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Excerpts from Imperial Ordinance Concerning Naval
Officer Promotion.

(the Imperial Ordinance No. 58, 29 March 1920)

Chapter 2. Promotion of Officers and Special Service Officers.

Article 10. The promotion to higher ranks of the officers of any branch on or above the rank of captain shall be made according to the consideration of the Throne.

Article 11. As for the promotion of the officers of any branch on or below the rank of commander, the candidates and their priorities shall be decided in the promotion council, subject to the final review of confirmation by the Throne. However, in time of war, in time of quasi-war, or in time of other rugency, the decision of the promotion council may be dispensed with. In promotion council the Navy Minister shall sit in the chair; its members shall be composed of the Chief of Naval General Staff, various Commanders-in-Chief, Commander of a Fleet which is not headed by Commander-in-Chief, and other ex-officer admiral members as designated by the Navy Minister. The admirals designated by the Navy Minister shall attend only such Promotion councils as the Navy Minister specifies. The Navy Minister may exempt

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Commanders-in-Chief or Fleet Commanders stationed at far-flung localities from attending the meeting. In case the Navy Minister is prevented from sitting in the chair owing to an accident, the admiral topmost in seniority shall act in his behalf.

In the case of Special Service Officers, the candidates for Promotion and their priority shall be decided by the Navy Minister.

Article 12. (Deleted together with the rest).

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