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ANALYSIS OF DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE

DESCRIPTION OF ATTACHED DOCUMENT

Title and Nature: Record of Interrogation of TOJO, Hideki, at SUGAMO Prison

Date: 7 Feb 1946 Original Copy Language: English

Has it been translated? Yes No

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LOCATION OF ORIGINAL

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PERSONS IMPLICATED: TOJO, Hideki

CRIMES TO WHICH DOCUMENT APPLICABLE: Conspiracy and Planning of aggressive war.

SUMMARY OF RELEVANT POINTS

TOJO admits his major responsibility for war, and fixed partial blame on Chiefs of Army and Navy General Staff, and cabinet, to lesser degree.

Analyst: J.H. Wagner

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Extract from interrogation of
Hideki Tojo, 7 February 1946,
P. 5

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東條英機ニ對スル訊問録萃文

一九四六年二月七日

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和十六年十二月ノ攻撃ニ關シテハ貴方が主ト
シテ責任ヲ負フベキデハナイカ

答、ハイ、私ハ責任ガアリマス

問、貴方が言ハレタ外ノ人々モ貴方ト共ニ其ノ攻
撃ニ責任ガアリマスカ

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