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PRIVY COUNCIL (1936)

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Present

Vice President of Privy Council ARAI, Kentaro

Councillors:

Count KANEKO, Kentaro. KAWAI, Misai Viscount ISHII, Kikujiro ARIMA, Ryokitsu HARA, Yoshimichi MOTODA, Hajime ISHIZUKA, Eizo Baron HAYASHI, Gonsuke

Decision

The Investigation Committee of the Privy Council unanimously recommended that the German-Japanese Pact against the Communist Internationale and the secret attached Pact against the Soviet Union be approved by the Frivy Council. (Exhibit 485, herein, is the record of the Minutes of the Privy Council on 25 November 1936, at which meeting the Pact was approved by the Council. (5967) Remarks

According to the report of the Investigation Committee, the Japanese-German Pact was comprised of two pacts: A Pact: against the Communist Internationale and a secret attached Pact against the Soviet Union.

1. The Pact against the Communist Internationale had for its object cooperation for the defense against the destructive communistic activities of the Communist Internationale. powers agreed "to exchange information on the activities of the Comintern, consult with each other in adopting necessary defensive measures and achieve these defensive measures through close cooperation. (5958) They also agreed to take defensive measures against third countries whose internal peace was threatened by the Comintern's destructive activities. (5959) A stanging committee was to be established to study and discuss various measures necessary for preventing the Comintern's destructive The duration of the Pacts was set for fiveyears. (5959) (See R 5934 for The Pact) Source and the Constitution of the Party of

II. The Secret Pact attached to the Pact against the Communist Internationale had for its object "the protection of the common interests of Japan and Germany against the armed pressure exerted by the Soviet Union." (5960) It was agreed that "in case one of the signatory powers is attacked or threatened with attack by the Soviet Union without provocation, the other signatory party shall refrain from taking any measure likely to result in any diminution of the burden of the Soviet Union's position, and the two signatories shall immediately discuss measures to be taken for the protection of their mutual interests." (5960) They also agreed not to conclude during the continuation of the Pact any political treaties with the Soviet Union which contravened the spirit of the Pact without mutual consent. (5960) (See R 5936 for the "Secret Attached Agreement To The Agreement Against The Communist INTER-NATIONALE")

In the Appendix to the Pact, Nos. 1 and 2 of the official notes exchanged prescribed that the political treaties mentioned in Article 2 of the Pact do not include the Fishery Treaty, the Concession Treaty between Japan and the Soviet Union, and the treaty concerning boundary line problems between Japan, Manchuria and the Soviet Union.

Official Notes Nos. 3 and 4 confirmed the German Government's view that the rticles in such political treaties as the Rapallo Treaty of 1922 and the Neutrality Pact of 1923 between Germany and the Soviet Union did not "conflict with the spirit of this Pact and Germany's obligations arising from this Pact as long as the object is not lacking in the situation at the time of the enforcement of this Pact." (5961)

The reporter referred to the explanation of the Competent Ministers: (1) "Japan's cooperation with Germany for this particular object through this Pact in no way whatever implies that Japan fully approves of that country's principles in respect to her internal affairs or that Japan will act in concert with her. In order to prevent any suspicion and misunderstanding at home and abroad regarding this point, the Government will clarify the purport of the Fact and also do its best to take other appropriate measures at the same time as it publishes such parts of the Pact as are to be made public ... (2) Since the object of this Pact is, as mentioned above, simply to make it an instrument for propering for the Comintern and the Soviet Union, we on our side should of course refrein even after the conclusion of this Pact, from taking any positive measure which might aggravate relations with the Soviet Union." (5962) 3) Regarding Sino-Japanese negotiations which were in progress at that time, "The fact that the conclusion of the Pact will further strengthen Japan's position ought to prove quite effective in making China decide her attitude. We are not without expectations, therefore,

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hoing able to use this situation for promoting developments the Sino-Japanese negotiations favorable to ourselves. The Government is resolved to leave nothing undone in its measures for coping with the situation." (5963) 4) The conclusion of the Fact is "due to the recent political changes in Germany and the establishment of the Nazi regime," (5964) which is "steadily chieving success in both internal administration and diplomady, and has won a firm hold on the confidence of a large number of people, thanks to its unique principle, without resorting to revolutionary behavior." (5964) There is no likelihood of its collapse. Consequently, effective results from " the Pact will be secured in the future. (5964) 5) The wording of the statements contained in Official Notes Nos. 2 and 3 of the Appendix to the second Pact is somewhat deficient in clarity · but. "they confirm the view of the German Government that among the articles in the Rapallo Pact and the Neutrality Pact existing between Germany and the Soviet Union, those which conflict with the spirit of the present Japanese-German' Paet and Germany's obligation arising thereunder will become invalid as the result of the extinction of their object in the light of the situation prevalent when the Pact is enforced. There is no doubt on this point, as may be judged from the fact that during the course of -- the negotiations on the present Pact, our ambassadors to Germany wired the following talagram to our Foreign Minister after obtaining the assent of the representative of the Gorman Government. 'I have the firm conviction that the spirit of this pact will prove to be the sole basis of Germany's future policy towards the Soviet Union. In (5965)

The reporter concluded by stating that, "although serious consideration should of course be given to the various probable internal as well as external influences of this Pact, it is internal as well as external influences of this Pact, it is internal as well as external influences of this Pact, it is internal as well as external influences of the present Pact and ent international situation, to conclude the present Pact and cooperate with Germany as one of the counter-measures for defending themselves from and chicking the aggressive pressure of the Communist Internationals and the Soviet Union." (5966)

See Exhibit 485 herein for the Linutes of the Privy Council.

The Secret Attached Pact appears on Page 5936 of The Record.
The Substance of the Secret Pact can be found in II above.

Exhibit 483 %, an issue of the Tokyo Gazette, contains a statement of the Bureau of Information showing that Japan proclaimed to the world that the Japanese-German agreement was not directed toward any particular country. (5957)

Exhibit 484, above, proves that the Pact was nimed at the U.S.S.R. and was designed to strengthen the hand of Japan in China. (5957).

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The Privy Council unanimously approved the Anti-Comintern Pact on 25 November 1936.

See Exhibit 484 for the report of the Investigation Committee, concerning this Pact.

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councillor ARIMA feared that the Soviet Union would bring about "the worst results to counteract the Japan-Germany Pact the substance of it became known to Russia." (5966) To this Foreign Minister ARITA said that the government's policy was to strenuously avoid any outbreak of an affair with Soviet Russia after the conclusion of the Pact, (5968) but that, if there should arise any danger of an outbreak of war between Japan and Soviet Russia, there was still room to push the discussion beyond the provisions of the Pact. (5969). He pointed out that Soviet Russia "had to consider the fact that she has to face both Japan and Germany, and for that reason I believe that even if Japan's military preparations should not be dequate, Russia will not initiate any affair." (5969)

ARITA replied to Councillor HARA's question, regarding the plan not to announce the Pact until the signing of the Russo-Japanese Fishery Treaty was complete, by saying that there were many rumors about a coalition among Japan, Germany and Italy and because of these rumours the Soviet Ambassador called at the Foreign Ministry and inquired whether or not . - they were true. (5970) ARITA said that he did not deny the rumors entirely and explained Japan's policy of defense against communism, in furtherance of which policy negotiations were going on, and that, since the cooperation was to be confined to the checking of Bolshevic operations, it would be no obstacle to the friendly relations of Japan and Russia. (5970) ARITA also said that he was of the opinion that the Soviet Government had conjectured the existence of some form of secret agreement other than that against communism, (5970) pointing out that Russia postponed the signing of the Fishery Treaty; but, concluded ARITA, when the Pact is announced and it becomes clear to Russia that the Pact is intended to be against the Comintern, Russia would sign the Fishery Treaty particularly as the Pact was not entirely unexpected by her (5971).

was unanimously approved. (5972)

Exhibit 36 is a basic document, being the Pact against the Communist International and Accessory Protocol, parts which appear on pages 5934-5938.

See Exhibit 484 herein for a more complete discussion of the matter.

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DIRECT EXAMINATION OF OSHIMA, Hiroo, by Mr. Williams.

* The witness identified and verified exhibit 3217 as his affidavit. The affidavit stated that the witness, * about the middle of September, 1940, when he was a Section Chief in the Home Ministry, was asked if he would go to the Total War Research Institute, which was to be opened soon. The witness gave his consent to the request of the authorities in the Home Ministry.

The aim and objects of the Institute was as provided for in the Imperial Ordinance concerning it, but the witness understood then that its chief object was rather to educate the younger people and do away with sectionalism in government and civilian offices and organizations. The idea for the Institute originated with the 1st KONOYE and YONAI Cabinets, but it was not realized until the 2nd KONOYE Cabinet.

* The witness went to the Institute's office before it opened on 1 October for preparations. The Institute rented a small room in the Parliament Building, without furniture, as it had no office of its own. On 1 October, the opening day of the Institute, they met HOSHINO, the acting President, who said no more than he would leave all matters to them. At that time the Institute staff consisted of 7, including the witness, and they were to start work with a clerk, a typist, and a telephone operator, in the rented office. Being without orders from the Premier, under whose administration the Institute was placed, or from HOSHINO, the staff had to study by themselves what kind of work should be carried on.

At the end of October, 1940, the office was moved to a Cabinet house, but they had to share it with other offices for some time. After April, 1941, about 35 students entered the Institute. * The budget of the Institute for the first year was 160,000 yen, to be spent in paying personnel and office expenditures. There was no estimate of expenditures for the work of the Institute. As the Institute did not operate until January of 1941, when General IIMURA became President, they had no business on which to report to HOSHINO. During this period HOSHINO did not visit the Institute, gave no orders or instructions concerning it, and showed no interest. The witness had to go to HOSHINO's office twice to ask him as to when the president would be selected.

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 About May or June of 1941, HOSHINO was selected by the Institute as one of the 15 or 16 councillors. The position was nominal and honorary, and included no practical work in relation to the Institute. HOSHINO, as such, gave neither instructions nor suggestion.
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 IIMURA was appointed President in January, 1941, but took over practical leadership in November, 1940.

 After this, the work of the Institute became more concrete. Plans were drafted and preparations made for education. The adoption of the system of the total maneuver in education was one of the plans framed under IIMURA's guidance at this time.

The witness was told that IIMURA was picked as President because he was well-qualified as an educator of young students. As President, he proved to be a good educator, although he once spoke jokingly of his holding such a second-rate position.

As for students, they admitted from one to four from each department of the government proportionate to the number of officials therein, and also took six or seven from business organizations, and there were some from the press. * Institute personnel were reduced on account of the policy of simplifying administration at the end of 1942, and for practical purposes it ceased to operate at the end of 1943, when the third group of students finished their course.

CROSS-EXAMINATION BY MR. SHIOBARA.
Counsel for KIMURA.

29187 * The witness stated that KIMURA never attended any meeting of the Institute. While KIMURA was a councillor, as he had explained, this was in name only, and he did not engage in any activities of the organization.

25 Sep 1947

MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Sutton; Lt. Col. Mornane

FROM : EDWARD P. MONAGHAN, Chief,

Investigative Division, IPS

SUBJECT : Defense Witness

1. Please find attached hereto list of material available on the following witness and/or witnesses.

DEFENDANT

HOSHINO

WITNESS

LIST OF MATERIAL AVAILABLE

OSHIMA, Hiroo

Curriculum Vitae

2. Please acknowledge receipt of this memorandum by initialling and returning attached carbon copy to this office. Room 300.

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Incl (Described above)

EDWARD P. MONAGHAN

CURRICULUM VITAE

Name: OSHIMA, Hiroo

Date of Birth: Nov 25, 1903

Place of Birth: 4 chome, Nagabei-cho, Higashi-ku, Nagoya City.

Permanent Domicile: 1-4, Niban-cho, Nagamachi, Kanazawa City, Ishikawa

Prefecture.

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Present Residence: Yokoyama-Kan, Niban-cho, Asahimachi, Niigata City.

1920 Mar
Finished 4th year of AICHI Prefectural 1st
Middle School.

1923 Mar Graduated from 8th High School.

Apr Entered German Law Course of the Law Department of TOKYO Imperial University.

Passed Administrative Course of Higher Civil Service
Examination.

Appointed Private First Class of the Transport Corps.

1927 Apr 1 Appointed Superior Private of the Transport Corps.

Jun 1 Promoted Corporal of the Transport Corps.

Sept 21 Passed final examination for one year volunteers.

Sept 30 Given forlough and left the Battalion.

Dec 1 Appointed Sergeant, of Transport Corps.
Transferred to first meserve.

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Restored to former position.

Granted 6th grade salary (National Expenditure)

Ordered to serve in General Affairs Section and

concurrently in Local Section of Prefectural

Affairs Department (NIIGATA Prefecture)

1926 Mar Graduated from Law Course of the Law Department of TOKYO Imperial University.

Appointed clerk of NIIGATA Prefecture.

Granted 6th grade salary (NIIGATA Prefecture)

Ordered to serve in the Local Section of Prefectural

Affairs Department (NIIGATA Prefec)

1926 Jul 13	Appointed Assistant Investigation for Investigation and Planning. (NIIGATA Prefec)
Nov 30	Placed on retired list according to No. 4, Item R, Article 11 of Civil Service Limitation Ordnance. (NIIGATA Prefec)
Dec 1	Joined 3rd Transport Battalion in NAGOYA as one year volunteer.
1927 Oct 31	Appointed concurrently Police Inspector of NIIGATA Prefecture.
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Dec 30	Granted 5th grade salary. (NIIGATA Prefecture)
1928 Feb 15	Appointed a voting station guard for the election of Diet members held on Feb. 20, 1928. (NIIGATA Prefec.)
May 21	Appointed Chief of Document Section of Governer's Secretariate and concurrently member of Forestry Section of Prefectural Affairs Department. (NIIGATA Prefecture)
Jun 13	Appointed Local Police Superintendant. Conferred 7th Rank of Higher Civil Service. (Cabinet) Granted 9th Grade salary. Ordered to serve in SHIMANE Prefectural Police. (Home Ministry)
Jul 16	Conferred Junior Grade of 7th Court Rank.
1929 Mar 30	Appointed 2nd Lieutenant, Transport Corps. Granted 8th grade salary. (Home Ministry)
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ARAKI, Sadao, et al

SWORN DEPOSITION

Deponent: OSHIMA, Hiroo



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.

I, OSHIMA, Hiroo, have set forth my career as below:
After graduating from the Law Course of the Imperial
University of Tokyo in 1926, since April I served in
the Home Ministry, Niigata, Shimane and Fukuoka Prefectural
Offices and the Metropolitan Police Board in succession.

From November 1934 I served in the Department of Civil Affairs in Manchukuo, and since November 1936 served in the Bureau of Peace in the Home Ministry and Toyama Prefecture in Japan.

In October 1940 I was appointed a Staff member of the Total War Research Institute.

In July, 1943 I was appointed the Bureau Chief in the Ministry of Welfare, and November 1943 was appointed a secretary of the Cabinet.

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In July 1944 I was appointed the Governor of Aomori

In April 1945 I was appointed the Chief of the Custody Aureau in the Home Ministry, and relieved of the post January 1946.

- 1. Around the middle of September of 1940 when I was one of the stion Chief of the Home Ministry, I was asked by the authorities lealing with personnel in the same Ministry if I would go to the Total War Research Institute which was to be opened soon, and I gave them my consent.
- 2. The aim and the business of the Institute were just as provided for in the imperial Ordinance concerning the Total War Research Institute; however, as I understood then its chief business was rather for the education of the younger people so story my with sectionalism then prevailing among government offices and civilian organizations. The idea for the Institute had originated with the 1st Konoe and Yonai Cabinet, but its realization did not occur until Konoe's 2nd Cabinet.
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- 4. On the 1st of October, the opening day of the Institute, we for the first time met with Mr. Hoshino, the acting president of the Institution, but he did not say anything other than that he would leave all matters to us. At that time, the staff of the Institution consisted of seven including myself and we were to start the work in this rented office with a clerk, a typist and a telephone operator. However, being without any order or instruction from the Prime Minister, under whose administration the Institute was placed or Mr. Hoshino, the acting president, we, the staff members had to study by ourselves what kind of work should be carried on.
- 5. At the end of October of 1940 the office was removed from the Houses of Parliament Building to one of te houses belonging to the Cabinet, but we were to share this house with other offices for some time. From April 1941, about 35 students entered the Institution, and in a converted lecture room in this house the lectures were begun. But as the house became too small, a new building was erected.
- 6. As I recollect, the budget of the Institute for the first year of its opening was yen 160,000, which was to be spent in paying Institute personnel and office expenditures. There was no estimate of expenditures for the work of the Institute.

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no business on which to report to Mr. Hoshino. During this period he did not visit the Institution at all, gave us no order, instruction or suggestion concorning it, and showed no interest in the work of the Institute. Being embarrased at such a situation, I had to go to his office twice to ask him for information as to then the president would be selected.

Institution as one of the concillors which consisted of 15 or 16 persons; however the position of councillor was really nominal and homorary, having no practical work in relation to the Institute, and Mr. Hoshino as such gave us neither instruction nor suggestion.

9. Lt. G. Iimura was formally appointed the president of the Institution in January 1941; however, he had arrived in Tokyo in November with an informal order to be the future president, and, with the request of the staff of the Institute, he advised us and took over practical leadership. With this, the works of the Institute began to be in a little more concrete shape. In other words, he started to draft various plans and to make preparations for education. The adoption of the system of the total manouver in education was one of the plans thus framed under his guidance at this time.

As I was told, the circumstance under which Lt. G. Iimura was picked as the President was that be was well qualified as an educator of young students and had an even temperament. As the president, he proved to he a good educator as we had expected. He once said to me jokingly of his disappointment in holding such a second-rate position.

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10. As for the students of the Institute, we admitted from one to four from each Department of the Government proportionately to the member of officials therein, and we also took six or seven from business organizations.

There were some taken from the press among the latter.

11. The Institute personnel were reduced on account of the policy of the simplification of administration at the end of 1942 during the Pacific War, and the institute for practical purposes, ceased to operate at the end of 1943 when the third group of students finished their course.

On this 3 day of Sept., 1947 At I.M.T.F.E.

DEPOENENT OSHIMA Hiroo (seal)

I, MIGITA, Masao 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 the same place.

Witness (signed) MIGITA, Masao(seal)

OATH

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

OSHIMA Hiroo (seal)

SUBJECT: Information on Purges furnished by G-2, GHQ, SCAP

OSHIMA, Hiroshi fell into Category A as a suspected war oriminal; Category B as a career Army man; Category G as Ambassador to Germany.

2. Definitions of the categories referred to above are to be found in appendix A of SCAPIN 550. subject: "Removal and Exclusion of Undesirable Personnel From Public Office."

4 January 1946. This may be accertain in Room 300 for your information.

OSHIMA, Hiroshi

Request by: SHIRATORI, Toshio

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He was formerly a General in the Japanese Army and is a defendant in the present trial.

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FROM

EDWARD P. MONAGHAN, Chief,

Investigative Division, IPS

SUBJECT

: Defense Witness

l. Please find attached hereto list of material available on the following witness and/or witnesses.

DEFENDANT

HOSHINO

WITNESS

LIST OF MATERIAL AVAILABLE

OSHIMA, Hiroo

Curriculum Vitae

2. Please acknowledge receipt of this memorandum by initialling and returning attached carbon copy to this office. Room 300.

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Incl (Described above)

EDWARD P. MONAGHAN

CURRICULUM VITAE

Name :

OSHIMA, Hiroo

Date of Birth:

Nov 25. 1903

Place of Birth:

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Permanent Domicile:

1-4. Niban-cho, Negamachi, Kanazawa City, Ishikawa

Prefecture.

Present Residence:

Yokoyama-Kan, Niban-cho, Asahimachi, Niigata City.

1920 Mar

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Entered German Law Course of the Law Department of TOKYO Imperial University.

1925 Nov

Passed Administrative Course of Higher Civil Service Examination.

Appointed Private First Class of the Transport Corps.

1927 Apr 1

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Jun 1

Promoted Corporal of the Transport Corps.

Sept 21

Passed final examination for one year volunteers.

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