
 Japan-Germany-Italian Combined
 Technical Committee held at
 Berlin (Cabinet)

Mar 1, 1943 Relieved of duty as a suite
 attached to the Imperial delegation
 to the Japan-Germany-Italy Combined
 Technical Committee held at
 Berlin (Cabinet)

Mar 1, 1943 Appointed an Imperial
 delegate to the Japan-Germany-
 Italian Combined Technical
 Committee held at Berlin
 (Cabinet)

Apr 6, 1943 Permitted to accept and wear
 Grande Ufficiale, Aquila Romana
 awarded by Italian Emperor
 (Bureau of Decorations)

- Dec 10, 1943 Permitted to accept and wear the ~~Gross~~ ^{the} ~~Honour~~ ^{the} ~~Adler~~ ^{Adler} Medal awarded by the German Government.
(Bureau of Decoration)
- Sept 20, 1944 Concurrently appointed a naval attaché to the Imperial Embassy in Italy (Cabinet).
- Mar 26, 1946 Returned (Arrived at URA GA)
- Mar 31, 1946 Placed on reserve list
(The 2nd Demobilization Ministry)

Jun 15, 1946 By Imperial Ordinance
No. 322 of 1946, The ~~Limitation~~
~~Ordinance~~ for Naval Officers

Limitation Ordinance was abolished.

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Direct examination of ABE, Katsue
by Mr. Blewett.

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*The witness stated that he lived in Tokyo. He identified Exhibit 3015 as his affidavit and verified it. The affidavit stated *that the witness was chief of the Naval Affairs Bureau of the Naval Ministry from October 1939 until October 1940 when he was sent to Italy, Germany and then to Sweden and was chiefly in charge of general naval administration affairs and armament, and national defense policy assisting the Navy Minister and the Navy Vice-Minister.

While he held this post, Japanese forces moved into North FIC. Prior to the diplomatic negotiations it was agreed by the General Staff that the witness represent the navy and together with the representative of the Army hold conferences with the Foreign Office on the basic problems to be discussed in the diplomatic negotiations.

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At that time Japan was trying to dispose of the China Incident and Imperial Headquarters recognized that to hasten the settlement it was necessary to block off the * so called FIC route, the only supply route for Chiang via FIC, and ordered the Expeditionary Forces to take Nanning temporarily with an eye to bombarding from the Nanning airfield the Yunnan railway which led to FIC. Nanning however was small and unhealthy and its airfield was unusable during the rainy season and it proved to be of little use for blocking the supply route. Aid to Chiang went on as before.

Imperial Headquarters therefore consulted the Navy and Army Ministries about diplomatic negotiations in which the Foreign Office and the French Government were to realize the blocking of the route practically and peacefully by FIC itself.

After much consultation with the Foreign Office, they determined to enter into negotiations which were conducted prudently and patiently and at length obtained an understanding from FIC authorities. It was decided that observers be posted along the frontier and at seaports and other places to watch transportation of aid to Chiang Kai Shek.

In June 1940, an observation party of navy and army men and Foreign Office officials were sent to FIC. The aim was not attained and the complete blocking off of aid to Chiang was not readily realized.

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The Foreign Office had talks with Henri, the French Ambassador from August 1 to August 30th and an understanding on the basic problems was reached and at the talk between MATSUOKA and Henri, concrete details were left to be worked out by Japanese and French military authorities on the spot.

26874 The agreement on the spot did not take place * until September 22nd when an agreement was reached. It took much time to notify the dispatched troops of both armies which caused some clashes between the troops near the frontier. Except for these clashes, the agreement was materialized peacefully and the occupation was carried out in peace.

The sole aim of the occupation was none other than to acquire facilities for blocking off aid to Chiang supply route. It was premised at the MATSUOKA-Henri talk that the occupied area provided in the agreement was limited to the regions of FIC adjacent to the borders of China and FIC and that the Japanese would respect the territorial integrity of FIC and French sovereignty.

There was no cross-examination
of the witness.

INTERNATIONAL PROSECUTION SECTION

MEMORANDUM

25 August 1947

TO : French Division
FROM : D. N. Sutton
SUBJECT: Defense Witnesses Concerning Occupation of
Hainan Islands and French Indo-China

Will you kindly examine and prepare a report on the four witnesses listed below:

KONDO, Nobutake	Def. Doc. No. 1687
SAWADA, Shigeru	No. 1523
ABE, Katsuo	No. 1689
HIGASA, Ken	No. 1909

We would like for this statement to include the usual report on the witness, which you may make quite brief, your suggestion as to cross-examination, if any, an analysis of the affidavit, and a statement with appropriate references to the record as to where our evidence on the same subject is found.

Since this phase will probably be reached this afternoon or tomorrow, we would like to have your report in triplicate on each of these witnesses as promptly as possible.

D. N. Sutton,
Assistant Counsel.

cc: Mr. Tavenner

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INTERNATIONAL MILITARY TRIBUNAL FOR THE FAR EAST

THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, et al

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vs

ARAKI, Sadao, et al

SWORN DEPOSITION

Deponent: ABE, Katsuo



Having first duly sworn an oath as on attached sheet and in accordance with the procedure following in my country I hereby depose as follows.

1. I am a former naval Vice Admiral I occupied the post of chief of the Naval Affairs Bureau of the Naval Ministry from October, 1939 until October, 1940, when I was ordered to Europe, and was chiefly in charge of affairs concerning general naval administration and armaments as well as national defense policy, assisting the Navy Minister and the Navy Vice-Minister.

2. It was while I was in the aforesaid post of chief of the Naval Affairs Bureau that the Japanese Forces marched into the northern part of French Indo-China. Prior to the diplomatic negotiations, it was agreed by the Naval General Staff that, in the capacity of Chief of the Naval Affairs Bureau, represent the Navy and together with the representative of the Army hold

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memory & accuracy must be
clear.*

conference with the authorities of the Foreign Office (mostly the Chief of the Bureau of European and Asiatic Affairs and the Treaty Bureau) on the basic problems which might be discussed in the diplomatic negotiations.

3. At the time Japan was taking pains in the disposing of the China Incident, and Imperial Headquarters recognized, that to hasten the settlement of the China Incident it was most necessary to block off the so-called French Indo-China route, the only supply route for Chiang via French Indo-China, and ordered the Expeditionary Forces of the Army to take Nanning temporarily with an eye to bombarding from the Nanning airfield the Yunnan Railway, which led to French Indo-China. Nanning, however, was a very small and unhealthy place and, what was worse, the airfield, being unusable during the rainy season, proved to be of little use for blocking the supply route, and the situation was where materials to aid Chiang went into China as before. Thereupon, under the positive necessity of securing the blocking of the route, the Imperial Headquarters consulted the Navy and Army Ministries about the plan of diplomatic negotiations in which the Foreign Office and the French Government were to talk with each other mutually expressing their sincerest views in realizing the blocking of the route practically and peacefully by the French Indo-Chinese themselves.

4. In compliance with the above intentions, the Foreign Office after much consultation with us, the authorities of the

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Navy and Army, determined to enter into diplomatic negotiations, which were conducted very prudently and patiently, and at length obtained an understanding from the authorities of French Indo-China. And it was decided that observers be posted along the frontier as well as at sea ports and some other places so as to keep an eye on the transportation of aid to Chiang supplies which were sent by way of French Indo-China. And in June, 1940, an observation party, which consisted of Navy and Army men together with officials of the Foreign Office with Major-General NISHIHARA as Chief of section, was sent to French Indo-China.

The aim, however, was not attained, and the complete blocking off of the aid to Chiang supply route not readily realized.

To secure the blocking off of the route, the Foreign Office had had talks with Henri, the French ambassador to Japan, at Tokyo since Aug. 1 of the same year, and on Aug. 30 an understanding as to basic problems such as occupation by Japanese forces of the Tonkin area for the purpose of securing the blocking off of the aid to Chiang supply route, and offering of facilities for our military operations in China, was reached at the talk between Foreign Minister MATSUOKA and Ambassador Henri, concrete details being left to be worked out by the Japanese and French military authorities on the spot.

5. Agreement between the authorities on the spot, however, did not take shape speedily and it was not until Sept. 22, when an agreement was reached at last. But it took much time to notify

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the dispatched troops of the Japanese and French Armies of the said agreement, which caused some clashes between the troops near the frontier through misunderstandings. Except for these clash clashes, the agreement was materialized according to peaceful and reciprocal understanding and the occupation was also carried out in peace, which I learned from reports from the spot.

6. In short, the sole aim of the occupation of the Japanese forces of the northern part of French Indo-China, as stated above, was none other than for the acquisition of facilities for military operations for the purpose of blocking off the aid to Chiang supply route. Accordingly the occupation, being of a temporary nature, would have come to an end with the settlement of the China Incident. And it was firmly promised at the above stated MATSUOKA - Henri talk that the occupied area provided in the agreement was limited to the regions of French Indo-China adjacent to the borders of China and French Indo-China, and that the Japanese Government would respect the territorial integrity of French Indo-China as well as French sovereignty over French Indo-China. Japan never had any designs of territorial aggression.

On this 15th day of May, 1947

At Wakio

DEPONENT ABE, Katsuo (seal)

I, YASUDA, Shigeo hereby certify that the above statement was sworn by the Deponent, who affixed his signature and seal thereto in the presence of this Witness.

On the same date, at Tokyo

Witness (signed) YASUDA, Shigeo (seal)

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OATH

In accordance with the conscience I swear to tell the whole truth withholding nothing and adding nothing.

ABE, Tatsuo (seal)

CURRICULUM VITAE

Domicile: No.78 SAMBONGI, OSHIKIRIMURA, HIGASHI-TAGAWAGUN, YAMAGATAKen;
Commoner.
Name: ABE Kōsō /phonetic/ T.N. Kōsō can be read otherwise as
Takamori or Yukitake/
Born: 1892, Mar, 24.

* * * * *

1909 Sep 11 Appointed as student of the Naval Academy.

1912 Jul 17 Graduated from the course of the Naval Academy.
Appointed Naval Cadet.
Ordered to board the Azuma.

" Aug 22 Cruised to DAIREN and Port Arthur, starting from JINSEN.
Arrived at SASEHO on Sept. 4
(Temporarily returned to Japan.)

1913 May 1 Ordered to board the YAKUMO.

" Dec 1 Commissioned as Second Sublieutenant.
Ordered to board the YAKUMO.

1914 Jan 30 Conferred the 8th Court Rank, Senior grade.

1915 Jan 25 Ordered to board the IZUMO.

" Nov 7 Decorated with the 6th Order of Merit of the Single-Ray
Rising Sun and granted ¥350 in recognition of services
rendered in the 1914-15 War.
Awarded the 1914-15 War Medal.

" " 10 Awarded the Coronation Commemoration Medal according to
the Imperial Ordinance No.154.

" Dec 13 Appointed Sublieutenant.
Appointed a student of the Ordinary Course of the Naval
Gunnery School.

1916 Jan 21 Conferred the 7th Court Rank, Junior Grade.

" Jun 1 Appointed a student of the Ordinary Course of the Naval
Torpedo School.
Attached to the YOKOSUKA Marine Corps.

- 1917 Jul 25 Ordered to temporarily board the KURIHASHI-Maru, a rescue ship.
- Dec 1 Ordered to board the ISOKAZE.
Granted the First Grade Salary.
- 1918 Dec 1 Appointed Lieutenant.
Appointed a student of the Higher Course of the Naval Gunnery School.
- 1919 Jan 10 Conferred the 7th Court Rank, Senior Grade.
- " Sep 25 Attached to the Headquarters of the 7th squadron during the special Grand Manoeuvres of 1919.
- " Dec 1 Appointed Chief Gunnery Officer and Divisional Officer of the YAMAKAZE.
- 1920 Aug 27 Presented a Marriage petition.
Sanctioned on Sept. 4.
- " Dec 1 Granted 2nd Grade Salary.
- 1921 Jan 7 Appointed Equipment Officer of the AKIKAZE.
- " Apr 1 Appointed Gunnery Officer and Divisional Officer of the AKIKAZE.
- 1920 Nov 1 Granted ¥250 in recognition of services rendered in the 1915-20 War.
Awarded the 1914-20 War Medal.
- 1921 Feb 1 Decorated with the 5th Class Order of Merit of the Sacred Treasure.
- 1922 Jan 10 Appointed Divisional Officer of the MUTSU of the 1st Fleet.
- 1920 Nov 1 Awarded a War Commemoration Medal in accordance with the War Commemoration Medal Act.
- 1923 Dec 1 Appointed Assistant Gunnery Officer and Divisional Officer of the YAMASHIRO.
- 1923 Dec 1 Granted the 1st Grade Salary.
- " Apr 15 Conferred the 6th Court Rank, Junior Grade.
- " Oct 25 Appointed Assistant Gunnery Officer and Divisional Officer of the ASAMA.
- 1924 Dec 1 Appointed as a Lieutenant Commander.

1925 Apr 15 Appointed Assistant Gunnery Officer and Divisional Officer of the NAGATO.

1925 Dec 1 Appointed Instructor and Assistant Commandant of the Naval Academy.

1927 Feb 1 Decorated with the 4th Order of the Sacred Treasure.

Sep 1 Appointed Assistant Gunnery Officer Divisional Officer of the Fusō, during the organization of the Fleet for 1927 Special Grand Manoeuvres.

Nov 15 Appointed Gunnery Officer of the NAKA.

1928 Oct 25 Appointed Equipment Officer of the ASHIGARA.

1929 June 1 Conferred 6th Court Rank of Senior Grade.

1928 Nov 16 Awarded Commemoration Medal of the Grand Ceremony of the Accession by Imperial Ordinance 188 of 1928.

1929 Aug 20 Appointed Gunnery Officer of the ASHIGARA.

1930 Dec 1 Promoted to Commander.
" Appointed Gunnery Officer of the HARUNA.

1931 Dec 1 Appointed Gunnery Officer of the HYUGA.

1932 Dec 1 Appointed Instructor of the Naval Gunnery School.

1932 Oct 28 Sent to the YOKOSUKA Naval Hospital for 21 days on suspected case of dysentery.

" Nov 2 Completely cured and attended duties.

1934 Feb 10 Dispatched to MANCHUKUO.

" Jul 2 Conferred the 5th Court Rank of Junior Grade.

" Nov 15 Promoted to Captain.
Attached to the YOKOSUKA Naval Station.
Ordered to serve under the orders of the Captain of the KASUGA.
Released of lecture duties under the order of the Captain of the KASUGA.

1934 Nov 24 Ordered to attend the course on Seamanship under the order of the Commandant of the Naval Navigation School.

1935 Feb 22 Appointed Captain of the Special Service Ship ERIMO.

- 1934 Apr 29 Granted ¥290 in recognition of services in the Incident of 1931-34.
Awarded War Medal of the 1931-34 Incident.
- 1935 Aug 15 Attached to the KURE Naval Station.
- 1935 Aug 10 Appointed Umpire of the 1935 2nd Term Naval Grand Manoeuvres.
- 1935 Aug 22 Ordered to serve under the orders of the Chief of Staff of KURE Naval Station.
- 1934 Dec 1 Conferred with the 3rd Order of the Sacred Treasure.
- 1935 Nov 15 Appointed Captain of the JINTSŪ.
- 1936 Dec 1 Appointed Captain of the NAKA.
- 1937 Aug 2 Appointed Captain of the TENRYŪ.
- 1938 Dec 15 Appointed Captain of the MIKUMA.
- 1939 Jul 20 Appointed Captain of the MYŌKŌ.
- " Dec 1 Granted Special Pay.
- " Aug 1 Conferred the 5th Court Rank of the Senior Grade.
- " Nov 15 Appointed Captain of the HIEI.
Granted Special Pay while in Office as Captain of the HIEI while she is in service.
- 1940 Oct 15 Assigned to serve with the YOKOSUKA Naval Station.
- Nov 15 Promoted to Rear Admiral.
- 1941 Jun 1 Appointed Commandant of the TATEYAMA Naval Gunnery School and additionally member of the Naval Technical Council.
- 1941 Jun 1 Appointed member of the Naval Technical Department Technical Council.
- 1942 Feb 2 Assigned to the Headquarters of the Fourth Fleet.
- Feb 5 Appointed Commander of the sixth Base Force.
- 1940 Apr 29 Decorated with the Middle Cordon of the Rising Sun and granted the sum of 3,000 yen in recognition of distinguished services during the China Incident.

1940 Apr 29 Awarded the War Medal of the China Incident.

1942 May 12 Decorated with the Second Order of Merit of the Order of the Sacred Treasure.

1943 Nov 29 Assigned to serve with the Naval General Staff.

1943 Dec 27 Appointed Commandant of the TATEYAMA Naval Gunnery School, and concurrently member of the Naval Technical Council.
Member of the Naval Technical Department Technical Council.

1944 May 1 Promoted to Vice Admiral.

 May 15 Conferred the Junior Grade of the Fourth Court Rank.

 Jun 28 Assigned member of the Technical Council of the Naval Electronics Development Department.

 Aug 18 Concurrently assigned to the Headquarters of the Combined Fleet.

 Sep 29 Relieved of concurrent duties at the Headquarters of the Combined Fleet.

1945 Apr 25 Assigned to the SASEHO Naval Station.

 May 1 Appointed Commander of the SASEHO Naval Guard Force and concurrently Commander of the SASEHO Marine Corps.

 Jul 10 Appointed commander of the SASEHO Combined Special Land Combat Unit SASEHO Naval Guard Force and Commander of the SASEHO Marine Corps.

 Oct 15 Placed on the First Reserve.

1946 June 15 Abolished the Naval Officers' Limitation Ordinance of the Imperial Ordinance No.322 in 1946.

1947 June 19 Died. (on Guam Island)

Nov 5, 1947

MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Sutton; Cmdr. Cole
FROM : EDWARD P. MONAGHAN, Chief,
Investigative Division, IPS
SUBJECT : Defense Witness

1. Please find attached hereto list of material available on the following witness and/or witnesses.

DEFENDANT

WITNESS

ABE, Koso

LIST OF MATERIAL AVAILABLE

Curriculum Vitae

2. Please acknowledge receipt of this memorandum by initialling and returning attached carbon copy to this office, Room 300.

Incl
(Described above)

EPM
EDWARD P. MONAGHAN

Name: ABE, Katsuo (seal)

Permanent Domicile: 117 Nakashima, Ino-oka, Iwami-mura, Nishiwari-gun
Iwate Prefecture.

Social Rank: Commoner

Birthplace: Same as the permanent domicile

Born: 18 April 1891

Family Members and their Dates of Births:

Wife: Yoshi, born on 4 March 1902, married on 18 April 1919
Eldest Daughter: Kimiko, born on 1 Aug. 1920
Eldest Son: Yasuhiko, born on 15 August 1923
Second Son: Tsunihiko (Died on 5 September 1930)
Third Son: Nohuhiko, born on 3 May 1928
Fourth Son: Hidehiko, born on 4 March 1931
Fifth Son: Takahiko, born on 31 July 1935

Sep 11 1909	Ordered to become student of the Naval Academy.	Naval Academy
J Jul 17 1902	Graduated from the Naval Academy.	"
"	Appointed a midshipman.	Navy Ministry
"	Ordered to serve on board the SOYA	"
Aug 22 1912	Sailed to DAIREN and RYOTUN from Jinsen, returned to Sasebo on 4 September.	
Dec 5 1912	Left Yokosuka on a cruise to Australia, returned to Yokosuka on 21 April 1913.	
May 1 1913	Transferred from the SOYA to the YAHAGI of the Second Fleet	Navy Ministry
Dec 1 1913	Appointed Ensign	Cabinet
"	Transferred to the IBUKI, 1st reserve vessel	Navy Ministry
Jan 30 1914	Conferred the 8th Court Rank, Senior Grade	Imperial Household Min.
Apr 15 1914	The IBUKI as the 2nd reserve vessel.	
Aug 18 1914	The IBUKI as a patrol vessel.	
Aug 23 1914	Entered war with Germany.	
Aug 26, 1914	Left Miyajima to participate in the war, returning to Kojima on 25 December.	
Oct 1 1914	The IBUKI became part of a squadron specially dispatched to the southern region.	

Dec 28 1914	Transferred from the IBUKI to the KIRISHIMA	Navy Ministry
Apr 19 1915	The KIRISHIMA as the 1st reserve vessel.	
Jun 12 1915	Assigned to the 1st fleet and engaged in homefront job for the war.	
Nov 7 1915	Decorated with the 6th Order of Merit with the Single Rayed Rising Sun and granted the sum of ¥350 for the service in the war of 1915-15.	Board of Decorations
"	Decorated with the War Medal in commemoration of the war of 1914-15.	"
Nov 10 1915	Given the Commemoration Medal for Coronation in accordance with the Imperial Ordinance No. 154.	"
Dec 13 1915	Promoted to Sub-Lieutenant Relieved of assignment aboard the KIRISHIMA Assigned student in general course of Naval Torpedo School.	Cabinet Navy Ministry "
Jan 21 1916	Conferred the 7th Court Rank, Junior Grade	Imperial Household Min.
Jun 1 1916	Relieved of student in general course of Naval Torpedo School upon completion of the course, and assigned as student in general course of Naval Gunnery School.	Navy Ministry
Dec 1 1916	Relieved as student in general course of Naval Gunnery School upon completion of the course. Assigned aboard the training ship, YAKUMO. The YAKUMO was concurrently made guard ship on the 11th.	" Navy Ministry
Dec 13 1916	Granted 1st grade salary.	
Dec 12 1916	Sailed from SASEBO for China (guard). Returned to JINSEN on Jan 2 1917 (returned home temporarily)	
Apr 5 1917	Sailed from Yokosuka for coast of North America (guard). Returned to TAKU HO on July 30.	
Aug 23 1917	Relieved of assignment aboard the YAKUMO and assigned aboard the ARARE.	Navy Ministry
Jul 19 1918	Sailed from RASHIN HO for VLADIVOSTOK (War duty)	
Dec 1 1918	Promoted to First Lieutenant Relieved of assignment aboard the ARARE	Cabinet Navy Ministry

	Assigned student in higher course of Navy Gunnery School.	Navy Ministry
Jan 10 1919	Conferred Senior Grade of 7th Court Rank	Imperial Household Min
Jan 28 1919	Applied for marriage. Approved on 31st of same month.	
Sep 25 1919	Attached to Headquarters of the 7th Fleet during Grand Maneuvers of 1919	Navy Ministry
Nov 28 1919	Decorated with 5th Order of Merit with Order of Sacred Treasure	Bureau of Decorations
Dec 1 1919	Relieved as student in higher course of Naval Gunnery School. Assigned gunnery officer and additionally division officer of the ISOKAZE	Navy Ministry "
Jun 3 1920	Relieved of main and additional duties and assigned gunnery officer and additionally division officer of the SAWAKAZE.	"
Aug 29 1920	Sailed from TATEYAMA for coast of Russian territory for guard duty and returned to ODARU on Sept. 7.	"
Dec 1 1934	Granted 2nd grade salary. Relieved of main and additional duties and assigned staff officer and concurrently adjutant of 2nd Fleet.	"
Nov 1 1920	Decorated with Order of Double Rays of Rising Sun and granted 700 yen for services in 1915-20 War. Awarded memorial medal for going to front 1914-19 War	Bureau of Decorations Navy Ministry
Jun 10 1921	Flagship of 2nd Fleet was changed from KONGO to KIRISHIMA.	
Jun 27 1921	Flagship of 2nd Fleet was changed from KONGO to KIRISHIMA.	
Aug 19 1921	Sailed from SASEBO for Pt. Arthur and DALNY (guard) and returned to ARIAKE Bay on 30th of same month.	
Nov 18 1921	Relieved of main and additional duties and assigned instructor and concurrently division officer at Naval Gunnery School	Navy Ministry
Jan 11 1922	Appointed commissioner for the test airplanes take-offs from the warship "Kiso"	Yokosuka Naval Station
Nov 1 1920	Granted the Victory Medal in accordance with the Victory Medal Ordinance.	Bureau of Decorations

Dec 1 1922	Granted the 1st grade salary Relieved of main and concurrent duties Ordered to be Class A Student of the Naval Staff College	Navy Ministry " "
Sep 15 1923	Appointed member of the Navy Committee for Earthquake Relief in its Transport and Communications Section.	"
Oct 1 1923	The Navy Committee for Earthquake Relief was abolished in accordance with No. 4 of the Secretariat No. 3055.	
Apr 15 1924	Conferred the 6th Court Rank, Junior Grade	Imperial Household Min.
Sep 1 1924	Appointed Assistant Judge at the Grand Naval Maneuver of 1924.	
Oct 1 1924	Writing form of commission was reformed in accordance with "Navy Personnel" No. 79.	
Dec 1 1924	Promoted to Lt. Commander Appointed Assistant Gunnery Officer and Section Commander	Cabinet Navy Ministry
Apr 15 1925	Relieved of main and concurrent posts; ordered to reside in the U.S. Left Yokohama by the SIBERIA-MARU on May 15	Navy Ministry
May 10 1925	Set up a separate home and became head of the household.	
Nov 29 1926	Decorated with the 4th Order of Merit of the Sacred Treasure.	Bureau of Decorations
Apr 15 1927	Ordered home. Arrived at Shimonoseki on July 24	Navy Ministry
Aug 20 1927	Ordered to serve in the Naval General Staff and concurrently in the Navy Ministry. Ordered to serve at the Bureau of Naval Affairs, Navy Ministry. Assigned to the First Section.	" " Bureau of Naval Affairs
Oct 1 1927	Released from main and concurrent duties; appointed member of the Bureau of Naval Affairs of the Navy Ministry and concurrently member of the Technical Council of the Navy Technical Department.	Navy Ministry
Oct 16 1927	Appointed Commissioner to investigate the systems and institutions for the service and life.	"

Oct 1 1927	Assigned to the First Section.	Bureau of Naval Affairs
Oct 6 1927	Appointed member of the Purchase List Investigation Committee	Navy Ministry
	Appointed member of the Military Warehouse Investigation Committee.	"
	Appointed member of the Committee to Revise the Naval Battle Service Regulations.	"
	Appointed secretary of the Committee to investigate the Accounts System of the Naval Construction and Repair Office.	"
Dec 6 1927	Relieved of the duty as member of the Committee to Investigate the Naval Battle Service Regulations.	"
Mar 6 1928	Appointed member of the Preparatory Committee to Revise the Naval Regulations Dealing with Minor Punishments.	"
	Retired upon completion of the work. (Feb 14 1929)	"
Dec 10 1929	Appointed Commander.	Cabinet
Feb 7 1930	Appointed member of the Thought Investiga- tion Committee.	Navy Ministry
Feb 14 1930	Appointed member of the Committee to Revise the Naval Regulations dealing with Minor Punishments.	"
Feb 27 1929	Attached to the Special Inspector.	"
Mar 15 1929	Promoted to the 6th Court Rank Senior Grade	Imperial Household Min.
May 23 1929	Appointed commissioner to investigate distinguished naval merit.	Navy Ministry
Nov 16 1928	Decorated with the Commemoration Medal for Coronation in accordance with Imperial Ordinance No. 188, 1928	Bureau of Decoration
Feb 1 1930	Appointed member of the Naval Terms In- vestigation Committee	Navy Ministry
Mar 1 1930	Appointed member of the Official Commenda- tion Investigation Committee.	"
Mar 3 1930	Ordered to make an official trip to China.	"
Jun 20 1930	Attached to the Special Inspector.	"
Sep 11 1930	Appointed judge at the Special Grand Maneuvers in 1930.	"
Dec 15 1930	Appointed a staff officer of the 2nd Fleet.	"

Sep 5 1929	Granted the sum of ¥120 for services in the China Incident of 1928 and the China Disturbances in 1927-28.	Navy Ministry
Aug 16 1931	Traveled to IWATE Prefecture to arrange family affairs for 14 days with an added 5 days necessary for travel.	
Aug 28 1931	Returned.	
Dec 1 1931	Appointed instructor at the Naval Staff College.	"
Dec 10 1931	Appointed examination commissioner of naval students.	"
Feb 2 1932	Appointed staff officer of the 3rd Fleet.	"
Aug 23 1932	Transferred to the HAGI.	
Aug 31 1932	Transferred to the IZUMO.	
Dec 1 1932	Promoted to Captain.	Cabinet
Dec 28 1932	Promoted to the 5th Court Rank, Junior Grade.	Imperial Household Min.
Dec 1 1932	Appointed examination commissioner of naval students.	Navy Ministry
Nov 5 1932	Appointed instructor of the Naval Staff College.	"
May 10 1932	Decorated with the 3rd Order of Merit with the Order of the Sacred Treasure.	Bureau of Decoration
Jun 1 1932	Appointed judge at the Special Grand Maneuvers of 1932.	Navy Ministry
Sep 20 1932	Appointed Chief of the 1st Section of the Naval Affairs Bureau of the Navy Ministry and concurrently member of the Naval Technical Council.	"
Sep 22 1932	Appointed member of the Top Installation Standard Investigation Committee (Became extinct automatically on 11th Dec 1934 when its business finished)	"
	Appointed member of the Investigation Committee for Expedition Preparations	"
Sep 23 1932	Appointed member of the Investigation Committee for the Development of Manchuria and Mongolia.	"
Sep 22 1932	Appointed member of the Armament Limitation Investigation Committee.	"

Sep 22 1932	Appointed commissioner to investigate the system and the establishment for service and livelihood.	Navy Ministry
Sep 26 1932	Entrusted with the responsibilities as manager to assist the commissioner of the Thoughts Counter-measures Committee.	Cabinet
	Appointed examination commissioner of naval students.	Navy Ministry
	Appointed a commissioner of the Naval Propagation Department	"
	Appointed member of the Awarding Committee	"
	Appointed member of the Thought Investigation Committee	"
	Appointed member of the Naval Disciplinary Law Amending Committee	"
	Appointed member of the Committee for Investigating Power Standard of Naval Bases and Stations	"
	Appointed member of the Army and Naval Coordinating Committee for Mobilization of Munitions Industries	"
	Appointed a commissioner of the Fuel Policy Investigation Board	"
	Appointed member of the Committee for Investigating Account System of Naval Construction and Repair Department.	"
	Appointed member of the Naval Merits Investigation Committee	"
Oct 26 1933	Appointed a reserve member of the Civil Service Ordinary Limitation Committee	War Ministry
Nov 18 1933	Appointed member of the Committee for Studying Limitation of Armaments	Navy Ministry
Dec 26 1933	Appointed member of the Committee for Constructing the Naval Reference Museum (temporarily named)	"
Mar 13 1934	Appointed member of the Committee for Inquiring the Disaster of the Torpedo-boat TOMOZURU	"
Apr 5 1934	Appointed a commissioner of the Extraordinary Ships Ability Investigation Board	"
May 30 1934	Appointed a funeral commissioner for the late Admiral of the Navy Marquis Heihachiro Togo	Cabinet
Jul 19 1934	Relieved of the above duty	"
Sep 14 1934	Ordered to be present as a representative of the Imperial Government at the 15th Session of the International Red Cross Conference to be held in Tokyo from October 20 this year	Minister

Dec 21 1934	Entrusted with duty as Manager of the South Sea Islands Development Investigation Committee (Cancelled automatically on account of the repeal /of the committee/ on Dec. 23 1935.	Navy Ministry Overseas Ministry
Jan 18 1935	Appointed a secretary to the Manchurian Affairs Board	Cabinet
Feb 1 1935	Released automatically from the membership of the Naval Technical Council by virtue of the 1935 Amendment (Imperial Ordinance No. 8) of the Naval Technical Department Ordinance. Appointed to the additional post as member of the Naval Technical Council by virtue of Imperial Ordinance No. 7. Appointed member of the Technical Council of the Naval Technical Department. Appointed member of the Technical Council of the Naval Air Headquarters.	Navy Ministry " " "
Apr 29 1934	Decorated with the Imperial Military Order of the Golden Kite, 4th Class and the Middle Cordon of the Imperial Order of the Rising Sun with ¥500 Annuity. (Meritorious service war of 1931-34) Conferred a 1931-34 War Medal.	Bureau of Decoration
Mar 1 1934	Received and allowed to wear the medal signifying meritorious services in the construction of the state awarded by the Emperor of Manchuria.	Bureau of Decoration
Jun 20 1935	Civil Officials Appointed member of the/Ordinary Disciplinary Punishment Committee.	Navy Ministry
Jul 15 1935	Appointed member of the Expedient Plan Committee towards the South Seas.	"
Oct 21 1935	Appointed member of the Temporary Committee for Improving Strength of War Vessels.	"
Oct 30 1935	Ordered to serve in the Naval General Staff Office and concurrently the Navy Ministry.	Imperial Headquarters Cabinet
Nov 5 1935	Ordered to accompany the Plenipotentiary to the London Naval Disarmament Conference.	Cabinet
Nov 16 1935	Started from Tokyo via Manchukuo and Siberia	Cabinet
Nov 6 1935	Released from the position of administrative official of the Bureau of the Manchurian Affairs.	"
Nov 30 1935	Order to serve in the Bureau of Naval Affairs of the Naval Ministry.	Minister

Nov 20 1935	Relieved as member of the Ordinary Disciplinary Committee for Civil Officials	Navy Ministry
Nov 30 1935	Relieved as reserve member of Civil Officials Ordinary Limitation Committee	War Ministry
Mar 16 1936	Appointed the Captain of the JAMA, guard and training ship. (Appointed on Mar 18 1936 - retired on Nov 20 1936)	Navy Ministry
Feb 28 1936	Returned to Japan	
Sep 21 1935	Allowed to receive and wear the Commemoration Medal to mark the visit of the Manchurian Emperor given by His Majesty.	Bureau of Decoration
Nov 16 1936	Appointed Captain of the Ryujo (The 1st Naval Fleet)	Navy Ministry
May 9 1934	Allowed to receive and wear the Third Order Keiunsho awarded by His Majesty, the Emperor of Manchukuo.	Bureau of Decoration
Dec 1 1937	Appointed the Captain of the KAGA. Granted a special grade salary.	Navy Ministry
Feb 1 1938	Promoted to the Senior 5th Court Rank	Imperial Household Min.
Apr 25 1938	Appointed the Chief of the 3rd Department of the Naval General Staff. Ordered to act as naval staff officer in the Imperial Headquarters.	Navy Ministry
May 2 1938	Appointed a member of the Expedient Plan Committee towards the South Seas. Appointed a member of the Naval Student Selection Committee. Appointed a member of the Thought Investigation Committee. Appointed a member of the Distinguished Naval Services Investigation Committee.	"
Apr 5 1938	Appointed the Chief of the 3rd Department of the Naval General Staff.	Imperial Headquarters
Nov 15 1938	Promoted to the rank of a rear admiral.	Cabinet
Dec 5 1938	Ordered to make an official tour of China	Navy Ministry
Jan 26 1939	Ordered to serve in the Navy Ministry in addition to the positions already held. Ordered to make an official tour in Europe	"
May 2 1939	Returned to Japan.	
May 10 1939	Released of the additional post	"

Oct 10 1939	Ordered to serve in the Naval General Staff and the Navy Ministry Relieved of position as Naval Staff of the Imperial Headquarters.	Navy Ministry "
Oct 18 1939	Appointed Director of the Naval Affairs Bureau of the Navy Ministry and member of the Admiral Council. (Relieved of above duties on Oct 15 1940) Appointed staff of the Examination Section for Naval War Plans in the Imperial Headquarters. Appointed standing attendant to Navy Minister in the Imperial Headquarters.	" " " "
Oct 21 1939	Appointed member of the war-time Marine Insurance Indemnification Investigation. (This committee was abolished in accordance with the additional rule of Imperial Ord. No. 391 of Jun 6 1940)	Cabinet
Oct 26 1939	Appointed secretary of the Temporary Funds Adjustment Committee) Appointed temporary member of the Electric Communications Committee (This committee was abolished in accordance with Imperial Ordinance No. 923 of Dec. 27, 1940)	" "
Oct 30 1939	Entrusted with position as member of Industrial Capacity Expansion Committee Appointed member of the Committee for Planning Institutions such as Strategic Bases, etc. for 1937 Appointed Chairman of the Research Committee for disposal of China. Appointed a member of the Research Committee for Measures toward South Seas Appointed a member of the General Committee for Economizing Armament. Appointed Chief of the 1st Divisional Committee for Economizing Armament. Appointed Chief of the 5th Divisional Committee for Economizing Armament. Appointed Chairman of the Investigation Committee for the Systems and Institutions for Service and Livelihood.	" Navy Ministry " " " " "
Nov 1 1939	Appointed member of the Investigation Committee for Damages of the China Incident	Cabinet
Nov 2 1939	Appointed Councillor of the Planning Board Appointed Councillor of the Manchurian Affairs Bureau Appointed secretary of the Planning Council Appointed secretary of the National Mobilization	" " " "

Nov 2 1939	<p>Investigation Council. Appointed Secretary of the Science Investigation Conference. Appointed member of the Liaison Committee of the Hsia Developing Board. Appointed Councillor of the General Affairs Bureau of the Commerce & Industry Ministry Appointed Councillor of the Fuel Bureau</p>	<p>Cabinet " " " "</p>
Oct 25 1939	<p>Entrusted with position as member of the General Mobilization Planning Committee Entrusted with position as member of the Legislation Committee for the General Mobilization. Entrusted with position as member of the Mobilization Committee for the Electric Power for the Traffic. (This Committee was reorganized into the Traffic Mobilization Committee on June 10, 1940) Entrusted with position as member of the Trade Committee . (This position was abolished on Sept. 17, 1940) Entrusted with position as member of the Committee for the Economic Counter-plan under the current situation. (This position was abolished on Sept. 17, 1940). Entrusted with position as member of the Science Mobilization Committee.</p>	<p>Planning Board " " " " "</p>
Nov 6 1939	<p>Appointed member of the Central Air Defense Committee.</p>	Cabinet
Oct 18 1939	<p>Appointed member of the Committee for Study of the Bridge of the Capital Ship.</p>	Navy Ministry
Nov 7 1939	<p>Appointed councillor of the Overseas Affairs Bureau of the Overseas Affairs Ministry</p>	Cabinet
Nov 11 1939	<p>Entrusted with position as member of the Aviation Affairs Investigation Committee Appointed councillor of the Electric Board.</p>	<p>Communications Ministry. Cabinet</p>
Nov 14 1939	<p>Appointed temporary member of the National Park Committee.</p>	"
Dec 6 1939	<p>Entrusted with position as member of the Committee for Restricting the Use of School Graduates</p>	Welfare Ministry
Jan 11 1940	<p>Appointed temporary member of the Drafting Committee.</p>	"
Nov 30 1939	<p>Appointed member of the Agricultural & Forestry Planning Committee</p>	Cabinet
Dec 15 1939	<p>Appointed member of the Steel Manufacturing Committee</p>	"

Dec 23 1939	Appointed manager of the Temporary Fund Adjustment Committee.	Cabinet
Dec 27 1939	Appointed government representative in the 75th Session of the Imperial Diet for matters under jurisdiction of the Navy Ministry.	Planning Board
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Oct 25 1939	Appointed commissioner for reelection of naval officers trainees.	Navy Ministry
	Appointed standing commissioner for examination of midshipmen	Navy Ministry
	Appointed member of the Civil Service Ordinary Limitation Committee.	"
	Appointed commissioner for investigation of Naval Distinguished Services.	"
	Appointed member of the Thought Investigation Committee.	"
	Appointed member of the 2600th Anniversary Committee.	"
	Appointed member of the Committee For Study and Research of the Naval Uniform System	"
	Appointed Chairman of the Committee for Munitions Mobilization Arrangement between Army and Navy.	"
	Appointed member of the Fuel Policy Investigation Committee.	"
	Appointed member of the Committee for Investigation of Power Standard of Naval Bases and Stations.	"
	Appointed member of the Naval Punishment Regulations Revision Committee	"
	Appointed Chairman of the Munitions Peacetime Production Arrangement Central Committee (This position was abolished on Aug. 27, 1940)	"
	Appointed member of Investigation Committee for Granting the Medal of the China Incident.	"
Feb 24 1940	Entrusted with position as member of Personnel Mobilization Committee.	Planning Board
May 15 1940	Appointed Chairman of Investigation Committee of systems and Institutions for Service and Livelihood.	Navy Ministry
May 16 1940	Appointed receptionist for the Emperor of Manchukuo.	Imperial Household Min.
Jun 10 1940	Entrusted with position as a member of Electric Power Mobilization Committee	Planning Board
Jun 6 1940	Appointed member of Reinsurance Committee for the War Damages Insurance	Cabinet
Jul 17 1940	Appointed member of Cabinet Celebration Committee	"
		"

Jul 18 1940	Appointed Vice-Chief of the 4th Reception Section in the Cabinet Celebration Committee	Cabinet
Aug 7 1940	Entrusted with position as member of the 5th Committee.	Planning Board
Aug 3 1940	Appointed Chief of Special Naval Review in Commemoration of the 2600th Year After the Accession of the Emperor JIMMA.	Navy Ministry
Aug 24 1940	Appointed member of the Investigation Committee for Experiment and Research for Institution	"
Sep 17 1940	Entrusted with position as member of the Material Control Committee	Ministry of Agriculture & Forestry.
Oct 15 1940	Ordered to serve in the Naval General Staff and concurrently in Navy Ministry War Plans Examination Department of Imperial General Headquarters.	Navy Ministry
	Relieved of position as member of Naval War Plans Examination Department of Imperial General Headquarters.	"
	Relieved from position as standing attendant to Navy Minister in Imperial General Headquarters.	"
Nov 28 1940	Relieved from being entrusted with position as member of Material Control Committee	Ministry of Agriculture & Forestry.
Nov 4 1940	Relieved from position as Vice-Chief of the 4th Reception Section of the Cabinet Celebration Committee.	Cabinet.
Nov 7 1940	Relieved from position as Councillor of the General Affairs Bureau of Ministry of Commerce and Industry.	"
	Relieved from position as member of Material Utilization Committee.	"
Nov 8 1940	Relieved from position as secretary of National General Mobilization Investigation Committee.	"
	Relieved from position as secretary of Science Investigation Committee.	"
Nov 14 1940	Relieved from position as member of Iron Manufacturing Enterprise Committee.	"
Nov 31 1940	Relieved from position as Councillor of Planning Board.	"
	Relieved from position as member of Liaison Committee of China Affairs Board	"
Nov 27 1940	Relieved from position as member of the Agriculture and Forestry Planning Committee	"
Dec 2 1940	Relieved from position as member of Central Air Defense Committee.	"

Dec 7 1940	Relieved from position as Councillor of Fuel Bureau.	Cabinet
Nov 13 1940	Ordered to make an official trip to Europe (Started from Tsuraga on Dec. 6 by the Amakusa-maru)	Navy Minist.
Jan 8 1941	Relieved from being entrusted with position as member of the 5th Committee	Planning Board
Jan 18 1941	Relieved from position as Councillor of Manchukuo Affairs Bureau	Cabinet
Jan 21 1941	Relieved of duty as Councillor of the Electric Board.	"
Feb 1 1941	Relieved of duty as temporary member of the National Park Committee.	"
Feb 12 1941	Relieved of duty as member of the Reinsurance Committee for Insurance on War-time Damages.	"
Feb 2 1942	Permitted to accept and wear the 2nd Order of Merit of the Order of CHUKOKUSHO /National Patriot/awarded by Manchurian Emperor	Bureau of Decoration
Feb 2 1942	Permitted to accept and wear the Medal in commemoration of Establishment of National Founding Memorial Shrine awarded by Manchurian Emperor	"
Apr 29 1940	Decorated with the 3rd Class Golden Kite and the 2nd Order of Merit with the Order of Double Rays of Rising Sun, and granted the sum of ¥6000 in recognition of services in China Incident. Awarded Medal for service in China Incident.	"
Oct 27 1942	Permitted to accept and wear the Grand Officer, Saint Alexandre awarded by the Bulgarian Emperor	"
Nov 1 1942	Promoted to Vice Admiral.	Cabinet
Dec 1 1942	Raised to the 4th Court Rank, Junior Grade	Imperial Household Min.
Jan 23 1941	Appointed suite attached to the Imperial delegates to the Japanese-German-Italian Combined Technical Committee held at Berlin	Cabinet.
Mar 1 1943	Relieved of duty as suite attached to the Imperial delegates to the Japan-Germany-Italy Combined Technical Committee held at Berlin Appointed Imperial delegate to the Japanese German-Italian Combined Technical Committee held at Berlin.	"

Mar 1 1943	Relieved of duty as suite attached to the Imperial Delegates to the Japan-Germany Italy Combined Technical Committee held at Berlin. Appointed Imperial Delegate to the Japanese German-Italian Combined Technical Committee held at Berlin.	Cabinet "
Apr 6 1943	Permitted to accept and wear Grande Ufficiale, Aquila Romana awarded by Italian Emperor.	Bureau of Decoration
Dec 10 1943	Permitted to accept and wear the Gross Kreuz Adler Medal awarded by the German Government.	"
Sep 20 1944	Concurrently appointed a naval attache to the Imperial Embassy in Italy	Cabinet
Mar 26 1946	Returned (Arrived at URAGA)	
Mar 31 1946	Placed on reserve list	2nd Demob. Ministry.
Jun 15 1946	By Imperial Ordinance No. 322 of 1946, the Naval Officer Limitation Ordinance was abolished.	