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HEADQUARTERS  
KAGAWA MILITARY GOVERNMENT TEAM  
APO 1050

RJC/WAH/ju

Takamatsu, Shikoku  
15 March 1948

SUBJECT: Receipts of Released Dispersed Machines

TO : Commanding General, Eighth Army, APO 343  
ATTENTION: Military Government Section

THROUGH: Commanding Officer, Shikoku Military Government Region  
Hq & Hq Det, APO 1050

1. Forwarded herewith are receipts from the Japanese Local Govern-  
ment for the release of dispersed machines released by this headquarters  
in compliance with radiogram DX 99529/MG-EM/dated 24 January 1948 and 1st  
Ind. Shikoku Mil Govt Region.

/s/ W. A. Haviland  
/t/ W. A. HAVILAND  
Lt Col, FA  
Commanding

- 2 Incl:  
1. Letter of Release to Prefectural Governor  
2. Receipt from Prefectural Government

AG 004.04

1st Ind

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HEADQUARTERS, SHIKOKU MILITARY GOVERNMENT REGION, APO 1050

18 Mar 48

TO: Commanding General, Eighth Army, APO 343  
ATTENTION: Military Government Section

2 Incls: n/c

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HEADQUARTERS  
KAGAWA MILITARY GOVERNMENT TEAM  
APO 1050

RJC/WAK/yu

Takamatsu, Shikoku  
17 January 1948

SUBJECT: Release of Dispersed Machinery

TO : Mr. Pierson

There are 131 disbursed machines in this prefecture. All 131 machines will be released. 537 disbursed machines were transferred to Tokushima Ken.

<u>Dispersal Area</u>	<u>No. of Machines</u>
1. Mitsubishi Heavy Industries	27
2. Tachikawa Hikoki K.K.	10
3. Kure Naval Aeronautical Arsenal	15
4. 11th Naval Aeronautical Arsenal	64
5. Kokura Military Arsenal	11
6. Osaka Aeronautical Arsenal	4
Total	131

Corrected

*Wesley A. Keyson*  
WESLEY A. KEYSON  
Major FA  
Adjutant



TAKAMATSU FINANCE BUREAU  
Takamatsu Kagawa Ken

15 Nov. 1947

FROM : Takamatsu Finance Bureau  
TO : Shikoku Military Government  
SUBJECT: Receipts of Ex-Military Small Crafts  
REFERENCE: CNFE No.1681, dated 30 June 1947

We submit receipts enclosed herewith in accordance with reference CNFE No.1681 (30 June 1947).

*R. Yokoyama*  
Yokoyama

Takamatsu Finance Bureau

Director

*Receipts were sent to teams with cover letter telling how they should be correctly filled out.*

*RWY*



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SHIKOKU MILITARY GOVERNMENT REGION  
HEADQUARTERS & HEADQUARTERS DETACHMENT  
APO 317

JBG/CHB/fhb

Takamatsu, Shikoku

AG 560

19 May 1947

SUBJECT: Release of Ex-Japanese Navy Ships

TO: Commanding Officer, Kagawa Military Government  
Team, APO 317

1. Reference: Letter, your headquarters, dated 18 December 1946, subject as above, and indorsements thereto.
2. Desire information as to the status of the release of the ex-Japanese Navy Ships.

BY ORDER OF COLONEL PORTER:

CHARLES H. BACK  
Capt, AC  
Adjutant

*SEE LTR, KAGAWA MIL GOVT TEAM, DTD 12 JUNE 1947,  
SUBJECT: "RELEASE OF EX-JAPANESE NAVY SHIPS"*



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SHIKOKU MILITARY GOVERNMENT REGION  
HEADQUARTERS & HEADQUARTERS DETACHMENT  
APO 317

Takamatsu, Shikoku  
6 March 1947

AG 386.1 (Legal)

SUBJECT: Transfer of Boat for Release to Home Ministry.

TO : Commanding Officer, Kagawa Mil Govt Team, APO 317.

1. A twenty ton, steel hulled boat, name unknown, taken into custody by this headquarters, after having been found afloat in the inland sea, is hereby transferred to the custody of your headquarters, for subsequent release to the Japanese Home Ministry.

2. This boat, in semi-derelict condition, was formerly the property of the Japanese navy, and is apparently a "lighter" or "river cargo boat".

3. It is recommended that effort be made to make this boat available to the police of Kagawa Prefecture, after its release to the Home Ministry has been accomplished.

BY ORDER OF COLONEL PORTER:

CHARLES H. BACK  
Captain, AC  
Adjutant

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Basic: Ltr from Shikoku Mil Govt Region Hq & Hq Det, APO 317, File No. AG 386.2(Legal), dated 6 March 1947, subj: "Transfer of Boat for Release to Home Ministry."

*Handwritten:* A+E Prop  
*Signature:* [unclear]

1st Ind

RJC/WAK/yu

Kagawa Military Government Team, APO 317, 28 August 1947

TO : Commanding General, Headquarters Eighth Army, APO 343  
Attn: Military Government Section

THROUGH: Commanding Officer, Shikoku Military Government Region, Hq & Hq Det, APO 317

1. Pursuant to instructions in basic letter, this Headquarters released subject boat to the Japanese Home Ministry on 16 August 1947.
2. Attached herewith are three(3) copies of receipts from the Japanese Government acknowledging the receiving of subject boat.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

/s/Wesley A. Keyson  
/t/WESLEY A. KEYSON  
Major, FA  
Adjutant

- 1 Incl:  
1. Copies of Receipt (tripl)

AG 386.2

2nd Ind

JBG/CHB/odg

HEADQUARTERS Shikoku Mil Govt Region, APO 317, 3 Sept 47.

TO : Commanding General, Eighth Army, APO 343  
Attn: Military Government Section

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

CHARLES H. BACK  
Captain, AC  
Adjutant

- 1 Incl:  
n/e



**BASIC:** Ltr, Shikoku MG Region, Hq & Hq Det, APO 317, AG 386.2(Legal), 6 Mar 47, subj: "Transfer of Boat for Release to Home Ministry."

AG 365.4 (GM)

3d Ind

14 Sep 1947

**TO:** Commanding Officer, Shikoku Military Government Region, APO 317

1. Basic correspondence is returned for compliance with the provisions of Paragraph 11, Eighth Army Operational Directive 28, 18 November 1945 as amended by Paragraph 1a, Change 5, 22 December 1945.

2. Subject boat should be reported to General Officer Commanding, British Commonwealth Occupation Forces for disposition instructions and necessary liaison with United States Navy representatives.

**BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL EICHELBERGER:**

/s/Otis N. Luckman  
/t/OTIS N. LUCKMAN  
Capt A.C.D.  
Asst Adjutant General

1 Incl:  
n/c

AG 386.2

4th Ind

HBP/CHB/edg

**HEADQUARTERS** Shikoku Mil Govt Region, APO 317, 22 Sep 47

**TO :** Commanding Officer  
Kagawa Military Government Team  
APO 317

For compliance with 3rd indorsement.

**BY ORDER OF COLONEL COUGHLIN:**

CHARLES H. BACK  
Captain, AC  
Adjutant

1 Incl:  
n/c

*AEE Prop*  
*ODA*



BASIC: Ltr fr Shikoku MG Region, APO 317, file AG 386.2 (Legal), subject  
"Transfer of Boat for Release to Home Ministry", 6 March 47

5th Ind

RJC/WAH/fhb

HEADQUARTERS, Kagawa Mil Govt Team, APO 317, 2 October 47

TO: Commanding Officer, Shikoku Mil Govt Region, APO 317

1. Investigation by this headquarters reveals that subject boat was actually released on 20 March 1947 on the verbal orders of Captain Donald A. Synnott, former Legal Officer, Shikoku Military Government Region. This release was accepted in good faith by the representatives of the Japanese Government, and the boat subsequently was put under repair at the Makita Iron Works of Takasatsu. Approximately 1,000,000 yen has been expended in its rehabilitation. All of the above action occurred without the knowledge of the Kagawa Military Government Team.

2. On 28 July, subject boat was discovered by a member of the Economics Section of this team, and inquiry was made as to the ownership. It was then discovered that the basic letter, dated 6 March 1947, had been written, but subsequently had been lost, and had not been received by the Kagawa Military Government Team. Conference with the Commanding Officer, Shikoku Military Government Region, resulted in the verbal order to take action on the letter, and the release was accomplished on 16 August 1947, and the receipts from the Japanese were accepted on 20 August 1947.

3. In view of the large amount of money expended by the Japanese in the rehabilitation of this craft, it is requested that the General Officer Commanding, British Commonwealth Occupation Forces, be advised of the action, with the recommendation that the action of this team in releasing the boat, though improperly taken, be confirmed.

1 Incl: n/c

W. A. HAVILAND  
Lt Col, FA  
Commanding



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**BASIC:** Ltr fr this Hqs, AG 386.2 (Legal), subj: "Transfer of Boat for Release to Home Ministry," dtd 6 Mar 47.

**AG 386.3**

6th Ind

HEP/CHB/odg

**HEADQUARTERS, Shikoku Military Government Region, APO 317, 6 Oct 47**

**TO :** General Officer Commanding  
British Commonwealth Occupation Forces  
Kure, Honshu

1. Paragraph 1 of 5th indorsement indicates that an administrative error occurred in processing the release of subject vessel. It further indicates that acceptance and reconditioning of the boat by the Japanese was in good faith.

2. In view of all the circumstances, no further action should be taken that would prejudice the commitments of Military Government.

3. This headquarters concurs in the recommendation that the action of Kagawa Military Government Team in releasing the boat be confirmed.

**FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:**

**CHARLES H. BACK**  
Captain, AC  
Adjutant

1 Incl:  
n/c



## KAGAWA PREFECTURAL GOVERNMENT

20th August 1947

SUBJECT: Receipt of released ex-Japanese Navy Ship 139  
TO : Commerce & Industry Section, Kagawa M.G. Team  
Through: Liaison Office, Kagawa Prefectural Government

I duly received the undermentioned ship which was authorized to return to Kagawa Prefectural Government by AG 386-2 dated 16 Aug. 1947.

1. Number of vessel ----- One (1) (Name's unknown)
2. General condition
  - a. Tonnage-----Twenty (20) tons
  - b. Length---18.51 meters
  - c. Width-----3.65 meters
  - d. Depth-----1.65 meters
3. Type  
"River Cargo Boat" or "Lighter"
4. Place of delivery  
Canal bay, Higashihama-cho, Takamatsu-shi.

*Masanori Kaneko*

*Vice Governor*

KEIKICHI MASUHARA  
Governor, Kagawa Prefectural  
Government.



SHIKOKU MILITARY GOVERNMENT REGION  
HEADQUARTERS & HEADQUARTERS DETACHMENT  
APO 317

JBG/CHB/mm

Takamatsu, Shikoku  
15 November 1946

AG 386.2

SUBJECT: Release of Wooden Ship

TO : Commanding Officer, Kagawa Military Government  
Team, APO 317  
Attn: Capt. Charbonnel

1. Desire that you make release to the Japanese Home Ministry of the former Japanese Navy Tender, No.170, lying in Tadotsu harbor, Kagawa Ken.

2. Your attention is invited to ltr, Headquarters Eighth Army, AG 386.3 (MG), dtd 25 June 46, subj: "Disposition of Japanese Ex-Naval Small Craft."

3. Attached is copy of correspondence between this Headquarters and BCOF concerning this ship.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

CHARLES H. BACK  
Captain, AG  
Adjutant

## 4 Incls:

1. Ltr, Shikoku MG Region, AG 386.2, dtd 25 Sept 46, subj: "Former Japanese Navy Wooden Ship." (3)
2. Ltr, Shikoku MG Region, AG 386.2, dtd 29 Oct 46, subj: "Former Japanese Navy Wooden Ship." (3)
3. Ltr, Hq, BCOF, GD 953.48, dtd 17 Oct 46, subj: "Release of Japanese Wooden Ship."
4. Ltr, Hq BCOF, MG 1109, dtd 23 Oct 46, subj: "Release of Japanese Wooden Ship." (2)

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JBGW  
JBG

Capt. W. Charbonnel



SHIKOKU MILITARY GOVERNMENT REGION  
HEADQUARTERS & HEADQUARTERS DETACHMENT  
(Takamatsu, Shikoku)

BHW/ILB/hts

APO 317  
25 September 1946

AG 386.2

SUBJECT: Former Japanese Navy Wooden Ship

TO : General Officer Commanding, British Commonwealth Occupation Forces.  
Attn: CE Branch Headquarters

THROUGH: British Military Government Liaison Officer.

1. Enclosed is a report and application by the Japanese Government for the release of the former Japanese Navy Tender, No. 170, to the Japanese Government Disposal Committee for use as a cargo boat.

2. Recommend approval of request.

3. It is suggested that COMNAVJAP be contacted in order to secure information as to the means of disposition.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

IVAN L. BOGERT  
1st Lt., SnC  
Adjutant

1 Incl:

GLO 70, Imperial Japanese Govt, Shikoku Central Liaison Office, dtd  
20 September 1946, subj: "A Wooden Boat." (2)

Incl #1



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IMPERIAL JAPANESE GOVERNMENT  
SHIKOKU CENTRAL LIAISON OFFICE  
(Takamatsu)

TO : Commanding officer of the Shikoku Military  
Government Region Headquarters and Headquarters  
Detachment.

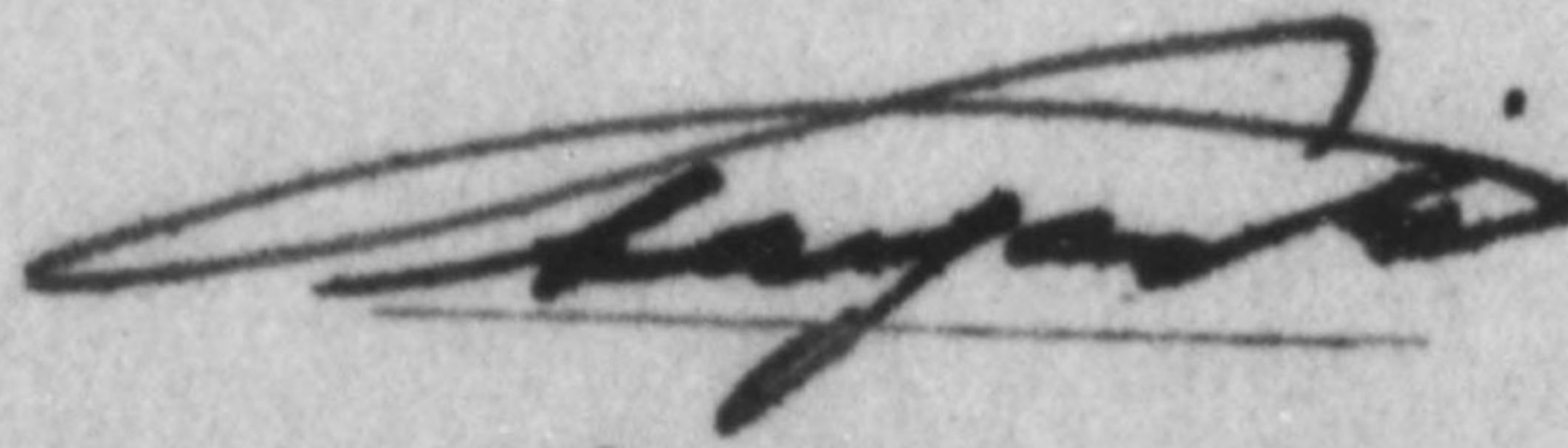
SUBJECT : A wooden boat.

G.L.O. No. 70

20 Sept. 1946.

The Shikoku Central Liaison Office has the honor to transmit herewith the petition for turn over of a wooden boat from the Takamatsu Maritime Superintendent Office, the Takamatsu Finance Bureau and Local Administration Bureau for Shikoku District.

This office requests, sincerely that your kind consideration be given to this petition so that the boat may be used for a cargo-boat to relieve the transportation shortage in Shikoku.



S. Obayashi

Shikoku Central Liaison Office.



Takamatsu, September 14, 1946.

Kagawa Military Government Team,  
Takamatsu.

Re: A wooden boat, formerly belonged  
to the Japanese Navy, now lying  
in Tadotsu harbor, Kagawaken.

Gentlemen:

In order to make a good use of it for transportation purposes, we hereby make an appeal to you for release of the above mentioned boat. We are afraid that the boat in question will rot in a short time, if not already affected to a certain extent, when kept so long in the present state.

This boat is now being in joint custody of the Takamatsu Maritime Superintendent Office, Takamatsu Finance Bureau and Tadotsu police force. The description and present condition of the boat are as follows:

Length: approximately 86 feet  
Width: do. 18 "  
Depth: do. 7 "  
Name: Listed as No. 170  
Displacement: 112 tons, according  
to list.

At present, no engine or fittings of any kind to speak of, except an anchor, can be found.

We are confident that you will find this not more than a cargo boat and that it has no military value whatsoever. Should our appeal be granted, the boat will be turned over to the disposal committee, which consists of several civilians representing those who are actually engaged in marine transportation and officials of various local government offices, including the undersigned.



Kagawa Military Government Team

We sincerely hope that you will be good enough to give this matter due attention at your earliest convenience, we are,

Very respectfully yours,

for Takamatsu Maritime Superintendent Office.

*Chief of transportation section*

*S. Ima.*

for Takamatsu Finance Bureau.

*Chief of the 2nd managing section of state property division*

*T. Uekamura*

for Local Administration Bureau for Shikoku District.

*Kataotoshi Yoshimoto*



*Capt. Withers*

SHIKOKU MILITARY GOVERNMENT REGION  
HEADQUARTERS & HEADQUARTERS DETACHMENT  
(Takamatsu, Shikoku)

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APC 317  
29 October 1946

AG 386.2

SUBJECT: Former Japanese Navy Wooden Ship

TO : General Officer Commanding, British Commonwealth  
Occupation Forces  
Attn: CE Branch Headquarters

THROUGH: British Military Government Liaison Officer

Request information as to status of ltr AG 386.2,  
this Headquarters, dtd 25 September 1946, subj: "Former  
Japanese Navy Wooden Ship."

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

CHARLES H. BACK  
Captain, AC  
Adjutant

*Incl #2*



BRITISH COMMONWEALTH FORCES

HEADQUARTERS  
GD 953.48  
17 Oct 46

386.2

SUBJECT: Release of Japanese Wooden Ship

Mil Gov Liaison Sec (3)

1. Ref your M.G. 0076 of 9 Oct 46 with attached correspondence from the Shikoku Central Liaison Office.
2. The wooden boat referred to is not required by the Occupation Forces and may be handed back.

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..... S/Ldr.  
(F.M.H. FISHER)  
for A/C.D.O.

*Incl #3*



MINUTE

H.Q. B.C.O.F.  
M.G. 1109  
23 Oct. 1946

386.2

SUBJECT: Release of Japanese Wooden Ship.

TO : Mil Gov Liaison Sec.  
SHIKOKU Det.

Ref. Shikoku Mil Gov Region AG 386.2

1. Herewith for your information, a reply to request on the above subject.

Lt. Col.  
MIL. GOV. LIAISON SECTION.

*Incl #4*