

INTERNATIONAL MILITARY TRIBUNAL FOR THE FAR EAST

THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, et al

against

RAKI, Sadao, et al

SWORN DEPOSITION (Translation)

Deponent: MAKATA, Hidehiko

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

I, MAKATA, Hidehiko, reside at No. 423, 2 chome, Nishidamachi, Suginami-ku, Tokyo, and work at present at the Business Sec. Buildings & Equipment Branch, Central Affairs Bureau of the Post-war Liaison Office.

1. From September, 1941 to May, 1945, I served in the Japanese Embassy in Germany in the capacity of a foreign affairs commissioner, and, as chief of Telegraph Section, was charged with the custody of secret documents.

2. Air-raids on Berlin became intensified from about November 1943 so that by the order of my superiors I destroyed from time to time our important documents and telegrams by fire.

When Berlin faced a catastrophe toward the end of April 1945,
all our secret documents left were also consigned to fire.

On this 5th day of November, 1947
at the Foreign Office.

Deponent: MAKATA, Hidehiko (seal)

I hereby certify that the above signature and seal were
affixed hereto in the presence of the Witness.

At the same place,
on the same day.

Witness: UCHIDA, Hideo (seal)

OATH

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

MAKATA, Hidehiko (seal)