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GI sent to Guy Fox a copy of

an M/R prepared by Dick Benson

relating action being taken to

require IG D comply with SCAPIN 2122

Guy Fox noted same and returned

it with a memo to GI "This does

not indicate wherein the IG has

been derelict in the matter. If

further instructions in writing are
contemplated please clear through
this office"

We may get an action on
this subject.

Forgot info.

Bob

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS
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15 September 1950

MEMORANDUM FOR: Japanese Government
SUBJECT: Immigration

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1. References:

- a. Memorandum for the Japanese Government, AG 000.5 (21 May 49)GB/CIS/PSD, SCAPIN 2055, subject: Suppression of Illegal Entry into Japan, 3 November 1949.
- b. Memorandum for the Japanese Government, AG 014.331 (3 Feb 50)GA, SCAPIN 2082, subject: Immigration Service, 20 February 1950.
- c. Memorandum for the Japanese Government, AG 720.4 (3 Feb 50)GA, SCAPIN 2083, subject: Customs, Immigration and Quarantine Operations, 20 February 1950.
- d. Letter from the Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers, to Prime Minister Yoshida, 3 July 1950. (Inclosure 1)

2. The Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers in letter referenced in paragraph 1d called attention to certain weaknesses in governmental structure with respect to the control of unlawful immigration activities and enumerated certain measures to be taken to correct these weaknesses. In addition to the measures specifically enumerated in referenced letter, the Japanese Government is hereby directed to:

- a. Apprehend and detain individuals entering or remaining in Japan in violation of the regulations of the Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers and Japanese laws pertaining to entry of individuals into Japan.
- b. Establish for retention of individuals apprehended for unlawful immigration necessary processing centers which are in no way a part of or affiliated with penal corrective institutions or national or local police organizations.
- c. Establish procedures in these processing centers to:
 - (1) Insure compliance with customs and quarantine regulations of the Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers and the Japanese Government.
 - (2) Take into protective custody and deliver receipt for property in the possession of persons detained for unlawful immigration except that property

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necessary for their personal use in processing centers. In this connection all arms, military materiel, military equipment, military supplies, aircraft and vessels will be immediately taken into custody and reported to the nearest military authority.

- (3) Obtain complete information concerning the identity of the individual and the circumstances of his entry. This information will be forwarded immediately to the Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers.

d. Report to the Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers for appropriate negotiation with interested governments those illegal entrants who are to be deported. Upon receipt of information from the Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers that clearances to permit the travel of the deportee have been obtained, the Japanese Government will take the necessary measures including arrangements for transportation to effect immediately the deportation of such persons.

3. The Japanese Government is further directed to establish organizations to provide the policy and procedural direction to and effect positive coordination of immigration matters including those enumerated in references listed in paragraphs 1a, b, and c, as well as those enumerated herein.

4. Since expeditious implementation of this directive is mandatory, the Japanese Government will within 15 days after receipt of this SCAPIN submit to the Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers for concurrence drafts of plans and directives necessary to its implementation.

5. The draft plans and directives referred to in paragraph 4 above should, if necessary to the implementation of the plans, include recommendations for readjustment of personnel ceilings and reallocation of budgeted funds.

6. Direct communications between the Japanese Government agencies concerned and appropriate occupation force agencies are hereby authorized to implement this memorandum.

FOR THE SUPRILE COMMANDER:



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Cy Ltr to
PM Yoshida

K. E. BUSH,
Brigadier General, USA,
Adjutant General.

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Public Information Office

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Immediate release:

1230
8 July 1950

The following letter from General MacArthur to Prime Minister Yoshida is hereby released to the press:

"Tokyo, Japan
8 July 1950

"Dear Mr. Prime Minister:

"In keeping with my established policy to re-invest autonomous authority in the Japanese Government as rapidly as the situation permits, I have visualized the progressive development of law enforcing agencies adequate to the maintenance of internal security and order and the safeguard of Japan's coastline against unlawful immigration and smuggling.

"By letter of September 16, 1947 I approved the recommendation of the Japanese Government for an increase in the overall strength of Japan's police force to 125,000 men, making provision for a new national rural police force of 30,000 men. It was then the view of the government, in which I fully concurred, that the strength recommended and authorized was not an arbitrary determination of future police requirements but designed to provide an adequate force around which might be built a modern and democratic policy system oriented to an effective decentralization of the police responsibility in harmony with the constitutional principle of local autonomy.

"Subsequent action in the recruitment, equipping and training of the police force then authorized has proceeded with commendable efficiency. The concept of autonomous responsibility has been faithfully observed, essential coordination has been carefully developed and the proper relationship between the police and private citizenry has been progressively forged. As a consequence, the Japanese people today may take justifiable pride in this agency for the enforcement of law at all levels of government. Indeed, it may be credited to both organizational police efficiency and the law-abiding character of the Japanese people that, despite a much lower police strength in relation to population here than is to be found in most of the other democratic states and the general post-war impoverishment and other adverse conditions usually conducive to lawlessness, Japan stands out with a calmness and serenity which lends emphasis to the violence, confusion and disorder which exist in other nearby lands.

"To insure that this favorable condition will continue unchallenged by lawless minorities, here as elsewhere committed to the subversion of the due processes of law and assaults of opportunity against the peace and public welfare, I believe that the police system has reached that degree of efficiency in organization and training which will permit its augmentation to a strength which will bring it within the limits experience has shown to be essential to the safeguard of the public welfare in a democratic society.

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"Insofar as maritime safety in the harbors and coastal waters of Japan is concerned the Maritime Safety Board has achieved highly satisfactory results but events disclose that safeguard of the long Japanese coastal line against unlawful immigration and smuggling activity requires employment of a larger force under this agency than is presently provided for by law.

"Accordingly, I authorize your government to take the necessary measures to establish a national police reserve of 75,000 men and expand existing authorized strength of the personnel serving under the Maritime Safety Board by an additional 8000. The current year's operating cost of these increments to existing agencies may be made available from funds previously allocated in the General Account of the National Budget toward retirement of the public debt. The appropriate sections of this Headquarters will be available, as heretofore, to advise and assist in the technical aspects of these measures.

"Very sincerely,

(sgd)
"DOUGLAS MacARTHUR

"Mr. Shigeru Yoshida,
Prime Minister of Japan,
Tokyo,"