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My dear Minister,

I have the honor to inform Your Excellency that in reply to letter number 366/T3, of the 10th of August last, on the subject of the American prisoners of War and civilian internees from Wake Island, the Government of the United States of America has asked me to notify the Imperial Government as follows:

"United States Government is still without report on approximately 400 American civilians from Wake Island. While United States Government welcomes offer Japanese Government to report on welfare of individuals upon request it expects Japanese Government to report all names promptly in accordance with Article 77 of the Geneva Prisoners of War Convention through International Red Cross Information Bureau or protecting power."

I must add that contrary to what His Excellency Mr. Togo thought in the aforementioned letter, I have not received any individual slips on American citizens captured at Wake Island by the Japanese forces.

Begging Your Excellency to consent to furnish me the information asked for by the American Government I take this opportunity to renew to you the assurances of my highest regard, my dear Minister.

The Swiss Minister

CERTIFICATE

I, YALE MAXON, hereby certify that I am thoroughly conversant with the FRENCH and ENGLISH languages, and as a result of the comparison between the FRENCH and the ENGLISH texts, I have established that this is a true and correct translation of International Prosecution Document No. 8427.

/S/ Yale Maxon