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5 April 1947

SUMMARY OF INFORMATION:

SUBJECT: TAMURA, Kosaku

Director of Asia Development League (DAI NIPPON KOA
DOMEI)

Sep 1940

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Request by TOJO, Hideki

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Checked by
T. KAWAI

Translated by
J. Konabayashi

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Birth Day March 5th, MEIJI 20.

NAME TAMURA KOSAKU.

Aug. ^{MEIJI} 40 1907	Passed the examination for a chancellor of	
	Foreign Affairs.	
Sept. 25, "	Appointed to a chancellor of Foreign Affairs.	Foreign Office
"	Supplied with the 9 class salary.	"
"	Ordered to hold office in Hankow.	"
"	Supplied with YEN 1,000 as the salary holding ^{a (foreign) service} allowance. the office	"
Oct. 23, "	Ordered to hold office in Singapore.	"
"	Supplied with YEN 1,200 as the salary ^{a service allowance}	"

		Holding the office	
Dec. 21,	^{MEIJI} 41 1908	Supplied with the 8 class salary.	Foreign Office
Apr. 1st,	" 43 1910	the revised salary system for ¥ 31, according to a revision of a salary the lower civil service.	
		Ordinance of a minor official	
June, 30,	"	Supplied with the 8 class salary.	Foreign Office
Nov.	"	Passed the ^{an high} examination for a civil official the higher civil service.	
Nov. 11,	"	Appointed to a subordinate official of clerk.	"
		Foreign Office	
		Supplied with the 8 class salary	"
		Ordered to serve in the inquiry section of the Minister's Secretariate.	"
June, 30,	" 44 1911	Supplied with the 7 class salary.	"

No. 3

July 29, "	Ordered to serve in the Inquiry Bureau.	"
June 13, ^{TAISHO} 2 1913	Ordered to serve in the 2nd section of the Inquiry Bureau of Political Affairs.	"
" 30, "	Supplied with ^{the} 6 class salary.	"
Oct. 3 1914	Passed the examination for ^{an} a diplomat ^{one for consuls,} and a consular.	
Nov. 7, "	Appointed to a ^{élève-consul.} consular-assistant	
"	^{Raised} Conferred to the 3rd ^{rank} Rank of the higher	Cabinet
"	civil service.	
"	^{Granted} Awarded with ^{the} 5 class salary.	
"	Ordered to hold office in Antung	Foreign office
Dec. 28, "	^{Raised} Conferred to the junior grade of the 7 rank ^{class} Court	

No. 4

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| Dec. 10, 4 ["]
1915 | Awarded with the 5 th Rank Chia Ho Chang
of the China Republic, and permitted to wear it. | |
| July 1st, 5 ["]
1916 | Awarded with the 4 class salary. | Foreign office |
| Apr. 1st, 5 ["]
1916 | Awarded with the government grant of ¥ 70,
his services in the 1914-15 Incident.
for the merit of TAISHO 3~4 year's
incident. | |
| June, 30, 6 ["]
1917 | Awarded with the 3rd class salary. | " |
| Dec. 24, " | ^{Raised} Promotion to a higher rank to the 6 th Rank
of the higher civil service. | Cabinet |
| " | Awarded with the 3rd class salary. | Foreign office |
| Feb. 12, 7 ["]
1918 | ^{Raised} Conferred to the senior grade of the 7 th | |

No. 5

class Court
rank.

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| Aug. 30, '11 | Appointed to a diplomatic agent.
^{secretary of foreign affairs} | |
| " | ^{Raised}
Conferred to the 6 th rank of the higher
civil service. | Cabinet |
| " | Supplied with the 7 th class salary. | Foreign
Office |
| " | Ordered to be engaged in the Economic
^{support to Siberia.}
Assistant Affairs of Siberia | |
| July 7, '18
1919 | Appointed to a secretary of the Foreign
Office. | |
| " | ^{Raised}
Conferred to the 6 th rank of the higher civil
service. | Cabinet |
| " | Awarded with the 5 th class salary. | Foreign
office |

No. 6

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| " | Ordered to serve in the 2nd section of the Political Affairs Bureau. | 7 |
| Aug. 18, "4 | Appointed to the 3rd ^{class} rank secretary of an embassy. | |
| " | ^{Raised} Conferred to the 6 th rank of the higher civil service. | Cabinet |
| " | Awarded with the 2nd class salary. | |
| " | Ordered to hold office in England. | Foreign office |
| Sep. 8, "8
1919 | Awarded with the 1st class salary. | " |
| Apr. 1, "9
1920 | Appointed to an ^{member of the} execution committee ^{in effect} of the Treaty of Peace, not published in the Gazette. | Cabinet |

No. 7

July 1st, " ^{Raised} Promotion to a higher Rank, the 5th rank of " the higher civil service.

July 31, " 9 ^{Raised} Conferred to the junior grade of the 6th class Court rank). 1920

Sep. 7, " Awarded ^{with} to the 6th rank of ^{2nd class} the Order of the Sacred Treasure and ¥ 500 ^{for his services} according to the conclusion of the Treaty of Peace ⁱⁿ to Germany and the merit in the TAI-Incident in 1915-20 years. SHO 4~9 year's incident.

" Awarded to the 6 rank of the Order ^{Decoration Board.} of the Sacred Treasure

July 1st, " 9 Awarded with the 2nd class Salary ^{Foreign Office} 1920

No. 8

Aug. 23, '10 1921	Appointed to the 3 rd ^{class} Rank Secretary of a legation.	
"	^{Raised} Conferred to the 5 th Rank of the higher civil service.	Cabinet
"	Awarded with the 2 nd class salary.	
Dec. 26, " 1921	Awarded with the 1 st class salary.	Foreign office
Dec. 27, "11 1922	Appointed to the 2 nd ^{class} rank Secretary of a legation.	
"	^{Raised} Conferred to the 4 th Rank of the higher civil service.	Cabinet
"	Awarded with the 2 nd class salary.	Foreign office
"	Ordered to hold office in CZECHO -	"

No. 9

SLOVAKIA.

Jan. 30, "12
1923 ^{Raised} ~~Conferred~~ to the senior grade of the 6th
class Court
rank.

June, 30, "13
1924 Awarded with the 1st class salary. "

Nov. 24, "10
1921 ^{Relieved of his post as member of the} ~~Discharged of the execution Comm-~~ Cabinet
^{to put} ~~mittee~~ of the Treat of Peace ^{in effect} not
published in the Gazette.

March 24, "14
1925 Appointed to a consul-General.

^{Raised} ~~Conferred~~ to the 3rd rank of the higher
civil service "

Ordered to hold office in Kwang-Tung. Foreign
office

No. 10

- | | | |
|---------------------------------|---|---------|
| March, 24 th
1925 | Raised
Conferred to the junior grade of the
5 th class Court
rank. | |
| March 27, " | Discharged of ^{his post} the regular official
at ^{his} own request. | Cabinet |
| Apr. 15, " | Raised to
Promoted one grade by special
grace. | |
| | Conferred to the senior grade of the
5 th class Court
rank as an act of grace from the Throne. | |
| May 25, " | Decorated with
Conferred to the 5 th class
rank of the Order
of the Sacred Treasure. | |
| Nov. 20
SHOWA
20
1945 | Appointed to a Councillor of the
Liaison
Central Reason Office. | Cabinet |

TAMURA, Kosaku, No. 1123 Kitazawa, 1 Chome, Setagaya-Ku,
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17877 He had published a book in the English language called "The Genesis of the Pacific War", and the foreign policy of Japan was his particular field of study. * The witness stated that the first reaction to Japan's military success in the war with Russia appeared in 1905 with the persecution of Japanese in California. The matter was quickly settled due to speedy adequate measures taken by President Roosevelt. The Japanese in appreciation decided to take two steps. The first was the Gentleman's Agreement whereby Japan voluntarily restricted the immigration of the number of laborers going to America. * The second measure was that the Japanese sent the emigrants to Korea and Manchuria instead of to America. There is close relation between Japan going to Asia and the problem of immigration to the United States.

17881 * The witness stated that he did not participate in any of the discussions of the Foreign Office on the question of restriction of immigration. He had been merely a student of history with respect to the foreign affairs of Japan. He made his study through diplomatic documents and other materials which historians generally use.

17882 * In compiling his book called the "Genesis of the Pacific War", he gathered his material mostly from diplomatic documents published in the U. S. and materials gathered by American scholars to which he had no direct access. * With respect to other materials, the study of diplomatic history of the Far East had been his lifetime work, and he had been collecting materials for the past twenty years.

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17885 * At the present time he is continuing his study of history, and has done so since 1925.

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CROSS-EXAMINATION by Mr. Comyns Carr.

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* The witness stated that since he left the Foreign Office he had contributed frequently to magazines and newspapers. For ten years he was editorial adviser to the "Diplomatic Review". His diplomatic history of the Far East was published in three volumes between 1934 and 1939, and his book of English is not included among them. That was published in 1943. The Taiheiyo Association published this book. * He did not know whether it was used during the war for propaganda purposes. He got his degree from Tokyo University in 1940.

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REPORT BY: Lt. J. Curtis

28 Feb. 1947

MEMORANDUM FOR THE FILE:

Subject: TAMURA, Kosaku

No information on the above named subject is contained in the files of IPS.

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Sept. 25,	Appointed chancellor of Foreign Affairs.	Foreign Office
"	Supplied with the 7th Class salary.	"
"	Ordered to hold office in Hankow.	"
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Oct. 23 "	Ordered to hold office in Singapore.	"
"	Supplied with Yen 1,200 as a service allowance.	"
Dec. 21, 1908 MEIJI 41	Supplied with the 8th Class salary.	"
Apr. 1, 1910 MEIJI 43	¥31, according to the revised salary system for the lower civil service.	
June 30, "	Supplied with the 8th class salary.	"
Nov. "	Passed an examination for the higher civil service.	
Nov. 11, "	Appointed clerk of Foreign Office.	"
"	Supplied with the 8th Class salary.	"
"	Ordered to serve in the inquiry section of the Minister's Secretariate.	"
June 30, 1911 MEIJI 44	Supplied with the 7th Class salary.	"
July 29, "	Ordered to serve in the Inquiry Bureau.	"
June 13, 1913 TAISHO 2	Ordered to serve in the 2nd Section of the Bureau of Political Affairs.	"
June 30, "	Supplied with the 6th Class salary.	"

Oct. 1914 TAISHO 3	Passed an examination for diplomats and one for consuls.	Foreign Office
Nov. 7, 1914	Appointed eleve-consul.	
"	Raised to the 3rd rank of the higher civil service.	Cabinet
"	Granted the 5th class salary.	
"	Ordered to hold office in Antung.	Foreign Office
Dec. 28, "	Raised to the junior grade of the 7th class Court rank	
Dec. 10, 1915 TAISHO 4	Awarded with the 5th Order of Chia Ho Chang of the Republic of China and permitted to wear it.	
July 1st, 1916 TAISHO 5	Awarded with the 4th class salary.	Foreign Office
Apr. 1st, 1916	Awarded with a government grant of ¥70, for his services in the 1914-15 Incident.	
June 30, 1917 TAISHO 6	Awarded with the 3rd class salary.	"
Dec. 24, "	Raised to the 6th rank of the higher civil service.	Cabinet
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Apr. 1, 1920 TAISHO 9	Appointed member of the committee to put the Peace Treaty in effect. Not published in the Gazette.	
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July 1st, "	Awarded with the 2nd class salary.	Foreign Office
Aug. 23, 1921 TAISHO 10	Appointed secretary of legation.	
"	Raised to the 5th rank of the higher civil service.	Cabinet
"	Awarded with the 2nd class salary	

Dec. 26, 1921 TAISHO 10	Awarded with the 1st class salary.	Foreign Office
Dec. 27, 1922 TAISHO 11	Appointed 2nd class secretary of legation.	
"	Raised to the 4th rank of the higher civil service.	Cabinet
"	Awarded with the 2nd class salary.	Foreign Office
"	Ordered to hold office in Czecho- slovakia.	"
Jan. 30, 1923 TAISHO 12	Raised to the senior grade of the 6th class Court rank.	
June 30, 1924 TAISHO 13	Awarded with the 1st class salary.	"
Nov. 24, 1921 TAISHO 10	Relieved of his post as member of the Committee to put the Peace Treaty in effect. Not published in the Gazette.	Cabinet
Mar. 24, 1925 TAISHO 14	Appointed consul-general.	
"	Raised to the 3rd rank of the higher civil service.	"
"	Ordered to hold office in Kwantung.	Foreign Office
Mar. 24, 1925 TAISHO 14	Raised to the junior grade of the 5th class Court rank.	
Mar. 27, "	Discharged of his post at his own request.	Cabinet
Apr. 15, "	Raised to 5th class Court rank as an act of grace from the Throne.	
May 25, "	Decorated with the 5th class Order of the Sacred Treasure.	
Nov. 20, 1945 SHOWA 20	Appointed councillor the Central Liaison Office.	Cabinet

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DIRECT EXAMINATION of TAKAMARO INOUE,
by Mr. Roberts, Counsel for OKA.

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The witness stated he had no profession. He was doing research work on the constitutional history of Japan. He graduated in 1917 from the Law College of Tokyo Imperial. He then entered the graduate institute and continued his study of the constitution and administrative law, becoming later an assistant in the university. * He thereafter became a professor at Hosei University. In 1926 he was ordered to do research work in Europe and America and to study their constitutions. In 1928 he was appointed professor on constitution at Taihoku Imperial University, remaining there until the end of 1935. In January, 1936, he became a research worker in the National Spiritual Cultural Research Institute, the name of which was later changed to the Institute for Research in Culture and Education. He retired in July, 1944, but has continued his study of constitutional law. * The direct object of his study was the constitution. However, this constitution was not a revolutionary one formed by a complete breakage with the old traditions. It has put into writing unwritten laws which have existed from the beginning.

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To study the constitution he had to study the unwritten laws, which had been the unwritten constitution, and he had to study the old customs and traditions of the empire. He conducted a comparative analysis of the constitution of Europe, America, and China. He did this because the Japanese constitution, besides being the unwritten laws of the past, embodied many of the good points of the modern democracies.