

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS
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SCAPIN 2038

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MEMORANDUM FOR: JAPANESE GOVERNMENT

SUBJECT: Travel from Ryukyus to Japan

1. Reference is made to memorandum for the Japanese Government, file AG 014.33 (6 Oct 48)GA, SCAPIN 1950, dated 23 December 1948 and memorandum for the Japanese Government, file AG 130 (18 Jan 49)ESS/FIN, SCAPIN 1966, dated 18 January 1949.

2. After 15 August 1949, travel from the Ryukyus to Japan may be approved for compassionate reasons or where such travel is in the interest of the occupation of the Ryukyus or Japan. Travel solely by right of repatriation will be suspended until further notice.

3. Persons traveling from Ryukyus to Japan under conditions outlined in paragraph 2 above are authorized to travel on commercial transportation at their own expense or on available Shipping Control Authority for Japanese Merchant Marine (SCAJAP) shipping on a revenue basis at rates prescribed by the Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers. Payment for fares on SCAJAP shipping will be effected as follows:

a. Individuals will be given a receipt expressed in military type "B" yen by Military Governor, Ryukyus, indicating that passage to Japan has been paid by the individual to Military Governor, Ryukyus.

b. Ships masters will take up this receipt from individual and remit same to such agency as the Japanese Government may direct.

c. Quarterly the Japanese Government may redeem these receipts for military type "B" yen by presenting such receipts to the Fiscal Director, General Headquarters, Far East Command.

d. The payment of passage on SCAJAP shipping by individuals in any other manner is prohibited.

4. Provisions of memorandum to Japanese Government, file AG 130 (18 Jan 49)ESS/FIN, SCAPIN 1966, dated 18 January 1949, Annex II, Sections I and II will apply to all persons authorized to travel from Ryukyus to Japan except that subject persons will be permitted to

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bring into Japan receipts expressed in Japanese yen issued by Military Governor, Ryukyus, to cover living expenses while in Japan. These receipts will be redeemed at the port of entry by a branch of the Bank of Japan and payment made in Japanese yen to the individual carrying such receipt. Thereafter the Bank of Japan, Tokyo, will present quarterly such receipts to the Fiscal Director, General Headquarters, Far East Command, in exchange for a check drawn against the Ryukyus Custody Account.

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