

INTERNATIONAL MILITARY TRIBUNAL FOR THE FAR EAST

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA et al,

-vs-

ARAKI, Sadajiro et al,

SWORN DEPOSITION

Deponent : TOYODA, Teijiro

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.

1) I, Teijiro Toyoda, as a navy man, attended the Japanese delegations to the Geneva Naval Conference of 1927 and the London Naval Conference of 1930; remained in the naval service until April, 1941, when I was appointed Full Admiral, and retired from the Navy to immediately assume the portfolio of Commerce and Industry in the Second Konoye Cabinet. Joined also the Third Konoye Cabinet as its Foreign Minister, in July, 1941.

2) Mr. Okinori Kaya was present at both Conferences of Geneva and London as an attendant from the Finance Ministry. It is fresh in my memory how eagerly, on both occasions, he insisted upon the necessity of the naval limitation and exerted himself toward the success of the Conference.

3) When he arrived in Tokyo from Peking around the first part of October, 1941 (he was then the President of the North China Development Company), he called on me at the Foreign Minister's official residence to pay his respects for the first time since my receiving the Foreign portfolio. On that occasion he earnestly requested of me, saying "I eagerly wish you would make every effort to maintain peace between the U.S. and Japan and prevent war" and took his leave.

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On this 12th day of April, 1947

At Tokyo

DEPONENT TOYODA, Teijiro (seal)

I, TANAKA, Yasumichi 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 Tokyo

Witness :        /S/        TANAKA, Yasumichi (seal)

OATH

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

/S/        TOYODA, Teijiro (seal)