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SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS
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SCAPIN 1898

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MEMORANDUM FOR: JAPANESE GOVERNMENT

SUBJECT: Dissolution of the Arms Disposal Committee

1. Reference the following memoranda for the Japanese Government from General Headquarters, Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers:

a. AG 402.5(24 Sep 45)GD, SCAPIN 53, 24 September 1945, subject: Materials, Supplies and Equipment Received and to be Received from the Japanese Armed Forces.

b. AG 386.3(11 Jan 46)GD, SCAPIN 582, 11 January 1946, subject: Disposition of Equipment and Supplies of the Japanese Armed Forces Between the Date of 14 August 1945 and 2 September 1945.

c. AG 402.5(24 Nov 47)ESS/CCC, SCAPIN 1826, 24 November 1947, subject: Industrial Recovery Corporation (Sangyo Fukko Kodan).

d. AG 402.5(29 Dec 47)GD, SCAPIN 1835, 29 December 1947, subject: Transfer of Responsibility for Receipt and Accounting for Surrendered Supplies and Equipment Returned to the Japanese Government.

2. Reference C.L.C.O. No. 495(2P) dated 1 March 1948, subject: Application for Approval on Transfer of Functions from Committee for Disposal of Destroyed Implements of War to Industrial Recovery Corporation. Application made in above reference is approved except that the Industrial Recovery Corporation will not pay the Arms Disposal Committee for stocks of material on hand.

3. The Japanese Government is directed to take the following actions:

a. To dissolve the Arms Disposal Committee and all other committees and agencies for the disposal of war materials established by the Japanese Government to implement the above references.

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b. To take whatever steps are necessary to terminate the contract dated 16 May 1946 between the Home Ministry and the Arms Disposal Committee for the sale of war material by the Arms Disposal Committee.

c. To take all supplies, material, equipment, books, accounts, records, documents and other property now in the custody of, or under the control of, the Arms Disposal Committee or of any other committee or agency dissolved pursuant to Sub-paragraph 3 a, above, into custody under the direction and exclusive control of the Procurator General's office until further notice.

d. To make available to the Procurator General's Office for examination and inspection all the books, accounts, records and other papers of the affiliated companies or organizations comprising the Arms Disposal Committee.

4. The Industrial Recovery Corporation is designated as the responsible agency to receive, account for, and distribute the following:

a. All supplies, material, or equipment taken into custody by action authorized in 3 c, and released from the Procurator General's office for the rehabilitation of the civilian economy of Japan or for any other program of the Japanese Government pursuant to or in compliance with reference memorandum 1 c.

b. All materials of the same type as formerly handled by the Arms Disposal Committee released by the Occupation Forces to the Construction Board.

5. The Industrial Recovery Corporation will report all actions in compliance with paragraphs 4 a and 4 b above to General Headquarters, Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers.

6. Direct communication between the responsible agency of the Japanese Government and the Economic and Scientific Section of General Headquarters, Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers is hereby authorized to implement this memorandum.

FOR THE SUPREME COMMANDER:

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