

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS

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AG 463.8 (24 Oct 46)ESS/IN
(SCAPIN - 1291)

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE IMPERIAL JAPANESE GOVERNMENT
THROUGH : Central Liaison Office, Tokyo
SUBJECT : Use of Benzene as Motor Fuel

The Imperial Japanese Government is hereby directed to take the necessary steps to prohibit the use of benzene as a fuel for internal combustion engines.

FOR THE SUPREME COMMANDER:

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Information of General Application pertaining to Directive Number

(SCAPIN - 1291), File AG 463.8 (24 Oct 46)ESS/IN subject: Use of Benzene as a Motor Fuel.

1. With reference to memorandum Number (SCAPIN - 1291), from the Supreme Commander For The Allied Powers to the Imperial Japanese Government, this directive is published for the information of all concerned.

2. The critical shortage of benzene needed for the drug, paint, and dyestuffs industry has partially been caused by the use of large amounts of benzene as a motor fuel. The majority of this benzene is used in the plant or area near the coke ovens producing the benzene. Inspections of large coke ovens has shown the majority of the vehicles in the area have been converted to liquid fuel and are using benzene.

3. This directive will prohibit the use of benzene as a motor fuel and will more than double the amount of benzene channeled into the chemical industry.

4. Military surveillance in the form of spot-checks of benzene producers by local military government units is desired to insure adherence to this directive.

Distribution:

Same as (SCAPIN - 1291)
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1 List of Benzene
Producers

List of Benzene Producers

<u>COMPANY</u>	<u>FACTORY</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
Nippon Seitetsu	Yawata	Yawata, Fukuoka
Nippon Seitetsu	Hirohata	Hirohata, Hyogo
Nippon Seitetsu	Kamaishi	Kamaishi, Iwate
Nippon Seitetsu	Wanishi	Wanishi, Hokkaido
Nippon Kokan	Kawasaki	Kawasaki, Kanagawa
Mitsui Kagaku	Miike	Miike, Kumamoto
Mitsuibishi Kasei	Kurosaki	Kurosaki, Fukuoka
Nisshin Kagaku	Niihama	Niihama, Ehime
Nippon Jinzosehiyn	Takigawa	Takigawa, Hokkaido
Miike Goseikogyo	Miike	Miike, Kumamoto
Tokyo Gas	Yokohama	Yokohama, Kanagawa
Osaka Gas	Torishima	Torishima, Osaka
Osaka Gas	Kobe	Kobe, Hyogo
Toho Gas	Nagoya	Nagoya, Aichi
Hiroshima Gas	Aga	Aga, Hiroshima

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Application(SCAPIN - 1291)