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

/b/ Jum, miichi

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Deponent: - June, miichi

sheet and in accordance with the procedure followed in my country I hereby depose as follows:

\* LIF LUC 1 438 Affidevit by UGAWA, ATTOHI 1. At present I am a priest of the Nichi Ren Sect living in Shizuoka Prefecture and also am engaged in the work of helping children orphaned by the war. 2. I became a member of the DAINIMUN DrINAMIU in April, 1938. mile madrimoro, kingoro, premaent of the society was away on active military duty, I being an advisor to the society, acted for him as president pro temp. Upon his return in April 1939 I relinquished my post of advisor and became a councillor and remained so till the dissolution of the society in October 1940. 3. The purposes of the Dalla Indon ablinding were to abolish the established parties and to accomplish comestic reform since the general public feeling at that time was that these parties and the ZAIBATOU, in collusion had selfishly appropriated to themselves the government to such extent that extreme corruption was rampant everywhere and the only ones whom the public could trust were the military and the judiciary. The Dainihon SEINEN. To absolutely did not have aggressive war asits objective. 4. The membership in the DALMINDN DEIMENTO fluctuated somewhat but it never reached 20,000. It never included a single military man on the active list or a single influential government offici. al. 5. The expenses of the DAINIAUN SLINIAUTU were met by the ¥ 1 yearly membership fee and the ¥ 1 entrance fee paid in by each member of the society. The society never received any financial aid from the military or from any other source. 6. The "Taiyo Dai Nihon", which is the official news organ of the society, was not circulated outside of its membership. 7. The LINITUN SIMISLIKAI, a thought organization, was formed upon the dissolution of the Dalivin I ballimy's out of a portion of the latter's membership. 3. The DAINIHON BLAISHIKHI had as its objectives the guidance of the thought of Japanese youth and the encouragement of increasing the rice production. This increase was to be based on the OINOUE system. Aggressive war was absolutely no part of the society's objectives. 9. The membership, of the Lallind SEKI LIKAI was about 5,000. It never included a single military man on the active list nor a cingle influential government official. - 1 -

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- 10. The expenses of the DaINIHON SEKISHIKAI were met by the ¥ 1 yearly membership fee and the ¥ 2 entrance fee paid in by each member. The society never received any financial aid from the military or from any other source.
- 11. The D.INIHON SEASEKAI took over the management of the Official news organ of the DAINIHON SEINENTO the "Taiyo Dai Nihon".

  After the transfer of management to the SEAISEKAI every efforwas made to publish articles concerning increasing rice production. This also was not circulated outside the membership.
- 12. I have not been connected with the Iky.
- 13. In September 1944 at the time of the dissolution of the DAINIH SHALSHIKAI I joined the Imperial Rule Youth Association. Its membership never included a single military man on the active list nor a single influential government official. I was at the time of my joining the association on the general affairs committee and in November 1944, I became Chief of the Guidance Branch.
- 14. The activity of the IRYA was principally the encouragement of an increase in wheat production. The activity of the IRYA was absolutely not directed toward aggressive war.
- 15. The books of HASHIMOTO, Kingoro "Advice to Youth" "The Second Creation", "The Inevitable Renovation", "how to Rebuild world". "The Declaration of Hashimoto, Kingoro" and his essays in the "Taiyo bai Nippon" were all written after he gave up his military career and had become an ordinary civilian and are entired his own opinions. And, further, all these are opinions totally devoid of connection, not only with the military, but with any other persons. They are productions totally devoid of connection not only with the military but with any other persons.
- 16. The above mentioned books are all reproductions of the essays appearing in the "Taiyo Dai Nippon".
- 17. All the speeches which HASHIMOTO, Kingoro made at the meetings of the DAINIHON SHINENTO and DAINIHON SHAISHIKAI were entirely expressions of his own opinions as a civilian and had absolutely no connection with not only the military but with any other persons.

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At NAGAOKA-MACHI, TAKATA-GUN, SHIZUUKA-KEN on this 5th day of February, 1947.

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/S/ OGAMA, ATTOMI

we hereby certify that the above said person has duly sworn, subscribed and sealed thereto on before us.

On the same date and place.

Witnesses

/S/ may aphI, Itsuro

/S/ Richard HARRIS

/S/ MANASE, Kunji