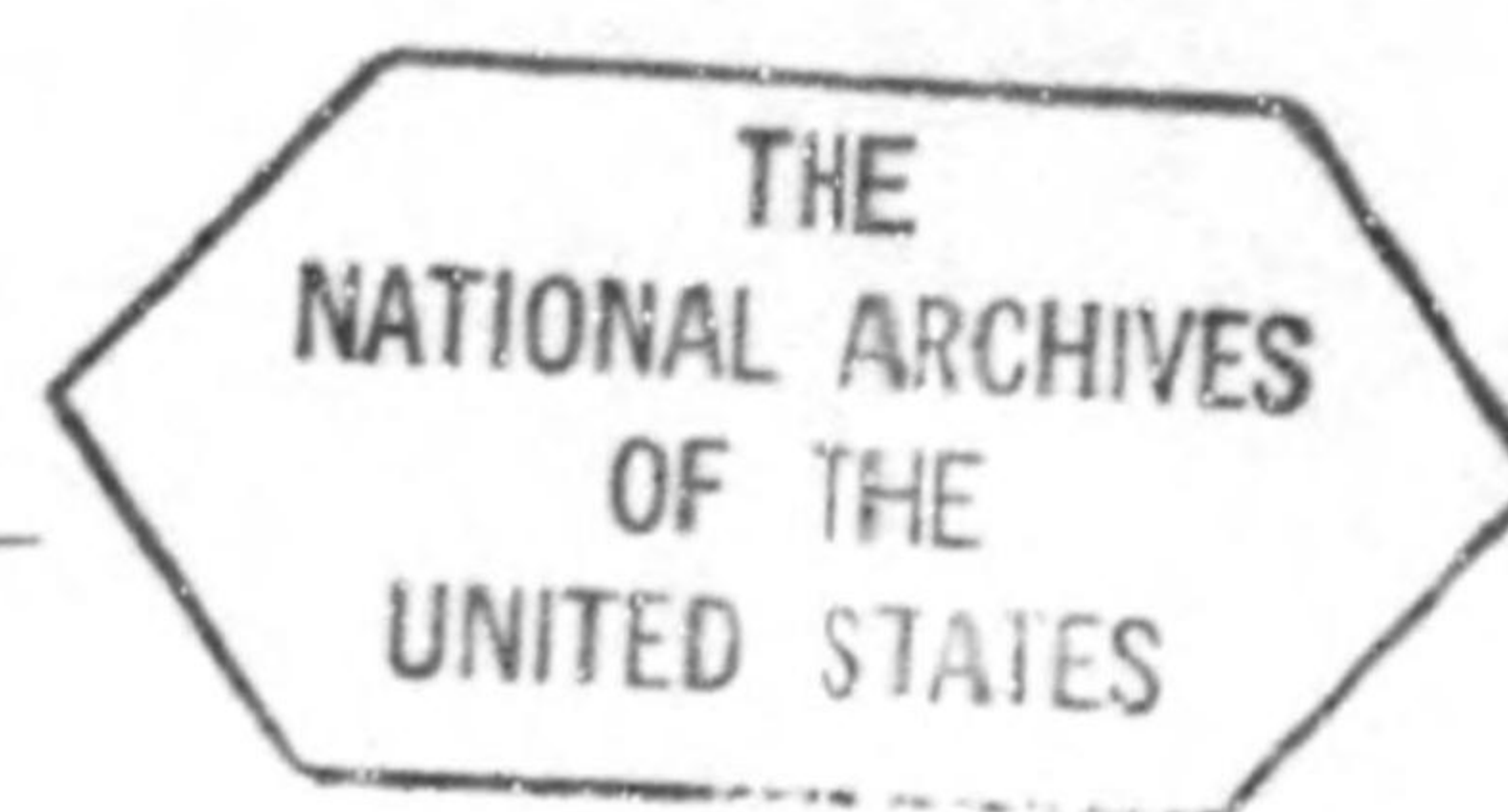


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27th Meeting
27 November 1946

FAR EASTERN COMMISSION

COMMITTEE NO. 4: STRENGTHENING OF DEMOCRATIC TENDENCIES

MINUTES

ATTENDANCE:

U.S.S.R.	Mr. G. G. Dolbin, Chairman Mr. G. B. Komarov
Australia	Maj. J. Plimsoll
Canada	Mr. R. E. Collins
China	Dr. T. T. Mar
France	Mr. Paul Guerin
India	Mr. S. W. Ahmad
Netherlands	Dr. A.D.A. de Kat Angelino
New Zealand	(Not Represented)
Philippines	Mr. F. C. Rodriguez
	Mr. C. Coronel
U.K.	Mr. F. C. Everson
U.S.	Mr. F. A. Schuler
	Dr. D. C. Buchanan
Secretariat	Mr. C. H. Pfuntner, Secretary (RE-5600, ext. 3195) Miss L.C. De Pretis, Asst. Secy. Ext. 3186)

1. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE 26th MEETING.

The minutes of the 26th meeting were unanimously approved.

2. STATEMENT BY SOVIET REPRESENTATIVE ON REPORT ON PURGE OF PUBLIC OFFICE HOLDERS, C4-007/3, and FEC-097.

The Chairman asked for an expression of views on the fulfillment by the Japanese Government of the purge directive from the Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers. The United States member suggested that discussion of the subject be postponed, pending receipt of information from Tokyo concerning points raised in FEC-097 and on other developments subsequent to the first report by the United States Government on the purge.

The Committee unanimously agreed to postpone further consideration of this subject.

3. PROPOSALS ON EDUCATIONAL POLICY FOR JAPAN, C4-005/2, C4-005/5, and C4-005/6.

The Committee agreed to consider C4-005/6 paragraph by paragraph, and page 1 was amended as follows:

MINUTES OF 27TH MEETING
COMMITTEE NO. 4

27 Nov 1946

Amending of C4-005/6 in regard to employment of educators who fall under provisions of "purge" directive.

(3)

"POLICY FOR THE REVISION OF THE JAPANESE EDUCATIONAL SYSTEM"A. Guiding Principles and Objectives.

Education should be looked upon as a preparation for life in a democratic nation and as a training for the social and political responsibilities which freedom entails. Emphasis should be placed on the dignity and worth of the individual, on independent thought and initiative, and on developing a ~~scientific attitude~~ spirit of inquiry. ~~Originality and freedom in artistic expression should be encouraged whenever possible.~~ The inter-dependent character of international life should be stressed. The spirit of justice, fair play, and respect for the rights of others, particularly minorities, and the necessity for friendship based upon mutual respect for people of all races and religions, should be emphasized. Special emphasis should also be placed on the teaching of the sanctity of the pledged word in all human relations, whether between individuals or nations. Measures should be taken as rapidly as possible to achieve equality of educational opportunity for all regardless of sex or social position.

B. Training, Recruitment, and Conditions of Service of Teachers.

(1) Those teachers and other educational officials whose record shows them to have been pronounced exponents of ultra-nationalistic, militaristic, or totalitarian ideas, should be forbidden to teach or engage in other employment connected with education. ~~All other teachers should be examined with a view to assessing their capacity for assimilating democratic ideas.~~

(2) Short refresher courses and ~~summer~~ vacation schools for teachers should be opened, so far as possible, in order to train them in democratic ideas. "

At the time of adjourning, the Committee had under consideration a motion by the Canadian member to amend renumbered paragraph B (3) to read as follows:

"The development of modern techniques of teaching should be encouraged and opportunities should be provided for teachers to become acquainted with these techniques."

4. PRINCIPLES FOR FARMERS' ORGANIZATIONS, C4-012/2.

The Committee postponed discussion of C4-012/2.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:10 P.M.

Next meeting will take place Wednesday, 4 December 1946, at 3:00 P.M.

FAR EASTERN COMMISSIONCOMMITTEE NO. 4: STRENGTHENING OF DEMOCRATIC TENDENCIES
MINUTESATTENDANCE:

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Canada	Mr. R. E. Collins
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France	Mr. Paul Guerin
India	Mr. M. Ahmad
Netherlands	Dr. A.D.A. de Kat Angelino
New Zealand	(Not Represented)
Philippines	(Not Represented)
U.K.	Mr. H. A. Graves
U.S.	Mr. Frank Schuler
Secretariat	Mr. K. B. Finn, Secretary Miss L. De Pretis, Asst. Secy.

1. The minutes of the 17th meeting were unanimously approved.

2. U.S. Report on Execution of Purge Directive (C4-007/3) *
The Chairman wished to have the view of the Soviet Government recorded as follows:

"The Soviet Group has thoroughly acquainted itself with the Report presented by U.S. Representative on Purge of Public Office Holders under the Purge Directive of January 4, 1946 and has noted its contents. However, the Soviet Group considers it necessary to point out that the Japanese Government has not fully implemented by the prescribed date some of the requirements of the Directive, as is mentioned in the Report itself, namely: 'as of July 29, 1946 there remained to be screened about 1,000 officials of 165 corporations. In the Demobilization Board there are about 4,000 officials who have not been screened. These are all former Army and Navy officers subject to mandatory removal under Category 'E' of Appendix 'A'."

"The explanation given in the report as to why these persons have not yet been removed, cannot be considered as entirely satisfactory. This fact can obviously be explained by negligence on the part of the Japanese Government, which is trying to use every reservation in the Purge Directive with the view to delaying the purge itself. Retention in office of the officials subject to purge is still being practiced due to their alleged 'indispensability.'"

"In view of the above, the Soviet Group, desiring to obtain a clearer picture of the results of the purge, reserves its right to return to this question again in case the Soviet group ascertains other facts indicating incomplete fulfillment of the Supreme Commander's Purge Directive."

3. U.S. Statement on Public Information in Japan (C4-019): the Committee agreed to defer consideration of this paper.

4. Under other business, the Chairman stated that the Soviet Government wished to make a statement in regard to Japanese education. This paper will be circulated before the next Committee Meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 3:25 p.m.

MINUTES, COMMITTEE NO. 4
Meeting No. 18

4 Sept. 1946.

Soviet Group not satisfied that Japanese Govern-
ment fully implemented SCAP Directive of 4 Jan 1946.

*(U.S. Report on Execution of Purge Directive -
C4-007/3, "Tab C-3 of Osborne Hauge's Memorandum
File to Chief, Government Section*)

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10th Meeting
COMMITTEE NO. 4

22 May 1946

Questions submitted with regard to
screening of newly-elected members of the
Diet.

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STRENGTHENING OF DEMOCRATIC TENDENCIES

MINUTES

ATTENDANCE:

Australia	Major Plimsoll	
Canada	Mr. E. H. Norman	
China	Mr. Kwong	
France	Capt. M. Holley-Williams, FN	
India	Mr. Radbone	
Netherlands	Dr. de Kat Angelino	
New Zealand	Colonel Powles	
Philippines	Mr. S. V. Arnaldo	
United Kingdom	Mr. Cockram	
United States	Mr. Frank Schuler	Lt.Col. Lambert
U.S.S.R.	Mr. J. J. Dolbin	Mr. Ermolaev
		Mr. Koulakov
Secretariat	Mr. S. S. Stratton (Secretary)	Mr. J. G. Whelan (Ass't Secretary)

1. In the necessary absence of both the Chairman and Vice-Chairman, the New Zealand Representative was elected chairman pro temp.

2. The minutes of the ninth meeting were approved.

3. After consideration of C4-C10, Excerpts of the Second Meeting of the Allied Council for Japan, including the remarks of Brigadier General Whitney relative to the purge, it was agreed to defer further action on the proposed requests for information on the purge submitted by the special sub-committee. The Secretary was to record these questions in the minutes and the U. S. Representative agreed to obtain additional information on screening of newly-elected members of the Diet. The questions are as follows:

"In considering the question of long range policy with reference to the measures necessary to ensure the democratization of Japan, the FEC is concerned to know to what extent the Japanese Government, according to the provisions of the Potsdam Declaration, has removed obstacles to the revival of democratic tendencies among the Japanese people.

"In this respect the extent to which the Japanese Government and people have in fact faithfully carried out the provisions of the "purge" directive will be a valuable guide.

"The FEC therefore requests the Chairman to obtain either from U. S. Government or from SCAP the following information:

"1. A brief summary, including figure totals, of the reports prescribed by para 15 of the Directive of 4 Jan. 46.

"2. The numbers of persons, with names and positions held, if possible, now retained as indispensable under para 9 of the Directive.

"3. The numbers of persons, with names and positions held, if possible, now holding positions from which their removal has been postponed under para 8 of the Directive.

"4. Whether a special "screening" of the newly elected members of the Diet has taken place, and if so, how many members have been affected.

"5. How many persons have been punished under the provisions of para 17 of the Directive.

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"The FEC also requests the Chairman to consult with SCAP, and ask for an expression of his view on the following points:

"1. Does the SCAP consider that the Japanese Govt. and people have on the whole faithfully carried out the provisions of the "purge" directive?

"2. Does the SCAP consider that the provision for voluntary retirements of Japanese affected by the purge is likely to continue to be satisfactory, or does he feel that stronger measures may be needed in the future?

"3. Could the SCAP give any indication as to when it will be possible to apply the purge without the exceptions provided for in paras. 8 and 9 of the Directive?"

4. The United States Representative agreed to submit to the Committee a report on the purge as soon as possible after the six month period of enforcement (30 June 1946) is ended.

5. The Committee considered the paper on Trade Unions presented by the United Kingdom Representative (C4-009). The U. S. Representative announced that members of a special labor mission to Japan would be in the U. S. shortly, and he presumed that they would be at the disposal of the Committee for questioning.

6. It was agreed to form an ad hoc sub-committee to consider the question of Trade Unions and the Australian Representative was elected to act as Chairman. Any member of the Committee interested in trade unions would be welcome to sit on the sub-committee. The sub-committee was instructed to consider all available statements and information on the subject of trade unions and report back to the Committee for further consideration a statement of general principles relative to the place of trade unions in Japan.

Tentatively, representatives of the following countries indicated their willingness to serve on the special sub-committee on trade Unions:

Australia
Canada
India
New Zealand

U.S.S.R.
United Kingdom
United States

Time of next meeting - Subject to call of Chairman.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.