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U.S. STRATEGIC BOMBING SURVEY
(PACIFIC)
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ANNEX B

INTERROGATION NO. 147
(Obtain from G-2)

PLACE Itami
DATE 24 October 1945

Division of Origin Capital Equipment & Construction

Subject: Interview with Mitsubishi Electric Co. Ltd at Itami

Personnel interrogated and background of each:

Mr. Seki---Manager Mr. Miki---Asst Manager
Mr. Hirota---Asst Manager Mr. Ono---Asst Manager
Mr. Fuketa---Asst Manager Eng Dept Mr. Ishikawa---Bus Affairs Man.
Mr. Kondo---Asst Head of Gen Affairs Mr. Onaka---Manager Eng Div.

Where interviewed Office at Itami.

Interrogator Major G. J. Hales--Lt. C.B. Love--Sgt. G. L Balash

Interpreter Lt. C.B. Love, USNR

Allied Officers Present _____

Summary: The company was engaged in producing the following:

1. Radio equipment for aircraft & aircraft meters etc
2. Heavy current power distribution transformers.
3. Mercury arc rectifiers--up to 3000 KVA
4. Switch-gear for high tension use
5. Arc-furnaces (Heroult patent)
6. Railway motors and railway equipment
7. Spot and resistance welders
8. Small locomotives for mine use.

Distribution: all divisions

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PLACE--Office of Mitsubishi Electric Co. Itami.

INTERVIEWED BY: Major G. J. Hales
Lt. C. B. Love USNR
Sgt. George L. Balash

PERSONS INTERVIEWED:

Mr. Seki, Yoshinapa----Manager of Itami Works.
Mr. Miki, T. ---Asst Manager of Iami Works
Mr. Hirota, M. --- Asst Manager of Itami Works
Mr. Ono, H. ---Asst Manager of Itami Works
Mr. Fuketa, T. Asst Manger of Engineering Dept.
Mr. Ishikawa, T.---Business Affairs Manager for Sales & Materials.
Mr. Kondo, J.--- Asst Head of General Affairs Department
Mr. Onaka, T.---Manager of Engineering Division.

PRINCIPLE PRODUCTS:

1. Radio equipment for aircraft and aircraft meters etc.
2. Heavy current power distribution transformers.
3. Mercury--arc rectifiers--up to 3000 K.V.A.
4. Switch-gear for high tension use. (All A.C.)
5. Arc-furnaces (Heroult patent) up to 10 tons charging capacity.
6. Railway motors and railway control equipment.
7. Spot and resistance welders.
8. Small locomotives for mine use.

They estimated that the Itami Works built 30% of all transformers in Japan.

There were four factories under control of the Itami Works:

1. GEMBU Factory, Toyoka, Hyogo Ken--started in April 45 and had 600 to 700 employed.
2. SEIYU Factory, at Kyoto--started in July 1945 and had about 100 employed.
3. B'YAKO Factory, Fukuzumi, Hyogo Ken--started in July 1945 and had 100 employed.
4. SHUJAKU Factory at Nara--started in July 1945 and had 1000 employed.

The Itami works was undamaged by Air Raids. Two small dormitories for employees fo the Itami Works were burned however, but these were located several miles from the plant.

Completed questionnaire will be mailed their Tokyo Headquarters next week.