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HEADQUARTERS
OSAKA MILITARY GOVERNMENT TEAM
APO 660

HHH/y1

22 November 1946

SUBJECT: Alleged Concealed Stock of Crude Rubber

TO: Commanding General
I Corps, APO 301
ATTENTION: Mil Govt Sec

1. Reference is made to the attached petition submitted by Hinokiyama Kogyosha requesting authority to use fifty (50) tons of crude rubber illegally concealed in the warehouse of Sodeshi Kyodo Kiko K.K. in Shimizu City, Shizuoka Prefecture.
2. It is requested that your office take the necessary action to institute an investigation of this matter to determine:
 - a. If this stock of crude rubber exists.
 - b. If it is being concealed in violation of SCAP directives.
 - c. If it is possible to secure this rubber for the manufacture of tires and inertubes as requested in the attached documents.
3. Attached documents are file copies and we would appreciate having them returned to this office.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

/s/ Edward B. Millett
/t/ EDWARD B. MILLETT
Major, F. A.
Adjutant

BASIC: Ltr, Hq Osaka Mil Govt Team, subj: "Alleged Concealed Stock of Crude Rubber", dtd 22 Nov 46.

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1st Ind

S-20 Dec 46
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Hq I Corps, APO 301, 29 Nov 1946

TO: CO, Tokai-Hokuriku Mil Govt Region, APO 710

1. Reference: SCAPIN 1028, subject: "Rubber Control", dated 18 June 1946, which freezes all crude rubber of the following grades:

- a. Chinese rubber or better
- b. Good fair average quality
- c. Fair average quality

2. The Osaka Military Government Team has received reports of a stock of illegally concealed crude rubber in Shimizu City, Shizuoka Prefecture. You are directed to conduct an investigation, in order to secure accurate information concerning the questions noted in paragraph 2, basic communication. Report will be made to this headquarters by 20 December 1946.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WOODRUFF:

/s/ H. B. Taylor
/t/ H. B. TAYLOR
Major, AGD
Asst. Adj Gen.

1 Incl:
Not previously listed
Civilian letter (one)

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BASIC: Ltr, Osaka Mil Govt Team, subj: "Alleged Concealed Stock of
Crude Rubber", dtd 22 Nov 46.

2nd Ind

S-15 Dec 46
GMM/ss

Hq Tokai-Hokuriku Mil Govt Region, APO 710, 3 Dec 46

TO: CO, Shizuoka Mil Govt Team, APO 710

For compliance with par 2, 1st indorsement.

BY ORDER OF COLONEL BURNELL:

/s/ Frank M. Wilkins
/t/ FRANK M. WILKINS
Maj FA
Adjutant

1 Incl:
n/c

BASIC: Ltr, Hq Osaka Mil Govt Team, subj: "Alleged Concealed Stock of Grade Rubber", dtd 23 Nov. 46.

3rd Ind.

Hq. Shizuoka Mil. Gov't Team, APO 710, 9 Dec. 1946

TO: CO. Tokai-Hokuriku Mil Gov't Region, APO 710

1. As directed in 1st Ind. this Headquarters has investigated the rubber stock referred to in the basic and finds, that it does exist, but is not illegally possessed and concealed as the basic states. The rubber was turned over to the Toa Fuel Industry Co. Ltd., by the Commerce and Industry Ministry in early 1943. This rubber was also reported to the Japanese Government in June 1946 under SCAPIN 1028. Subject: "Rubber Control". However, this rubber stock did not come under the directive because it is of a poorer grade than that covered in the directive.

2. Attached are two copies of the Government's report on the rubber stock named in basic. This report shows where the rubber was received by the Toa Fuel Industry Co. Ltd., and the distribution that has been and is being made of said rubber.

3. The undersigned officer personally examined this rubber stock and is of the opinion that the rubber is of such poor grade that it would not be desirable for use in the manufacture of tires and inertubes.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

/s/ James W. Coleman,
/t/ JAMES W. COLEMAN,
Major, INF.
Executive Officer.

2 Incls:

1. - Not previously listed Civ. Letter.
1. - Prefectural Gov't Report.

BASIC: Ltr, Hq Osaka Mil Govt Team, AFO 680, dtd 22 Nov 46.
Subject: "Alleged Concealed Stock of Crude Rubber"

4th Ind

GDM/ss

Hq Tokai-Hokuriku Mil Govt Region, AFO 710, 14 Dec 46

TO: CG, I Corps, AFO 301
(ATTN: Res, Comm & Ind Officer)

1. In compliance with 1st Ind, an investigation of crude rubber in Shimizu City, Shizuoka Prefecture was made and is herewith submitted in the 3rd Ind.

2. The investigation officer was not able to determine whether it is possible to secure this rubber for the manufacture of tires and innertubes as it is in the hands of the Japanese Government.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

/s/ Frank M. Wilkins
/t/ FRANK M. WILKINS
Maj FA
Adjutant

BASIC: Ltr, Osaka Mil Govt Team, subj: "Alleged Concealed Stock of Crude Rubber", dtd 22 Nov 46.

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5th Ind

EHN/yo

Hq I Corps, APO 301,

19 DEC 1946

TO: CO, Osaka Mil Govt Team, APO 660

1. Your attention is invited to 3rd indorsement.
2. Investigation conducted by the Shizuoka Military Government Team reveals the following facts:
 - a. The stock of rubber does exist.
 - b. It is not being concealed, and has been properly reported to the Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers through the Japanese Government.
 - c. The subject rubber is of poor quality and it is not considered suitable for the manufacture of tires or inner-tubes.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WOODRUFF:

2 Incls:
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Rubber

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HYOGO MILITARY GOVERNMENT TEAM
APO 317 (KOBE, HONSHU)

VER/d1

6 September 1946

SUBJECT: Transmittal of Shipping Documents - Rubber

TO: Commanding General
Eighth Army
APO 343 (THRU CHANNELS)

Attn: Mil Govt Sect.

Transmitted herewith the following shipping documents incident to the loading of 18,781 bales of crude rubber aboard the S/S "San Mateo Victory" at the Port of Kobe:

- 1 Copy Validated Form 200
- 5 Copies Bill of Lading, (2 signed, 3 unsigned)
- 5 Copies each Bill of Sale and Transfer of Title
- 5 Copies Invoice
- 5 Copies Weight and Measurement List
- 5 Copies Survey Report
- 1 Copy Ship's Master's Receipt

Incls:
As indicated above.

PETER W. SCOTT
Lt Col Inf
Commanding

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1st Ind

RCG/nd

Hq I Corps, APO 301, 9 SEP 1946

TO: CG, Eighth Army, APO 343.

O.H. S.

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