

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS

19 March 1946

Mr. Justice F. H. Northcroft
Acting President
International Military Tribunal for the Far East

Dear Mr. Justice Northcroft:

The suggestion of Mr. Ohta that British and American lawyers be associated with Japanese counsel to defend major Japanese war criminals charged before the International Military Tribunal for the Far East has my full approval.

The administrative and transportation problem will be much simplified by obtaining personnel for this purpose from the United States. To that end and to avoid delay, on February 21, 1946, the Judge Advocate General's Department in Washington was requested to select from Army, Navy or civilian personnel fifteen to twenty attorneys of suitable experience and qualifications to act as a panel from which might be drawn by selection or by Court appointment counsel for defendants charged. On March 7, 1946, the Judge Advocate General's Department advised that arrangements were being made to send fifteen defense attorneys, principally civilians, sufficient military personnel not being available.

Today a requisition has gone to the Judge Advocate General in Washington to increase from fifteen to twenty-five the number of lawyers to be sent, they to be of suitable experience and qualifications to assure the Japanese defendants proper representation and adequate defense. Appropriate travel priority will be provided to insure the presence of these attorneys in Tokyo at the earliest possible moment.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) Douglas MacArthur
DOUGLAS MacARTHUR

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連合軍最高司令官

一九四六年三月十九日

極東國際軍事裁判所長代理 判事 F・H・ノースクロツト氏

ノースクロツト判事殿

極東國際軍事裁判ニオイテ告訴サレタル主要日本戦争犯罪者ノ辯護ノ
 爲英國及米國ノ辯護士ト日本人辯護人ヲ勸力セシメルトイフ太田氏ノ
 是乘ニハ予モ衷心ヨリ賛成スルトコロデアアル
 合衆國カラコノ目的ノタメノ人員ヲ等レバ管理上又連絡上ノ困難ハ頗
 ル簡單ニナルデアラウコノ目的ノタメ及遲延ヲ避ケルタメニ一九四六
 年二月二十一日「ワシントン」ノ法律第(一)デハ法律、海軍又ハ陸
 軍人ノ中ヨリ十五名カラ二十名マデノ 審員トシテ適當ナ経歴ト資格
 ヲ具ヘタ辯護士ヲ選ビソノ中カラ辯護又ハ裁判所ノ任命ニヨツテ告訴

サレタ。被告ノ辯護人ヲ決定スベキコトヲ依頼サレタ、一九二六年三月七日法務廳（？）ハ羣籍ヲ有スル職員ハ充分ニ得ラレナイ爲原則トシテ民間人カラナル十三名ノ辯護人ヲ送ル準備ノ出来タ事ヲ報告シタ。

本日、送ラレル辯護人ノ數ヲ日本人被告ヲ正當ニ代表シ且充分ニ辯護ノ出来ルヨウ適當ナ經驗ト資格ヲ有スル辯護士十五名カラニ十五名ニ増加スルヨウ要請シタ、コレヲ辯護人が出来ルダケ早く東京ニ到着スルヨウ適當ニ旅行費元額ヲ與ヘルデアラウ。

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