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This aspect of whole question of Japanese Embassy is fully covered in report shortly to be submitted to Department on developments in this connection since last report made in Embassy's despatch no. 3364, April 17.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY OF STATE:

Subject: Provisions for the Coordinated
Exploitation of Japanese Intelligence
Targets of International Concern.

- References: a. SWNCC 216/1
- b. SWNCC 216/2/D
- c. SWNCC 216/3

By informal action on 18 July 1946 the State-War-Navy Coordinating Committee approved SWNCC 216/1 after amending as proposed by the Joint Chiefs of Staff in SWNCC 216/2/D.

A copy of the approved paper is forwarded herewith for the information of the Department of State.

A copy of this paper has been forwarded to the Joint Chiefs of Staff for information and such implementation as is deemed appropriate.

For the State-War-Navy Coordinating Committee:

H. W. Moseley
J. H. Hilldring
J. H. HILLDRING,
State Department Member

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INTELLIGENCE TARGETS OF INTERNATIONAL CONCERNNote by the Secretaries

1. By informal action on 18 July 1946 the State-War-Navy Coordinating Committee approved SWNCC 216/1 after amending as proposed by the Joint Chiefs of Staff in SWNCC 216/2/D.

2. Holders are therefore requested to substitute the attached revised pages 13 and 14 for the ones contained therein and destroy the latter by burning.

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INTELLIGENCE TARGETS OF INTERNATIONAL CONCERNReference: SWNCC 216/DNote by the Secretaries

1. The enclosure, a report on the above subject by the State-War-Navy Coordinating Subcommittee for the Far East, is circulated for consideration by the Committee.

2. A copy of this report has been forwarded to the Joint Chiefs of Staff for their comment from a military point of view. The comments of the Joint Chiefs of Staff will be circulated to the Committee upon receipt thereof from the Secretary, Joint Chiefs of Staff.

ALEXANDER D. REID

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SECRETENCLOSUREPROVISIONS FOR THE COORDINATED EXPLOITATION OF JAPANESE
INTELLIGENCE TARGETS OF INTERNATIONAL CONCERNReport by the
State-War-Navy Coordinating Subcommittee for the Far EastTHE PROBLEM

1. To formulate a U. S. policy for international coordination in the exploitation of intelligence targets in Japan and areas in the Far East and Pacific formerly occupied by the Japanese and now under American command.

FACTS BEARING ON THE PROBLEM

2. See Appendix "A".

DISCUSSION

3. See Appendix "B".

CONCLUSIONS

4. Coordination of and action upon requests received from other nations for intelligence and intelligence material under United States control in Japan or in areas in the Far East and Pacific formerly occupied by the Japanese and now under American command should be effected by CINCAFPAC or CINCPAC, each in his respective area of authority, acting under policy guidance of the State, War and Navy Departments.

5. The following rules should be considered as general guidance in implementation of the above principle:

a. All governments participating in the Far Eastern Commission are recognized as entitled to that intelligence necessary to enable them effectively to perform their functions with respect to occupation and occupation policies for Japan.

b. Except when included in the definition in a above, intelligence related to operations during hostilities or

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the Japanese military and naval organization, tactics and technology, should be provided when requested, to governments which actively participated in the war against Japan, subject to the provisions of subparagraph e below:

c. Intelligence requested by a government which actively participated in the war against Japan to enable it to administer its territories or liberated areas in the Far East or to protect the property and rights of its citizens therein should be provided, subject to the provisions of subparagraph e below.

d. Political, commercial, geographic or other intelligence of military security significance not specified above, requested by a government which actively participated in the war against Japan may be provided, subject to the provisions of subparagraph e below, if such provision be considered in the best interests of the United States and there is adequate reciprocity in the exchange of intelligence by the requesting nation.

e. Intelligence which, in the opinion of the American Commander responsible for action on and coordination of requests, might jeopardize the security of the United States; prejudice United States relations with a foreign government with which the United States maintains friendly relations; or derogate from United States advantages in the field of scientific research and development, should not be provided without specific reference to and authorization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and, where appropriate, by the State-War-Navy Coordinating Committee.

6. a. Intelligence covered in paragraph 5 a above will be transmitted on the initiative of the Commander concerned through established channels to the Far Eastern Commission

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or where appropriate, the Allied Council for Japan. Specific requests for intelligence of this nature required by the Far Eastern Commission or a member government thereof should be forwarded by the Department of State on behalf of the Far Eastern Commission through established channels to CINCAFPAC or CINCPAC as appropriate.

b. Requests from a single government for intelligence covered in paragraphs 5 b, c and d above should be made to CINCAFPAC or CINCPAC through the military representative of that government on the staff of SCAP or CINCPAC respectively. If there is no such representative, the request should be made through diplomatic channels to the Department of State, Washington, unless the intelligence required is military or naval, in which case the request should be made through the appropriate attaché to the War or Navy Department. These requests will be forwarded by the State, War or Navy Departments through established channels to CINCAFPAC or CINCPAC.

c. Requests from governments other than those which actively participated in the war against Japan should be made through diplomatic channels to the Department of State, Washington, unless the intelligence required is military or naval, in which case the request should be made through the appropriate attaché to the War or Navy Department. Action on these requests will be taken by the State-War-Navy Coordinating Committee.

RECOMMENDATIONS

7. It is recommended:

a. After submission to the Joint Chiefs of Staff for their comment from a military point of view, SWNCC approve the above Conclusions as a statement of policy of the State, War and Navy Departments.

b. Forward this paper to the State, War and Navy Departments for information and to the JCS for information and such implementation as is deemed appropriate.

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1. This paper concerns the question of sharing with other nations the results of United States exploitation of Japanese intelligence targets. It was raised specifically by a British proposal for the establishment in Washington of a "combined executive organization" with functions similar to those of the former Combined Intelligence Objectives Subcommittee in London. This latter organization served to coordinate the interests of British and U. S. governmental departments for intelligence of military or political significance in areas liberated from German control by SHAEF.

2. The Joint Chiefs of Staff in JCS 1538 approved the principle that international coordination of intelligence targets in the Far East should be effected by the supreme authority in each occupied and liberated area. The Commander-in-Chief, U. S. Army Forces, Pacific was notified of this decision and authorized to permit other Allied nations to have access to intelligence or intelligence targets essentially related to (1) that nation's operations during hostilities, (2) its responsibilities in connection with the occupation and control of Japan or other Far Eastern area, or (3) its government of liberated territories, subject to appropriate reciprocal action by that nation with respect to intelligence or intelligence targets under its control.

3. The British were informed of the substance of the above decision by the United States Members of the Combined Intelligence Committee and the suggestion was made that British target lists and plans for target exploitation with respect to Japan be submitted to the Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers through the senior British officer with him.

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4. Further Joint Chiefs of Staff action on JCS 1538 was to request the State-War-Navy Coordinating Committee to formulate a policy for international coordination in the exploitation of intelligence targets in the Far East.

5. The problem was referred by the State-War-Navy Coordinating Committee to the State-War-Navy Coordinating Subcommittee for the Far East on 26 October 1945. The Subcommittee subsequently (52nd SFE Meeting, 20 November 1945) limited the scope of the paper to international coordination in the exploitation of Japanese intelligence targets in areas under American occupation.

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1. The JCS decision assigning responsibility for international coordination to CINCAFPAC is adequate to permit coordination of local intelligence, collection and procurement operations in areas of CINCAFPAC responsibility, but should be extended to include similar directives to CINCPAC.

2. In addition it is considered that further definition of the types of intelligence to be supplied other governments is necessary to assure the ability of the United States to meet its international commitments with respect to the occupation of Japan and at the same time to enjoy such intelligence advantages as may properly be derived from the major role played by U. S. forces in her defeat.

3. It is felt that the above mentioned commitments do not necessarily obligate the United States to share all intelligence exploited equally with the other occupying powers or powers represented on the Far Eastern Commission. Certain Japanese intelligence must be safeguarded for United States security. Sharing with other nations intelligence which the Japanese had collected against the United States and certain other countries, would be contrary to U. S. interests.

4. The advantages mentioned in paragraph 2 above and the concept of United States control over intelligence in Japan can be justified on the grounds of initial United States occupation of Japan. Unless other governments making up the group of Allied Powers for whom SCAP accepted surrender of all Japanese forces, share with all the Allied Powers, Japanese intelligence from the areas they occupied after surrender, the United States has no obligation to share all intelligence from Japan.

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Embassy has obtained concurrence of other Allied representatives (DEPTEL 1389, July 2, 1946) with regard to proposed shipment to Japan personal effects (excluding household goods) former Jap officials (with British condition that no British bottoms being made available for such transportation for the present). Progress also being made on meeting other conditions stipulated in telegram cited but release is requested from Point Five in view absence Italy qualified authorities to certify effects include no Jap Govt property and impossibility of achieving certainty this point here without opening and inspecting each piece to be shipped. Since latter operation is crux of Embassy's proposal suggest Point Five be ascertained upon inspection by AMG after arrival in Japan. Assume SCAP's concurrence will be communicated to Embassy without our communicating SCAP directly.

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SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS,
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Provided you concur shipment personal effects former
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Information War Department Chief of Staff
For Political Adviser

Reference Department's telegram no. 1589, August 9, 1946 to Rome (repeated to Tokyo as Department's telegram no. 439, August 9, 1946) concerning shipment to Japan of personal effects of former Japanese officials in Italy.

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Upon receipt of above-mentioned effects, any Japanese Government property, especially diplomatic and consular archives, should be extracted and held pending Department's instructions. Send Department list of items extracted.

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Reference Embassy's telegram no. 3, July 16, to Tokyo (repeated to Department as no. 3228).

Giulio Dante is an attorney of and for the Holy See who was asked by Japanese Embassies both to Italy and to Holy See to care for all property and effects of Japanese Government and of Japanese Embassy staffs after departure of Japanese diplomats from Rome. He was also entrusted with care of baggage and effects of Japanese civilians stored on premises of Japanese Embassy in Rome. He holds a duly authenticated power of attorney from Masahide Kamayama (Secretary of Japanese Embassy to Vatican, at present detained in Vatican) and an unauthenticated power of attorney from Yoshitane Kiuchi (Counselor of Japanese Embassy to Italy). This Embassy's telegram cited above was sent as result of inability of four Allied Embassies to reconcile fact that power from Kamayama, duly auth enticated, was issued by member of Japanese Mission to Vatican, while power issued by member of Japanese Embassy to Italy was not legally authenticated. Since effects of Japanese civilians were to be taken out of building of Japanese Embassy to Italy, four Embassies thought surest way of obtaining confirmation of Dante's legal authority to assume custody of these effects was to query Japanese Foreign Office in Tokyo.

However, during week following despatch of telegram to Tokyo, four Embassies requested legal opinion on validity of Dante's powers from firm of reliable Roman lawyers who were known to British and American Embassies here. After examining all aspects of problem, Embassy lawyers assured four Embassies that Dante was in fact thoroughly authorized to assume custody of effects in question.

Accordingly, and in order to expedite restitution of Japanese Embassy building to Italian owners, the four Embassies permitted Dante to remove all effects of Japanese civilians from Japanese Embassy, and were thus able to restore all but top floor of Villa to owners on July 31. Dante has stored these effects in safe place in Rome, and four Embassies have receipted list of all property removed.

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REURADS 3228 and 418, July 30th.

Japanese Foreign Office confirms as authentic and binding power of attorney issued January 25, 1946 by Yoshitane Kuichi to Guilio Dante. Further states has no means to determine whether power of attorney was issued by Masahide Kanayama on February 27th, 1946 as Kanayama presumably still at Vatican. Foreign Office is ready to confirm such power as authentic and binding if it was in fact issued to Guilio Dante.

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Shipping of German and Japanese archives to Berlin and Tokyo, respectively, (URTEL no. 913, June 29) either for permanent storage or on loan basis for examination considered expensive owing to bulk. Also, the probable small returns would suggest impracticability of the venture. Informal discussions held with War Dept. with view assigning Jap speaking military personnel Mediterranean area to examine Jap archives. DEPT advised redeployment of Jap speaking military personnel precludes their use. German speaking military personnel and Departmental personnel not available for exploitation German archives at this time. Conversations with War Dept. continuing for best solution to problem of exploitation. Meanwhile suggest that archives be held intact for access thereto until further instructions.

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Santiago, Chile, August 8, 1946.

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THE HONORABLE
THE SECRETARY OF STATE,
WASHINGTON.

I have the honor to refer to my secret telegram of November 7, 1945 and other communications stating that the British Ambassador and Chinese Minister in Santiago had authorized me to take custody of the Japanese archives and property as their representative.

The Soviet Government subsequently established diplomatic relations with Chile, and the Soviet Ambassador and his staff arrived in Santiago during April of this year. On June 24 I addressed a note to my Soviet colleague outlining the status of the Japanese archives and property in this country, and suggesting that if he wished further details we would be very pleased to furnish them to him.

Representation of the Allied Powers in this connection is a routine matter which up to the present has presented no problem worth bringing to the attention of the Department, but I wish to enclose a memorandum of a conversation between the First Secretary of the Soviet Embassy and a member of my staff as of possible interest in so far as it offers an indication of the attitude the Soviet Embassy might be expected to take with regard to Japanese archives and property in this country.

Respectfully yours,

Claude G. Bowers

CLAUDE G. BOWERS.

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Enclosure:

- 1 - Memorandum of Conversation between Member of Soviet Embassy and Member of American Embassy, August 2, 1946.

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Enclosure #1 to Despatch 14,304,
American Embassy, Santiago, Chile,
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MEMORANDUM

Santiago, Chile,
August 2, 1946.

SUBJECT: Conversation between Mr. Michael L. MUKHIN, First Secretary of the Soviet Embassy, Santiago, and Mr. Reed.

Friday, August 2, Miss Meletina, Secretary of the Soviet Ambassador, called me to ask for an appointment for Mr. Mukhin, First Secretary of the Soviet Embassy in Santiago.

At 4 o'clock that afternoon, Mr. Mukhin called, accompanied by Miss Meletina, who explained that she had come to interpret for Mr. Mukhin since he did not speak English.

Miss Meletina is about 35 years of age, of rather plain, Slavic appearance, but vivacious and quite attractive. Her English is fluent although with an accent, and her complete facility of expression might indicate she has resided in an English speaking country. Her personality and attitude were in direct contrast to Mukhin's, who, during our half-hour conversation, rarely looked up from the floor or away from Miss Meletina, to whom he addressed all the conversation. Mukhin is a well-built, average height man, about 45 years of age, and wears excessively thick glasses. He is blond and not displeasing in appearance. He seemed to be of a melancholy nature, and only smiled slightly on one or two occasions when something amusing came up in the conversation. He is well trained in his own government's point of view and procedure, but diffident and even shy in his relations with strangers. The purpose of his visit was to discuss with me the status of Japanese archives and property in Chile.

Mukhin said he wanted to know more about the Japanese archives mentioned in Ambassador Bowers' note of June 24, 1946 to the Soviet Ambassador. I told him the original copy of Minister Yamagata's Diary, as well as other documents, were at present in the hands of the Chinese Legation, and, of course, available to the Soviet Embassy for perusal. I said a member of the Chinese Legation had translated into English the Diary and that we had a copy of this translation which he could borrow if he wished to do so. To this he replied that the document was, no doubt, very important, and that he would like very much to borrow it.

He then asked what had become of the Japanese Legation residence and chancery buildings, and I explained the arrangement which had been made with the Swedish Legation, also set forth in an enclosure to the above mentioned Note. It was soon evident that he was under the misapprehension that the Japanese Government had owned a residence in Santiago, and therefore wanted to know what had become of it. He was further bewildered when I told him that the Chinese Legation was now established in those quarters. After a number of questions on his part, I made it clear that the Japanese had owned no property here, and that the former Japanese Legation residence had been leased from Chileans who now had sold it to the Chinese.

Mukhin

Enclosure #1 to Despatch 14,304,
American Embassy, Santiago, Chile,
August 8, 1946.

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Mukhin then asked in whose name the Japanese funds had been placed. I stated that they were placed in an account under the name of "Special Funds Account of the Embassy of the United States of America", likewise mentioned in our Note under reference. He then asked what objection there would be to selling the household effects of the former Japanese Legation and placing the proceeds in a joint account of the Four Allied Powers. I replied that if the Soviet Embassy desired to request that a meeting of the representatives of the Allied Powers be called to discuss this question, I would be very glad to transmit the message; and as to the placing of the funds in a joint account, that was also a matter which could be brought up at such a meeting. I remarked that as Mr. Mukhin was aware, the reason the Japanese funds account had been placed in the name of the American Embassy was because the representatives of the Allied Powers in Santiago at the time the Japanese properties were taken over, had specifically requested Ambassador Bowers to act as their representative.

Mukhin then said he appreciated the information I had given him, and that he wanted to feel free to call on me again to discuss further the matter of Japanese property.

Harry Clinton Reed
Harry Clinton Reed,
Third Secretary of Embassy.

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Lima, Perú, August 16, 1946.

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The Ambassador has the honor to submit as of possible interest to the Department documents and papers obtained from the files of the Japanese Legation in Lima pertaining to commercial transactions.

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Enclosure: Documents and papers obtained from files of Japanese Legation.

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6148 Jap archives, consular and diplomatic property and personal property Jap diplomatic and consular officials being held various neutral and United Nations under terms MacArthur directive (DEPCIRTEL Oct 23, 1945) by representatives China, UK, US and USSR.

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Management these properties and archives causing time-consuming administrative problems many posts. Storage, building maintenance, etc. being charged Jap external assets; no commensurate benefits accruing from such expenses some cases. Various items personal property rapidly deteriorating value or condition.

Clear cut principles management properties and archives needed to improve situation wherever difficulties exist. Maximum latitude for local representatives four Allied Powers desirable to facilitate managerial task.

Accordingly, US proposes, after obtaining concurrence China, UK, USSR, inform Jap Govt through SCAP re methods four Allied Powers will pursue dealing with Jap property and archives certain areas. Present matter to Fonoff

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and endeavor obtain concurrence to language quoted in
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If greatly delayed problem will become urgent,
jeopardizing practical solutions disposition property in
which from post to post each principal Power has material
interests.

US prefers concurrence Powers strictly concerned and
direct presentation to Jap Govt rather than FEC procedure
in view Four Power origin basic directive and Four Power
responsibility for properties and archives involved.

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Following is language proposed for presentation Jap Gov't re Jap Consular archives and property:

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QUOTE By ^{agreement} ~~direction~~ of Govts of China, Gr. Britain, US, and Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, to whose representatives Imperial Jap Govt turned over its consular and diplomatic archives and property in pursuance directive issued by SCAP at Tokyo Oct 25, 1945, Imperial Jap Govt is informed Allied Powers concerned will administer Jap archives and diplomatic and consular property in countries included in paragraphs A and C of directive under reference as follows:

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A. Archives:

- (1) Will in all instances be preserved intact. Cost storage and preservation will be charged against Jap Govt, to be financed, if possible, from Jap official funds in country where archives located;
- (2) Shall include official documents, consular registers and correspondence pertaining Jap nationals living abroad;

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(3) Shall not include stamps, seals, flags, insignia, propaganda material and similar items which will be subject destruction by agreement between Four Allied Powers or representatives concerned;

(4) Shall not include diplomatic or consular libraries which are official movable property.

B. Official properties of all sorts will be administered by Four Allied Powers or their representatives concerned in manner calculated by them best to preserve value properties until decisions respecting final disposition properties or preserved value thereof are reached by international agreement.

C. Privately owned property former diplomatic and consular personnel will, for present at least, be kept intact except for sale portions rapidly deteriorating in value or condition. Proceeds such sales will be kept in trust accounts.

D. Application of foregoing principles will be recommended by the Four Allied Powers in instances where other Govts are holding Jap archives and property. With respect to Jap archives and property ^{under sole jurisdiction} ~~in~~ China, UK, USSR ~~and~~ or US, the foregoing principles shall be conformed to in

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the discretion of the individual Powers concerned. UNQUOTE.

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Subject: Archives and Miscellaneous Papers of the Former Japanese Legation, Mexico City, D. F., Mexico.

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The Honorable
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OFFICE OF FOREIGN ACTIVITY CORRELATION
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Sir:

I have the honor to refer to despatch no. 245 of the Embassy dated June 29, 1946, and to report that the British Embassy in Mexico City has informed this office that the British Foreign Office is not interested in the documents found in the Japanese Legation in Mexico City, and do not intend to exercise their right of access to them. The British Embassy has asked that in due course it be informed what steps it is proposed to take to dispose of the documents, which, as before reported, have been stored in the basement of this Embassy.

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Respectfully yours,
For the Ambassador:

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE
DIVISION OF FINANCIAL
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SUBJECT: State Department Documents in Possession of
Japanese Foreign Office.

The Honorable
The Secretary of State,
Washington.



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Sir:

I have the honor to enclose a copy of a communication dated August 7, 1946 from the Special Operations Officer, Counter Intelligence Corps, Metropolitan Unit No. 80, to the Commanding Officer, 441st CIC Detachment, General Headquarters, United States Army Forces, Pacific, on the subject, "State Department Documents in Possession of Japanese Foreign Office". There are also enclosed copies of a report dated August 5, 1946 on the same subject and of English decoded versions of American Embassy, Moscow, telegrams No. 709, April 8, 1941; No. 761, April 13, 1941; and No. 762, April 13, 1941.

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The series of telegrams referred to above were received by Mr. Roy Morgan, Chief, Investigative Section, International Prosecution Section of General Headquarters, from the Japanese Foreign Office during March, 1946, and form part of a complete file relating to former Foreign Minister Matsuoka's affairs in Moscow. Subsequent investigation indicates that prior to August 1940 a cipher key was taken from the American Consulate at Taihoku, Formosa, by the Japanese Military Police, possibly assisted by an agent or agents in the Consulate. It is understood that this cipher key was used for messages of low classification and was undoubtedly employed by the Japanese in decoding coded messages received by the Japanese Central Telegraph Office.

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Respectfully yours,

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Enclosures:

1. Copy of communication, August 7, 1946, "State Department Documents in Possession of Japanese Foreign Office.
2. Copy of report, August 5, 1946, subject as above.
3. Copies of American Embassy, Moscow, telegrams nos. 709, 761, and 762.

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C O N F I D E N T I A L

HEADQUARTERS
COUNTER INTELLIGENCE CORPS
METROPOLITAN UNIT NO. 80
APO 500

7 August 1946

SUBJECT: STATE DEPARTMENT DOCUMENTS IN POSSESSION OF JAPANESE FOREIGN OFFICE

TO : Commanding Officer, 441st CIC Detachment, GHQ, AFPAC, APO 500

1. Transmitted herewith Memorandum Report, File No. TOK 80M-S-134; 441, 750328, dated 5 August 1946, Subject: STATE DEPARTMENT DOCUMENTS IN POSSESSION OF JAPANESE FOREIGN OFFICE. Reference is made to Lead Sheet, 441st CIC Detachment, dated 17 June 1946, subject as above, requesting an investigation be initiated to determine the following:

- a. How the Japanese Foreign Office came into possession of these documents.
- b. Did the Japanese break the code and if so when and other circumstances surrounding this event.
- c. Why the Japanese Foreign Office wants these documents returned by I.P.S.

2. Investigation disclosed that a Cipher Key was taken from the American Consulate at Taihoku, Formosa by a member of the Japanese Military Police. This Cipher Key was used to decipher messages of minor importance. Subject Documents were encoded in the same cipher key as they were considered to be of general information. There is no evidence that the more complicated code used for important messages was broken by the Japanese.

The documents were kept in a complete file relating to Matsuoka's affairs in Moscow and the Foreign Office has requested the return of all files turned over to Allied agencies.

3. No recommendations.
4. Case closed this Headquarters.
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FOR COMMANDING OFFICER:

NORMAN E. STEWART
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TOK 80M-S-134 (2)
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5 August 1946

MEMORANDUM FOR THE OFFICER IN CHARGE:

Subject: STATE DEPARTMENT DOCUMENTS IN POSSESSION OF JAPANESE FOREIGN OFFICE.

Pursuant to Lead Sheet, Hq., 441st CIC Detachment, APO 500, dated 17 June 1946, subject: STATE DEPARTMENT DOCUMENTS IN POSSESSION OF JAPANESE FOREIGN OFFICE, the Commanding Officer, CIC Metropolitan Unit No. 80, APO 500, directed that an investigation be initiated to determine the following:

- a. How the Japanese Foreign Office came into possession of these documents.
- b. Did the Japanese break the code and if so when and other circumstances surrounding this event.
- c. Why the Japanese Foreign Office wants these documents returned by I.P.S.

SUBJECT is a series of telegrams which were sent from Steinhardt in Moscow to Hull in Washington during the period 8 April 1941 to 16 April 1941.

1. On 15 July 1946 this Agent interviewed Mr. Roy Morgan, Chief, Investigative Section, I.P.S., at his office.

Morgan stated that the documents in question were discovered about March of this year. The documents are a section of a complete file relating to Matsuoka's affairs in Moscow. The Japanese Foreign Office wants the entire file returned, not just the STATE DEPARTMENT DOCUMENTS, because other Allied agencies request information which is contained in this file. Other files were turned over to I.P.S. in addition to the Matsuoka file. The Japanese Foreign Office has requested the return of all files. Morgan further stated that SUBJECT is a series of hand-written encoded telegrams, accompanied by a Japanese translation of same.

2. On 17 July, 24 July and 31 July 1946, this Agent interviewed a Confidential Informant who stated in substance as follows:

That prior to August 1940, a Cipher Key was taken from the American Consulate at Taihoku, Formosa by a member of the Japanese Military Police. It is believed that the Japanese Military Police were helped by secret agents located in the Consulate. This Cipher Key was used to decipher messages of minor importance. The documents in question were encoded in the same code system as established in the stolen Cipher Key.

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(Tokyo's despatch no. 581, Enclosure 2.)

Because SUBJECT was considered by Steinhardt to be of general information and of minor importance, the messages were sent to all American Embassies, Consulates and Legations, encoded in this minor code. The Japanese Central Telegraph Agency received the coded telegrams in question and copied same, which were then submitted to the 'Black Chamber' of the Japanese War Department, Navy Department, and Foreign Office. The 'Black Chamber' was composed of highly trained specialists whose duty was to decipher coded messages. The decoding of the STATE DEPARTMENT DOCUMENTS was accomplished by aid of the stolen Cipher Key and the techniques applied by members of the Japanese War Department 'Black Chamber'.

The more important messages sent from any American Embassy were encoded in a highly complicated code which has not, to the informants knowledge, been broken.

Special Agent

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Approved:

H.W.McC.

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Enclosure No. 3 to despatch no. 581, dated August 29, 1946, from the United States Political Adviser for Japan, Tokyo, on the subject "State Department Documents in Possession of Japanese Foreign Office."

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GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers
INTERNATIONAL PROSECUTION SECTION

Evidentiary Document Number 1241

FROM STEINHARDT, MOSCOW TO HULL, WASHINGTON

No. 709 April 8th 8 P.M.

STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL FOR THE PRESIDENT, THE SECRETARY AND THE UNDER-SECRETARY

Matsuoka and members of his staff and the Japanese Ambassador and his staff were my guests at luncheon today. The following is a summary of the remarks made to me by MATSUOKA in the course of an extended and frank conversation after the luncheon:

(1) MATSUOKA said that neither RIBBENTROP nor HITLER had asked for any commitments of any kind, and he requested me to advise the President that he had not made or given any commitments whatsoever to RIBBENTROP and HITLER that, as Japan had entered the Tri-partite Pact to "preserve peace", Japan would not consider itself obligated to declare war on the United States, were Germany to do so; but that, if the United States were to declare war on Germany, the situation might be different. He said that should Germany declare war on the United States, which he does not anticipate, he hopes that the United States would make no move in the Pacific unwillingly (?) Japan had had an opportunity to make her position clear. Later in the conversation he said that it must be understood that Japan would adhere to her obligation, under the Tripartite Pact, but emphasized that Japan was not obligated to follow Germany in an attack upon the United States.

He said that both HITLER and RIBBENTROP had told him that they desired to limit the sphere of the war, and that they had no desire to become involved in a war with the United States. They even suggested that he should take steps to discourage any American propaganda or agitations in Japan. (section one)

He said that he had expressed to RIBBENTROP and HITLER his desire for peace, and that they had replied that they were equally anxious to bring this about and hoped to do so this year.

MATSUOKA asserted that he had been impressed by HITLER, whom he characterized as a genius, and said that in none of his talks with him had HITLER exhibited any of the excitable characteristics generally ascribed to him. He has been calm and reasonable.

He said that RIBBENTROP had expressed admiration for the way in which the British were fighting, and voiced the opinion that the British Empire should not be "destroyed". He said that HITLER firmly believed that he could reduce British by submarine and aerial warfare this spring and summer and that an invasion would not be necessary, but that all preparations had been made for it and that would be attempted, should it become necessary.

He told

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(Tokyo's despatch no. 581, Enclosure No. 3)

He told me that the Germans were fully prepared to invade the Soviet Union but had no intention of doing so unless the Soviets substantially reduced deliveries to Germany. He expressed the opinion that the rumours of a German Attack on the Soviet Union had been given out by the Germans in order to frighten the Soviets into maintaining deliveries.

He said that Italy was under the control of the Germans who were very much in evidence and that they had received express instructions not to "look down or talk down" to the Italians. Because of the mutual personal relations between HITLER and MUSSOLINI, he was convinced that there was no possibility of the English driving a wedge between the two countries. He said that Italy would stand or fall with Germany. He said that MUSSOLINI had not given any evidence of discouragement at his recent reverses and had expressed confidences that Italy would shortly "stage a come-back".

MATSUOKA said that RIBBENTROP had expressed the opinion to him that the coup d' etat in Yugoslavia had been engineered by the Soviets, whereas he had expressed his own opinion that the British had been responsible for this development.

(2) MATSUOKA said that HITLER and RIBBENTROP had urged him to come to some agreement with the Soviets, and he had told them that he was desirous of doing so, but could not "pay an excessive price". He said that in his three and one half hour talk with MOLOTOV last night, he had gotten nowhere, "as the Soviet demands were excessive". He expects to see MOLOTOV again tomorrow, at which time he hopes definitely to ascertain whether there is any possibility for agreements.

Post, he may defer his departure until the 13th and plans to go to Leningrad tomorrow night. Repeated to Tokyo, End. (cut out)

He said that he was beginning to doubt the Soviet desire to reach an agreement with Japan except upon its own terms, and that he was not too sure that they could be counted upon to carry out any agreement they might undertake. He said he did not see how he could consent to major territorial concessions, as he did not believe that the Japanese public would accept important concessions and he had endeavored to make this clear to MOLOTOV last night. We said that the United States could be indifferent to the Soviet Union but that Japan would "either have to come to an agreement with the Soviet Union or fight".

(3) MATSUOKA indicated, as he has done on each previous occasion that I have talked with him, his earnest desire to bring the war in China to an end, and his belief that the President could accomplish this by intimating CHIANG-KAI SHEK that the United States would withhold any future assistance to China if CHIANG-KAI-SHEK refused to accept "fair and reasonable terms". He repeatedly emphasized that, if the President and Mr. HULL would "trust him" and assist him in bringing about peace in China, everything in the Far East would be cleared up to their satisfaction.

(4) MATSUOKA stated that because of his desire to see LENINGRAD, his old.....(post, he may defer his departure, etc. as in part two).

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(Tokyo's despatch no. 581, Enclosure No. 3)

FROM STEINHARDT, MOSCOW TO HULL, WASHINGTON.

No. 754. April 12th 1941

Strictly confidential. For the President and the Secretary.

KASE called on me this afternoon, and said that MATSUOKA desired to meet the British Ambassador, but that, due to the fact that the Japanese Ambassador had been offended by CRIPPS' attitude toward him ever since his arrival in MOSCOW (see my despatch No. 117 of February 28th 1941), MATSUOKA was unable to invite CRIPPS to call on him. KASE accordingly suggested that MATSUOKA should call on me at 12:30 tomorrow, and that CRIPPS be present "by accident". He stressed the fact that MATSUOKA did not wish the Japanese Ambassador to know of the meeting nor the Germans or Italians and that he was desirous that the meeting would not receive publicity.

I pointed out to him that, under the conditions existing in MOSCOW of close and constant surveillance of Chiefs of Mission by the Soviet authorities and Foreign Press representatives, it would be impossible for such a meeting to take place apparently "by accident", and that publicity with various undesirable implications was bound to follow. When I suggested as an alternative that I arrange to have the British Ambassador meet MATSUOKA elsewhere, KASE demurred on the grounds that MATSUOKA did not wish TATEKAWA to know of the meeting, since TATEKAWA would object to his meeting CRIPPS. Toward the close of the conversation, KASE stated that MATSUOKA intended to attend the MOSCOW Art Theater this evening. I stated that Mrs. Steinhardt and I also would attend at the theater this evening, and that the British Ambassador and Lady CRIPPS would be our only guests, thus affording MATSUOKA an opportunity to meet the Ambassador and talk with him during the intermission without evoking any comment. I pointed out that such a meeting would appear to be quite casual inasmuch as a substantial part of the Diplomatic Corps is usually to be found at the Moscow Art Theater. Repeated to Tokyo.

FROM STEINHARDT, MOSCOW TO HULL, WASHINGTON

No. 761. April 13th 1941.

Strictly confidential. For the President, the Secretary and the under Secretary.

The meeting between MATSUOKA and CRIPPS took place last night at the Theater, as arranged, without attracting any attention. In the course of their conversation, MATSUOKA assured CRIPPS that Japan had no hostile intentions against Britain or British Possessions in the Far East. He expressed the hope that the war would not spread, and talked in a generally conciliatory vein, CRIPPS handed him a copy of CHURCHILL's Message, which MATSUOKA surreptitiously slipped into his pocket without looking at it, obviously in order that it should not be noticed that he had received a document.

As we were walking back to our seats, I asked MATSUOKA whether he had reached an understanding with MOLOTOV, to which he replied he anticipated signing a "limited" agreement in the nature of a "Pact of

Neutrality"

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(Tokyo's despatch no. 581, Enclosure No. 3)

Neutrality" before his departure (see my No. 1638 November 28th)
Repeated to Tokyo.

FROM STEINDHARDT, MOSCOW TO HULL, WASHINGTON.

No. 762 April 13th 1941.

Strictly confidential. For the President, the Secretary and the under-Secretary.

The MOSCOW radio this afternoon announced the signing of a Treaty of Neutrality of the Soviet Union and Japan and a supplementary Declaration. The essence of the Treaty is that each contracting party will observe neutrality if the other is the object of military action by a third party or parties. The essence of the Declaration is a reciprocal undertaking to respect the territorial integrity and inviolability of MANCHOUKUO and the MONGOLIAN PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC. For the protection of our codes, the texts of the Treaty and the Declaration are being sent in a separate telegram following and bearing the next number after this.

The extravagant utterances and threats against the United States, which have appeared in the German Press and which have been broadcast from Germany regarding the consequences to be expected from MATSUOKA's visit to Berlin make it reasonable to suppose that the Soviet-Japanese Treaty of Neutrality will be hailed by Germany as the successful result of its efforts to bring about a Soviet-Japanese political agreement, which would relieve Japan of the fear of an attack by the Soviet Union should Japan become embroiled in hostilities with the United States.

I believe, however, that the Treaty was brought much less by German influence or a desire on the part of Japan to prepare itself for eventual collaboration with Germany in hostilities with the United States than by the fear on the part of Japan that it may become involved in hostilities with the United States against its will, and the desire on the part of the Soviet Government to prepare itself against a possible attack by Germany.

During the early months of the Soviet-Japanese negotiations, it was clear that the Soviet Government was not unduly anxious to enter into a political agreement with Japan, and that it would only do so for a high price, including substantial territorial concessions.
(Section one)

On the other hand, while the Japanese Government did not conceal its eagerness to conclude a political agreement with the Soviet Union, which it desired to be of as far-reaching a scope as possible, it was not willing to pay the price demanded by the Soviet Government, especially insofar as concerned the cession of lower SAKHALIN or even the surrender of the Japanese concessions to NORTHERN SAKHALIN.

I believe that during the three weeks that have intervened since MATSUOKA's departure from MOSCOW for BERLIN, the attitude of both the Soviet and Japanese Government has undergone a profound change. I am of the opinion that the Soviet Government, having become convinced of the possibility of an attack by Germany, decided to abandon its favorable bargaining position in exchange for an assurance of Japanese neutrality in the event of a German attack on the Soviet Union.

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(Tokyo's despatch no. 581, Enclosure No. 3)

I likewise believe that, as a result of his talks with MUSSOLINI and HITLER and also perhaps because of the impression made upon him by the threats against the United States, which appeared in the German and Italian Press in connection with his visit, MATSUOKA returned to MOSCOW fearful that Japan might find itself maneuvered into a position which would lead to hostilities with the United States. In this connection, it will be recalled (see my No. 581 March 24th) that MATSUOKA, on the first occasion of his first visit to MOSCOW expressed the view to me that "American History indicates that it is the United States which goes to war with other countries". In consequence, he felt the necessity of coming to an agreement with the Soviet Government, which would protect Japan against cooperation by the Soviet Union with the United States in such an eventuality, and at the same time indicating to Germany that he does not consider Japan bound under the Tri-partite Pact to go to war with either the Soviet Union or the United States in the event that Germany should declare war or take offensive action against either country.

It would appear from the foregoing that both governments found it expedient to abandon their earlier specific desire (such as territorial concessions by Japan and cessation of aid to China by the Soviet Union) rather than have the negotiations break down or be further prolonged, entering into a simple and limited reciprocal commitment to remain neutral in the event that either country should become the object of military action by a third party or parties.

MATSUOKA left this afternoon on the trans-Siberian for MANCHULI, whence he will fly to Tokyo. STALIN was at the station to see him off, an attention he did not show to von RIBBENTROP and which, in so far as I am aware, is without precedent. His action was presumably designed to lend the appearance of importance to the Treaty.

Shortly before his departure, MATSUOKA sent me the following letter marked "confidential" handwritten by him. (section two)

FROM STEINHARDT, MOSCOW. TO HULL, WASHINGTON

No. 762 April 13th 1941

"Dear Steinhardt,

"I am leaving this afternoon as scheduled, and wish again to thank you and your wife for the kind attention given me and the most pleasant hospitality I enjoyed at your Embassy. Also thank you for your thoughtfulness in enabling me last evening to meet SIR STAFFORD.

"I also inform you that, after being made to feel disappointed as to the conclusion of the RUSSIAN-JAPANESE Pact of Neutrality, upon my present visit to MOSCOW (neither was I necessarily hoping opinions of the pressing (?) for it), I was told that the Soviet Government was prepared to sign it at once when I called on Mr. STALIN to say goodbye and to thank him in person for all the courtesies extended to me and my suite in my present visit to Europe. Of course, I had said goodbye to Mr. MOLOTOV in the previous day.

"They stressed the necessity and importance of settling the question of liquidating the concessions in NORTH SAKHALIN simultaneously with the signing of the Pact. I reiterated that I have always authority....and settle it right now and the consequence....deadlock. In all probability the Pact will be signed before my departure, and, it will be published by the MOSCOW government together with the text of a declaration.

"Believing

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(Tokyo's despatch no. 581, Enclosure No. 3)

"Believing that your Excellency is interested to know the above, I take pleasure in adding a.....of the inside story.

Sincerely yours",

MATUSOKA

Repeated to Tokyo

FROM STEINHARDT, MOSCOW TO HULL, WASHINGTON

No. 777 April 16th

Strictly confidential.

Foreign correspondents, who were present at the Trans-Siberian Railway Station in the evening MATUSOKA left on his return journey to Japan, state that it was apparent that most of the members of MATSUOKA's Party and of the Japanese Embassy and of the Soviet Delegation present to bid MATSUOKA farewell (with the exception of STALIN) were somewhat intoxicated, and that the behaviour in the station platform, while awaiting the departure of the train, can only be described as frolicsome. There were many back slappings, bearhugs and even kisses exchanged between various persons present, and several rather extraordinary remarks were claimed to have been overheard. The most interesting of these is one attributed to STALIN in variations of the following words: "Now that the SOVIET UNION and JAPAN have arranged their affairs, Japan will straighten out the EAST. The Soviet Union and Germany will take care of the AMERICANS". That something approximating the foregoing statement actually was said has been confirmed by members of the German Embassy who were also present.

The visit and the signing of the Treaty have of course provoked an abundant flow of gossip in MOSCOW, including most recently the circulation of a report to the effect that the real and hidden importance of the Soviet-Japanese agreement is that it constitutes the first step toward a full association on the part of the Soviet Union with the Tri-partite Power in a concerted drive to enforce their will on Europe and Asia.

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Foreign Office in commenting on language proposed for presentation Japanese Govt re Japanese archives (REDEPT's 6148 and 6149. August 20) enclosed copy of instructions on this subject sent to various British posts in February. Foreign Office letter states British Embassy in Washington was instructed at that time to show these instructions to Dept, and Foreign Office claims it has not heard of any objections being raised. It therefore thought Dept concurred in them and they represented line to be followed by the two govts.

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Foreign Office says it is still of opinion as pointed out in its February instruction that after suitable lapse of time, to enable those who so desired to examine them, archives should be destroyed or otherwise disposed of. Foreign Office, however, now excepts from this such documents as consular registers and correspondence pertaining to Japanese nationals living abroad. However, Foreign Office states it is "prepared to agree to the preservation in tact of all archives if the United States Govt and the other govts concerned attach importance to this."

Full agreement is expressed with paragraph A (three) of document given in Dept's 614

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In re paragraph B, Foreign Office says it understands text to mean "that where necessary in order to preserve its value Japanese official property may be sold". If this is correct understanding it is in accordance with Foreign Office views. Foreign Office agrees with paragraphs C and D.

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Department has not yet received comment of China or USSR on action proposed in reference DEPTELS.

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Not clear from third paragraph your 7894 whether British concur with all four points paragraphed under "A. Archives:" in DEPTTEL 6149 or only with "A. (3)" relating destruction stamps, seals, et cetera. Please clarify.

See attached memo

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September 27, 1946

MEMORANDUM

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TO: Colonel Carter W. Clarke,
Deputy Director Intelligence Division,
War Department General Staff, G-2,
2-E-808 Pentagon Building,
Washington, D. C.

FROM: Saxton E. Bradford, Assistant Chief,
Division of Foreign Activity Correlation.

SUBJECT: Japanese Consular Archives in Canada.

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hectograph copy of Despatch No. 4314 with enclosures dated
September 3, 1946, and transmitted by the Embassy, Ottawa
to the Department on the subject, "Examination of Japanese
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as participants, First Lieutenant T. G. Tsukahira, Infantry,
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September 25, 1946

MEMORANDUM

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TO: Lieutenant Colonel H. St. Clair,
Captured Documents Center,
War Department,
2-D-762 Pentagon Building,
Washington, D. C.

FROM: Herbert J. Cummings, Assistant Chief,
Division of Foreign Activity Correlation.

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LEGATION OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Pretoria, Union of South Africa.

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September 3, 1946.

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No. 1063

Subject: Japanese Archives in the Union of South Africa.



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The Minister has the honor to refer to the Department's circular airgram dated January 31, 1946, requesting information on Japanese archives in the Union of South, and to report that the Legation has only now received a reply from the Department of External Affairs to its note of February 28. The Department of External Affairs states that an examination of the archives of the Japanese Legation in Pretoria and the Japanese Consulate in Cape Town revealed nothing of value, and that arrangements are now being made to dispose of the stationery, publications and films found therein, and to destroy the files. Copies of the Legation's note dated February 28, addressed to the Department of External Affairs, in conformity with the instructions contained in the Department's airgram under reference, and the Department of External Affairs' reply thereto dated August 29, are enclosed for the Department's information.

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Enclosures:

1. Copy of Legation's note dated February 28, 1946.
2. Copy of Department of External Affairs' note dated August 29, 1946.

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Enclosure No. 1 to despatch no. 1063, dated September 3, 1946, entitled "Japanese Archives in the Union of South Africa" from the American Legation, Pretoria.

LEGATION OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

The American Legation presents its compliments to the Department of External Affairs and has the honor to refer to the Legation's communication to the Right Honourable, The Prime Minister, dated October 27, 1945, regarding the custody of Japanese archives in the Union of South Africa. Reference is also made to the Department's note dated December 4, 1945, regarding the handing over of the Japanese interests in the Union by the Protecting Power. In this connection it would be greatly appreciated if the Department could supply the Legation with the following information:

1. A brief description of the Japanese archives in the Union of South Africa;
2. An evaluation of the contents of these archives.

In view of the language difficulty, the Legation appreciates that it may be difficult for the Department to give a description and estimate of the Japanese archives in the Union. It would be appreciated, however, if the Department could supply the Legation with any information which it may have on the basis of the past activities of the members of the Japanese staff in South Africa in addition to information based on scrutiny of the archives themselves. Pending the detailed examination of these archives, which the Department will doubtless undertake, it would be helpful were the Legation informed as to whether the Japanese representatives were indiscreet or careless, or whether the quantity of documents indicates that few, if any, were destroyed. Such information would assist the United States Government in determining whether it would be worthwhile, on its part, to make arrangements for an examination of these archives by a team of examiners, and to assess the probable value of such examination.

It is noted from the Department's reply to the Legation's note of November 27, 1945, that the Union Government is at present giving attention to the

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matter of the handing over of Japanese interests in the Union by the Protecting Power. If a decision in this matter has been arrived at, the Legation would appreciate being informed as to what procedure will be followed in this regard.

The Legation desires to inform the Department that the Department of State in Washington is anxious that access to Japanese archives, cryptographic material, etc., in the custody of the Government of the Union of South Africa be granted to members of the Legation staff for personal examination, and that all information obtained from the archives by the South African authorities be shared with the Legation. It would be appreciated, therefore, if the Department would also inform the Legation of its plans in this respect.

CAPE TOWN,

February 28, 1946.

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AIR MAIL CONFIDENTIAL:

Enclosure No. 2 to despatch no. 1063, dated September 3, 1946, entitled "Japanese Archives in the Union of South Africa" from the American Legation, Pretoria.

UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA.

DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS.

The Department of External Affairs presents its compliments to the American Legation and, with reference to the Legation's note of the 28th February, has the honour to state that the Union authorities have now completed their examination of the archives of the former Japanese Legation in Pretoria and Japanese Consulate in Cape Town.

The examination has failed to disclose anything of interest. The archives of the erstwhile Legation were contained in one sealed trunk and three packing cases which when opened were found to contain:

- a) files of commercial correspondence, a perusal of which revealed nothing of value;
- b) Statutes, Blue Books and other reference books of the Union Government;
- c) bound volumes of laws, treaties, etc. in the Japanese language, and dictionaries;
- d) cinematographic films which have not yet been projected but appear to be travel scenes in Japan.

The archives of the former Japanese Consulate in Cape Town which were taken over from the Swedish consular representative in that city consisted of four wooden cases and one trunk. When opened it was discovered that the trunk and cases were filled with nothing but stationery and envelopes.

P R E T O R I A,

29th August, 1946.

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No. 4314

Ottawa, September 3, 1946

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Subject: Examination of Japanese Consular Archives.

The Honorable
The Secretary of State,
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

I have the honor to refer to the Department's A-87 of July 12, 1946 and previous correspondence relating to the examination of the Japanese consular archives now held by the Canadian Government.

The examination of the archives recovered from the Japanese Consulate at Vancouver was made from August 19 to 23 by Mr. J. W. Amshey of the Department of State, Lieutenant T. G. Tsukahira of the War Department, officers of the Department of External Affairs, the R.C.M.P., the R.C.N.R., the National Research Council, Lieutenant Colonel Harold Richey, Assistant Military Attache, and an officer of the Embassy.

The material consisted of official records and documents, reference books in English and Japanese, motion picture equipment and film, flags, wall pictures, and office supplies, and were contained in fifteen boxes, numbered 5 through 19, the contents of which are listed in detail in enclosure No. 1 to this despatch.

The examination disclosed little of interest to the Canadian or American authorities present. A cardboard box of coded and clear text telegraphic messages was found, but none were dated later than December 1936 and the subjects were not of interest. From box No. 6 were extracted a number of items shown in Enclosure No. 2 as of possible interest in the study of propaganda activities of the Consulate, the control exercised by the Consulate over Japanese residents in Canada through local associations, and individuals under suspicion by the Japanese Government. The last item on this list was withheld by the Department of External Affairs as it "appears to be a matter of purely domestic political concern and therefore may more properly be dealt with by the appropriate Canadian authorities", according to that Department. The remainder were carried by Mr. Amshey to Washington for microfilming, the Embassy undertaking to return the originals with two copies to the Canadian Government after this work is completed.

No representatives of the British, Chinese, or Soviet Governments participated in the examination; the offer

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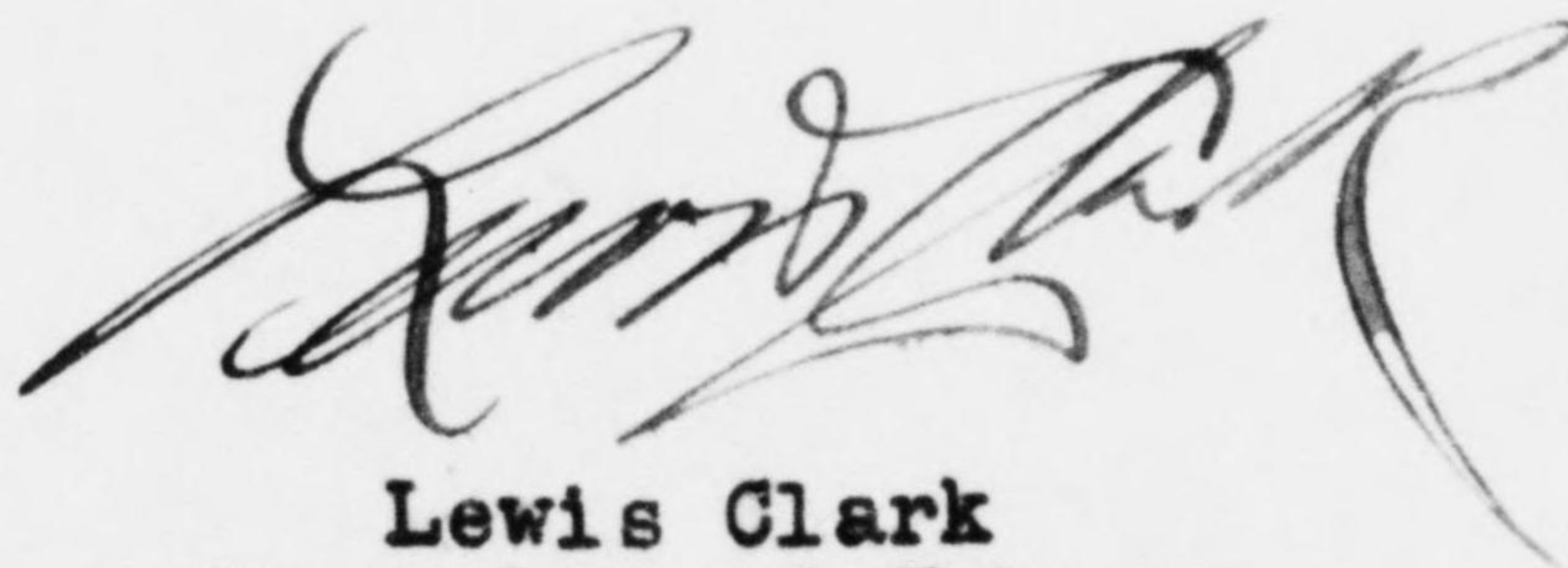
made by the Canadian Government to the United States Government to share in the examination was not extended to their representatives at Ottawa and the matter was not raised with them by the Embassy in view of the Canadian position.

Although the Embassy had previously been informed by the Department of External Affairs that the archives of the Consulate at Winnipeg would likewise be available for examination at this time, a thorough search by the Canadian authorities failed to disclose their whereabouts and I was informed as a result by an officer of that Department that their existence is "extremely doubtful". As I have previously reported, the archives of the Japanese Legation at Ottawa as well as the remaining consular establishments were destroyed in their entirety by the Japanese, according to the Canadian Government.

The office furniture and other property apart from the records and archives and including a Government-owned building at Vancouver was placed in the hands of the Canadian Custodian of Enemy Property. It is understood that sale of some of this property may have been effected, the proceeds being placed in a special account.

Respectfully yours,

For the Ambassador:



Lewis Clark
Counselor of Embassy

Enclosures: *att. HHT*

- 1/ Contents of 15 boxes
(5 through 19)
- 2/ Items extracted from Box 6.

Copy to Mr. Parsons, BC

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John C. Shillock, Jr.:EMS

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Enclosure No. 1 to despatch
No. 4314 of September 3, 1946
from the Embassy at Ottawa.

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INVENTORY OF ARCHIVES OF THE JAPANESE CONSULATE

IN VANCOUVER, Presently housed in the
gallery of the Riding School, R.C.M.P.
Barracks, Rockcliffe Annex, Ottawa,
made on August 19-22, 1946.

Archives consisted of 15 boxes packed as follows:

Box	5	Books (Japanese)
	6	Documents
	7	Documents
	8	Loudspeaker and films
	9	Books (English)
	10	Books (Japanese)
	11	Wall pictures
	12	Books (Japanese)
	13	Box broken and destroyed (Contents placed in and listed in other boxes)
	14	Filing Cabinet (30 drawers)
	15	Projector
	16	Books (English)
	17	Amplifier
	18	Books (English)
	19	Pamphlets and Japanese typewriter

BOX 5

Reference Books of Rules & Regulations in Force
(15 volumes). Published by the Imperial District
Administration Research Society (1926) (In Japanese).

One Reference Book of Accounting Regulations of the
Foreign Office. Published by the Accounting
Section of the Foreign Ministers Secretariat. (1935)

Two boxes of Consular Seals and Stamps

One box of Medals (Japanese Red Cross, Census, etc.)

BOX 6

DOCUMENTS (JAPANESE)

Four files of Citizenship Registration Reports,
Japanese Consulate Vancouver, B.C.

Dates: 1926 - 1929
1930 - 1934
1935 - 1939
Jan.1940 and subsequent.

Three files of documents relative to Canadian naturalization
of Japanese in Canada, Japanese Consulate, Vancouver, B.C.

Dates: Aug.1931 - Dec. 1934
Jan.1935 on
1941

Three files of applications for immigration of Farm and
Household employees and families of Japanese resident
in Canada. Japanese Consulate, Vancouver, B.C.

Dates: 1926
Sept. 1929 on
1939.

One file relative to Japanese Government commendations to
Japanese in Canada. Japanese Consulate, Vancouver, 1928.

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Two files relative to applications to renounce Japanese citizenship. Japanese Consulate, Vancouver, B.C.

Dates: Jan. 1938 on
1939 - 1941.

One file of documents relative to loss of passports

Jan. 1940 on

One file of documents of 1st inst. relative to Canadian naturalization of Japanese as British subjects, to whom the Order-in-Council promulgated June 17, 1931, is applicable.

One file of correspondence relative to litigation and enquiries as to whereabouts of Japanese subjects in Canada.

January 1935 on.

Three files of documents relative to Passports & Visas.

Dates: Jan. 1935 - Dec. 1936
Jan. 1937 - Dec. 1938
Jan. 1939 - on.

One file of documents relating to Visas.

Jan. 1935 on.

One file of papers relating to removals of Consular premises.

One report on conditions in British Columbia, by S. Kanaya, Junior Secretary, Japanese Consulate, Vancouver. Sept. 1939. 797 pages. Manuscript (mimeographed): History, Geography, Weather, Population, Political Administration, Immigration, Agriculture, Forestry, Fishery, Mining, Leather, Furs, Hydroelectric resources, Manufacturing industries, Finance, Trade, Transportation, Commerce, Education, Labour, Social policies.

One file of documents relating to visit of Japanese Naval Training Squadron. July 1936. (3 vols.) Japanese Consulate, Vancouver, B.C.

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Box 6 - cont'd

One file relative to visits to Japan by Japanese subjects.
Japanese Consulate, Vancouver, B.C. 1940.

One file of applications for Japanese citizenship.
Japanese Consulate, Vancouver, B.C. Nov. 1941.

One report on conditions in Alaska (Industry)
(Alaska Research Studies No. 2)
Japanese Consulate, Seattle, Washington. 177 pages,
mimeographed manuscript.

One sheet containing statistics on Japanese farmers by
municipalities in British Columbia and Saskatchewan.

One autograph book of H. Takahashi.

One envelope addressed to Foreign Office, Tokyo, containing
birth certificates and death notices for Japanese
citizenship registration.

One Bundle of invoices and receipts for incoming
documents from the Japanese Foreign Office.

One Loose Leaf Folder of letters and newspaper clippings
concerning boycotts and attitude toward Japanese in Canada.

One Envelope containing 35 newspaper editorials, dated Nov.
and Dec. 1941, and translation thereof from Vancouver and
Winnipeg relating to U.S.-Japanese relations in Pacific.

One letter of Foreign Minister Matsuoka to Japanese
Consulate, Vancouver, requesting report on use of motion
pictures with draft of record of dates and places.

One copy of Japanese Language newspaper "The Gwanne"
dated March 10, 1941. (Published in Ishikawa Prefecture)

One envelope containing passport, poll tax, registration
cards and letter of recommendation, property of Takuma, Shinzo.

One folder of visa applications of 9 British subjects
requesting travel to Shanghai.

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One folder, dated 1941, containing list of Japanese naturalized as Canadians.

One folder containing papers of estate of Nikura, T.

One envelope containing application and related papers for admission to Canada of wife and child of Teshina, Yasutada, and wife of OKUNA, Mataji.

One envelope marked "Reference Materials" containing speeches, editorials and note of general interest.

One folder of copies of outgoing letters 1940, requesting typographical material, maps, and Airways Bulletins of Canada.

One folder of negative replies to above outgoing letters.

One folder of newspaper clippings re George McMurray's visit to the Orient and relating to British Columbia trade with the Orient.

One envelope containing letters and articles sent out to newspapers (1940).

One folder of anti-Japanese newspaper clippings of Vancouver papers from April to June 15, 1940.

One folder of lists of Japanese firms and businesses in British Columbia for 1941.

One folder of List of applicants for admission to Canada, dated March 14, 1940, and list of number of Japanese immigrants from January 1938 to December 1940.

One folder containing lists of members of Consolidated Japanese Farmers of Frazer Valley; clippings from Japanese language newspapers in Canada re Japanese subjects and Canadian citizens travelling to Japan (1939 - 1940); excerpts from Japanese registration law;

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Box 6 - cont'd

notification of marriage of Japanese citizens; two communications dated September 1939 from Japanese Foreign Minister, re: entrance of Japanese of dual citizenship into Japanese Naval Academy, and re: matters pertaining to Japanese census.

Folder containing receipts and vouchers for incidental expenses (rent, gardening, etc.)

One envelope concerning passenger lists and applications for return to Japan on "Hikawa Maru", November 1941.

One envelope of transmittal sheets of official documents from Japanese Consulate General, San Francisco, Seattle, New York and Ottawa.

One folder of Coroner's enquiries and letters of estates of deceased Japanese in British Columbia.

One folder of news clippings and transmittal notices of pamphlets, books, etc. from the Japanese Foreign Office.

One file of letters relating to accounts, 1941. Black folio.

One file of accounting reports, 1941. Black folio.

One Petty Cash receipts and expenditures from Nov. 1, 1939 to December 1941.

One File (loose) of accounting documents.

Three bank books, Canadian Bank of Commerce
One bank book, Bank of Montreal

One loose file of documents relating to telegraphic bank drafts.

One envelope. Bank draft vouchers.

2 Volumes listing telegrams despatched and received 1938-41, 1941 to date.

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Box 6 - cont'd

One folder containing newspaper clippings and lists of books on Japanese property of Neppon Club, Vancouver.

One file of letters sent and received, Consular business - English language.

One file of propaganda speeches delivered by Tom MacInnis.

One envelope of blank accounting documents.

One Petty Cash Book 1934-40.

One Journal.

One Cash Book General.

One Ledger.

One Register of articles delivered to Consulate.

One Register of Persons to be looked for when issuing visas.

One box of passports - some blank.

One list of registered letters.

One Cash book 1935-39.

One list of Japanese Associations in Western Canada with names and addresses of secretaries.

One letter from Canadian-Japanese Association to Consulate saying that requesting mailing list is attached. Mailing list in Japanese and English.

One file of applications for entry of families into Canada.

One file of lists showing newspapers, libraries, associations and private individuals to whom Japanese trade catalogues, trade information bulletins etc. were sent.

One packet of invitation acknowledgement cards relating to reception held in connection with visit of Jap. Naval Squadron.

One list "Des Consulate Etrangers an Japan" June 1939.

One Japanese language pamphlet published by The American Bureau of the Foreign Office. Hints for Persons going abroad.

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One Japanese Language Pamphlet, published by personnel section of the Foreign Ministers Office. Addresses of Departmental Personnel in Tokyo.

One Japanese Language pamphlet published by Secretarial Section in office of the Foreign Minister - addresses of diplomatic personnel abroad.

One sheaf of mimeographed forms for reporting lapse of Japanese nationality or naturalization.

Four Japanese handwritten lists of occupations of Japanese private individuals in business listed by townships in British Columbia.

One sheaf of printed forms used by Japanese in making reports to Consulate from which last entry was compiled.

One sheaf of working lists used in compiling above.

Four packages of forms as above.

One package of Japanese census of Japanese residents in Canada (reports and working sheets).

Three files on formal reports from Japanese engaged in business.

One packet of mixed forms of categories mentioned above.

One Register of passports issued at Vancouver.

Printers' proof of Japanese language broadside giving details and instructions for obtaining Canadian citizenship.

Two information bulletins issued by Japanese Foreign Ministry.

One handwritten draft of report on the establishment by the Canadian Cabinet Wartime Commission of a special Commission to investigate Japanese and Chinese in British Columbia.

One pamphlet - Report on Budget of the Japanese Foreign Ministry.

One paper box containing approximately 100 telegrams, coded and clear, all dated 1936 and insurance policies and property leases belonging to Japanese Consulate, Vancouver, B.C.

One notebook containing text of speeches and radio broadcasts delivered in Vancouver between 1933 and 1939.

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One notebook containing list of applicants for Japanese visas to be kept under special surveillance while in Japan (36 names); photograph of 10th Annual B.C. Provincial Convention, Communist Party of Canada, Vancouver Dec. 3-5 1938.

One list of "Associated Associations, 1937"

One list of "The Associated Association of Canadian Japanese Association" Nov. 1929.

One mailing list of Japanese Consulate, Vancouver, B.C. and Canadian-Japanese Association.

Three census tables of Japanese residents in Canada for the years 1936-37-39.

Two sample forms used in compiling data.

Three memoranda and copy of agreement for publishing book between Nakauchi, Kenji and Allen Roy Evans.

Bundle of 75 envelopes containing:

59 envelopes containing applications and accompanying papers for admission to Canada from Japan of immigrants. Dates: 1936 - 1940.

5 envelopes containing copies of Japanese family registers.

1 envelope containing papers relating to estates of deceased Japanese.

5 envelopes containing applications for registry at Japanese Consulate by Japanese in British Columbia.

1 envelope containing the last wills of Yasuji and Shige ORITO.

1 envelope containing signed receipts for money advanced to Consulate personnel; account sheet summarizing Consulate expenses. Dates: September, October and November 1941.

2 envelopes containing twelve Japanese passports each.

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14 files of documents relating to births and deaths of

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Japanese subjects in Canada, Japanese Consulate,
Vancouver, B.C.

1913	1917	1923
1914	1918	1924 (2 vols.)
1915	1919	1925
1916	1922	1926
		1941

18 files of documents relating to Japanese citizenship
registration, Japanese Consulate, Vancouver, B.C.

1920	1930 (2 vols.)	1935 (2 vols.)
1921	1931	1936
1927	1932	1937
1928	1933	1939
1929	1934	1940

2 files of correspondence relating to citizenship
registration of Japanese subjects, Japanese Consulate,
Vancouver, B.C.

Jan. 1931 - Dec. 1933
1926 - 1930

BOX 8

Box - 8Loudspeaker and Films

One KO-ON loudspeaker.

Three reels of 35 mm film, "KAWASAKI Shipyard Construction
Scenes"

One reel 35 mm film, "Fushun Colliery of South Manchurian
Railway"

One reel 35 mm film, "KOREA, a Day in Upperclass Life"

Two reels 35 mm film, "Three Weeks in Japan"

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Two reels 35 mm film, "Glimpses of Japan"
Three reels 35 mm film, "Sports Training"
One box colored slides of scenes in Japan.
One box of commercial photographs of cities in Canada.
Two reels 16 mm film, "The Art of Doll Making"
One reel 16 mm film, "Japanese Festival"

BOX 9Box - 9Books (English)

Statutes of Canada 1922.
Digest of Criminal Law - Stephen.
Statutes of British Columbia, 1922, 1923, 1921,
1921 (2nd session), 1928, 1926-27, 1924, 1925,
1920, 1912.
Vancouver Incorporation Act Consolidated 1921.
Statutes of Alberta, 7 Edward VII, 1907.
By-laws of the City of Vancouver 1913.
Revised Statutes of British Columbia 1924.
International Law by W.E.Hall, 3rd edition, 1890.
The Science of International Law.
Conference on the Limitation of Armaments, Sub-
committees, Washington, Nov. 12, 1921 - Feb. 6, 1922.

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Box 9 - cont'd

B.C. Supreme Court Rules, 1906.

Recueil des Traites et Conventions entre le Japon
et les Puissances Etrangères, Tome 1,
Traites Bilatéraux, published by the Foreign
Office, 1936, Japanese and foreign texts.

Revised Statutes of Canada 1927, Vols. I - V, 1924.

Revised Statutes of B.C. 1911, Vol. I and II.

Ordinances of the Northwest Territories of Canada 1906.

Code de Procedure Penale du Japon, Tokio 1892,
published in French.

Law Cases involving Japanese in the United States.
1916-24 Vol. I & II.

Inouye's English-Japanese Dictionary.

Takenobu's English-Japanese Dictionary.

"The Real Japanese Question", by K. Kawakami, N.Y. 1921.

Vaccari's Japanese Conversation Grammar, Tokyo 1937.

Statutes of Canada (1908 (7 - 8 Edward VII) Vols. I-II.

Canada Legal Directory, 1935 by R.A. Wharton.

Clement's Canadian Constitution, 3rd Edition, 1916.

Lectures of Japan by Inazo Nitobo, 1936, published
May 1931 by E.V.A. de Beeker

Synopsis of the Ceremonies of the Ascension to the
Throne of H.M. The Emperor of Japan, Nov. 1928.

Inouye's Japanese-English Dictionary.

Dominion School Geography, British Columbia Edition, 1910.

The Story of Gjo from the Heike Monogatari,
Retold by Ridgely, Torrence, Japan Society of N.Y. 1935.

The Ghost Plays of Japan by L. Adams Beck,
Japan Society, N.Y., 1923.

The Code of Civil Procedure of Japan, Official
Translation, 1893.

Cassel's Concise English Dictionary.

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BOX 10Box - 10Books (Japanese)

Dai Hyakka Jiten (Encyclopaedia) published by the Neibonsha, 1935, 28 volumes.

Director of Chinese Personal Names, published by the Information Department of the Foreign Office, 1924.

Chinese Customs and Manners of China by Nagao, Takizo, published by the Chinese Customs & Manners Publishing Society under the auspices of the Cultural Works Department of the Foreign Office, 1940, two volumes.

Current Laws & Regulations of Japan, 2 volumes, published by the Cabinet Secretariat, Archives Section, 1920.

Synopsis of Treaties between Japan and all other Countries, published by the Treaties Bureau of the Foreign Office, 1924, Book I and Supplement (1927).

Collection of Treaties of the U.S.S.R., published by the Treaties Bureau of the Foreign Office, March 1929.

Regulations re Safe Navigation, published by the Ministry of Communications, 1933.

History of Japanese Residents in the U.S., 1940.

Proposals re Trade Mark Laws for All Countries, by H. Inouye published in 1926.

BOX 11Box 11Wall Pictures

Eight wall pictures from the Japanese Consulate in Vancouver. (One oil, five watercolors on silk, two watercolors on paper under glass).

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BOX 12Box 12

Books (Japanese)

Regulations Governing the Ownership of Property by Foreigners in All Countries published by the Treaties Bureau of the Foreign Office, January 1937.

The Portraits of Members of the Imperial Family published by G. Shimada, 1883.

Regulations in Connection with Foreigners published by Section 2, Treaties Bureau of the Foreign Office, 1939.

Reference Book on Transaction of Consular Business published by the Commerce Bureau of the Foreign Office, 1922.

Peace Treaty with Austria and Various Other Treaties, Conventions and Protocols, Explanations thereof, published by the Foreign Office 1919.

Regulations and Protocol published by the Cabinet Official Records Offices, 1927 Supplement and 3 volumes for 1926.

Reference Book on Transaction of Consular Business, published by the Commerce Bureau of the Foreign Office, 1923.

Treaties of China and All Other Countries except Japan, Britain, the United States, France and China, published by the Treaty Bureau of the Foreign Office, 1924.

Lists of Treaties published in March 1936 by the Japanese Society for the promotion of Learning.

Political Parties of All Countries by European and American Section of the Foreign Office, 1923.

Commentaries on Chinese Economic Treaties, Circumstances, re opening up of markets, Vol. I, 1921.

Survey of Modern Greater China, topography, etc. by T. Hamada. 1931.

Commentaries on Treaties, Part II, Revised edition, published by the Foreign Office, 1912.

Revised Gazetteer of Cities, Towns and Villages of Japan, 1928.

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Political Economy of Modern China published by the Sino Japanese Industrial Society, 1930.

Daijiten (Dictionary of Japanese Characters) published by the Keiseisha, 1920.

Shining Japan published by the Greater Japan National Foundation Society (photos of shrines, objets d'art, etc.) 1935.

Reference Book on Transaction of Consular Business published by the Commerce Bureau (date unknown).

Reference Book on Transacting Immigration Business (Visas) published by the Commerce Bureau in 1926. 3 volumes "A" "B" and "C".

Two instruction books on operating the Japanese Typewriter.

Regulations covering trips abroad with a supplement covering Regulations for Entry of Foreigners, published by American Bureau of the Foreign Office. 1935.

Diplomats and Consular Officials by the Personnel Section of the Foreign Minister's Secretariat, 1920.

Reference Book on Transaction of Diplomatic Business, Volume "B", published by the Foreign Office (1933) and Reference Book on Transaction of Diplomatic Business, Volume "C" (confidential).

Commentaries on Treaties, published by Foreign Office, 1917.

Collection of Internal Regulations of the Foreign Office (revised) published by the Counsellor's office of the Foreign Office (1922) (two books).

Commentary on Export Goods, published by the Commerce Promotion Society, (1940).

Collection of Accounting Regulations in force at diplomatic establishments abroad, published by the Foreign Office (1931).

Navigation Regulations and other Relevant Regulations by the Shipping Control Bureau of the Ministry of Communications, (1925).

Reference Book on business regarding exit, entry and sojourn of Foreigners. Published by American Bureau of the Foreign Office (1933).

One large Consular Registry Book of all Japanese Residents in Canada (entries from 1893-1910).

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BOX 13Box - 13

Box 13 destroyed - contents transferred to other boxes and listed as part of those boxes.

BOX 14Box - 14Filing Cabinet

One 30-tray filing cabinet containing names of Japanese residents of British Columbia, alphabetically arranged. Cards give name, date of birth, passport number and date of issue, occupation, home address in Japan and Canadian address.

BOX 15Box-15Projector

One KO-ON Model D. 16 mil. sound projector, serial No. 1217.

Three lacquered picture frames.

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BOX 16Box - 16Books (English)

Statutes of Canada 1907 (vols. 1 & 2), 1923 (vols. 1 & 2), 1928 (vols. 1 & 2), 1930 (vols. 1 & 2), 1930 (2 ed. & 1931), 1934 (parts 1 & 2), 1922.

Fuzambo's Comprehensive English-Japanese Dictionary. (3 copies).

Saito's Japanese English Dictionary, 1931.

Cassels Atlas, 7th edition.

ABC Style Japanese Dictionary (Romaji).

Funk & Wagnalls New Standard Dictionary 1913.

Who's Who in Canada, 1930-31.

My Narrow Isle by S.S. Mishima, N.Y. 1941.

Commercial Code of Japan translated by R.H. Loenholm, 4th edition.

The Story of the Wako by Y. Takegoshi.

Code of Civil Procedure of Japan by J.E. de Becker, 1928.

Civil Code of Japan translated by W.J. Sebald, 1934.

Revised Statutes of British Columbia 1924 vol. II

English-Japanese Dictionary - small and old.

Kenkyusha's Japanese English Dictionary (2 copies).

Funk & Wagnall's Practical Standard Dictionary 1924.

Dictionary of English Phrases published by Sansheids, Tokyo, 1923.

Handbook of the Canadian Customs, 2 vols. 1938, 1939.

A Standard Japanese English Dictionary by T. Takehara, last printing 1931.

The National Flag of Japan by Dr. N. Matsunami, 1928.

Tourist and Travel News re Japan, April and June 1941.

Fuzambo's small dictionary - Romaji & characters.

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Seeing Vancouver (a guide).

Inouye's Comprehensive Japanese-English Dictionary (old).

Collection des Traites No. 2 (Nov 1922), Nov. 3 (Feb. 1923)
No. 6 (1921), published by the Foreign Office.

Special Committee on Orientals in British Columbia,
December 1940.

Province of British Columbia Report on Oriental
Activities within the Province, 1927.

Recueil des Traites entre L' U.R.S.S. et
Les Autres Puissances, 1930.

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Amplifier

One Amplifier for KO-ON Projector.

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Books (English)

Treaties between Japan and China and treaties between
Japan and other countries concerning China.

Two volumes "Conference de Washington 1921-22
Traites et Resolutions".

One copy "Recueil des Traites et Conventions entre
le Japan et les Puissances Etrangeres".

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Thirty-four volume set Collection of Treaties, 1938.

Four-volume set Collection of old Treaties.

One book "Resume of International Military Establishments", 1932.

Treaties between China on the one hand, and France, United States and Russia, 1924.

Collection of treaties and proposals in connection with opium, 1937.

All agreements respecting unsettled details of Shantung and the Postal Agreement between Japan and China.

Four volumes of the Revised Statutes of Canada, 1906.

Twelve volumes of Supplements of the Revised Statutes of Canada - 1909 - 1921.

Revised statutes of British Columbia, one volume.
Supplements to Revised Statutes of British Columbia, 1913-1919.

McLaughlin's English-French Dictionary.

Conference on the Limitation of Armaments, Wash. D.C.

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Pamphlets and Japanese Typewriter

Four pamphlets entitled "Advance Report on the Fisheries of British Columbia, 1935".

One souvenir Booklet, Vancouver Exhibition Association, 1935-36.

One official handbook of present conditions and Recent progress of Canada, 1936.

One pamphlet entitled "Fifth Annual Report of the Department of Fisheries of the Dominion for the year 1934-35".

One pamphlet entitled "Sixth Annual Report of the Department of Fisheries of the Dominion for the year 1935-36".

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Two pamphlets entitled "Fisheries Statistics of Canada", 1934.

One pamphlet entitled "The Customs Act, Chap. 42 Revised Statutes of Canada", 1927.

One sheaf of price lists, Japanese and Canadian prospectuses largely concerning manufactured articles and fish products.

Reprint from Macleans Magazine, Mar. 1, 1937, entitled "A Japanese 'Floating Cannery' has been operating off the B.C. Coast - It's a menace" and newspaper clipping dated September 19, 1936 entitled "Tokyo Threat Arouses B.C."

One pamphlet published by Foreign Office Investigation Bureau 4th Sect. 1934 entitled "Inquiry into Customs systems of Different countries".

One Chrysanthemum Seal Curtain.

One imitation fur-lined auto robe.

One Japanese Typewriter, manufactured by the Nippon Typewriter Co., Limited.

One envelope containing miscellaneous correspondence, pamphlet literature, publicity handouts, news bulletins, photographs, brochures and catalogues, pertaining to the preparations for the 1937 Nagoya Pan-Pacific Peace Exhibition.

One envelope containing seals and stamps belonging to the Japanese Consulate, Vancouver, B.C.

One watercolour wall picture of Mt. Fuji.

Pocket telephone directory of Japanese residents of Vancouver, Taiyo Printing Co. Vancouver, 1941. 53 pp.

"Foreign Trade of Yokohama" published by the Foreign Trade Association of Yokohama, 1937, in English. Printed booklet, 151 pp.

"Motor Road Map of Tokyo, Yokohama, and surrounding districts" published by Japanese Government Railways, Scale 1:400000, 1931.

"Rand McNally Indexed Pocket Map - Alberta" Musson Book Co. Ltd., Toronto.

"Motor Road Map of Kobe, Osaka, Kyoto and surrounding districts" published by Japanese Government Railways, Scale 1:300000, 1931. In English.

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"The Thirty-ninth Annual Table of Bonds and Debentures in Japan" existing on December 31, 1932" compiled by the Industrial Bank of Japan, printed booklet 61 pp. in English.

"Overseas Buyer's Review quarterly Japan edition, winter 1936/7 printed booklet, 50 pp.

Explanations of Twelve selected colour pictures -- Japan Her Land and Life, Board of Tourist Industry, Japanese Government Railways, Tokyo, 1936 printed booklet, 18 pp. in English.

Patents, Utility Models, Designs and Trade Marks in Japan, Manchukuo and China, compiled by Kusaba and Co. Patent Attorneys, Tokyo, 1935, in English, 31 pp.

Catalogue of Shizuoka Products, published by the Shizuoka Commercial Museum, 1937, in English. Illustrated pamphlet, 31 pp.

"Canning Industry in Japan" published by The Canned Foods Association of Japan, 1937, in English. Illustrated pamphlet 1937. (2 copies)

"Rules and Regulations" Japan Association of Exporters of Cotton goods destined for America, 1937, in Japanese. Printed booklet, 64 pp.

"Development of Japanese in Canada" by K. Nakayama. 3rd edition, 1929. Printed book in Japanese, 2036 pp.

One carbon copy of 8-page handwritten manuscript entitled "Effect of the New Canadian-Japanese Trade Agreement on Japanese Products" by Japanese Consulate, Vancouver, B.C. May 1936.

12 receipts for services by Canadian Japanese Association in drawing up references to accompany legal papers and applications to Canadian Government, etc.

One Form for Survey of Overseas Agricultural conditions sent out by the Central Trading Co. of Osaka, Japan, to gather data on foreign farm equipment and machinery in order to improve the Japanese product. Form filled out for situation in British Columbia. Date: 1935-36.

Enclosure No. 2 to despatch
No. 4314 of September 3, 1946,
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ITEMS EXTRACTED FROM BOX #6 FOR
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1. Notebook containing text of speeches and radio broadcasts delivered in Vancouver between 1933 and 1939 by Japanese officials and other apologists for Japan.
2. Notebook containing list of applicants for Japanese visas who are to be kept under special surveillance while in Japan (36 names listed); photograph* of delegates to the 10th Annual B.C. Provincial Convention of the Communist Party of Canada, Vancouver, December 3-5, 1938.
3. List of "Associated Associations", 1927.
4. List of "The Associated Association of Canadian Japanese Associations", November, 1929.
5. Mailing list of the Japanese Consulate, Vancouver, and the Canadian Japanese Association.
6. Census tables of Japanese residents in Canada for the years 1936, 1937, 1939; two sample forms used in compiling data for census.
7. Three memoranda* and copy of agreement to publish pro-Japanese book between Kenji NAMAUCHI and Allen Roy Evans.

*Permission to copy denied by Department of External Affairs.

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September 5, 1946

MEMORANDUM

TO: Colonel Carter W. Clarke,
Deputy Director Intelligence Division,
War Department General Staff, G-2,
2-E-808 Pentagon Building,
Washington, D. C.

FROM: Saxton E. Bradford, Assistant Chief,
Division of Foreign Activity Correlation.

SUBJECT: Japanese Consular Archives in Canada.

Attention is invited to the recent joint United States-Canadian examination of the Japanese Consular archives in Canada and to the participation of the War Department's representatives, Lieutenant Colonel Harold L. Richey, Assistant Military Attache, United States Embassy, Ottawa and First Lieutenant T. Tsukahira, Infantry, Washington Document Center.

In the course of the examination, several documents were selected from the archives for reproduction by the United States team, with the permission of the Canadian Government, and were taken to the Department of State for microfilming. These documents are as follows:

1. List of mailing addresses
2. Work sheets for census of Japanese in Canada
3. Two lists of associations associated with the Canadian Japanese Association (1927 and November, 1929)
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Three sets of prints
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Reference Embassy's airgram no. A-927 of September 19, 1946. Department approves assumption of custody of private property by Dante, provided it consists solely of effects of non-official Japanese nationals and includes no private property belonging to former Japanese diplomatic and consular personnel. All property of former Japanese diplomatic and consular personnel should continue to be stored until decision reached regarding general problem of ultimate disposition of such property. As stated in separate airgram being sent to Embassy regarding personal effects of former Japanese officials which Embassy desired to ship to Japan, Embassy will be informed of any decision reached with regard to ultimate disposition.

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A-927, September 19, 1946.

Reference Department's airgram A-426, September 9,
and Embassy's airgram A-799, August 2.

As stated in Embassy's airgram cited, all effects of private Japanese nationals stored in the former Japanese Embassy here were removed from the premises by Giulio Dante pursuant to conclusion of four Embassies that he was authorized to assume custody of them.

By agreement among the four Embassies, and in view of fact these privately owned articles were not entitled to the immunity and protection which they accidentally enjoyed as long as they remained on premises under Allied custody, a note was sent to Italian Foreign Ministry advising it of removal of these effects from Allied custody and assumption of custody by Dante; the note also gave the address of Dante as well as the place where effects were stored; Dante was given copy of this note.

Although it is not the opinion of the four Embassies that any of the four Governments represented should retain even custodial rights over personal belongings of private Japanese nationals, should the Department desire the four Embassies to resume custody of these stored effects, Dante would be expected to offer no objections other than to request reimbursement for storage charges incurred to date. However, Dante is at present away from Rome and will not return for another month.

Dante's plans are to attempt to communicate with owners of these effects to obtain their instructions as to disposition to be made of their respective possessions.

Embassy wishes to point out that present status of these effects of private Japanese nationals constitutes, in opinion of four Allied Embassies, most acceptable and practical solution of problem formerly confronting four Embassies.

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Reference Embassy's despatch 3823, July 18 and telegram 3342, July 29.

British Embassy has submitted list of publications desired by Foreign Office. Please expedite reply giving Department's requirements.

In this connection would Library Congress be interested in almost complete files from September 1939 through 1943 of leading Roman and other Italian newspapers? Press Attache and local American correspondents state these are of considerable value due to extreme scarcity.

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B7c notified by telephone + they will take any further action necessary.

428, September 28

All Govt Ministries Archives have been carefully screened by Intelligence experts. Documents taken from Jap Foreign Ministry are (REDEPTEL 484 September 16) listed in shipping lists advice No. SA-15039 and SA-15060 sent to Washington Document Center. Greater East Asia Ministry Archives were before surrender incorporated with Foreign Ministry Archives. Many documents were destroyed during the war or before arrival American Forces. Greater part of Foreign Ministry documents have been turned over to International Prosecution Section for use as evidence in War Crimes trials. As they are returned from IPS they are, with few exceptions, being shipped to Washington Document Center.

Suggest Dept have careful study made of above-mentioned lists of documents as they are believed to contain practically all significant material of interest, including Jap International Activities, which have not been destroyed by Jap or lost during war. Dept may also wish to consult general report on Govt Records Project made by officer in charge of project to Chief of Washington Document Center, advance dated March 31, 1946, a copy of which sent Washington. Documents listed in shipping advices but not yet available in Washington can in most instances be microfilmed by General Hq and forwarded to Dept if urgently desired.

Suggest question of sending special officer here be postponed until study of shipping lists and documents completed.

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completed. In view of careful study of Foreign Office Archives already made, it appears doubtful that special second study would be of sufficient value to merit undertaking. Regret that our continuing shortages of personnel would make it impossible for our staff to participate in research or similar activities.

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BY BOAT POUCH

EMBASSY OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Buenos Aires, Argentina, October 1, 1946.

No. 891.

Subject: Transmitting Certain Archives from the Former Japanese Embassy in Argentina.

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The Honorable
The Secretary of State,
Washington.

Sir:

I have the honor to enclose twenty-seven packages containing certain archives of the former Japanese Embassy in Argentina. Some details concerning the contents of these archives are contained in enclosure no. 13 to this Embassy's despatch no. 1557 of December 12, 1945, entitled "A cursory examination of former Japanese Diplomatic and Consular Archives in Argentina". Enclosure no. 1 hereto contains one folder of archives concerning shipping. This folder originally was contained in wooden box no. 12 described in enclosure no. 12 to Embassy despatch no. 1557 mentioned above.

The archives of the former Japanese Embassy remaining in Argentina consist only of books and citizenship records which the Embassy considers definitely unworthy of any particular study. Furthermore, these citizenship records may be of use here.

The enclosures hereto are being sent to the Department with the thought that, although they are not of a confidential nature and are somewhat unlikely to contain material of interest, this Embassy has no means of being certain that they do not contain valuable material. The Department no doubt will wish to study them carefully. The British and Chinese Embassies have acquiesced in their remission to the Department with the understanding, of course, that there they will be available to the representatives of the Four Allied Powers, as are the archives formerly remitted under cover of this Embassy's despatch no. 213 of June 24, 1946, entitled "Archives of the ex-Japanese Embassy and Consulate in Argentina". The Soviet Embassy's acquiescence has not been obtained because although the Soviet Ambassador has presented his credentials he had not yet officially communicated with

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