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Tokyo, Japan.

31 January, 1949.

Dear Archbishop Duhig

Your note of January 11th was most thoughtful and I want you to know how grateful I am for your kindly expressions of understanding and confidence from which I shall receive much added strength.

The years which have passed since our joint struggle in Australia have not dimmed my memory of the cordiality of my many Australian friends, among whom I shall ever regard you in the forefront.

Australia's sons here on Occupation duty have continued in peace that fine and invincible spirit which characterized their conduct in war, and Australia may well be proud of them now just as she was proud of them then.

With warm personal regard and high esteem,

Faithfully yours,

DOUGLAS MACARTHUR.

His Excellency, the Archbishop
of Brisbane,
Archbishop's House,
Brunswick St.,
New Farm, A.I., Brisbane., Q'Land., Australia.

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GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS
PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICE

29 January 1949

PRESS RELEASE:

In response to a press inquiry, General MacArthur today said:

"I have noted the statement of the Soviet Ambassador before the Far Eastern Commission in derogation of American policy and action with reference to Japan. It has little validity measured either by truth or realism and can be regarded as mainly a continuation of the extraordinary irresponsibility of Soviet propaganda. Its basic cause is the complete frustration of the Soviet effort to absorb Japan within the orbit of the Communist ideology. This effort has been incessant and relentless from the inception of the Occupation. It has sought by every means within its power to spread discord and dissension throughout this country reduced by the disasters of war to an economy of poverty originally threatening the actual livelihood of the entire nation. It has hoped to so mutilate the masses that there could be imposed through the resulting despair and misery a Godless concept of atheistic totalitarian enslavement. It has failed due largely to the innate common sense and conservatism of the Japanese people, the concepts of democratic freedom implanted during the Occupation, and the progressive improvement in living conditions. The resulting rage and frustration has produced, as in the present instance, an unbridled vulgarity of expression which is the sure hallmark of propaganda and of failure."

25 January 1949

"I am deeply grateful for the signal honor accorded me through honorary membership in your distinguished organization on whose rolls are listed so many great Americans and so many of my close friends. Please accept and convey to the club members my warm greetings and thanks. Tell them that it is time for them to circumnavigate the world again and that when they do, to be sure to drop in and see us here in Japan. Their welcome will be most cordial."

MacARTHUR

(Message sent to Edward P. F. Egan, President, Circumnavigators Club, New York State Athletic Commission, New York City.)

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24 Jan. 1949

ELECTION STATEMENT:

"Peoples of the free world everywhere can take satisfaction in this enthusiastic and orderly Japanese election which at a critical moment in Asiatic history has given so clear and decisive a mandate for the conservative philosophy of government."

MacArthur

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Tokyo, Japan.

22 January, 1949.

Dear Mr. Bond:

Thank you so much for your thoughtful note of the 11th. Your expressions of confidence are indeed most heartwarming and I am grateful to you for them.

Faithfully yours,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR.

Mr. S.G. Bond,
606 W. 3rd Street,
Wichita 2, Kansas.

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GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
FAR EAST COMMAND
Office of the Signal Officer

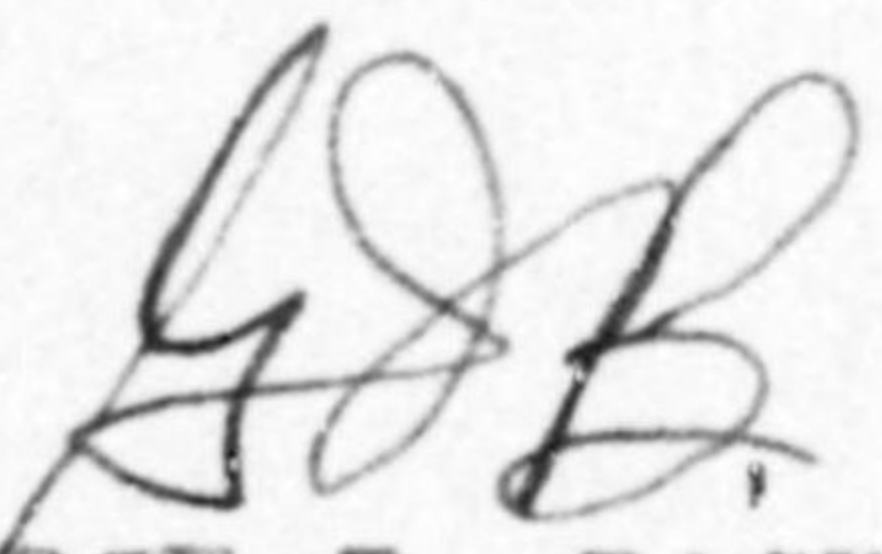
22 January 1949

MEMORANDUM:

TO: Brig Gen Courtney Whitney, Chief, Government Section

1. Service messages 70-J and 71-J from General MacArthur to Mr. Richard W. O'Neil, Suite 240, Astor Hotel, New York City, were delivered to addressee in the order named at approximately 200810 New York time, or 202210 Tokyo time.

2. Service message 79-J from General MacArthur to Mr. Warren E. Wright, 155 N. Clark Street, Chicago, was delivered to addressee at 211703 Chicago time, or 220803 Tokyo time.



GEORGE I. BACK
Brigadier General, Signal Corps
Signal Officer

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21 JANUARY 1949

FROM: CINCWE

TO : WARREN E WRIGHT
155 NORTH CLARK STREET
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

PAREN PAREN PLEASE CONVEY THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO MY WIS-
CONSIN FRIENDS ATTENDING THE BIRTHDAY DINNER ON THE TWENTY HYPHEN SIXTH CLN
PARA QUOTE ITEM AM DEEPLY MOVED BY THIS MANIFESTATION OF CONFIDENCE AND SUP-
PORT BY MY FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS OF THE COMMUNITY WHENCE ITEM ENTERED THE
SERVICE OF COUNTRY JUST FIFTY YEARS AGO PD ALTHOUGH THE OPPORTUNITIES HAVE
BEEN SPARSE DURING THIS SPAN OF TIME WHICH PERMITTED ABLE PHYSICAL REUNION
CMA THERE IS HERE EVIDENCED ABLE SPIRITUAL BOND WHICH STANDS THE TEST OF
TIME AND DISTANCE CMA UNBROKEN AND UNBREAKABLE PD PARA QUOTE SUCH ABLE
MANIFESTATION CMA REFLECTING THAT UNITY OF PURPOSE WHICH HAS EVER BEEN THE
GENERATING IMPULSE TO THE GIRDING OF AMERICAN SPIRITUAL POWER CMA IS ABLE
WELCOME SOURCE OF STRENGTH IN WEAVING THE MORAL FABRIC OF THIS JAPANESE OUT-
POST OF DEMOCRATIC FREEDOM PD FOR CMA AS THE COMMUNIST MILITARY MIGHT TEMPO-
RARILY ENGULFS THE HAPLESS AND HELPLESS PEOPLES ON THE ASIATIC MAINLAND CMA
IN LIKE MEASURE DOES THE IMPORTANCE OF THIS OUTPOST INCREASINGLY LOOM AS ABLE
VITAL SPIRITUAL BASTION IN THE STRUGGLE OF MAN TO REMAIN FREE PD PARA QUOTE

ITEM HAVE NO DOUBT OF THE OUTCOME OF THIS STRUGGLE HERE IN ITS IDEOLOGICAL SENSE CMA SO LONG AS THE JAPANESE PEOPLE CONTINUE TO BE BLESSED BY THE UNDERSTANDING AND ENCOURAGEMENT OF AMERICANS ACROSS THE SEAS PD FOR UNDER THE OCCUPATION THEY HAVE TASTED OF OUR OWN FREE WAY OF LIFE AND FIRMLY REPUDIATE THE DOCTRINE OF COMMUNISM AS BEHEFT OF THOSE GREAT MORAL VALUES WHICH RENDER WORTHWHILE THE OPPORTUNITY TO LIVE PD ITEM AM FIRMLY CONVINCED THAT JAPAN WILL NOT YIELD TO COMMUNISM APOSTROPHE SUGAR POLITICAL AND SOCIAL PRESSURES DESPITE THE TIDE OF CONFLICT OVER THE WESTERN HORIZON PD BUT JAPAN APOSTROPHE SUGAR SPIRITUAL POWERS OF RESISTANCE CMA IN THE MATERIAL IMPOVERISHMENT OF WAR APOSTROPHE SUGAR WANE CMA MUST FIND ABLE SOURCE OF ADDED STRENGTH IN ABLE UNIFIED CMA CONFIDENT AND DYNAMIC AMERICA PD INDEED CMA SUCH IS THE NEED OF ALL OF THE PEOPLES OF THE WORLD WHO CHERISH FREEDOM BUT LACK THE SPIRITUAL RESOURCE ESSENTIAL TO ITS PRESERVATION PD FOR IN SPIRITUAL EVEN MORE THAN MATERIAL STRENGTH LIES COMMUNISM APOSTROPHE SUGAR MOST FORMIDABLE FOR CMA JUST AS IS ITS WEAKENING THROUGH CONFUSION CMA DISCORD AND DISUNITY COMMUNISM APOSTROPHE SUGAR FOREMOST IMMEDIATE OBJECTIVE PD SO CMA WHEREAS AMERICANS WILL REASONABLY DIFFER AS TO METHODS AND MEANS EMPLOYED CMA THERE CAN BE NO DISUNITY AS TO PURPOSE TO BE ACHIEVED PD FOR THAT PURPOSE HAS BEEN FIRMLY ETCHED UPON EVERY AMERICAN HEART BY HIS OWN STRUGGLE AND THOSE OF HIS FOREBEARS TO BE FREE PD PARA QUOTE YOU GATHER ON THE ANNIVERSARY OF MY BIRTH TO REDEDICATE AND REPIEDGE THE INVINCIBILITY OF YOUR SUPPORT TO THIS DISTANT AMERICAN EFFORT PD IN SO DOING CMA FAR MORE THAN THE FRIENDLY GESTURE TO AN ABSENT SON CMA YOU RENDER HOMAGE TO THE LAND OF OUR BIRTH AND GIVE THOSE WHO WOULD DESTROY THAT LAND AND THE MORAL CONCEPTS UPON WHICH IT RESTS A CHALLENGING DEMONSTRATION OF AMERICAN UNITY IN THE ADVANCE OF THE AMERICAN PURPOSE AND THE FURTHERANCE OF

AMERICAN EFFORT FOR THIS ONE MY GRATEFUL THANKS AS AN AMERICAN AND MY
AFFECTIONATE PRIDE AS ABLE NEIGHBOR FOR MACARTHUR UNQUOTE

MACARTHUR

OFFICIALS

R. M. LEVY
Colonel, A.G.D.
Adjutant General

This is in reply to: Personal Message to CinC.

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20 January 1949

FROM: OIG GHQ FEC COMCENTER
TO : OIG DEPT ARMY COMCENTER.....PRIORITY
NR : Svc 715

Gen Whitney

TO GUEST FOR WAKEMAN SGD BACK ^{PD} PLEASE DELIVER FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM GENERAL
MACARTHUR TO RICHARD WILLIAM ONEIL CMA SUITE TWO FOUR ZERO CMA ASTOR HOTEL CMA
NEW YORK CITY QUOTE MECHANICAL DIFFICULTIES HERE RENDER SUGGESTED RECORDING
IMPRACTICABLE BUT ITEM WILL FEEL HONORED BY YOUR PRESENTING MESSAGE FOR ME
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ITEM LIVE PD MACARTHUR UNQUOTE PD PLEASE INSURE THAT ABOVE QUOTED MESSAGE IS
DELIVERED TO ADDRESSEE PRIOR TO DELIVERY OF LONGER MESSAGE WHICH WILL FOLLOW
AS ABLE SEPARATE SERVICE MESSAGE PD ALSO PLEASE INSURE THAT PHONETIC SPELLING
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TO : OIG DEPT ARMY COMCENTER.....PRIORITY
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REGARDS

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GENERAL HEADQUARTERS

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SIGNAL CORPS MESSAGE

ROUTINE - IN THE CLEAR

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RESTRICTED ()
IN CLEAR (x)

CINC CW/rh
(Office)

19 JANUARY 1949
(Date)

FROM: CINCFE

TO : RICHARD W. O'NEIL
SUITE 240 ASTOR HOTEL
NEW YORK CITY

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PAREN PLEASE CONVEY THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO MY FRIENDS ATTENDING THE BIRTHDAY DINNER AT THE ASTOR HOTEL ON THE TWENTY SIXTH COLON PAR
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18 JANUARY 1949

FROM : CINCPC

TO : RICHARD W. O'NEIL
SUITE 240, ASTER HOTEL
NEW YORK CITY

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Personal Message to Cinc.

17 January 1949

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General Smith is personally unknown to me, and was never in my command and therefore not present during any of the operations in the Southwest Pacific Theater, and could have absolutely no personal knowledge of any of the circumstances with reference to the matters to which he is reported to have referred. He has been badly misinformed, to say the least."

Douglas MacArthur

18/1/49

Original given to Frank White, A.P.
at 1405h. L.E.B.

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(Reply to Gen. Holland M. Smith's statement that Gen. McArthur failed to publicize the contribution of the U.S. Marine Corps to the Pacific campaign.)

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FROM: CINCFE

16 JANUARY 1949

TO : WARREN E WRIGHT
155 NO CLARK STREET
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

(Z-36594) I HAVE NO PLAN WHATSOEVER OF LEAVING MY POST HERE PD
YOUR ADVICE OF THE DESIRE OF SOME OF MY WISCONSIN FRIENDS AND
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AND I SHOULD BE GLAD CMA INDEED CMA TO SEND YOU IN THE COURSE
OF THE NEXT FEW DAYS A SHORT MESSAGE FOR THE OCCASION PD CORDIAL
REGARDS

MACARTHUR

APPROVED:

R. M. LEVY
Colonel, AGD
Adjutant General

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Tokyo, Japan

16 Jan. 1949

Dear Senator Butler:

I am delighted to receive your cordial note of January 6th and hasten to assure you that there is now no Occupation-imposed restriction upon the re-growth of the Rotary organization in Japan and I have so informed the officers of Rotary International. Indeed, the basic principles and objectives of Rotary tie in closely with the spiritual reorientation we have sought to effect in Japanese life. So any assistance which I can render in the fulfillment of your fine purpose will heartily be accorded.

Your kindly expressions are most deeply appreciated. The situation here is naturally affected by the course of events on the Asiatic mainland, but I have no fear of any peaceful penetration of the Communist movement into Japanese life to such an extent as to threaten the democratic institutions erected under the Occupation. They are now too firmly established. Communism has had its chance, unfettered by restriction or suppression, and failed. Its doctrine has been firmly repudiated by the great masses of the Japanese people who now stand as an impregnable spiritual bulwark on the western frontier of democratic freedom.

I hope that you will find the opportunity soon again to visit Japan. You would be most interested in assaying the advances made since you were here last and we would benefit immeasurably from your observations and advice.

With cordial regards.

Faithfully yours,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR

Hon. Hugh Butler
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

Tokyo, Japan.

12 January, 1949.

Dear Mr. Jennings:

General MacArthur has directed me to acknowledge your letter of December 31st and forward the attached statement which he has no objection to being incorporated into the article on the Philippine Scouts which you propose to write for the Infantry Journal.

Very sincerely,

LAURENCE E. BUNKER,
Colonel, Aide-de-Camp.

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Mr. Francis W. Jennings, Director,
Information Services,
Troop I & E Division, G-3 Section,
Hq PHILCOM, Ft Stotsenberg,
Clark Air Force Base, APO 74.

Tokyo, Japan.

12 January, 1949.

The Philippine Scouts, by valor in war and vigilance in peace, built a glorious tradition. It is a tradition of loyal and resolute devotion to the preservation of those human concepts for which in full unity of purpose the American and Filipino peoples invincibly have stood. As their historic organization withdraws from the line of American arms, in view of the severance of the sovereign tie long uniting our two peoples, each soldier may salute that flag he has served so well with the satisfaction which alone springs from duty well done. For theirs has been a vital and successful part in forging the bonds of common understanding and enlightened purpose between two great peoples of the earth -- one of the East and one of the West -- and they have invincibly kept the faith.

So long as the American flag flies, it will symbolize within its folds that added spiritual strength drawn from this devoted service of America's Philippine sons. So long as I live, there shall beat within my heart a depth of pride and satisfaction in the memory of our service together. Time will not dim the admiration and affection in which I hold those of my comrades-in-arms of Philippine Scout fame.

DOUGLAS McARTHUR.

31 December 1948

General Douglas MacArthur
Commander in Chief, Far East
General Headquarters
Far East Command
APO 500

Dear General MacArthur:

Colonel Joseph I. Greene, editor of the INFANTRY JOURNAL, has asked me to prepare an article about the history of the Philippine Scouts for his magazine.

Very little has ever appeared in print to do justice to the glorious history of this unique organization, which is soon to be disbanded.

Because of the genuine affection that the Filipinos hold for you, and the deep penetration of your actions and inspiration into their history and that of the United States Army, a statement by you about the Philippine Scouts' accomplishments will carry great meaning, not only to military readers who have served with these fighters, but to all Filipinos.

Would you kindly advise me whether you see fit to issue such a statement to be published first in the INFANTRY JOURNAL?

FRANCIS W. JENNINGS
Director, Information Services
Troop I & E Division, G-3 Section
Hq PHILCOM, Ft Stotsenberg-
Clark Air Force Base, APO 74

9 January 1949

"I am just in receipt of a letter invitation from Enrique Braganza, Provincial Governor of Pangasiman, to attend a ceremony on January ninth in dedication of a plaque to mark the point of General Wheaton's landing in 1899 and the landing of our forces on January 9th, 1945. Please convey to the Governor my grateful acknowledgment for his thoughtful and courteous invitation but regret that my duties here will prevent my attendance. Designate an officer to represent me at the ceremony and have him read the following message from me:

'On this hallowed spot the might of American arms landed on January 9th, 1945 to join with Filipino patriots to secure and restore to Philippine life the immutable blessings of human freedom. God grant that that freedom may never again be compromised or lost and that this tranquil and progressive nation may never again be visited by the violence of war.'

MacArthur

(Message sent to Gen. Albert M. Jones, Chief, MAG to the Republic of the Philippines, Manila, to be read at a ceremony on 9 January 1949 unveiling a plaque commemorating General Wheaton's landing in 1899 and that of our forces in 1945.)

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9 January 1949

TO : DEAN ACHESON

All here join me in hearty congratulations on your appointment as Secretary of State. The memory is still clear of your warm and unfailing interest in the occupation's early days, and you may be assured of our complete support in the fulfillment of your vital mission. I wish that it were possible for you to find the time to visit Japan. If you could do so, you would not only find a most enthusiastic welcome but your presence on Japanese soil would have a most reassuring effect throughout the Far East.

MACARTHUR

7 January 1949

Dear Mr. Skeel:

Thank you so much for your thoughtful courtesy in renewing the invitation of your predecessor to address the General Conference of the Pacific Northwest Trade Association. I can only reiterate the gratitude which I have before expressed to be thus honored by your distinguished group, but there is no possibility that I shall be able to leave my post of duty here in the Far East prior to the time indicated, and consequently I am left no other recourse than to decline.

With renewed thanks and my best wishes for a most successful conference, I am,

Faithfully yours,

DOUGLAS MACARTHUR

Mr. E. L. Skeel, President
Pacific Northwest Trade Association
219 Olympic Hotel
Seattle, 1, Washington

7 January 1949

Dear Mrs. Squier:

I am most grateful for your thoughtful note of December 28th and for the honor done me by those who have voiced the preference that I address the 1949 Girl Scout National Convention in Milwaukee next November. I have no present plan, however, for leaving my post of duty here in Japan prior to that time, and consequently I must decline.

With renewed thanks and best wishes for a successful Convention, I am,

Faithfully yours,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR

Mrs. Theodore L. Squier, Chairman,
Convention Committee, Girl Scouts of U.S.A.
2619 East Wood Place
Milwaukee, 11, Wisconsin

6 January, 1949

TO : Mr. Gardner Cowles,
President and Editor,
"LOOK",
511 Fifth Avenue,
New York 17, N.Y.

As requested by you, I have read the article on the Occupation appearing in the latest issue of "LOOK" and send you herewith my frank comment thereon. It is completely unrealistic. It follows the exact line of false propoganda now being put forth almost daily by Moscow with reference to the Occupation, and is calculated to achieve the same purpose, undermining of the confidence of public opinion in the integrity of American efforts, American efficiency, and American personnel. It contains a mass of untruths and half truths with vital omissions, written by a man who has not been to Japan since the end of the war, who was never assigned here even before the war, has no personal knowledge whatsoever of conditions here, has never talked with or even seen the various participants, either American or Japanese, and who writes with a degree of virulence and vitreous bitterness which is the hallmark of irrationalism and non-objectivity. It is at entire variance with the opinions of scores of distinguished observers and writers who have at first hand objectively explored the situation here and written fully of their investigations and observations. I refer to such men as George Creel, Noel Bush, Roger Baldwin, Roy Howard, Frank Gannett, Edwin Canham,

Barry Paris, Russell Brines, Nora Wain, Herryman Maurer, Harold Noble, Miles Vaughn, Darrell Berrigan, and many others of equal reliability and proven ability, to say nothing of the eminent educational, scientific, business, ecclesiastical and medical groups which have visited Japan to observe and advise, and the corps of trained correspondents, numbering approximately half a hundred, who daily report untrammelled the events here. To belittle and disregard such evidence and such men is to prevaricate realism and factuality. The article offers nothing constructive but unduly does real and unwarranted harm to the American cause in the Far East at a serious and anxious moment.

DOUGLAS MACARTHUR.

1 January, 1949

TO THE PEOPLE OF JAPAN:

The period just concluded has been of great historical significance to Japan and to the other nations of the world. For in this period mankind has been groping for the solution to many ills which have beset the human race since the dawn of time. Steps have been halting and uncertain due to the confusion still engendered in the aftermath of war by the clash of opposed ideologies and the ambitions of selfish men who seek advantage from the universal will for peace. Encouragement is seen, however, from the fact that thinking men of all nations and all races, in increasing numbers, are firmly facing the historical realism that war, long tried, has never been and never will be a panacea for human ills, and are diligently searching for other means to orient mankind toward that human progress which alone can come from the abolition of war and the peaceful solution of issues between nations and men. Thus, on balance definite progress is being made in mobilizing the full power of world opinion in support of the general welfare of all mankind.

In Japan, despite freedom's convulsions on the Asiatic mainland, the situation has continued calm and well ordered as you have worked to lay imperishable foundation stones in the political mold of freedom and dignity and peace. You have established here a truly representative government in accordance with and responsive to the will of the majority. In no land anywhere are men more free or more safe and secure, and men here live in greater peace and greater tranquility than do many of your neighbors. A serenity of calm has indeed enveloped your Islands for which every law-abiding citizen fully shares in the credit.

The period we now enter will test the invincibility of your will and the wisdom and capacity of your endowment to erect upon that political base an edifice of economic security, cast in the enlightened experience of time, which will fully support and preserve it. For political freedom and economic self-sufficiency are inseparable and of mutual support, as each is dependent for survival upon the spiritual strength of the other. Much that you have done in the fashioning of a strong and durable political base has earned the approval of other peoples, but now that the emphasis has shifted from political to economic reconstruction a world awaits with critical but not unfriendly eye your mastery of the problem. For as I pointed out in my letter of December 19th last to your Prime Minister, in which I set forth the intermediate objectives prerequisite to the attainment of your economic self-sufficiency, political freedom is impossible of achievement so long as your daily livelihood is dependent in any degree upon the beneficent energies of others. Furthermore, in past I repeatedly have affirmed to my own government that your will and your industry were such that given a reasonable opportunity for trade you could fully establish a self-supporting economy,

producing for others no less than you received from others, and that this alone was the opportunity you asked and which you sought. You now have that opportunity. It is for you in gearing the forces of internal production to demonstrate the justification for my faith.

Your immediate response to the challenge of these new objectives has been most encouraging. On the labor front where the heavy burden of individual toil necessarily must fall there has emerged a high type of labor statesmanship, which has seen and fully accepted the need temporarily to lay aside some of labor's legitimate weapons in order to throw the full force of labor's energies in support of the national objective. In the ranks of management, too, the response has been similarly encouraging. Those who till Japan's soil, by their skill and industry already in past have won my sincere admiration, but even they are gearing themselves for renewed and greater effort to maximize Japan's indigenous food resources. And with the rapid and determined mobilization of Japan's public opinion now underway under the leadership of a sound and patriotic press, there is no room for doubt that these economic objectives progressively will be achieved.

This does not mean that the difficulties ahead will be light as the emphasis shifts from political to economic concern, but the measure of the individual burden to be borne will lie in the number of citizens who rally to assume their full share of the responsibility. And any who fail resolutely to do so must feel the full weight of an aroused public approbrium. For none of right may shirk his equitable share of this, a whole people's burden.

The general election just ahead will test your wisdom in the selection of a leadership to whom you will in this crucial period entrust the sovereign power. The times require great dignity and capacity for wise statesmanship and such should be the measure of your choice -- men capable of elevating your national legislative forum to the standard set by the finest of your traditions. Thereafter the issue will rest squarely upon the type of leadership they bring to the country and the resolute will by which each among your citizenry acquits his individual responsibility in the great task of ensuring that Japan may live. / I have left this largely to your implementation without the slightest reservation of doubt concerning your ability to master its attending responsibility.

To enhance the spiritual strength necessary to carry on in the pattern which your general welfare now demands and in recognition of those advances you have heretofore made in establishing the sturdy base for a free political destiny, I now restore to you the unrestricted use and display of your national flag within your country's territorial limits. And I do so with the fervent hope that this flag shall ever stand in future before the world as a symbol of peace based upon these immutable concepts of justice and freedom universally sought by the human race; that it shall stand firm advocate for a concept of nationalism ever subordinate to the higher duty of obedience to the universal laws, written and unwritten, which establish the mutual obligations and responsibilities among peoples within the family of nations; and that it

shall serve as a shining beacon to summon every Japanese citizen resolutely to the duty of building Japan's economic stature to ensure and preserve Japan's political freedom.

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR

June
Tokyo, Japan

30 June 1949

Dear Mr. Davis:

Replying to your note of June 23rd, I feel that the basic cause for the present world dislocation and unrest lies in the great disparity between the moral development and scientific advance of mankind. This gap may only be bridged by an awakening of the human race to its deficiency in spiritual values, as a prerequisite to accelerated moral progress. Apart from training in the American home, which is the keystone to the arch of our social development, main hope for this awakening lies in the religious instruction of American youth in the Sunday Schools throughout the land. Upon those who have dedicated their time to such instruction, there thus rests the heavy burden of insuring that American youth of the present receives adequate spiritual preparation to meet the challenging responsibility of American leadership of the future.

Faithfully yours,

DOUGLAS MacARTHUR

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