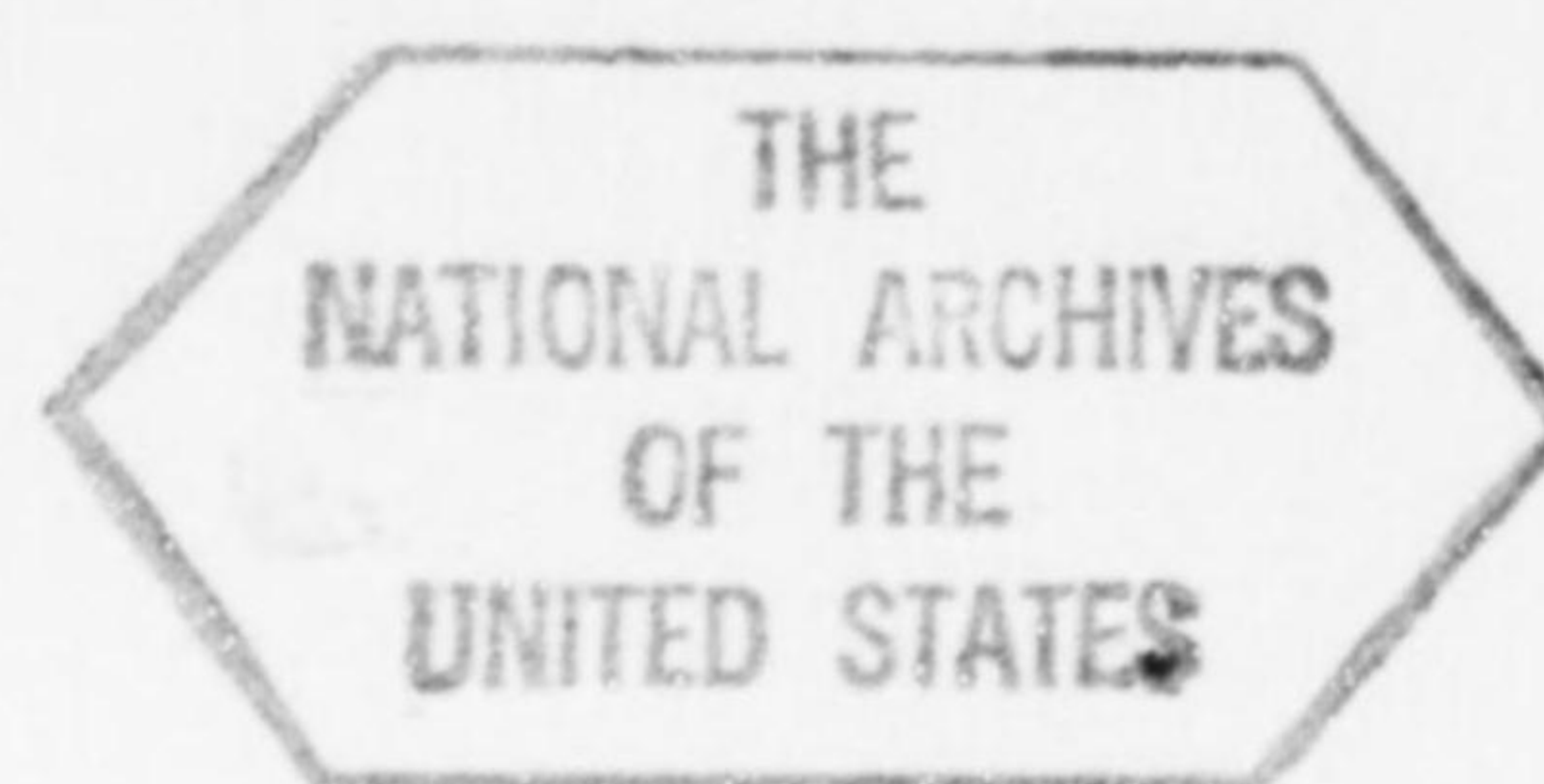


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Subject: Draft Legislation

Maj. Harris

26-6076

Note No.:

From: Govt Sec

To: ESS/IND  
Attn: Mr. Thurman

Date: 12 November 1948

1.

1. Immediate introduction of the attached draft bill in the Diet is proposed by Commerce and Industry Ministry.

2. Your prompt comment is requested.

1 Incl:

Bill for Disposition of Used Arms and other munitions, etc.

C. W.

WSV/cs

W Thurman 26 8485  
12 November 1948

2.

From: ESS

To: GS

There are no objections to the proposed legislation.

1 Incl  
n/c

W. F. M.

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WSV/s

W Thurman 26 8485

010(30 Nov 48)ESS/IND

Proposed Bill for Disposition of  
Used Arms and Other Munitions

ESS

GS

30 Nov 48

1 1. Reference is Check Note #2 from LS/L&J to GS, subject same as above, 17 Nov 48.

2. Referenced Check Note suggests that the agency for disposition of used arms and munitions be subjected to careful scrutiny and control so as to avoid any possible repetition of the "Arms Disposal Commission" scandal. Prior to the issuance of SCAPIN 1898 which turned over the duties and functions of the Arms Disposal Committee to Sangyo Fukko Kodan, the Japanese Government was required to institute controls and supervision over the operations of SPK to insure proper handling of this material. As an additional check, ESS requires monthly reports on the acquisition and disposal of these materials both from a financial standpoint as well as from a quantitative standpoint. In addition, SPK officials are screened prior to their appointment.

3. Inasmuch as the controls suggested by LS are already in effect, it is believed there should be no objection to the passage of the proposed law.

----- W. F. M. -----

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C. W.

2.

From: LS/I&J

To: GS  
Attn: Mr. Matsukata

Appleton 2635-420  
Date: 17 Nov 48

1. The proposed Bill for Disposition of Used Arms and other Munitions, etc. would grant to the Sangyo Fukko Kosan (Industrial Reconstruction Corporation) the power of custody and disposition of used arms and other munitions returned from the Occupation Forces to the Japanese Government.

2. The policy behind the bill appears to be a matter outside the jurisdiction of this Section. However, it should be noted that the arms and munitions in question have played an important part in the so-called "Hoarded Goods Affair" and the "Arms Disposal Commission" scandal, the story of which is well-known not only to Government Section, but also to the public, as the result of special Diet and Procurator-General investigations.

3. Common sense would suggest that before any bill is approved which would once again entrust these very goods

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to another Japanese agency for disposition, that agency should be subjected to careful scrutiny and control so as to avoid any possible repetition of the "Arms Disposal Commission" scandal. It may be reasonably expected that the personnel of the Kodan will be thoroughly screened to ensure their integrity and efficiency, the books and accounts of the Kodan audited in detail, and a system of periodic reports and inspections of operations established by ESS in advance before this bill is approved.

Incl: n/c

*am*  
A.C.C.

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GOVERNMENT SECTION  
Buck Slip

19 Nov 1948

(MR MATSUOKA)

From: GS  
No: \_\_\_\_\_ INITIAL DATE

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*Maj Harris  
No objection  
m.w.*

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DRAFT OF LAW

to be submitted for GS' approval  
Coordination Section, CLCO (TEL. 57-6010)  
7845)

Nov. 10, 1948

1. CLCO Number: 26
2. Name of Law: Bill for Disposition of Used Arms and Other Munitions ETC.
3. Competent Ministry: Commerce and Industry Ministry
4. Date of Cabinet Approval: 9/Nov.
5. SCAP Section concerned: Mr. Thurman  
E.S.S. Industry Division  
Program Committee.
6. Remarks: (Reference:)  
..... Received... 10 Nov. 48...  
..... *RAH* ..... E.S.S. - IND. ... (MR. THURMAN)  
..... L.S./L.I. ....  
..... G.S. - (MR. MATSUKATA)...  
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7. G.S. Reviewers:
8. Date of G.S. Approval:
9. C.S. Member Responsible: H. Kobayashi

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C H E C K S H E E T

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CW/CLK/JW/202/vs

Subject: Draft Legislation

~~2. G. Brown~~

Note No.: From: GS To: ESS/ind Date: 28 October 1948

1. 1. Immediate introduction of the attached draft bill (Tab "A") in the Diet is proposed by Commerce and Industry Ministry.  
2. Your prompt comment is requested.

Incl: Tab "A"

Amendment to a Part of the War-  
Time Law of Industrial Property

C.W.

From: ESS

To: GS

*W.F.M.*  
WFM/HOK/EOA/mt  
10 November 1948

2. ESS has no objection to the passage of the proposed bill.

Incl  
n/c

W.F.M.

*els*  
P.P.P. DIV

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Subj: Amendment to a Part of the War-  
Time Law of Industrial Property

F. C. Novotny  
2635 Ext 473

From: LS

To: GS

Date: 10 November 1948

- 2.
1. The enactment of subject bill is necessary in order that war-time suspension of rights with respect to foreign patents and trademarks be abrogated. SCAPIN 5981A, 7 September 1948, now permits the registration in Japan of such rights, but the continued existence of the Articles being repealed would preclude any administrative action.
  2. The provisions of the old law which will remain in effect, while not entirely satisfactory, are being retained pending statement of FEC policy regarding foreign patents in Japan. The words "Imperial Ordinance" in Articles 5 and 8, and in the Supplementary Provisions should be amended to read "Cabinet Order."

1 Incl:  
n/c

----- A.C.C. -----

From: CFC/FP

To: Govt Sec

Mr. Jackson 26-5030

8 NOV 1948

2.

CFC concurs in the subject draft legislation and recommends its early introduction into the Diet.

1 Encl:  
n/c

----- P.H.F. -----

DRAFT OF LAW

to be submitted for GS' approval  
Coordination Section, CLCO (TEL. 57-6010)  
7845)

Oct 27, 1948

1. CLCO Number: 18
2. Name of Law: Bill amending a part of the war-time Law of Industrial property
3. Competent Ministry: Commerce & Industry Ministry
4. Date of Cabinet Approval: Oct 26, 1948
5. SCAP Section concerned: Patent Property Branch, C.P.C.  
Mr. J.E. Jackson.  
S.&T. Division, E.S.S.
6. Remarks: (Reference:) Lt. Col. E.G. Allan  
.. Law No. 21 ..... July 21 1917  
.. The present bill was prepared pursuant  
.. to SCAPIN Memorandum 5981-A "Regist-  
.. ration of Patent Property" dated on Sept. 7.  
.. 1948.....
7. G.S. Reviewers: *Reid GS, 10/27/48*  
cc: *LS/COJ (OFFICER)*  
*ESS/INDUSTRY*  
*CPC (Johann)*
8. Date of G.S. Approval:
9. C.S. Member Responsible: H. Kobayashi

Bills and Resolutions  
Received From L.C.O.

| TITLE   | L.C.O. No. | Originator | Date   | Remarks   |
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| 1. Bill Amending Wartime Law of Industrial Property                     | 18         | C&I Min    | 27 Oct | est to: LS/L&J (Oppler) App'd, 11/12<br>ESS/Industry (Vaughn) App'd, 11/10<br>CPC (Jackson) App'd, 11/9   |
| 2. Bill for Disposition of Used Arms and Other Munitions Etc. Property. | 26         | C&I Min    | 10 Nov | es to: ESS/Ind (Mr Thurman)<br>LS/LJ <del>11/10</del><br>CS/ (Mr Matsukata )<br>→ App 12 Nov 48<br>→ NO OBJECTIONS 19 Nov 48<br>→ See CR SH 17 Nov 48 |