

MILITARY ANALYSIS DIVISION
GROUND LOGISTICS BRANCH
U.S.S.B.S.

Subject: Interrogation. 23Z

24 October 1945.

Time: 1500

Place: Medical Materials Main Depot (Eisei Zairyo Honsho)
(Tokyo, Setagaya-ku, Tamagawa Yoga-machi)

Division of Origin: Military Analysis Division, Ground Logistics.

Personnel Interrogated and Background of Each:

Major General SHIMIZU Toraji (pharm) - Commanding Officer of
subject depot for past
five (5) years.

Interrogator: Colonel J. F. Rodenhauer and Capt. Drozd. ✓

Interpreter: Capt. Paul W. Aurell

Allied Officers Present: None.

Summary:

Information obtained as to method of determining the requirements for medical supplies for the Japanese Ground Armies. Plan of distribution of medical supplies discussed in brief and contact made for further detailed interview. General SHIMIZU is preparing a chart in English setting forth the entire system of supply of medical items.

Detailed Account:

1. Japanese Medical requirements were determined for a one year period by each army individually and forwarded to Tokyo for consolidation and review. The screened requirements were then processed up through Army Headquarters to the Ministry for approval for procurement.

2. There was very little leveling between armies, that is, if one army over-estimated and another under-estimated the situation was seldom corrected by adjustment between them from above.

3. There is a stock control system of some kind in existence for Medical Supplies and will be looked into at the Main Depot by Capt. Drozd.

General Shimizu is currently preparing charts in English to show the supply organization of the Japanese Government as far as his knowledge permits. He is an important contact on this subject, as he has had continuous experience in this field and knows his job.