

Kato, Michio

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~~115-151, 150, 108, 197, 197, 119~~

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Kato Habujiro what Kato, Michio

✓ same
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193-22 - desk investigation. Saw was long April-Sept 1942

~~278-56, 77~~

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✓ 185-19 - Was Kato ever a Kapitai Commander

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✓ 280-106 - Is Kato, Kinpei same man

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62-96 - Chinese

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386, ~~215~~, ~~215~~ - (for identification - approach)
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Doc 1964 - The name list of attendants at
conference of Chief of Army Spec Organ Feb 16,
17, 1940 at Harbor includes Lt Col. Kato
of Kwantung Army. See if Conf is import-
ant

INTERNATIONAL PROSECUTION SECTION

14 May 1947

MEMORANDUM TO: Mr. Monaghan, Investigative Division
FROM : Mr. Crowe
SUBJECT : Defense Witness KATO, Michio

In connection with the above witness, will you please furnish me with the following information:

1. Where was the witness and what was his official position from April to December, 1942? This is in connection with a determination of whether he is the same person as KATO, Hakujiro. (See Files 20-174 and 193-22.)
2. Was the witness ever a Kempei Tai Commander? (See File 185-19.)
3. Is the KATO, Rimpei mentioned in File 280-106 the same man as the above witness?
4. On what date was IPS Document 2203 issued by the author or authors thereof?

SMITH N. CROWE

29 April 1947

MEMORANDUM FOR: **Mr. Crowe**

FROM : **EDWARD P. MONAGHAN, Acting Chief**
Investigative Division, IPS

SUBJECT : **Defense Witness**

1. Please find attached hereto list of material available on the following witness and/or witnesses.

DEFENDANT - **Hata**

WITNESS

Kato, Michio

LIST OF MATERIAL AVAILABLE

Info from subpoena

2. Please acknowledge receipt of this memorandum by initialling and returning attached carbon copy to this office, Room 300.

Incl
(Described above)

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EDWARD P. MONAGHAN

29 April 1947

KATO, Nichie (Major General)

Requested by Hata

Nationality - Japanese

Address - believed to be a prisoner of war of the Russians.

He was secretary of War Ministry when petitioner was War Minister. He will testify as to the actions and utterances of petitioner when petitioner was War Minister.

CURRICULUM VITAE

Personal history of KATO, Michio

Name: KATO, Michio

Date of Borth:-29 August, 1900

Permanent Domicile: Nagano prefecture

April 23, 1919	Graduated from the regular course, of the central military preparatory school.
April 23, 1919	Appointed an officer candidate and attached to the 30th Infantry Regiment.
April 30, 1919	Joined the 30th Infantry Regiment.
April 30, 1919	Given the rank of infantry superior private.
July 1, 1919	Promoted to the rank of infantry corporal.
September 1, 1919	Promoted to the rank of infantry sergeant.
December 1, 1919	Entered the military academy.
July 27, 1921	Graduated from the regular course of the military academy.
August 1, 1921	Returned to the original unit.
August 1, 1921	Promoted to the rank of infantry sergeant-major and appointed a probational officer.
October 26, 1921	Appointed infantry secound lieutenant.
October 26, 1921	Attached to the 30th infantry regiment.
November 21, 1921	Raised to the Senior Grade of the 8th Court Rank.
October 30, 1924	Appointed infantry first lieutenant.
December 15, 1924	Raised to the Junior Grade of 7th Court Rank.
March 11, 1926	Relieved of post and appointed a instructor at Toyama military school concurrently a member of Research Department of the same school.

December 24,	1928	Ordered to enter the Military Staff College.
January 16,	1929	Attached to the 30th infantry regiment.
February 1,	1930	Raised to the Senior Grade of the 7th Court Rank.
March 10,	1931	Appointed infantry captain.
March 10,	1931	Appointed company adjutant in the 30th infantry regiment.
August 1,	1931	Appointed company commander in the 30th infantry regiment.
December 7,	1932	Ordered attached to the General Staff Office.
December 17,	1932	Decorated with the 6th Order of Merit with the Sacred Treasure.
March 18,	1933	Attached to the 30th infantry regiment.
December 20,	1933	Appointed a member of the General Staff Office.
April 29,	1934	Decorated with the 5th Class Order of the Golden Kite. Received an annuity of 350 yen. Decorated with the 5th Order of Merit with the cordon of the Rising Sun.
December 10,	1934	Appointed a member of the Research Department of the Military Staff College.
March 1,	1935	Raised to the Junior Grade of the 6th Court Rank.
August 1,	1936	Appointed infantry major. Appointed instructor of Military science at the Military Staff College.
December 1,	1936	Appointed concurrently a member of the General Staff Office.
July 15,	1938	Appointed infantry lieutenant-colonel.
September 1,	1938	Raised to the senior Grade of the 6th Court Rank.
April 13,	1939	Decorated with the 4th Order of Merit with the Sacred Treasure.
March 30,	1938	Appointed to the Staff of the Kwantang Army.

March 9,	1939	Discharged from the staff of the Kwantang Army. Attached to the Military Ordinance Central Depot concurrently attached to the War Ministers secretariate.
March 31,	1939	Appointed adjutant at the War Ministry concurrently war minister's confidential secretary. Appointed the attendant of war minister at Imperial Headquarters.
August 1,	1939	Concurrently appointed secretary of the divector of the Manchurian Affairs. Bureau. Raised to the 4th rank of the higher civil service.
September 18,	1940	Relieved of the additional duty.
September 20,	1940	Concurrently on the staff of base unit in the Shanghai district.
July 7,	1941	Relieved of additional duty on the staff of base unit in the Shanghai district.
August 25,	1941	Appointed colonel.
September 15,	1941	Raised to the junior Grade of the 5th Court Rank.
April 29,	1940	Decorated with the 3rd Order of Merit with the middle cordon of the Rising Sun.
June 10,	1945	Appointed major-general.
August 1,	1945	Raised to the senior Grade of the 5th Court Rank.

KATO, Michio

Requested by: HATA, Shunroku

Address: Now believed to be a POW of the Soviet Union.

Former Major General in the Japanese Army.

He was a former Secretary of the War Ministry at the time the accused HATA, Shunroku, occupied the position of War Minister.

Documents:

See court paper No. 579, which disposes of Paper No. 516 in part only, for list of 13 groups of documents, such as daily issues of three Japanese Newspapers published in Shanghai, China, during the period 1 Feb 1938 to 20 Dec. 1938 and 1 March 1941 to 22 Nov. 1944.

REPORT BY: LT. JOHN A. CURTIS
17 Jan 47

MEMORANDUM FOR THE FILE

SUBJECT: KATO, Michio

Former Secretary of the War Ministry.

No further information concerning the above is
contained in the files of IPS.

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7 May 1947

MEMORANDUM FOR: Major General A.N. Vasiliev, Assoc. Prosecutor for USSR
FROM : Smith E. Crowe, Jr.
SUBJECT : Defense Witness KATO, Michio

1. The above witness has been assigned to me for investigation, being a witness called for the defendant HATA. The Investigation Division informs me that it is believed this witness is a prisoner of war of Russia.

2. I have received a Curriculum Vitae on this witness from the Investigation Division, and in the request for his production it is stated that he will testify regarding the actions and utterances of the defendant HATA when the same was War Minister. I will appreciate any information which your Division may be in possession of regarding this witness.

SMITH E. CROWE, JR.

KATO, Michio (Maj-General)

Request by HATA, Shunroku

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War Minister. He will testify as to the actions and
utterances of petitioner when petitioner was War Minister.

4 June 1947

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. SMITH N. CROWE, Attorney

FROM: EDWARD P. MONAGHAN, Chief, Inv. Div., IPS.

SUBJECT: KATO, Michio

Attached hereto is completed investigation in reply to your memorandum of 14 May 1947.

E. P. Monaghan

EDWARD P. MONAGHAN,
Chief, Investigative Division, IPS.


*Mr. Crowe
Room 380*

2 June 1947

To: Mr. Smith N. Crowe
From: Henry A. Dolan, Jr., Inv. Div.
Subject: KATO, Michio

Pursuant to your request under date of 14 May 1947 the following information is submitted:

1. There is no possibility that the subject may be confused with KATO, Hakujiro, or with KATO, Rimpei.
2. Subject was never a "Kempei Tai" commander.
3. Document 2203 was never "issued," but was rather compiled by ONO, Katsumi of the Foreign Ministry, who relied principally on his memory and from, in the case of official personnel, on documents related to the matter.
4. Attached herewith please find translation of Curriculum vitae of subject.



HENRY A. DOLAN, JR.
Investigator
IPS Investigation Div.

8 June 1947

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