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佛領印度支那に對する緊急處置

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(一) 目的

東亞新秩序を建設し、東亞諸民族共存共榮を計る爲此の機會に於て佛國の支配力を印度支那より驅逐し、該地方の民族を獨立せしめること。

(二) 理由

- (1) 該地方の民族を獨立せしめ、此れを我國の指導下に置き、以て東亞新秩序の建設に協力せしめることが極めて肝要である。
- (2) 蔣政權討滅の爲には皇軍をして印度支那を通過せしめ、その他同地域を軍事的に利用することが必要である。
- (3) 今にして日本が印度支那を解放せざれば遠からず米・英又は獨の手中に置かれることは必然である。

(三) 實行

左の場合には佛國の態度如何に拘はらず、印度支那に對し直ちに軍事行動を開始すること。

(1) 蔣政權討滅及び廣西方面に於ける皇軍補給の必要上此際直ちに皇軍の印度支那通過を要求し、佛國が之に應ぜざる場合、佛國が應じた場合に直ちに軍事行動を開始することは言ふを俟たない。

(2) その他

(イ) 援蔣行爲停止誓約不履行の場合。

(ロ) 敗戦せる佛國の印度支那統治無能力の結果、同地域混亂の場合。

例へば、支那匪賊の佛印侵入による混亂、在留華僑、避難支那人の援蔣行爲又は日本人に對する敵對行爲制遏不能による混亂等。

(ハ) 不法壓迫に對し邦人を保護する必要ある場合。

右と併行して安南人の獨立運動を援助すること。

四 準備

- (1) 我方の印度支那に對する軍事行動に關し、豫め獨。伊の諒解を得ること。
- (2) 我方の軍事行動開始後泰國に對し事情を説明すること。尙又此の際泰國との間の一層親密なる關係を樹立する様工作すること。
- (3) 印度支那獨立運動首領者等との間に速かに獨立運動並に獨立後に關する事項を協議決定すると共に一日も早く獨立運動の實行に着手せしめると。

(4) 速かに在印度支那帝國領事館を擴大増員すると共に多數の政府及民間の専門家を印度支那に派遣し、あらゆる場合に對應する準備工作を行はしむること。

(5) 印度支那に對する軍事行動開始後同地の民族に對して行ふ可き各種工作に必要な諸般の準備を整へ置くこと。例へば、

(イ) 佛國の印度支那に對する不當なる統治の歴史等を安南語等を以て編集置くこと。

(ロ) 印度支那に於て行ふ可き新聞、雜誌の發行並にラヂオ放送等の準備をなし置くこと。

(ハ) 印度支那に於て活動せしむるに適當なる安南人有力者及日本人等をして語學の修得その他必要な準備をなさしむること。

四 時機

國際情勢の變化急激なるを以て前記の諸事項は急速に之を行ひ、機を逸せざることが必要である。

(備考) 尙参考資料として「佛領印度支那に對する緊急處置案」永田安吉氏提出」を附加し置くこと。

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**Urgent Measures To Be Taken Regarding
French Indo China**

**By Race Problem Committee of the National
Policy Research Institute**

I Objectives

To drive French authority from French Indo-China at this opportunity and make the people of this region independent, in order to establish a new order in East Asia and arrange for the co-existence and co-prosperity of the East Asiatic races.

II Reasons

1. It is very necessary to make the people of this region independent; to put them under Japanese leadership; and thereby make them cooperate for the establishment of a new order in East Asia.

2. In order to destroy the Chiang Regime, it is necessary to make our army pass through Indo-China and to utilize this region for our military purposes.

3. If Japan does not liberate French Indo-China now, it is inevitable that French Indo-China will in no time come under the power of the United States, Britain, or Germany.

III Action

In view of the following circumstances, military action must be commenced at once as regards Indo-China regardless of what attitude France might take.

1. As it is necessary to supply our armies who are engaged in suppressing the Chiang Regime and who are in the district of Kwanghsi, we shall demand passage through Indo-China for our army at once. Military action shall be started immediately whether France consents or not.

2. Other cases:

a. In case France does not fulfil her promise to stop supporting the Chiang Regime.

b. In case as a result of the inability of war-torn France to control Indo-China, the region falls into confusion.

For instance, disturbances caused by invasion of Chinese bandits

into French Indo-China; disturbances caused by the inability to prevent the resident Chinese in that region and Chinese refugees from supporting the Chiang Regime or from carrying on hostilities against the Japanese.

c. In case of necessity to protect the Japanese from unlawful oppression.

Parallel with the above measures, the independence movement of the Annamese shall be supported.

IV Preparations

1. In connection with our military operations in Indo-China, a previous understanding shall be obtained with Germany and Italy.

2. After commencement of our military operations, the situation shall be explained to Thailand. Further, on this occasion, measures shall be taken to establish still more friendly relations with Thailand.

3. Matters connected with the independence movement and, circumstances arising after independence has been achieved shall be promptly discussed with the heads of the independence movement of Indo-China and Operation of the independence movement shall be started as soon as possible.

4. The Japanese Consulate in Indo-China shall be enlarged and the staff increased as soon as possible and many specialists, officials and private citizens, shall be sent to Indo-China and made to do preparatory work to be ready for any situation.

5. After commencement of Military operations in Indo-China the various necessary preparations for each type of development to be undertaken with regard to the people of that region shall be arranged.
For instance:

a. History of the unjust rule of France over French Indo-China, etc., shall be compiled in Annamese, etc.

b. Preparations shall be made for publication of newspapers and magazines, radio broadcast, which are to operate in Indo-China.

c. Influential Annamese and Japanese, etc., suitable for doing active work in Indo-China shall acquire linguistic knowledge and make other necessary preparations.

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V Time

Because of the rapid change in the international situation, it is necessary that the various matters stated above be carried out promptly so as not to miss the opportunity.

(NOTE) A draft plan on "Urgent Measures Toward French Indo-China" by Yasukichi HAGATA ~~is~~ attached for reference.

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a. To construct a New Order in East Asia; to arrange for co-prosperity of East Asian races; to drive French authority from Indo-China and make it independent.

2. Reasons for objectives

a. Necessary for races of this region to cooperate for establishment of East Asian New Order under Japanese control; and to use Indo-China practically, for military operations against CHIANG KAI SHEK's regime.

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URGENT POLICY

FOR FRENCH INDO CHINA

by RACES PROBLEM COMMITTEE

OF NATIONAL POLICY RESEARCH INSTITUTE

1. Object — In order to construct the new Order of EAST ASIA and to arrange co-prosperity of East Asian races, drive the French authority from INDO CHINA and make it independence. PP. 1

2. Reason — It is very needful thing to make the races of these regions co-operate for establishment of East Asian New Order by making them independence and putting under Japanese control. On the other hand make the Imperial forces

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across INDO CHINA and use there practically for military
operation against CHIANG KAI-SHEK's Reign. pp. 1

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By Race Problem Committee
of National Policy Research
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I Objectives

To

Objectives are to drive French
authority from French Indo-China at
this ^{opportunity} chance and to make the people
of this region independent, to ^(in order) ~~construct~~ ^{establish}
a new order in East Asia and to
arrange for the co-existence and

Co-prosperity of ^{the} East Asiatic races.

II. Reasons.

1. It is very necessary to make the people of this region independent; to put them under Japanese leadership; and thereby make them cooperate for the establishment of a new order in East Asia.

In order to destroy the Chiang Regime, it is necessary to make our army ^{through} pass ~~the~~ territory of Indo-China for

~~Our military operations against the~~
 Chiang Regime and to utilize ^{this} ~~the~~ region
 for our military ^{purposes} ~~affairs~~.

3 If Japan does not liberate French
 Indo-China ^{now} immediately, it ^{is} ~~must~~
 inevitably ^{that French Indo-China will} be taken in no time ^{come} under
 the power of the United States, Britain,
 or Germany.

III Actions

^{view of} In the following ^{circumstances} ~~cases~~, military
 actions must be commenced at once

as regards
~~against~~ Indo-China regardless of what

attitude France might take.

1. As it is necessary to supply our

armies who are engaged ⁱⁿ to suppressing
 the

Chiang Regime and who are in the

district of Kwanghsi, ^{we shall demand} ~~our army's right~~
 passage through Indo-China for
~~that~~ ~~through~~ ~~our~~ ~~army~~ ~~at~~ ~~once~~.

to pass the territory of Indo-China

military action shall be started

~~shall be demanded as soon as possible~~

immediately whether France consents

in case of disapproval by France,

or not

~~our~~ military action shall be ^{started at once} ~~operated~~

and ^{on} ~~in~~ the other hand if France approves,

~~military operations shall, of course,~~
~~be taken at once also,~~
^{started}

2. Other cases:

(a) In case France does not fulfil her promise to stop supporting the Chiang Regime.

(b) In case, the region falls ^{into} confusion, as the ^a result of ^{the} inability of war-torn France to control Indo-China

For instance, ^{disturbances} confusion caused by invasion of Chinese bandits into French

Indo-China; ^{disturbances} confusion caused by
 the inability to prevent the ^{resident} overseas
 Chinese in ^{that} the region and ~~the~~ Chinese
 refugees from supporting the Chiang
 Regime ^{or from carrying on} and the hostilities ^{against} toward
 the Japanese.

(c) In case of necessity to protect
 the Japanese from unlawful oppression.

In Parallel with the above measures,
 the independent ^{ce} movement ^{of} by the
 Annamese shall be supported.

IV Preparations

In connection with
 1. Concerning our military operations
 in Indo-China, a previous under-
 standing shall be ^{obtained} received ^{with} from

Germany and Italy
 (commencement of)

2. After our military operations is
 begun, the situation shall be
 explained to Thailand. Further,
 on occasion
 at this time, measures shall be taken
 (still)
 to establish more friendly relations
 with Thailand.

3. Matters ^{connected with} concerning the independent^{ce}
 movement and ~~there~~ ^{circumstances arising} after ~~the~~
~~independence~~ ^{has been achieved} shall be ^{discussed} consulted
~~and decided~~ ^{with} (promptly) between the
^{heads} Chiefs of the independent^{ce} movement
 of Indo-China and Japan ^{decided upon} ~~settled~~
 Operation of the independent^{ce} movement
 shall be started as soon as possible.

4. The Japanese Consulate in Indo-China
 shall be enlarged in its capacity and
 the staff
~~made~~ to increased in number as soon as

possible and many specialists, ~~in the~~
~~officials & private citizens~~
~~governmental and civilians~~, shall be
~~sent to Indo-China~~ ^{and made to do preparatory}
~~work to correspond to all the cases~~
~~to be ready for any situation,~~
~~shall be performed.~~

^{commencement}
 5. After the military operations in

Indo-China ~~the various necessary~~
 preparations for each type of
 development ~~undertaken with regard to~~
~~that shall be acted to the people of~~
 that region shall be arranged.

For instance :-

(a) A History ~~and other incidents~~ of the
~~unjust~~ ^{unwarrantable} rule ^{over} ~~toward~~ French
 Indo-China ^{by France} ~~shall be made~~
 ready ~~being compiled in the Annamese~~
~~shall be made~~ etc.

(b) Preparations for publication of
 newspapers and magazines, ~~and~~ radio
^{which are to} ~~etc.~~ ^{to operate}
 broadcasting, that shall be carried
~~out in Indo-China, shall be readied.~~

(c) Annamese Influential ~~men~~ and
~~also~~ ^{etc.} Japanese who are suitable ^{for doing active}
^{work} to have
 activities in Indo-China shall ~~be~~

acquire
~~ready to get~~ linguistic knowledge
 and ^{make} other necessary preparations.

V Times

Because
 For the reason of ^{the rapid} ~~a sudden~~ change ⁱⁿ of
 the international situation, it is necessary
 that
 to be acted promptly for the various matters
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 stated before and should not miss the
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^{Note}
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