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EXHIBIT # 3501
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INTERNATIONAL MILITARY TRIBUNAL FOR THE FAR EAST

UNITED STATE OF AMERICA et al

-vs-

ARAKI Sadao et al

SWORN DEPOSITION (Translation)

Deponent: TAKAHASHI, Michitoshi

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

Affidavit

I, TAKAHASHI, Michitoshi, state under oath as follows: My present address is no. 40, 3-chome, Showa-dori, Nakano-ku, City of Tokyo.

I was on my post in Berlin as the Secretary of Protocol for the Japanese Ambassador in Berlin from about September, namely, immediately before OSHIMA, the ex-Ambassador to Germany, took his post, until January 1939.

During this period all the conversations of Ambassador OSHIMA with high German officials were arranged beforehand by me as the Secretary of Protocol as to their date, time,

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place, etc.. As far as I remember, there has never been any case in or about January 1939 that Mr. Himmler requested of an interview with the ex-Ambassador OSHIMA. No request was also made by ex-Ambassador OSHIAM to see Mr. Himmler.

(Signed at the Foreign Office, Tokyo)

14 January 1947

Michitoshi TAKAHASHI

Witness: _____

On this 14 day of January 1947

At Tokyo

DEPONENT SAKIURA Haroshi (seal)

I, USHIDA, Nobuhiko 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 the same place

Witness: (signed) USHIDA, Nobuhiko (seal)

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OATH

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

/s/ TAKAHASHI, Michitosh(seal)