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HEADQUARTERS  
 TOKYO-KANAGAWA  
 MILITARY GOVERNMENT DISTRICT  
 APO 503

RGE/yo

AG-E 386.7

SUBJECT: Production of Caps for Starting Signal Cap Pistols

TO: Commanding General, Eighth Army, APO 343

1. Reference is made to inclosure 1 and 2, letter, your headquarters, file AG 471 (103-33) subject: "Production of Caps for Starting Signal Cap Pistols", dated 1 August 1947.

2. Nanto Kokusen Seisakusho, the authorized manufacturer, reported to this headquarters that caps for starting signal cap pistols are being sold by:

- a. Morita Jirohiko & Co., Ltd., 10-2chome, Junkai-cho, Minami-ku, Osaka City (Trade Mark "ABC" caps-maker unknown).
- b. Yoshida, Daei, 66-5chome, Abeno-saji, Abeno-ku, Osaka City (Trade Mark "Comit" caps-maker unknown).
- c. Konishi Gense, Higashihaira Oniya Sanjo-dori, Chakyo-ku, Kyoto City (Trade Mark "Comit" caps-maker unknown).

3. Since these sales agents are located outside the jurisdiction of this headquarters, above report is forwarded for information and possible action.

FOR THE DISTRICT COMMANDER:

/s/ Donald E. Miller  
 /w/ DONALD E. MILLER  
 Captain AGD  
 Adjutant



BASIC: Ltr, Hq Tokyo-Kanagawa Mil Govt Dist, APO 509. Subj: "Production of Caps for Starting Signal Cap Pistols", dtd 12 Dec 47.

AG 471 (MG-Ba)

1st Ind

Headquarters Eighth Army, APO 343

TO: Commanding General, I Corps, APO 301

1. Attention is invited to basic letter.
2. For your information SCAPIN 4178A and letter of explanation are inclosed.

BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL EICHELBERGER:

/s/ R. Schafer  
/t/ R. SCHAFER  
Lt. Col., AGD  
Asst. Adjutant General

2 Incls:  
SCAPIN 4178-A  
Copy of Ltr GHQ, SCAP  
AG 386.7(19 Jul 47) ESS/IN,  
subj as above.

AG 471 - BA

2nd Ind

ABH/af

Hq I Corps, APO 301,

TO: CO, Osaka Mil Govt Team, APO 25

DEC 27 1947

Forwarded for your information and such action as you deem necessary.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WOODRUFF:

WILDER A. JOHNSON  
Capt., A. G. D.  
Asst. Adj. Gen.

2 Incls:  
n/c



MG

BASIC: Ltr, Hq Tokyo-Kanagawa Mil Govt Dist, APO 503, Subj: "Production of Caps for Starting Signal Cap Pistols," dated 12 Dec 47.

470

3rd Ind

CAP/myt

Hq Osaka Mil Govt Team, APO 25, 4 Mar 1948

TO: Commanding General, I Corps, APO 301

1. Firms listed in par 2a and b of basic communication have been investigated and trial is pending for violation of SCAP directives.

2. During the course of this investigation, it was reported that the following firms, located elsewhere, were likewise manufacturing or selling signal caps:

- a. BAN, Jinzo, Fire Works Manufacturer, Otsu City, Shiga Pref., manufacturing ABC signal caps.
- b. KUNITOMO, Toichi, Weapons and Ammunition Dealer, Teramachi-dori, Shimokyoku, Kyoto City selling signal caps.
- c. Watanabe, Jiro, Athletic Goods Wholesale Merchant, Teramachi-dori, Shimokyoku, Kyoto City, selling signal caps.

MALCOLM E. CRAIG  
Colonel, Infantry  
Commanding

AG 471 - BA

4th Ind

RFS/lha

Hq I Corps, APO 301

MAR 12 1948

TO: CO, Kyoto Mil Govt Team, APO 713

1. Attention is invited to preceding correspondence and especially paragraphs 2e, basic letter, and 2b and c, 3rd indorsement, for such action as deemed necessary.

2. Report by indorsement hereon will be returned to this headquarters at the earliest practicable date.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL SWING:

2 Incls:  
n/c

WILDER A. JOHNSON  
Capt., A.G.D.  
Asst. Adj. Gen.



BASIC: Ltr. Hq Tokyo-Kanagawa Mil Govt Dist, APO 503, subj: "Production of Caps for Starting Signal Cap Pistols," dtd, 12 Dec '47.

471

5h Ind

CEH/es

Hq Kyoto Mil Govt Team, APO 713, 2 April 1948

TO: CG, I Corps, APO 301,  
ATTN: Mil Govt Division

FROM: Military Government Division

1. This case was investigated in December 1947 by this team. Investigation revealed the dealer, Kunitomo was not familiar with SCAPIN 4178-A and had obtained permission and license from the Police Department.
2. The contents of SCAPIN 4178-A was brought to the attention of the Police Department and Kunitomo.
3. The procedure for obtaining permission from SCAP through Japanese channels to manufacture and deal in cap pistols and caps was explained to Kunitomo, which he agreed to do. He was ordered to stop the manufacturing and sale of these items until permission was obtained.
4. Jiro Watanabe retail dealer purchased caps and cap pistols from Kunitomo while he was under the impression that Kunitomo was an authorized dealer. The Japanese Police report shows that all the goods were sold by Watanabe to schools and clubs for athletic use. He has not dealt in any of the goods since September 47.
5. Under the circumstances it is believed by this office that Kunitomo and Watanabe should not be prosecuted either in Provost Court or Japanese Court for violation of SCAPIN 4178-A.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

/s/ Thomas R. Harbin  
/t/ THOMAS R. HARBIN  
1st Lt. Infantry  
Adjutant

2 Incls:  
n/c



BASIC: Ltr, Hq Tokyo-Kanagawa Mil Govt District, AG-E 386.7 subj:  
"Production of Caps for Starting Signal Cap Pistols", dtd  
12 Dec '47.

AG 471 - BA

6th Ind

ABH/st

Hq 1 Corps, APO 301,

APR 8 1948

TO: CG, Eighth Army, APO 343

1. Forwarded for your information.
2. This headquarters plans no further action on this matter, unless otherwise directed.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

2 Incls:  
n/c

WILLIAM A. FRANKS  
Capt, AGD  
Ass't Adjutant General



474

NARA MILITARY GOVERNMENT TEAM  
APO 25, Unit 4

WLT/kn

23 December 1947  
47/LG/PS/1

SUBJECT: Air Rifles

TO : Commanding General, I Corps, APO 301

1. Information contained in 2nd Ind from GHQ, dated 21 February 1947 to basic letter, I Corps, subject: "Japanese Air Rifles", dated 23 September 1946, stated that the Japanese Government has been instructed to prepare plans to license all air rifles in Japan similar to the system now in effect for shotguns for hunting purposes.
2. Recently an air rifle was confiscated from a Japanese by the Military Police and turned over to Japanese Police. The air rifle was not licensed. The Japanese Police say, the only instructions received were from Nara Military Government Team and no instructions were ever received from Central Government on this subject.
3. Due to lack of instructions from Central Government, the Prefecture authorities say there is no law against possession of air rifles without license.
4. Request verification as to what instructions were issued to Central Government and as to whether or not other Prefectures received instructions to license air rifles.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

ELMER J. KALLMEYER  
1st Lt, INF  
Adjutant



BASIC: Ltr, Nara Mil Govt Team, APO 24, Unit 4, Subj: "Air Rifles," dated 23 December 1947.

AG 474 - BA

1st Ind

RFS/lha

Hq I Corps, APO 301

TO: CG, Eighth Army, APO 343

DEC 30 1947

1. Attention is invited to basic letter.
2. The complete references of letters and indorsements stated in par 1 of basic letter are believed to be as follows:
  - a. Ltr, Hq I Corps to CG, Eighth Army, file AG 474-C, subject: Japanese Air Rifles, dtd 23 September 1946.
  - b. 1st Indorsement, Hq Eighth Army to SCAP, file AG 091 (Japan)(MG-EM), undated.
  - c. 2nd Indorsement from GHQ, SCAP to CG, Eighth Army, file AG 474 (23 Sept 46) ESS/IN, dtd 21 February 1947.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

WILDER A. JOHNSON  
Capt. A. G. D.  
Asst. Adj. Gen.



AG 474(MG-L)

2nd Ind

Headquarters Eighth Army, APO 343, 8 Jan 1948

TO: Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers, APO 500

Report from Nara Military Government Team indicating that the Japanese government has not established a system for licensing air rifles, as instructed, is forwarded for your information.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

R SCHAFER  
Lt Col, AGD  
Asst Adj Gen



BASIC: Ltr, Nara Mil Govt Team, APO 24, Unit 4, subj: Air Rifles, dated 23 December 1947.

AG 474(23 Dec 47)ESS/IN 3rd Ind

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS, SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS,  
APO 500, 9 February 1948

TO: Commanding General, Eighth Army, APO 343

1. The Japanese Government was instructed to license air rifles or air guns of all types under regulations similar to those in effect for shotguns for hunting purposes.

2. Pursuant to the above, the Ministry of Forestry and Agriculture of the Japanese Government on 9 September 1947, promulgated an amendment to the Basic Hunting Laws. Specifically, the pertinent regulation is embodied in Article 4 of said amendment and places all air guns, regardless of size or penetrating strength, in the category of hunting weapons.

3. The new rule was published in the 9 September 1947 issue of the official Japanese Government organ, the Official Gazette. Publication therein is formal notice, per se and all prefectural and local officials are held responsible for compliance.

4. An additional notification and clarification of the regulation, with particular emphasis on enforcement, was made in Circular Number 9975 issued on 12 December 1947 by the Forest and Field Bureau of the Ministry of Forestry and Agriculture.

5. The Ministry of Forestry and Agriculture states that both preceding and following the establishment of the regulation in question, local and prefectural officials were given adequate notification. There is, therefore, no justification for claims by local Japanese police and prefecture authorities of non-receipt of instructions from Central Government.

BY COMMAND OF GENERAL MacARTHUR:

J. F. BRADSHAW  
Major, AGD  
Asst Adj Gen



MG

BASIC: Ltr, Nara Mil Govt Team, APO 25, Unit 4, dtd 23 Dec 47,  
 subj: Air Rifles.

AG 474(MG-L) 4th Ind

Headquarters Eighth Army, APO 343, 17 February 1948

TO: Commanding General, I Corps, APO 301

Attention is invited to the preceding indorsement.

BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL EICHELBERGER:

R SCHAFER  
 Lt Col, AGD  
 Asst Adj Gen

AG 474 - BA 5th Ind

GLA/lha

Hq I Corps, APO 301

TO: CO, Nara Mil Govt Team, APO 25

FEB 25 1948

Attention is invited to 3rd indorsement for your in-  
 formation and future guidance.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL SWING:

WILDER A. JOHNSON  
 Capt., A.G.D.  
 Asst. Adj. Gen.



~~Manufacture of Caps~~ 470 KMGR

HEADQUARTERS  
TOKYO-KANAGAWA  
MILITARY GOVERNMENT DISTRICT  
APO 503

RGS/yo

12 December 1947

AG-E 386.7

SUBJECT: Production of Caps for Starting Signal Cap Pistols

TO: Commanding General, Eighth Army. APO 943

1. Reference is made to inclosure 1 and 2, letter, your headquarters, file AG 471 (MG-EM) subject: "Production of Caps for Starting Signal Cap Pistols", dated 1 August 1947.

2. Kanto Tokusen Seisakusho, the authorized manufacturer, reported to this headquarters that caps for starting signal cap pistols are being sold by:

- a. Morita Jiichiro & Co., Ltd., 10-2chome, Junkai-cho, Minami-ku, Osaka City (Trade Mark "ABC" caps-maker unknown)
- b. Yoshida, Rei, 66-5chome, Abeno-ruji, Abeno-ku, Osaka City (Trade Mark "Comit" caps-maker unknown).
- c. Kenishi Ginzo, Higashihairu Oniya Sanjo-deri, Chukyo-ku, Kyoto City (Trade Mark "Comit" caps-maker unknown).

3. Since these sales agents are located outside the jurisdiction of this headquarters, above report is forwarded for information and possible action.

FOR THE DISTRICT COMMANDER:

/s/ Donald E. Miller  
/s/ DONALD E. MILLER  
Captain AGD  
Adjutant



BASIC: Ltr, Hq Tokyo-Nagawa Mil Govt Dist, APO 503, Subj: 'Prediction of Caps for Starting Signal Cap Pistols', dtd 12 Dec 47.

AG 471 (MG-Rb) 1st Ind  
 Headquarters Eighth Army, APO 343 22 Dec 1947  
 TO: Commanding General, I Corps, APO 301

1. Attention is invited to basic letter.
2. For your information SCAPIN 4173A and letter of explanation are inclosed.

BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL EIMBLEBERGEN:

/s/ R. Schaefer  
 /v/ R. SCHAEFER  
 Lt. Col., AGC  
 Asst. Adjutant General

2 Incls:  
 SCAPIN 4173-A  
 Copy of Ltr GHD, SCAP  
 AG 306.7(19 Jul 47) ISS/IN,  
 subj as above.

AG 471 - Rb End Ind  
 Hq I Corps, APO 301.  
 TO: CG, Kyoto Mil Govt Team, APO 713

ABJ/af

DEC 27 1947

Forwarded for your information and such action as you deem necessary.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WOODENJEFF:

WILDER A. JOHNSON  
 Capt., A. G. D.  
 Asst. Adj. Gen.

2 Incls:  
 n/c



HEADQUARTERS  
KINKI MIL GOVT REGION  
APO 301 (Kyoto, Honshu)

RAS/mk

2 DEC 1947

MG

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463.3

SUBJECT: Artillery Projectiles in Coal Piles

TO : Commanding Officer, Fukui Military Government Team,  
APO 713  
Commanding Officer, Hyogo Military Government Team,  
APO 317  
Commanding Officer, Kyoto Military Government Team,  
APO 713  
Commanding Officer, Nara Military Government Team,  
APO 25  
Commanding Officer, Osaka Military Government Team,  
APO 25  
Commanding Officer, Shiga Military Government Team,  
APO 25  
Commanding Officer, Wakayama Military Government  
Team, APO 25

Attention is invited to inclosure No. 1 for information  
and appropriate action.

BY ORDER OF COLONEL DEVINE:

1 Incl:  
Artillery Projectiles in  
Coal Piles.

J. E. ENGLEHARDT  
Capt., AGD  
Adjutant

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Period covered by column 8:

LAO & E Date Date of Report  
 NARA MILITARY GOVERNMENT TEAM  
 APO 25, Unit 4 WLT/kn  
 of subject by VHO  
 this installation 18 November 1947

SUBJECT: Manufacture of Air Rifles

TO : Commanding Officer, Kinki Mil Govt Region, APO 301

1. Reference, Letter, Headquarters I Corps, file #AG 474 - BA, dated 12 November 1947, subject: "Manufacture of Japanese Air Rifles".

2. Information received by this office indicates that air rifles are being manufactured at the factories listed below:

- a. Juhoten Co. - Yon-jyo Omiya, Higashiyama, Kyoto
- b. Yabushita Juhoten - Kita-machi, 1 chome, Tsuruhashi, Ikuno-ku, Osaka

3. Below is a list of dealers who are reported to have purchased air rifles from the Juhoten Co. in Kyoto.

- a. Kunitomo Juhoten - Teramachi, Sagaru, Iyoto Prefecture
- b. Tsubosaka Matakichi - Shikama, Hyogo-ken
- c. Tokiwa Store - Owner - Ura Zenzo - No. 24 2 chome, Higashi, Showa-cho, Abeno-ku, Osaka Prefecture

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

HELMER J. KALLMEYER  
 1st Lt, Inf  
 Adjutant

No. Item	Article	LAE	Unit Spec	Hand On	Expd. or Lost	Remarks
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)

**SERVICE**

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**REPORT OF EQUIPMENT ON HAND AND EXPENDED**



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FORM NO. 100-1

Period covered in column 8:

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**BASIC:** Ltr, Nara Mil Govt Team, APO 25, Unit 4, subj: "Manu-  
 facture of Air Rifles," dtd 18 November 1947.

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Unit Jurisdiction

Hq I Corps, APO 301 24 NOV 1947

NOV 25 1947

TO: CO, Kyoto Mil Govt Team, APO 713  
 CO, Osaka Mil Govt Team, APO 25

1. Attention is invited to basic letter for your information and investigation.
2. If the facts indicated in basic communication are confirmed, appropriate legal action should be instituted for violation of existing directives which prohibit the manufacture of air rifles (SCAPIN 47).

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WOODRUFF:

D. H. SCHMIDT  
 MAJOR, AGD  
 ASST. ADJ. GEN.

No. Item	Article	LINE	Unit Spec	Hand On	Expd. or Lost	Remarks
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)

SERVICE

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**REPORT OF EQUIPMENT ON HAND AND EXPENDED**



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Report Control  
Symbol ORD-7HYOGO MILITARY GOVERNMENT TEAM  
APO 317

CJ/ei

471

17 October 1947

SUBJECT: Report of Accidental Explosion

TO: Commander-in-Chief  
Far East Command  
APO 500

In compliance with Par. 12, Cir. 32, Hqs Far East Command, dated 19 March 1947, Memorandum No.94, Hqs I Corps, APO 301, dated 1 October 1947, subj: "Report of Accidental Explosions and Resultant Fires", the following information concerning an explosion on 27 September 1947, is submitted:

(1) Explosion occurred on 27 September 1947, at 1235 hours, on the premises of the Settsu Rolling Stock Manufacturing Company, Naruo-mura, Muko-gun, Hyogo Prefecture. Ordnance exploded when it was struck by a piece of rubble.

(2) Not applicable.

(3) Munition was identified as a fuse for the tail and of a U.S. Cluster Adapter M23, for 6 pound incendiary bombs. No other munitions found in area.

(4) A single explosion occurred.

(5) Not applicable.

(6) Not applicable.

(a) Not applicable.

(b) Not applicable.

(c) Not applicable.

(d) Not applicable.

(e) Not applicable.

(f) Not applicable.

(7) No crater formed.



BASIC: Ltr Hyogo Mil Govt, APO 317, subj: "Report of Accidental Explosion", dtd 17 October 1947.

- (8) One Japanese injured; deep cut in right hand.
- (9) Not applicable.
- (10) Not applicable.
- (11) Japanese Police and Bomb Disposal Officer, 25th Division searched area for other munitions. Results: Negative.
- (12) No Occupation Forces personnel or property were involved.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

LOUIS C. HUTTON  
Major, Cavalry  
Executive Officer

DISTRIBUTION:

- 3 copies - Commander-in-Chief  
Far East Command
- 1 info. copy - I Corps, Ordnance Officer.
- 1 " " - 25th Div., Ordnance Officer.

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Hq I Corps, APO 301,  
TO: CG, Eighth Army, APO 343.

Forwarded for your information.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

G. H. SCHWARTZ  
MAJOR, AGD  
ASST. ADJ. GEN.





Report Control  
Symbol ORD - 7HYOGO MILITARY GOVERNMENT TEAM  
APO 317

CJ/ei

471

10 October 1947

SUBJECT: Report of Accidental Explosion

TO : Commanding General  
I Corps  
APO 301  
ATTN: Ordnance Officer

In compliance with Par. 12, Cir. 32, Hqs Far East Command, dated 19 March 1947, Memorandum No. 94, Hqs I Corps, APO 301, dated 1 October 1947, subj: "Report of Accidental Explosions and Resultant Fires", the following information concerning an explosion on 21 September 1947, is submitted:

- (1) Explosion occurred on 21 September 1947, at 1940 hours, in an open lot located at Tsutsui-cho, 1-chome, Fukiai-ku, Kobe City, Hyogo Prefecture. Explosion was probably caused by heat from a fire which had been built for cooking purposes directly over the munition.
- (2) Not applicable.
- (3) No positive identification of explosive. Evidence conclusive that missile was a small item of fragmentation explosive ordnance. No other munitions found in area.
- (4) A single explosion occurred.
- (5) Not applicable.
- (6) (a) Not applicable.  
(b) Not applicable.  
(c) Not applicable.  
(d) Not applicable.  
(e) Fragments of the explosive were hurled to an approximate distance of 15 feet. Pieces recovered were roughly square in shape and approximately 3cm x 1cm x 1mg. Probable composition: Iron.



BASIC: Ltr, Hyogo Mil Govt Team, APO 317, subj: "Report of Accidental Explosion", dtd 10 Oct 1947

- (f) Not applicable.
- (7) No obvious crater visible.
- (8) Casualties: 1 Japanese killed, 6 (six) Japanese injured.
- (9) Not applicable.
- (10) Not applicable.
- (11) Japanese police searched immediate area for other explosives. Results: - Negative.
- (12) No Occupation Forces personnel or property were involved.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

/s/ Louis C. Hutton  
/t/ LOUIS C. HUTTON  
Major, Cavalry  
Executive Officer

AG 471 - BA

1st Ind

Hq I Corps, APO 301, 15 OCT 1947

TO: CG, Eighth Army, APO 343





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FILE UNDER NO. 474 Arms (Weapons)

INDEX SHEET

SYNOPSIS

SUBJECT: Investigation of Cache of Swords

FROM : I Corps

TO : KMGT

DATE : 26 Aug 47

DOCUMENT FILED UNDER NO. 333.5 Investigations



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HYOGO MILITARY GOVERNMENT TEAM  
APO 317

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471

9 July 1947

SUBJECT: Report of Accidental Explosion

TO: Commanding General  
Eighth Army  
APO 343  
Attn: G-2, Ordnance Officer

In compliance with Par. 12, Cir. 32, Hqs Far East Command dated 19 March 1947, the following information concerning an explosion, on 4 July 1947, is submitted:

- (1) Explosion occurred on 4 July 1947, at 0820 hours on board a small Japanese salvage boat engaged in salvaging the sunken ship "Kitsurin Maru" 2240 meters off East lighthouse, No. 1 breakwater, Kobe Harbor.
- (2) The probable cause was determined to be the careless handling of explosive during the process of attaching an electrical fuse.
- (3) The amount of material involved was 50 pounds of dynamite, which was intended for salvage operation.
- (4) The small salvage boat owned by Fujita Gumi, sub-contractor to Nippon Salvage Co. was partially damaged to the extent of 150,000 Yen.
- (5) Only a single explosion occurred.
- (6) Six Japanese were killed and two were injured.
- (7) No Occupation Forces personnel or property were involved.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

/s/ Louis C. Hutton  
/t/ LOUIS C. HUTTON  
Major, Cavalry  
Executive Officer



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BASIC: Ltr, Myego Mil Govt Team, 471, subj: "Report of Accidental Explosion," dtd 9 Jul 47

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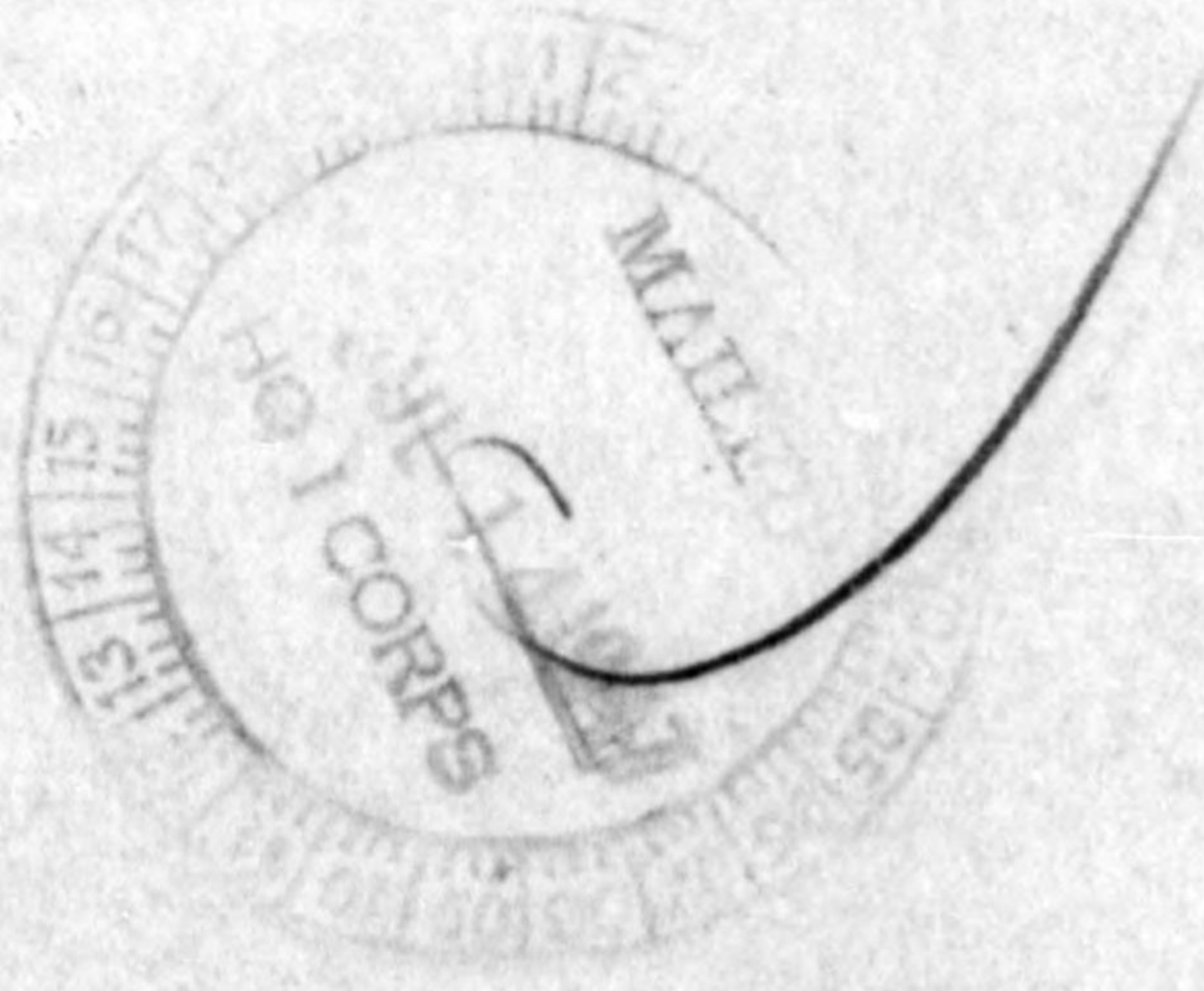
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1st Ind

RAS/ckw

Hq I Corps, APO 301, 14 JUL 1947

TO: CG, Eighth Army, APO 343  
ATTN: Ord Sec, G-2 Sec



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HEADQUARTERS  
SHIGA MILITARY GOVERNMENT TEAM  
APO 25 (Otsu, Honshu)

CAP/jcm

014.12

7 July 1947

SUBJECT: Armament of Police Forces in Shiga Ken

TO : Commanding General, I Corps, APO 301

1. Reference is made to GHQ SCAP Memorandum for the Japanese Government file AG 014.12 (16 Jan 46) GC (Scapin - 605) Subject: Armament of Police Forces in Japan, dated 16 January 1946.
2. Subject directive authorizes each Japanese policeman to be armed with a pistol for which a supply of 100 rounds of ammunition may be maintained.
3. At the present time the Shiga Prefectural Police force has an authorized strength of 770 men and has 733 presently employed. Available to this force are 61 pistols and 4,186 rounds of ammunition.
4. Request this headquarters be informed:
  - a. Source of supply and method of procurement of pistols to enable each policeman in this prefecture to be armed.
  - b. Source of supply and method of procurement of ammunition to bring existing stocks to authorized level and to keep them maintained at that level.
  - c. Amount of ammunition authorized to be used for training purposes by the Japanese police.

JAMES A. PERSON  
Lt Col FA  
Commanding



BASIC: Ltr, Hq Shiga Mil Govt Team, APO 25, Subj: "Arma-  
ment of Police Forces in Shiga Ken", dtd 7 July 1947. MG

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1st Ind

GBG/lha

Hq I Corps, APO 301 : 6 AUG 1947

TO: CO, Shiga Mil Govt Team, APO 25

1. It is acknowledged that a shortage of weapons in the hands of Japanese civil police exists at present but there are no pistols available with which to arm them at this time. In view of this, request contained in basic letter is returned without action.

2. A proposal for an alternate plan was presented by the Commanding General, Eighth Army, to General Headquarters, Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers, on 4 June 1947. We have been informed that upon receipt of the approval of this proposal, such information will be disseminated to all concerned.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WOODRUFF:

WILDER A. JOHNSON  
Capt, A. G. D.  
Asst. Ad. Gen.









LIST OF ACTIVE WEAPONS ON HAND

Type Weapons	No. Weapons	Type Weapons	No. Weapons
Carbine, cal. .30	26	75-mm How. (LVT)	
Carbine, cal. .30 (Auto)		3" Gun (AT)	
Rifle, cal. .30, M1903		76-mm Gun (AT)	
B.A.R., cal. .30		76-mm Gun (Tank)	
Rifle, cal. .30, M1		90-mm Gun (AA)	
Rifle, cal. .30, M1 (Auto)		90-mm Gun (AT)	
Gun, Mach., cal. .30		90-mm Gun (Tank)	
Pistol, cal. .45	9	105-mm How., M2A1 (FA)	
Gun, Submach., cal. .45	5	105-mm How., M2A1 (SP)	
Gun, Mach., cal. .50 (Grd & AA)		105-mm How., M4 (Tank)	
60-mm Mortar		105-mm How., M3 (Airborne)	
81-mm Mortar		155-mm How., M1	
20-mm Gun (Oerlikon) (AA)		155-mm Gun, M1 (FA)	
20-mm Gun (Hispano) (AA)		155-mm Gun, M1 (CA)	
37-mm Auto. Gun, M4 (AA)		8" How., M1	
37-mm Gun (AT)		240-mm How., M1	
37-mm Gun (Tank)		Launcher, Grenade	
37-mm Gun (LVT)		Launcher, Rocket, 2.36"	
37-mm Gun, T32 (Field)		Launcher, 4.5" B.R.	
40-mm Gun (AA)		4.5" Rocket Launcher, T66	
57-mm Gun (AT)		Proj. or Pistol, Pyrotechnic	
57-mm Rifle		No. Combat Companies	
75-mm Rifle			
75-mm Gun (Tank)			
75-mm How. (FA)			
75-mm How. (SP)			

Note: Include all weapons on combat vehicles.

REMARKS:

Auth T/O:

Carbine Cal 130-----26

Pistol Cal .45-----9

Gun Submach Cal .45-----5



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Ammunition

HEADQUARTERS  
SHIGA MILITARY GOVERNMENT TEAM  
APO 25 (Otsu, Honshu)

WLM/jkp

21 June 1947

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SUBJECT: Report of Buried Ammunition on School Property.

TO : COMMANDING GENERAL, I Corps, APO 301 (Kyoto, Honshu)  
(Attention: CI & E Officer).

1. The following report concerning the discovery of arms and munitions on school property is forwarded for your information.

2. At 1030, 13 June 1947, the Ken Chief of Public Safety reported the discovery of buried arms and munitions on the premises of the Misono New Middle School, Misono-mura, Kanzaki-gun, Shiga-Ken. Equipment found included:

- a. 47 Bayonet (16 in. steel, 3 without scabbards)
- b. 1 Chinese sword
- c. 41 Rifle barrels (stocks burned)
- d. 33 Hand grenades (steel)
- e. 11 " " (clay)
- f. 2 Mortar (about 40 mm)
- g. 3 Light machine gun magazines
- h. 150 Accessories (bolts, sights, etc)
- i. 1 Target stand

3. Investigation revealed that on the 29 August 1945, the equipment listed in par 2 was buried in an air raid trench in a woods about 25 yards from the school playground. Burying was done with the help of some 15 to 16 children by Mr. Keizo Nakamura, the head teacher as the principal Mr. Jo Shotoku was ill at home.

When the principal, Mr. Jo Shotoku, returned to school he was informed of the burial by Mr. Nakamura.

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21 June 1947 (cont'd)

Between August and October there were several memorandums issued by the Ken government ordering the turning in of all military arms equipment. Principal Shotoku, feeling the Ken pressure had the equipment dug up, burned and reburied.

Burning and reburying were accomplished in mid-October 1945, by Mr. Nakamura and Mr. Kaji Nishikawa, then an instructor in the Youth School.

On 19 January 1946 the burning and burying were reported in writing to the Chief of the District Office, by Principal Shotoku.

When Mr. Magotaro Nambu was appointed principal in April 1946, he was informed by Nakamura of the ammunition being burned, reburied and of the notification sent to the District Office. Finding a copy of the notification of disposition of arms and munitions at the District Office he took no further action.

Misono Primary was inspected by this headquarters on 22 October 1946. Check list question # 22 Section I, "Have all arms and equipment for military training been turned in to the police?" "Yes" was the answer given by the head teacher, Mr. Toye Miwa, in the principal's absence. Miwa was a head teacher, at the Youth School.

Reading a newspaper story concerning the current arms and ammunition drive, present principal, Mr. Mitsuo Sugimoto questioned faculty of their knowledge of arms or ammunition within the school. Reported by Mr. Nakamura arms and ammunition adjacent to the school were dug up and turned over to the police.

4. Report of investigation was turned over to Legal and Govern Section, this headquarters for action.

5. Japanese action to date has five facing charges which will be tried under Imperial Ordinance #311. They are:

Mr. Toye Miwa (Teacher March '40 - April '46)  
Mr. Keizo Nakamura (Teacher March '45 - Present)  
Mr. Magotaro Nambu (Principal March '45 - April '47)  
Mr. Kaji Nishikawa (Teacher October '46 - Present)  
Mr. Jo Shotoku (Principal September '42 - April '46)

*James A. Person*  
JAMES A. PERSON  
Lt. Col. F.A.  
Commanding



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HEADQUARTERS  
WAKAYAMA MILITARY GOVERNMENT TEAM  
APO 660

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13 June 1947

SUBJECT: Illegal Possession of Military Firearms by Former  
Japanese Army Personnel

TO : Commanding General, 25th Inf Division  
APO 25  
ATTN: C-2

1. Attention is invited to the inclosed copies of statements of confession by two Japanese nationals.

2. Charges are being preferred against the two Japanese who made the inclosed statements and it is expected that they will be brought to trial at the next session of the 25th Division Provost Court.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

2 Incls:  
Stmts of Conf.

*[Signature]*  
BILL W. McFARLAND  
1st Lt, QMC  
Adjutant

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STATEMENT OF CONFESSION

NAME: Tokuichi Kuroda  
NATIONALITY: Japanese  
AGE: 27

The above-named person made a statement at the Gobo Police Station on May 9, 1947 as follows:

(1) Maybe August 17, 1945 when I was discharged from the Army, Captain Hironaka Watanabe, of Watanabe Company, West 19069th Battalion ordered me to return home with a rifle and a bayonet. Now I should like to explain the circumstances to you.

(2) The Commanding Officer of the West 19069th Battalion was Major Kenichi Tanaka and I belonged to the Watanabe Company of the battalion.

(3) When I was discharged, Captain Watanabe delivered an address to us: "Japan has been defeated now but I believe she will rise again. So take your weapons to your home and take up them in time of emergency."

So all of the soldiers went home with their respective weapons. I secretly brought home a rifle and a bayonet, too, and kept them in a long Japanese chest of the 6.5-mat room of my house until May 3, this year.

(4) Maybe April or May of last year, I was often advised by the head of the neighborhood association and village master to deliver the weapons if any. But I did not report my weapons, thinking of the Captain's address.

(5) Maybe May or June of last year, the head of the neighborhood association said at a meeting: "A rule has been made that no one can be allowed to possess such firearms as rifle or sword. So I want you to deliver such if you have any. If you want to keep any of such firearms, you have to get license for it." But I spoke nothing of my weapons. I did neither deliver the rifle and bayonet nor have I gotten license.

(6) Around that time I began to think of prompt delivery of my weapons, because I thought I should be punished if I kept them, but as I expected I should receive any instruction from Captain Watanabe, I have kept the weapons up to now without getting license.

Question -- "Are these what you had hidden?"

Answer -- "Yes, sure. The rifle and bayonet you've just shown are what I had hidden at home, and I turned them over to the policeman Doi when he came to search my house."

*Encl # 2*



STATEMENT OF CONFESSION

NAME: Iwao Uegaki  
NATIONALITY: Japanese  
AGE: 23

The above-named person made a statement at the Myoji Police Station on May 16, 1947 as follows:

(1) I had been a soldier of the West 19069th Unit in Miyazaki Prefecture until the war's end, and I was discharged on August 17, 1945 and returned home in Kudoyama, Wakayama Prefecture.

(2) Before my repatriation, about twenty non-commissioned officers and men of my company were ordered to gather together in front of the battalion headquarters and I was one of the members. So we went to the headquarters. About sixty men also came from other companies.

(3) Then Major Kenichi Tanaka, Commanding Officer, came before us and Captain Watanabe was there, too. The Commanding Officer ordered us: "Now I am going to give you weapons. In case when the U.S. Army occupies Japan and does violence to you, take up these weapons to defend yourselves."

I was given a rifle and 120 bullets, a pistol and 35 bullets, a bayonet a set of rifle-cleaning tools and a cartridge belt.

(4) I returned home armed with these weapons on August 22. The next day, as I thought it wrong to keep such firearms at home, I hid them in a hole for storing sweet potatoes in the barn without the knowledge of my mother and niece.

(5) Maybe April last year, I learned from the newspaper that all firearms should be reported to the police. The head of the neighborhood association, Katsuichi Inoue also said to me, "If you still keep the rifle and bayonet you brought home when repatriated, I want you to report them to the police." "The firearms were already carried to Wakayama City and thrown into the fire," I replied. When I told such a lie is this: When I was discharged from the Army, the commanding officer ordered as: "You shouldn't dispose of the weapons I have just given you as you like. Keep them until you receive further command."

(6) But I was much worried about my weapons as the head of my neighborhood association warned me to report them. So I wrote a letter to ex-Captain Watanabe, inquiring of the disposition of my weapons. I received from him a reply in which he ordered me to keep the weapons until further notice. So I kept them at home.

(7) I don't know where the Commanding Officer Tanaka hails from. Captain Watanabe hails from Fukushima Prefecture. As I tore his letter in pieces, I don't know his address.

*Encl. #1*



Statement of Confession, con'd.

Question -- "Do you remember seeing these?"

Answer -- "Yes, the articles you've just showed are what I was given from the Army when discharged."

Encl. #1



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HEADQUARTERS  
KINKI MIL GOVT REGION  
APO 301 (Kyoto, Honshu)

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SUBJECT: Collection, Classification and Disposition  
of Japanese Swords and Firearms.

TO : Commanding General, I Corps, APO 301

1. Inclosed are reports, subject as above, from Kyoto, Hyogo, Nara, Wakayama, Shiga and Fukui Prefectures which are submitted in compliance with the provisions of Operational Directive No. 75, Headquarters Eighth Army, dated 25 August 1946.

2. Report from Osaka Prefecture will be forwarded at the earliest possible date.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

WILLIAM H. GILTNER  
Capt, CAC  
Administrative Officer

6 Incls:  
As indicated.

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HEADQUARTERS  
SHIGA MILITARY GOVERNMENT TEAM  
APO 25 (Otsu, Honshu)

CAP/jcm

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24 May 1947

SUBJECT: Explosives and Accessories

TO : Commanding General, I Corps, APO 301

1. Prefectural authorities of Shiga Ken have requested that they be permitted to retain:

<u>Article</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Fuse	1 bundle	15.5 metres
Dynamite	42	1 Kan 530 monne
Percussion Caps	1 box	68

2. The above explosives and components were confiscated by Prefectural Police from unauthorized civilians and are no longer needed as evidence against the offenders who had possession.

3. The listed items have been inspected by Mr. Williams and Mr. Mc Emaney of the I Corps Bomb Disposal Section and are considered suitable for civilian peacetime use. These representatives seized and disposed of 32 bags of powder of 58 monne which were part of this cache and which was considered unsuitable for civilian use.

/s/ James A. Person  
/t/ JAMES A. PERSON  
Lt Col FA  
Commanding



BASIC: Ltr, Shiga Mil Govt Team, subject: "Explosives and Accessories",  
dated 24 May 1947.

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Hq I Corps, APO 301. 31 MAY 1947

TO: CO, Shiga Mil Govt Team, APO 25

1. References:

a. SCAP Memorandum for the Imperial Japanese Government,  
AG 388.3 (27 Mar 47)GB/CIS (SCAPIN 1586), subject: "Instructions  
Concerning the Surrender of Arms by the Civilian Population of Japan",  
dated 27 March 1947.

b. Section VII, Attachment 1 to Inclosure No. 12, Annex 10  
to Administrative Order No. 24, this headquarters, dated 11 April 1947.

2. Release of the explosives listed in the basic communication to  
the Japanese Home Ministry for use as authorized by the above reference:  
is hereby approved.

3. Notification of this release and copies of all receipts obtained  
will be forwarded to the 35th Infantry Regiment for inclusion on their  
monthly disposition report of surrendered or captured enemy supplies and  
equipment.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WOODRUFF:

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HEADQUARTERS  
KINKI MIL GOVT REGION  
(APO 301, Kyoto, Honshu)

28 APR 1947

319.1

SUBJECT: Report of Accidental Explosions and Fires

TO: See Distribution

Paragraphs 12 and 13, Circular 32, Headquarters Far East Command, APO 500, dated 19 March 1947, are quoted for your information and guidance:

"12. Reporting of Accidental Explosions and Fires.

a. Specific information regarding ammunition fires or explosions is desired by the War Department, in order that a continuous study may be made for the improvement of safety measures and safe quantity-distance requirements.

b. An investigation will be made of every accidental explosion or fire involving ammunition or explosives, either of United States or Japanese origin, while in storage or in transit, in areas under control of the Far East Command. This investigation will be initiated by the commanding officer of the unit exercising physical control of such ammunition or other explosives at the time of accident. Reports will be forwarded in triplicate to General Headquarters, Far East Command, through the appropriate command channels.

c. The following information will be included in such reports, together with such other general information that may be available:

- (1) Date, time, place and probable causes, with any other pertinent information.
- (2) Extent of loss. Differentiate between quantities actually destroyed and those rendered dangerous.
- (3) Quantity, by type, of ammunition involved, and quantities remaining serviceable in the area.
- (4) Time intervals, if measurable, between explosions.



Ltr, Hq Kinki Mil Govt Region, 319.1, subject: "Report of Accidental Explosions and Fires", dtd , cont'd.

- (5) Number and kind of barricades and the effect upon them. Also report of the existence of any hills, forests, or other objects intervening between site of explosion and areas acted upon.
- (6) Range and extent of damage. Include a map or sketch to show following data (photographs are desirable):
  - (a) Radius of complete destruction; namely, structures blasted to the ground with very little left standing.
  - (b) Radius of structural damage beyond economical repair.
  - (c) Radius of repairable structural damage.
  - (d) Range of general glass breakage.
  - (e) Distance to which most missiles were projected, with kind and weight of important missiles.
  - (f) Distance between locations if explosions occurred at more than one location, i.e., actual distances between stacks and Field Storage Units. If afloat, distance between ships or other vessels affected, and distances to nearby ships or vessels not affected.
- (7) Approximate shape and dimensions of crater.
- (8) Casualties, if any.
- (9) Adequacy of fire fighting equipment.
- (10) Departure, if any, from the established safety regulations which may have been allowed in supply points, storage areas, and/or in the hands of troops, and reasons for any such variations.
- (11) Measures being taken to clear the area of duds or other hazardous materials.

d. Reports Control Symbol QOR-03 is assigned the "Report of Accidental Explosion or Fire."



Ltr, Hq Kinki Mil Govt Region, 319.1. subject: "Report of Accidental Explosions and Fires", dtd , cont'd.

13. Preliminary Reports of Accidental Explosions and Fires. In addition to the detailed report required by paragraph 12, an immediate preliminary report of every accidental explosion or fire involving ammunition or explosives will be made by radio to General Headquarters, Far East Command. The preliminary report will include the location, date, and time of accident, type material involved, number of casualties, and brief description of loss and damage."

BY ORDER OF COLONEL PARTRIDGE:

WILLIAM H. GILTNER  
 Captain, CAC  
 Administrative Officer

DISTRIBUTION:

Tokai-Hokuriku Mil Govt Region INFORMATION  
 Kyushu Mil Govt Region INFORMATION  
 Fukui Mil Govt Team  
 Hyogo Mil Govt Team  
 Kyoto Mil Govt Team  
 Nara Mil Govt Team  
 Osaka Mil Govt Team  
 Shiga Mil Govt Team  
 Wakayama Mil Govt Team



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HEADQUARTERS I CORPS

File: \_\_\_\_\_ Source: Mit GOVT SECT (ENEMY PROPERTY)

Date: 11 MAR 47 Subject: LOCATION OF POSSIBLE BOMB

TO:

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_____	Surg	_____	PRO _____
G-1 _____	Col	_____	Hq Co _____
G-2 _____	Fin	_____	Retng _____
G-3 _____	JA	_____	PI _____
G-4 _____	IG	_____	Red Cross _____
AG _____	CH	_____	MG <u>XXXX(2)</u>
Arty _____	Sp Sv	_____	I & E _____
Ord <u>XXX(1)</u>	PM	_____	Proc Board _____
Sig _____	1 Comd	_____	AECPO _____
Engr _____	Para Troop	_____	8th I & H _____

Date & Initials

FOR YOUR NECESSARY ACTION

11 MAR 47

Robert Smith  
1st Lt FA  
Enemy Property Officer

Mr. McEaney is our foremost  
mineman and he concludes that  
this is an air or gas cylinder.  
He concurs in this analysis.  
Subj MG has been properly  
notified by phone this date.

TRAYLOR, EXEC.  
for MORRIS  
O.O.  
13 March 1947

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HEADQUARTERS  
FUKUI MILITARY GOVERNMENT TEAM  
APO 713 (Fukui, Honshu)

ATV/jt

7 March 1947

SUBJECT: Identification of Possible Bomb

TO : COMMANDING GENERAL, I Corps APO 301  
Attn: Bomb and Mine Disposal Section

1. The attached photograph and letter were received from the Chief of the Mikata Police Station concerning the finding of an object which could possibly be a mine or bomb.

2. The information is forwarded for identification by the Bomb and Mine Disposal Section, from the photograph, if possible. In the meantime all safety precautions have been taken.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

*H. E. Bielefeld, Jr.*  
H. E. BIELEFELD, JR.  
Capt. FA.  
Adjutant

2 Incls.

- 1 - Photographs
- 2 - Letter from the Mikata Police Station

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Capt. Vaughan

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24 Feb 47

I received the negative of the picture taken of this object today. When developed, all sent to Col. Byrd and Mr. Williams. Until then I am not sure as to the true identity of the object.

— Mike —











## 資源調査関係

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M/ Pub. 221

JY/gn  
22 Feb. 1947FROM : Chief of Mikata Police Station  
TO : Fukui Mil Govt Team

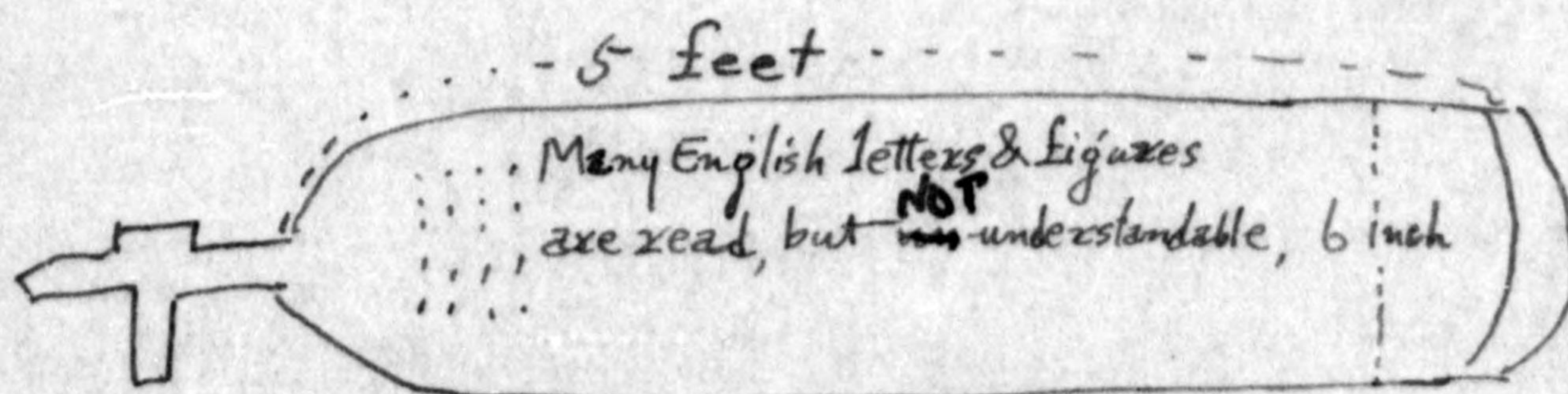
SUBJECT: On the Drifting of the Similar-explosive

I hereby inform you regarding the similar-explosive drifting which has been formerly reported you by the telephone.

- I. Date of Discovery: About 8:30 a.m.,  
19 Feb. 1947
- II. Discoverer: Yukio Nakajima, Santo-mura, Mikata gun  
Worker of Kawaraichi Railway Station of Obama-line.
- III. Type of the drifting object:  
As the annexed illustration shows.
- IV. The locality of drifting:  
Sea-shore of Kitata, Santo-mura, Mikata gun
- V. View on the drifting object:

Examined ~~this~~ by the former Japanese Navy Captain, Shigeji Sasai, inhabitant of Kitata, Santo-mura, Mikata gun, accompanied with chief of this Police Station and Isamu Shimokawa, Police sergeant, chief of Public Safety Section, it seems to be an air-compressor which is used in the ship, not dangerous explosive.

Illustration of this one:



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HEADQUARTERS  
SHIGA MILITARY GOVERNMENT TEAM  
APO 25 (Otsu, Honshu)

24 February 1947

SUBJECT: Weapons and Military Police Equipment.

TO : Commanding Officer, Kinki Military Government Region.  
APO 301.  
(ATTN: Capt. Fox)

1. In compliance with letter Headquarters Eighth Army, file AG 474 (FB), Subject Weapons and Military Police Equipment, dated 21 Jan. 1947, the following report is submitted.

2. All troops, barracks, quarters, individual lockers and containers were inspected at 0600 Sat. 15 Feb. 1947.

3. No unauthorized equipment such as, weapons, arms, ammunition, police brassards, Military Police Badges and clubs were found.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

*Max W. Medley*  
MAX W. MEDLEY  
Captain, Inf.  
Adjutant

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Hq. 8<sup>th</sup> Army  
25 Feb. 47*

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Hq. 8th Army  
28 Feb. 47*HEADQUARTERS  
KINKI MIL GOVT REGION  
APO 301 (Kyoto, Honshu)

18 February 1947

SUBJECT: Weapons and Military Police Equipment

TO : Commanding Officer, Kinki Mil Govt Region, APO 301

1. Reference is made to Ltr Hq Eighth Army, file AG 474 (FB).  
Subject: "Weapons and Military Police Equipment", dated 21 January  
1947, and 1st Indorsement thereto, this Headquarters dated 31 January  
1947.

2. Inspection as directed in reference above was conducted at  
0600, 15 February 1947, and a negative report is submitted.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

*Thomas R. Harbin*THOMAS R. HARBIN  
1st Lt., INF  
Personnel Officer.

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Hq Kinki Mil Govt Region, APO 301,

TO: CO, Kyoto Mil Govt Team, APO 713

Request that subject correspondence be returned to  
this headquarters with appropriate indorsement.

BY ORDER OF COLONEL PARTRIDGE;

WILLIAM H. GILTNER  
Captain, CAC  
Adjutant

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HEADQUARTERS  
HYOGO MILITARY GOVERNMENT TEAM  
APO 317

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17 February 1947

SUBJECT: Weapons and Military Police Equipment

TO : Commanding General  
Eighth Army  
APO 343  
(Thru Channels)

## 1. Reference is made to:

- a. Ltr, Hqs Eighth Army, file AG 474 (FB), subj: "Weapons and Military Police Equipment", dtd 21 Jan 47, and 1st Ind, Hqs I Corps, dtd 31 Jan 47.
- b. Message form, Hqs Eighth Army, file AG 474 (FB), dtd 5 Feb 47.
- c. Ltr, Hqs I Corps, subj: "Weapons and Military Police Equipment", dtd 7 Feb 47.

2. Inspection, as directed in references above, was made on 15 February 1947, by the officer personnel of this Team. No equipment as described in reference letter, la above, was found in the possession or billet of any member of the Hyogo Military Government Team.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

*Louis C. Hutton*  
LOUIS C. HUTTON  
Major, Cav  
Executive Officer

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Sec. II Cir. 25  
Hq. 8<sup>th</sup> Army 26 Feb. 47*

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HEADQUARTERS  
OSAKA MILITARY GOVERNMENT TEAM  
APO 660

EBM/dp

15 February 1947

SUBJECT: Weapons and Military Police Equipment

TO: Commanding Officer  
Hdqs & Hdqs Detachment  
Kinki Military Govt Region  
APO 301

In compliance with letter, Headquarters, I Corps, Subject, as above, dated 7 February 1947, inspection was conducted at 0600 and no weapons or military police equipment were found.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

*Edward B. Millett*  
EDWARD B. MILLETT  
Major, FA  
Adjutant

*Classification Conceded by  
Sec. II Cir. 25  
Xg. 8<sup>th</sup> Army  
25 Feb. 47*

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APO 25

EJK/kn

15 February 1947

SUBJECT: Weapons and Military Police Equipment

THRU : Commanding Officer, Kinki Mil Govt Region, APO 301

TO : Commanding General, Eighth Army, APO 343

1. In compliance with letter, Headquarters Eighth Army, file No. AG 474 (FB), dated 21 January 1947, subject: "Weapons and Military Police Equipment", a showdown inspection was conducted of each individual soldier of this organization at 0600/1 15 February 1947.

2. A negative report is submitted of unauthorized weapons and military police equipment confiscated.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

*Elmer J. Kallmeyer*  
ELMER J. KALLMEYER  
1st Lt, Inf  
Adjutant

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Sec. II Civ. 25 Hq. 8th Army*

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HEADQUARTERS  
WAKAYAMA MILITARY GOVERNMENT TEAM  
APO 660

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SUBJECT: Showdown

TO : Commanding General, I Corps  
APO 301  
ATTN: G-3

1. At 0600 this date, the action required by showdown was taken.

2. The following items were discovered:

- 2 MP brassards
- 1 bayonet M-1
- 1 bayonet - marine issue
- 2 boxes - 45 caliber pistol ammunition
- 1 round - 30 caliber carbine ammunition

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

*Bill N. McFarland*

BILL N. McFARLAND  
1st Lt, QMC  
Adjutant

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HEADQUARTERS I CORPS  
APO 301 (Kyoto, Honshu)

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28 JAN 1947

AG 471 - BA

SUBJECT: Manufacture of Industrial Explosives

TO : Commanding Officer, Hyogo Military Government Team, APO 317

1. Reference: Memorandum, Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers to the Imperial Japanese Government (SCAPIN - 1452), subject as above, dated 10 January 1947, which authorizes the Japanese to manufacture limited quantities of industrial explosives during period of 1 January 1947 through 31 December 1947.

2. Upon approval of General Headquarters, Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers, the following plant in Hyogo Prefecture is permitted production of limited quantities of industrial explosives, authorized by reference 1 above. The amount authorized is stated on the permit.

NIPPON KAYAKU SEIZO K.K., Nibuno Plant  
No. 232, Nibuno, Himeji City, Hyogo Pref.

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3. Under date of 24 January 1947, this headquarters issued a permit to the above plant, original and copy of which are inclosed herewith. You are directed to forward the original copy to the subject plant. Manufacture of industrial explosives in excess of the authorized amounts will not be permitted.

4. You will direct monthly inspections to be made to insure that no unauthorized production of explosives is in process. Any irregularities noted will be made the subject of a special report to this headquarters.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WOODRUFF:

1 Incl:  
As indicated (dup)

Info Copy:  
GHQ SCAP, ESS (1) (w/o incl)  
Hq 8th Army, MG (2) (w/o incl)

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*004 manuf. of explosives for industrial use*

HEADQUARTERS I CORPS  
APO 301 (Kyoto, Honshu)

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AG 471 - BA

27 JAN 1947

SUBJECT: Manufacture of Industrial Explosives

TO : Commanding Officer,  
Osaka Military Government Team,  
APO 660

1. Reference: Memorandum, Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers to the Imperial Japanese Government (SCAPIN - 1452), subject as above, dated 10 January 1947, which authorizes the Japanese to manufacture limited quantities of industrial explosives during period of 1 January 1947 through 31 December 1947.

2. Upon approval of General Headquarters, Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers, the following plant in Osaka Prefecture is permitted production of limited quantities of industrial explosives, authorized by reference 1 above. The amount authorized is stated on the permit.

NIPPON KAYAKU SEIZO K.K., Osaka Plant  
No. 632, Nishitsutsumi, Fuse, Osaka City

3. Under date of 24 January 1947, this headquarters issued a permit to the above plant, original and copy of which are inclosed herewith. You are directed to forward the original copy to the subject plant. Manufacture of industrial explosives in excess of the authorized amounts will not be permitted.

4. You will direct monthly inspections to be made to insure that no unauthorized production of explosives is in process. Any irregularities noted will be made the subject of a special report to this headquarters.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WOODRUFF:

1 Incl:  
As indicated. (dup)

Info Copy:  
GHQ SCAP, ESS (1) (w/o incl)  
Hq 8th Army, MG (1) (w/o incl)

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474 Weapons

HEADQUARTERS  
KINKI MIL GOVT REGION  
(APO 301, Kyoto, Honshu)

File  
REPORTS CONTROL  
SYMBOL D-2-IC

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SUBJECT: Status Report on Firing of Individual and Crew-Served Weapons

TO: Commanding Officer, Fukui Military Government Team, APO 713  
Commanding Officer, Hyogo Military Government Team, APO 317  
Commanding Officer, Kyoto Military Government Team, APO 713  
Commanding Officer, Nara Military Government Team, APO 25  
Commanding Officer, Osaka Military Government Team, APO 660  
Commanding Officer, Shiga Military Government Team, APO 25  
Commanding Officer, Wakayama Military Government Team, APO 660

## 1. Reference:

- a. AR 775-10, dated 30 December 1943.
- b. AFPAC Reg 70-10, dated 1 January 1946.
- c. TM #1, Headquarters I Corps, dated 1 January 1946.
- d. TM #3, Headquarters I Corps, dated 13 July 1946.
- e. TM #6, Headquarters I Corps, dated 22 August 1946.

2. It has come to the attention of this headquarters that in many instances the monthly report, subject as above, control symbol D-2-IC, has been completed incorrectly. Some requirements not being observed are:

a. Qualification of each soldier in firing his basic weapon, as required by current regulations, has not been indicated in many reports. Submachine guns and pistols, if basic weapons, require qualification firing.

b. Training Memorandum No. 6, Headquarters I Corps, dated 22 August 1946, which prescribes the minimum familiarization requirements for firing basic weapons has not been uniformly complied with. Familiarization firing is required of all personnel on individual weapons with which at least 10% of the aggregate T/O strength of the unit is armed.

3. As an aid in completing subject report, Annex Number 1 to Training Memorandum Number 3, Headquarters I Corps, dated 13 August 1946, is included as Inclosure 1. Attention is invited to the fact that this report, though submitted monthly, is cumulative and shows the status of firing in the



Ltr, Hq Kinki Mil Govt Region, file no. 319.1, subj: "Status Report on Firing of Individual and Crew-Served Weapons", dtd 31 December 1946, (contd).

command for the current calendar year, to include the last day of the month for which the report is submitted. Wherever the date "1 January 1946" is used in the attached inclosure as a date from which to compute statistics for the report, "1 January" of the current calendar year of the month for which the report is rendered will be used. For example, the report for February 1947 will be computed from 1 January 1947.

4. It is desired that team commanders take steps to correct deficiencies in future reports, and to allot sufficient time in their training programs to comply with current directives requiring firing of weapons.

5. Effective upon receipt of this letter, the report on firing of crew-served weapons (Sec. II, Inclosure No. 1 to Trng Memo, #3, Hq I Corps, dated 13 July 1946) need not be submitted.

BY ORDER OF COLONEL PARTRIDGE:

*William H. Giltner*

WILLIAM H. GILTNER  
Capt, CAC  
Administrative Officer

1 Incl:  
Annex No. 1 to Trng Memo No. 3,  
Hq I Corps, dtd 13 Jul 46.

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HEADQUARTERS I CORPS  
APO 301 (Kyoto, Honshu)

13 August 1946

ANNEX NO. 1, TO TRAINING MEMORANDUM NO. 3, HEADQUARTERS I CORPS, 13 JULY 1946.

In order to clarify status report of firing of individual and crew served weapons, as required by TM #3, this headquarters, 13 July 1946, the following is prescribed:

a. Column One - Number required to Fire -

- (1) Qualification - In this column will be entered the number of men (Assigned to the unit as of the last day of each calendar month) who are armed under appropriate T/O & E, with the weapon indicated.
- (2) Familiarization, Transition, and Combat Firing - In this column will be entered the number of men (Assigned to the unit as of the last day of each calendar month) who are required to fire familiarization. The requirements of Par 8y (2), TM #1, Headquarters I Corps, 1 January 1946, will be used as the basis for computing the number of personnel required to complete familiarization firing. For the purposes of this report, separate entries for familiarization and transition firing of the rifle and carbine will be made in the spaces provided.

b. Column Two - Number Fired -

In this column will be entered the number of men (Assigned to the unit as of the last day of each calendar month) who have fired since 1 January 1946.

c. Column Three - Per Cent Fired Subsequent to 1 Jan 1946 -

In this column will be entered the percentage of men (Assigned to the unit as of the last day of each calendar month) who have fired since 1 Jan 1946.

d. Column Four - Number Qualified -

In this column will be entered the number of men (Assigned to the unit as of the last day of each calendar month) who have qualified since 1 Jan 1946.

e. Column Five - Per Cent Qualified -

In this column will be entered the percentage of men (Assigned to the unit as of the last day of each calendar month) who have qualified since 1 Jan 1946.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WOODRUFF:

/s/ Lawrence E. Nobles  
/t/ LAWRENCE E. NOBLES  
Colonel, AGD  
Adjutant General

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HEADQUARTERS  
FUKUI MILITARY GOVERNMENT TEAM  
APO 713 (Fukui, Honshu)

ATV/ma

4 January 1947

SUBJECT: Inventory of Arms, Ammunition and Swords

TO : COMMANDING OFFICER, 35th Infantry Regiment, APO 25  
Attn: Major Rogers, S-2

1. In response to your telephone request attached is an inventory in triplicate of arms, ammunition and swords collected by all police stations of Fukui Ken since the termination of the war.
2. It appears that no tabulation was kept by each individual police station so a breakdown is not possible.
3. At the present time all police stations have been cleared of the above equipment with the exception of that which was converted for police use with permission.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

*H E Bielefeld Jr*  
H E BIELEFELD, JR  
Capt. FA  
Adjutant

1 Incl:  
As indicated.



**BASIC:** Ltr, Hq, Fukui Mil Govt Team, subj: "Inventory of Arms,  
Ammunition and Swords," dtd 4 Jan 47.

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Hq, Kinki Mil Govt Region, APO 301,

8 JAN 1947

TO: CO, 35th Inf Regt, APO 25  
ATTN: Maj Rogers

1. Attention is invited to basic communication.

2. For your information, the number of swords and hunting guns  
in Fukui Prefecture authorized for retention by Japanese civilians is  
as follows:

a. Swords - 305  
b. Hunting guns - 1079

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

WILLIAM H. GILTNER  
Captain, CAC  
Administrative Officer

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