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ANNEX B

INTERROGATION NO. _____
(Obtain from G-2)

PLACE NAGOYA
DATE 25 October 1945

Division of Origin Aircraft Field Team #2

Subject: Mitsubishi Aircraft Plant, Target 194

Personnel interrogated and background of each:

Yasujiro Okano, General Manager
George Hattori, Sub-manager

Where interviewed At the plant.

Interrogator Lt. Bookhout; Lt. Craig

Interpreter Company interpreters; Lt(jg) Brown, T/5 Fischer

Allied Officers Present Maj. Walker, Lts. Bookhout, Craig and Brown.

Summary:

Plant questionnaire was delivered and completion was promised for 31 Oct. and 2 Nov.. Ground plan and some records were presented for inspection. Salient points of the interview:

Dispersal began almost immediately after the first raids and was complete by June 1945.

In the opinion of Mr. Hattori, area raids reduced production more than direct attacks on the plant, because of the damage to the shops of parts manufacturers. General opinion was that the two severe earthquake shocks (7 Dec. and 13. Jan. 1944/45) did more damage than either kind of raid.

Conscripted labor also impeded production.

Experimentation took place on jet-propelled radio-controlled flying bombs; information and drawings of this are at Matsumoto.

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