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SUMMARY OF RELEVANT POINTS

Amendments to Organization of War Ministry (18 Dec 08) are known as Imperial Ordinance No. 300; 1942, effective on and after 1 Apr 42. The amendments give Minister of War general control over all military and civilian personnel attached to Army, and supervision over various departments under its jurisdiction. (Art 1) Article VI establishes following seven bureaus in War Ministry, and delineates the area of their responsibility.

Bureau of Personnel (JINJI KYOKU)  
Military Affairs Bureau (GUMMU KYOKU)  
Military Administration Bureau (HEIMU KYOKU)  
Economic Mobilization Bureau (SEIBI KYOKU)  
Intelligence Bureau (KEIRI KYOKU)  
Medical Bureau (IMU KYOKU)  
Judicial Bureau (HOMU KYOKU)

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Article X establishes Army Affairs Section and Military Affairs Section in the Military Affairs Bureau.

Article XI enumerates controls given to the Army Affairs Section and Article XII the controls given the Military Affairs Section.

Article XIII establishes the Military Administration Section, Military Preparations Section, Defense Section, Horse Administration and Veterinary Section in the Military Administration Bureau.

Article XIV lists the controls granted the Military Administration Section; Article XV those granted Military Preparations Section; Article XVI those granted Defense Section; Article XXXII those granted to the Judicial Bureau.

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朕陸軍省官制改正ノ件ヲ裁可シ茲ニ之ヲ公布セシム  
第一條 陸軍大臣ハ陸軍軍政ヲ管理シ陸軍軍人軍屬ヲ統督シ所轄諸部ヲ監督ス

第六條 陸軍省ニ左ノ七局ヲ置ク

- 人事局
- 軍務局
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- 整備局
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第十條 軍務局ニ軍事課及軍務課ヲ置ク  
第十一條 軍事課ニ於テハ左ノ事務ヲ掌ル

- 一 國防ノ大綱ニ關スル事項
  - 二 陸軍軍備其ノ他一般陸軍軍政ニ關スル事項
  - 三 陸軍建制竝ニ平時戰時ノ編制及裝備ニ關スル事項
  - 四 戒嚴、警備、防空、軍動員及人的動員ノ基本ニ關スル事項
  - 五 陸軍豫算ノ一般統制ニ關スル事項
  - 六 軍需行政ノ基本ニ關スル事項
  - 七 航空兵ノ本務其ノ他航空ニ關係アル事項ノ統轄ニ關スル事項
  - 八 演習及檢閲ニ關スル事項
  - 九 團隊配置ニ關スル事項
  - 十 戰時諸規則ニ關スル事項
  - 十一 外國駐在員、留學將校及總力戰研究所研究生ニ關スル事項
  - 十二 陸軍軍需審議會ニ關スル事項
- 第十二條 軍務課ニ於テハ左ノ事務ヲ掌ル
- 一 國防政策一般ニ關スル事項
  - 二 國際的規約ニ關スル事項

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四 國家總動員一般ニ關スル事項

五 滿洲國及支那ノ軍事其ノ他之ニ關聯アル事項

六 滿洲國及支那以外ノ外國ノ軍事ニ關スル事項

七 帝國議會トノ交渉ニ關スル事項

八 國防思想ノ普及及思想對策ニ關スル事項

九 軍事關係團體ノ指導ノ統制ニ關スル事項

第十三條 兵務局ニ兵務課、兵備課、防衛課、馬政課及獸醫課ヲ置ク

第十四條 兵務課ニ於テハ左ノ事務ヲ掌ル

一 各兵（憲兵及航空兵ヲ除ク）ノ本務ニ關スル事項

二 軍樂部ノ勤務及教育ニ關スル事項

三 軍紀、風紀及懲罰ニ關スル事項

四 典令範（航空兵關係ノモノヲ除ク）ニ關スル事項

五 內務ニ關スル事項

六 儀式、禮式、服制及徽章ニ關スル事項

七 練兵場、射擊場、架橋場、演習場其ノ他ノ兵要施設（防衛課所掌及航空關係ノモノヲ除ク）ニ關スル事項（築設及管理ヲ除ク）

八 學校教練及青年訓練ニ關スル事項

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四 召集ニ關スル事項

五 人的動員ニ關スル事項

六 徵發ニ關スル事項

七 在郷軍人會ニ關スル事項

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二 軍事書察（法務局所掌ノモノヲ除ク）及軍機ノ保護ニ關スル事項

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附 則

本令ハ公布ノ日ヨリ之ヲ施行ス

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GENERAL HEADQUARTERS  
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ALLIED TRANSLATOR AND INTERPRETER SECTION

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Full Translation of Amendments (1 Apr 42)  
to the Organization of the War Ministry (18 Dec 08)

War Ministry Organization (Excerpts)

(Proclaimed by Imperial Ordinance No 314, 18 Dec 08)

I hereby sanction and promulgate these amendments to the organization of the War Ministry.

Article I: The Minister of War shall supervise the Army's military administration, exercise general control over all of the army's military and civilian personnel attached to the army, and shall supervise the various departments under its jurisdiction.

Article VI: The following seven Bureaus shall be established in the War Ministry:

- Bureau of Personnel (JINJI KYOKU).
- Military Affairs Bureau (GUMMU KYOKU).
- Military Administration Bureau (HEIMU KYOKU).
- Economic Mobilization Bureau (SEIBI KYOKU).
- Intendance Bureau (KEIRI KYOKU).
- Medical Bureau (IMU KYOKU).
- Judicial Bureau (HOMU KYOKU).

Article X: The Army Affairs Section and the Military Affairs Section shall be established in the Military Affairs Bureau.

Article XI: The Army Affairs Section shall have control of the following affairs:

- A. Matters pertaining to the network of national defense.
- B. Matters pertaining to military armaments and all other matters concerning the Army's military administration.
- C. Matters pertaining to the normal organization of the Army, and also to wartime and peacetime organization and equipment.
- D. Matters concerning the fundamentals of martial law (legislation), security, air defense, and mobilization of military and civilian personnel.
- E. Matters concerning the overall control of the army budget.
- F. Matters pertaining to the fundamentals of munitions administration.
- G. Matters pertaining to the control of the duties of air force personnel and of other affairs related to the air force.
- H. Matters concerning maneuvers and inspections.
- I. Matters concerning the disposition of units.
- J. Matters concerning various wartime regulations.



- K. Matters concerning personnel stationed abroad, officers studying abroad, and research workers in the total war research laboratories.
- L. Matters concerning the army's munitions investigation board.

Article XII: The Military Affairs Section shall have control of the following affairs:

- A. Matters concerning national defense policies in general.
- B. Matters concerning international agreements.
- C. Matters concerning foreign military officers attached to units.
- D. All matters concerning general national mobilization.
- E. Matters pertaining to military and other affairs related to MANCHURIA and CHINA.
- F. Matters concerning the military affairs of foreign countries other than MANCHURIA and CHINA.
- G. Matters pertaining to negotiations with the Imperial Diet.
- H. Matters pertaining to the spreading of national defense awareness, and to ideological counter-measures.
- I. Matters pertaining to controlling the leadership of groups connected with military affairs.

Article XIII: Military Administration Section, Military Preparations Section, Defense Section, Horse Administration, and the Veterinary Section shall be established in the Military Administration Bureau.

Article XIV: The Military Administration Section shall have control of the following affairs:

- A. Matters pertaining to the duties of every soldier (excluding the military police and air force personnel).
- B. Matters concerning the duties and training of the Military Band Department.
- C. Matters pertaining to military discipline, public morals, and punishments.
- D. Matters concerning training manuals (excluding those pertaining to the air forces).
- E. Matters pertaining to internal affairs.
- F. Matters concerning ceremonies, etiquette, uniform regulations and insignia.

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G. Matters (except for construction and administration) concerning parade grounds, firing ranges, bridge-building grounds, maneuver grounds, and other necessary military installations (excluding those connected with the air forces or under the jurisdiction of the Defense Section).

H. Matters pertaining to school and youth training.

Article XV: The Military Preparations Section shall have control of the following affairs:

A. Matters concerning military service.

B. Matters concerning replacements below the rank of commissioned officers.

C. Matters concerning military mobilization.

D. Matters concerning the mustering of reservists.

E. Matters concerning mobilization of civilians.

F. Matters concerning requisition.

G. Matters concerning the Reservists' Association.

Article XVI: The Defense Section shall have control of the following affairs:

A. Matters concerning the duties of the KEMPEI.

B. Matters concerning the military police (excluding those under the jurisdiction of the Judicial Bureau) and the protection of military secrets.

C. Matters concerning counter-intelligence.

D. Matters concerning air defense.

E. Matters pertaining to guarding and security measures.

F. Matters pertaining to garrison service.

G. Matters concerning the construction and arming of fortresses and areas utilized for national defense.

H. Matters concerning regulations for fortified zones, the military control of harbor zones for Army transportation, and other similar regulations.

I. Matters concerning national and city planning.

Article XXII: The Judicial Bureau shall have control of the following affairs:

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- A. Matters pertaining to the duties and training of the Judicial Department.
- B. Matters concerning the administration of justice in military affairs.
- C. Matters concerning prisons.
- D. Matters pertaining to the administering of pardons, paroles, and punishments.
- E. Matters concerning the various wartime regulations of the Judicial Department.

Supplementary Provisions -

These regulations shall become effective on and after the date of proclamation.

(Imperial Ordinance No 300 1942) These orders shall become effective on and after 1 Apr 42.