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Release of Real Estate - Akashi Primary School, Tokyo

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G-Z (Japanese Liaiwon)

1. Reference is made to letter C.L.C.C. No. 1023 (SPB No. 121), subject, "Petition for Release of Former Akashi Elementary School Building Procured for Use by Occupation Porces," 15 April 1949.

2. It is requested that the Japanese Government be informed that the real estate mentioned in the petition referred to in paragraph 1 above is required for continued use by the occupation forces and therefore cannot be released at this time.



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MEMO FOR RECORD:

SUBJECT: Release of Real Estate - Akashi Primary School, Tokyo

- 1. By letter, CLCO No. 1023 (SPB No. 121), subject, "Petition for Release of Former Akashi Elementary School Building Procured for Use by Occupation Forces," 15 April 1949, CLCO forwarded for consideration a petition from the Chief of Chuo-Ward, Tokyo requesting release from procurement of subject school facilities located at 42, Akashicho, Chuo-ku, Tokyo. Petition states that the Chuo-Ward has been in difficulties since the end of the war due to the shortage of school buildings.
- 2. The Akashi Primary School Building was allocated in connection with the St. Luke's installation, on 24 Sep 1945, for use as housing for hospital personnel. (Presently occupied by 49th General Hospital). The facility is presently covered by Procurement Demand JPNR-2437.
- 3. By 1st Ind, dated 13 Feb 48, to letter, Hq, 8th Army, file AG 601 (LE), subject, "Release of Educational Facilities," 10 Dec 47, GHQ approved continued use of this facility as long as use is occassioned by urgent military necessity.
- 4. The Executive Officer, 19th General Hospital (Major Burnett) informed G-4 (Major Freeman) by telephone, on 20 April 19, that the Akashi Primary School Building was presently being used as barracks and mess for the Hospital Detachment consisting of 260 EM and that 40 more EM are expected in the near future making a total of 300 EM quartered in the facility. Major Burnett stated that there is no other space available for housing these men and that release of building would require new construction.
- 5. The facilities of 49th General Hospital were inspected by Hq Comdt (Lt. Johns) and G-4 (Major Freeman) on 26 Apr 49 with a view of relocating the 300 EM billeted in a portion of the Akashi Primary School Eldg. The 49th Gen Hosp Ex. O. (Major Burnett) accompanied the inspectors. The Japanese are presently using 50,424.74 sq. ft. and the occupation forces 58,028.80 sq. ft. of this facility. No portion of the facility is damaged. There is no other space available for housing the Hosp Det and release of any portion of the building now under PD would require new construction or rehabilitation costing as much or more than new construction. There are no structures in the vicinity that could be utilized for housing the Hosp Det without extensive and costly rehabilitation.

MEMO FOR RECORD: Cont'd

- 6. The Principal of the Japanese school occupying the Japanese portion of this building stated verbally and in writing on 26 April 19, that the schools present facilities are adequate to provide for 100 students and that the present enrollment is only 253 students. He also stated that the school would like to have 150 more students boys preferred. Some of the space in this school appeared to be presently utilized as living quarters for the school staff.
- 7. In view of the above, instant action requests G-2 (Japanese Liaison) to inform the Japanese Govt that petition for release of this facility is not favorably considered.
  - 8. Action taken is within established policy.
  - 9. G-4 action is completed on Journal No. 81265.

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GENERAL HEADQUARTERS OF THE SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS.

FROM : Central Liaison and Coordination Office, Tokyo.

SUBJECT: Petition for Release of Former Akashi Elementary School Building Procured for Use by Occupation Forces.

C. L. C. O. No. 1023(SPB No.121)

15 April 1949

Transmitted herewith is a letter of the Special Procurement Board, forwarding a petition on the subject matter of the Chuo Ward, Tokyo-to.

FOR THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL:

(T.Yoshicka)
Chief of Liaison Section,
Central Liaison and
Coordination Office.

Inclosure: Letter of Special Procurement Board (SPB No.121 TPRE) in triplicate.



14 april 1949

3.P.3. NO. 121 (TPRE)

SUBJUCT: Petition for Release of Former Akashi Blementary School Building Procured for Use by Occupation Forces.

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS OF THE SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS.

FROM : Special Frocurement Board, Tokyo.

THROUGH: Central Maison and Coordination Office. Tokyo.

1. Reference: Frocurement Demand J.MR-2437.

2. Taisuke Yamamoto, Chief of Chuo-Ward Tokyo Metropolis, has presented to this poard the enclosed petition asking a special favor of the General Meadquarters of the Supreme Commander for the Allied lowers for the release of the Former Akashi Blomentary School Suilding located at 42, Akashi-cho, Chuo-ku, Tokyo, which was procured for the use by the Occupation Forces on the reference procurement demand, so that the said building may be used for a permanent one of the Chuo-ward Bunkai Lower Secondary School as prearranged, on the ground that the Chuoward has been in difficulties since the end of war due to the shortage of school buildings for such reasons as execution of the new educational 6-3 system, increase of the number of pupils, and so forth, as, indicated in the enclosed petition.

It is hereby respectfully requested that a due considera-

tion be given to this petition.

FOR THE PRESIDENT

Fetition. inclosure:

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