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4	INTERNATIONAL MILITARY TRIBUNAL FOR THE FAR EAST
5	Court House of the Tribunal War Ministry Building
6	Tokyo, Japan
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8	The Tribunal met, pursuant to adjournment,
9	at 0930.
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11	Appearances:
12	For the Tribunal, same as before.
13	For the Prosecution Section, same as before.
14	For the Defense Section, same as before.
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16	The Accused:
17	All present except OKAWA, Shumei, who is
18	represented by his counsel.
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20	(English to Japanese and Japanese
21	to English interpretation was made by the
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23	Language Section, IMTFE.)
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MARSHAL OF THE COURT: The International Military Tribunal for the Far East is now in session.

THE PRESIDENT: Major Moore.

LANGUAGE ARBITER (Major Moore): Mr. President, with the permission of the Tribunal we present the following language corrections. As these have already been distributed, only those items indicated which affect the transcript will be read at this time.

Record page 15,806: Line 1, substitute
"of" for "from"; line 2, delete "Expenditure"; line
9, substitute "of" for "from"; line 10, delete
"expenditure."

Record page 15,811: Lines 6 and 7, delete from "Manchurian" to "expenditures" and substitute "Secret Funds of the Manchurian Incident Account."

Record page 15,812: Lines 3 and 4,
delete from "Manchurian" to "Expenditures" and
substitute "Secret Funds of the Manchurian Incident
Account."

Exhibit 2214, record page 15,815: The names found in this document are in the original German.

Record page 15,817: Lines 15 and 16, delete translator's note.

Exhibit 2215, record page 15,822: Line 1 15, substitute "substantially along" for "fairly strongly in." 3 Record page 15,823: Line 17, substitute 4 "the ideal" for "your ideals." 5 Record page 15, 824: Line 6, delete "what 6 you would say." 7 Record page 15,825: Line 24, substitute 8 "necessarily" for "by all means." 9 Mr. President, we have a few more items 10 to present to the Tribunal, if the Tribunal please. 11 12 Record page 14,386: Line 22, there appear 13 the words "was KIMURA War Minister." This phrase 14 was put into Japanese by the interpreter so that 15 the question would mean "was KIMURA acting for 16 the War Minister." 17 The Tribunal is asked to take note of this 18 point. 19 Exhibits 270 and 2235, two translations 20 of the same original Japanese, have been referred 21 to the Arbitration Board. From a spot check we 22 find that either translation is acceptable. 23 since exhibit 2235 is a slightly more exact render-24 ing we recommend that it be accepted as the official 25

translation.

THE PRESIDENT: Thank you, Major. Those corrections will be made.

Mr. Tavenner.

MR. TAVENNER: General Vasiliev is here this morning and would like to make a statement.

THE PRESIDENT: General Vasiliev.

MAJOR GENERAL VASILIEV: If the Court please, the gist of our motion made in court on January 17 is as follows:

During the presentation of our evidence in the prosecution case we cancelled temporarily some of the documents on various matters and we did not present them because we did not have the documents in due form.

Mr. President suggested that we present the whole evidence dealing with the matter later. On this ground Minister Golunsky said we should omit this group of documents with the understanding that we should have an opportunity of presenting them at a later date.

I respectfully invite the Tribunal's attention to pages 7748 and 7749 of the record of October 15, 1946. I am informed that these documents have now been found and will be sent to us from Moscow at the end of January, after having

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been put in due form, which means that we shall get them in the middle of February.

This is probably connected with the fact that during the war the archives were transferred deep into the country and are now being transferred back, which makes it hard to use them.

I am speaking of several documents dealing with subversive activities of the Japanese on
the Chinese Eastern railroad, with an undeclared
war of aggression waged in the Nomongan area, with
subversive activities of the Japanese against the
USSR which were carried on in the Far East, and
with the preparation of war against the USSR.

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I deemed it my duty to inform the Tribunal about this in order to leave no doubt in the minds of the Tribunal.

We have no intention of holding open the prosecution case until the Russian documents arrive. If that was the understanding of the Court we probably aid not quite clearly express our opinion.

As I understand it some of these documents may be presented in the course of the cross-examination of the accused, while the others may be presented in rebuttal.

I, however, will be glad to follow any ruling of the Court on that matter. Withdrawing my motion on this point, I request the Tribunal to take my today's statement into consideration.

THE PRESILENT: This application is unnecessary so far as the documents in question can be got in during cross-examination or by way of rebuttal. However, no doubt you are not sure about being able to get in any document that way, and this application is practically necessary. On this matter we are, of course, bound by the Charter but not by any technical rules.

Do I understand that the new documents will be in substance the same as those already before the

1 | Court?

MAJOR GENERAL VASILIEV: Yes, your Honor, in substance they will be the same.

THE PRESIDENT: The defense know what the new documents will be, in substance?

I must take the word of the Russian prosecutor that the documents are in substance the same, those already before the Court and those proposed to be tendered later.

Our whole purpose must be to insure that the defense are not prejudiced in any way. They will not be prejudiced if they move this Court on the assumption that the fresh documents will be admitted later if the Charter permits. I come to no conclusion about that without consulting my colleagues.

MAJOR GENERAL VASILIEV: Your Honor, we will be glad to follow any ruling of the Court on that matter as to the possible time of presentation of these fresh documents.

MR. LOGAN: If the Tribunal please.

THE PRESIDENT: Mr. Logan.

MR. LOGAN: If my recollection is correct, there are a number of documents which were in evidence tentatively as offered by the Russian prosecutors.

There were also a number of documents which were not

permitted to be introduced in evidence, were merely marked for identification. We do not know without further reference to the record and a list from the Russian prosecutors as to which documents they are referring on this motion.

In any event, they have had three months since this Court made its ruling with respect to all those documents to get them here. In our motions to dismiss we have taken the record as it exists today, and we see no reason why the prosecution should be permitted to introduce more documents on the defendants' case. When they rest, they should rest for all purposes.

MAJOR GENERAL VASILIEV: I really don't know to what documents my learned colleague refers. All our documents were admitted in evidence and we have strictly followed all rulings of the Court and have not violated them so far and have no intention of doing it in the future.

As far as the presentation of fresh documents is concerned, we hope that it will be possible to do in the course of the cross-examination of the accused or in rebuttal; and I am quite satisfied with the remarks Mr. President made on that matter.

THE PRESIDENT: The Tribunal will consider the

matter. Mr. Higgins, is Mr. Carr in the court? MR. HIGGINS: We will have him sent for, Mr. President. THE PRESIDENT: He moved a motion on which the Court has come to a decision, and I wish to give the decision. MR. HIGGINS: We have sent for him, Mr. President. THE PRESIDENT: Well, he may take some time to get here, so you had better proceed with the presen-tation of your evidence. MR. HIGGINS: Mr. Lopez will proceed for the prosecution.

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March of 1934. I was promoted to Lieutenant Colonel in 1932.

"Q. G-2? What is that?

Intelligence. I then went to the First Infantry Regiment (Tokyo) and remained there until March of 1935. I was transferred to the War Department Military Affairs Bureau, remaining there until June of 1936. From June of 1936 until March of 1937, I was a member of the staff of the Kwantung Army. In 1936 I was promoted to Colonel. March of 1937 until November of the same year I was attached to G-3 (operations) in the Tokyo General Staff. From November 1937 until July 1938, I was the Adjutant of the General Staff of the Central China Expeditionary Army. From July of 1938 until October of 1939, I was the Adjutant of the General Staff with the North China Area Army. In 1938 I became major general. In October of 1939 I was appointed Chief of the Military Affairs Bureau.

"Q. Then in April 1942 you left your office as Chief of the Military Affairs Bureau and what was your next position?

"A. I became Commander of the KONOYE Division (Sumatra.)

"Q. How long were you there?

1 "A. I remained in Sumatra from 1942 until October of 1944. Then in October 1944 I went to the Philippines as Chief of Staff for the 14th Area 3 4 Army. In 1942 I became lieutenant general. In 5 September 1945, I was taken prisoner at the surrender. "Q. General, from March 1937 to November 1937. 7 were you Chief of the Operations Section in the 8 General Staff here in Tokyo? 9 "A. Yes. I was not the Chief of Operations. 10 I was attached to Operations. 11 "Q Weren't you subsequently appointed Chief 12 of the Operations Section? 13 "A. I was Chief of the Operations Section of 14 G-3 (Operations and Planning) and under that I was 15 Chief of Operations. 16 "Q. General, in any operation by the Army, 17 rather detailed plans have to be made before hand, 18 do they not? 19 "A. Ordinarily operational plans are drawn up 20 every year, however in case of an emergency, plans 21 are drawn up immediately. 22 "Q. General, what plans were drawn yearly? 23 "A. At that time, the annual plans involved 24 Northern Russia and China. 25 "Q. What part of China, General?

1	"A. North and Central China operations.
2	"Q. What were the plans against Russia?
3	"A. The plans involved defense in case of
4	Russian attack.
5	"Q. At what location would your defense be?
6	"A. Along the Manchurian borders.
7	"Q. Northern Manchuria?
8	"A. Yes.
9	"Q. Manchuria was a pretty good buffer against
10	Russia for Japan?
11	"A. It was intended as a buffer area.
12	"Q. Those plans were drawn yearly, is that
13	correct, General?
14	"A. These plans were reviewed annually, as done
15	by any staff.
16	"Q. You were on the staff in 1931 and 1932,
17	General?
18	"A. Yes."
19	We introduce in evidence IPS Document No.
21	1408
22	THE PRESIDENT: Mr. Carr is here now.
23	MR. LOPEZ: Mr. Comyns Carr.
24	THE PRESIDENT: Mr. Carr, the other day
25	you moved the Tribunal to strike out of Count 25
	the name TOGO and to insert in lieu thereof the name

The application is granted so far as it 1 extends to the striking out of the name TOGO. but 2 refused so far as it includes the striking out --3 the insertion of the name TOJO. 4 5 Mr. Lopez. MR. LOPEZ: Shall I proceed, Mr. President? 6 7 THE PRESIDENT: Yes. MR. LOPEZ: We introduce in evidence IPS 8 document No. 4108 which is an extract from the 15 9 10 April 1946 interrogation of the defendant MUTO, 11 to show his admission regarding the relation between 12 the Military Affairs Bureau and the Army General 13 Staff, his function as liaison between the War Ministry 14 and Navy Ministry and his intervention in the drafting 15 of the Imperial Rescript declaring war on the United 16 States. 17 THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms. 18 CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document 19 No. 4108 will receive exhibit No. 2240. 20 (Whereupon, the document above re-21 ferred to was marked prosecution's exhibit 22 No. 2240 and received in evidence.) 23 MR. LOPEZ: We read that document in its 24 entirety: 25 (Reading): "Page 11.

"Q. Is it not true that HOSHINO and OKA, as well as yourself, supported the decision of the Liaison Conference to wage war against the United States?

"A. You can call it that, although it wasn't our position to decide one way or the other.

"Q. You did nothing on your part to avert the decision to wage war, did you?

"A. I did not oppose it.

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"Q. Isn't it true that the Military Affairs
Bureau is consulted by the Army General Staff for
its advice and also consultation in regard to the
necessary preparations to wage war?

"A. It may be put that way, but what actually happens is that the General Staff says such and such will be necessary and we advise them whether it can be procured or not.

"Q. Who was the higher categorical authority in the scheme of things in Japan, the Chief of the General Staff or the War Minister himself?

"A. The Chief of the General Staff.

"Q Is it not true that the General Staff always acquainted the War Ministry with any operations in order that the War Ministry could formulate a sound policy?

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"A. Yes.

"Q. And is it not also true that in order to accomplish effectively a given mission, that the Navy Ministry and the War Ministry establish a Liaison in order to coordinate their efforts?

"A. Yes.

"Q. Was not OKA of the Navy Affairs Bureau and you of the Military Affairs Bureau the Liaison between the army and the navy?

"A. Yes.

"Questions by Mr. Lopez:

"Q. And precisely OKA and you were present all the time in the Liaison Conference in order to avoid any misunderstanding of action and to coordinate the efforts of both the army and the navy, together with the Minister of Finance, the Foreign Minister, the Minister of State, and the Prime Minister himself?

"A. Yes.

"Q. And during your incumbency as Chief of the Military Affairs Bureau, you were closely associated with OKA by the very nature of both of your offices -- liaison between the Army and the Navy?

"A. Yes.

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"Q. You had a hand in preparing the declaration of war?

"A. Yes.

"Q. As a matter of fact, you collaborated in the preparation of that declaration of war with Mr. TOGO and OKA?

"A. The Cabinet--that is to say, Minister TOGO wrote one up and so did OKA, and I also prepared a draft. The three of them were put together and the final one was decided upon.

"Q. How many hours leeway did you give the United States to answer the ultimatum before attacking?

"A. The time was decided upon by the Navy General Staff. I do not recall what time limit we gave the United States after the ultimatum?

"Q. You mean to say that the Cabinet gave the General Staff that power?

"A. The Navy General Staff figured out when their operations would take place and then notified the Liaison Conference of the Minus H hour at which the United States could be notified.

"Q. But the fact of the matter was that you, Mr. TOGO and Mr. OKA collaborated in the drafting of the final note?

"A. Yes, and the final dispatching of the

communication was left to the Foreign Office.

"Q. Let us get this straight for the sake of posterity. You prepared your own draft; Mr. TOGO also prepared his own draft; and Mr. OKA also prepared his. After each one of you prepared an individual draft, the three of you huddled together and drafted the final draft, is that it?

"A. I am sorry. What I thought you meant by declaration of war was the speech which the Emperor gave. This was prepared by me and the others. The actual ultimatum was drafted by the Foreign Office.

"Q. You mean to say that the Imperial Rescript was prepared by you and others?

"A. Yes. That was the thing that we drew up and brought before the Liaison Conference where changes were made and the final draft was settled upon.

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"Q. When the document which you termed to be an ultimatum to the United States, which you claim to have been prepared only by the Foreign Minister, was that document ever shown to the War Ministry or to you for consultation as to whether it was agreeable to your office?

"A. Yes.

"Q. Of course, it was agreeable to you before 1 it was sent, otherwise it would not have been sent? "A. Yes. 3 "Q. You practically OK'd it? 4 "A. Yes. 5 "Q. Did you offer any suggestion, correction on the draft as submitted to you by the Foreign 7 8 Ministry? "A. I have no recollection. 10 "Q. But you recall that you approved it? 11 "A. Yes." 12 We offer in evidence IPS document No. 4109. 13 which is an extract from the 16 April 1946 interro-14 gation of the defendant MUTO, to show his admission 15 that he agreed with all the policies of the defendant 16 TOJO when he was Premier of Japan, and his role in 17 helping draft the Imperial Rescript which declared 18 war against the United States. 19 THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms. 20 CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document 21 No. 4109 will receive exhibit No. 2241. 22 (Whereupon, the document above re-23 ferred to was marked prosecution's exhibit 24 No. 2241 and received in evidence.) 25 MR. LOPEZ: We read this document in its

entirety:

(Reading) "Page 1.

"Q. General, you agreed with TOJO on all his policies since the time that TOJO became Premier in October 1941 and up to the time you resigned as Director of the Military Affairs Bureau, did you not?

"A. The Cabinet was unanimous. I only recollect matters up to April 1942. After this date I know nothing because I was sent to the Front.

"Q. Then your answer is that you did agree completely with TOJO?

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"A. Yes.

"Q. And that is particularly with reference to the relations with the United States and Great Britain?

"A. Yes.

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"Q. Going back to the Imperial Rescript which you said you had a hand in its preparation, can you tell us who were the others who helped prepare the Imperial Rescript declaring war against the United States?

"A. OKA, HOSHINO and myself prepared the draft of the Imperial Rescript to be handed to the Liaison

1 Conference for approval. This was altered considerably 2 by the Liaison Conference. "Q. OKA, HOSHINO and yourself were the Committee 4 created to make the draft? 5 "A. Yes. 6 "Q. Admiral OKA represented the Navy. Mr. 7 HOSHINO represented the Liaison Conference, and yourself represented the War Ministry? 9 "A. I remember that there was a representative 10 from the Foreign Office who also participated. I 11 think his name was YAMAMOTO. 12 "Q. But you represented the Army, Mr. OKA 13 represented the Navy, and Mr. HOSHINO as Chief 14 Secretary of the Liaison Conference represented the 15 Liaison Conference. 16 "Page 5. 17 "A. Yes. 18 "Q. The Committee of which you were a member 19 prepared a draft and submitted the draft to the 20 Liaison Conference.

"A. Yes, this was submitted to the Liaison Conference.

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MR. LOPEZ: We tender in evidence IPS
Document No. 2273, which is an extract from the
April 22, 1946, interrogation of the defendant MUTO,
to show his admission that he was the deputy chief
of staff of General MITSUI during the Rape of Nanking and General YAMASHITA'S chief of staff during
the Rape of Manila, that he and other Japanese
officers had heard of a book printed in America
denouncing the Japanese armed forces for the Rape
of Nanking, that it was in 1915 in Siberia that
Japanese troops showed for the first time "tendencies toward atrocity" involving "confiscation, or
rather, stealing, rape, robbery, and such.

THE PRESIDENT: You do not need such a lengthy explanation of such a short document. You have practically said everything that is in the document.

MR. LOPEZ: Mr. President, the document that I will read is quite lengthy, and if I ever did it, it was to guide the Court.

THE PRESIDENT: Yes. Read it.

MR. LOPEZ: We read the document in its entirety.

THE PRESIDENT. Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's docu-1 ment 2273 will receive exhibit No. 2242. (Whereupon, the document above refer-3 red to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 4 2242 and received in evidence.) 5 MR. LOPEZ: We will read the document in 6 7 its entirety. "Page 7: 8 "Q Your forces in Nanking were not being pressed 9 by the Chinese forces in any way -- so much so that you were able to celebrate the taking over, is it 12 not? "A Japanese troops waited outside the city 13 14 wall, and leaflets were dropped ordering the Chinese to surrender. Such orders were not obeyed; there-16 fore, the Japanese troops entered the city by force. 17 "Q How long did it take them to do it? 18 "A Two days, after the actual bombardment 19 commenced. 20 "Q Do you attribute it to coincidence the fact that you were also the Deputy Chief of Staff of General YAMASHITA when the rape of Manila hap-23 pened? 24 "A In the case of Nanking, two or three battalions were to enter the city. However, the whole

1 army entered within the walls, thereby resulting in the rape of Nanking! In the case of Manila, ³ General YAMASHITA desired to avoid fighting within the city. However, certain elements of the navy and the army outside of General YAMASHITA's command remained in the city, thereby forcing American forces to attack the City of Manila. 8 Is fighting in the City of Manila any justification for raping of the women of Manila by 10 your soldiers: 11 Such is not justifiable. 12 Is fighting in the City of Manila any 13 justification for your soldiers of killing thousands 14 of civilians by burning them with gasoline or by 15 shooting them with machine guns, including women and 16 small children? 17 Such is definitely not justifiable. 18 "Q Can you explain the behavior of those troops 19 in the light of education given by the army or by 20 the Government of Japan? 21 I regret that you ask such a question. 22 There is no army in the world or government in the 23 world that will instruct their people to shoot or 24 kill children or civilian population.

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Has it not troubled your conscience to find 110 1 that so many innocent women and children were either 2 killed or raped, either in China or the Philippines? 3 4 "A After the atrocities in Nanking and Manila, 5 and being a member of the General Staff at both 6 incidents, I felt that something was lacking in the 7 Japanese military education. 8 "Q What do you think is lacking in military 9 education? 10 "A The troops that committed the atrocities 11 in Nanking and Manila were men mobilized in a hurry, 12 and they were not trained properly in military 13 education. 14 "Q When did you come across that book written 15 by an American on the rape of Nanking: 16 "A I have not seen the book, but I merely 17 heard that such a book was printed in America. 18 "Q You were told about it in 1937 - 1938? 19 "A I believe it was in 1938. 20 Were you not ashamed as a professional 21 soldier that such a state of things should find it-22 self in a book indicting against your army? 23 "A I felt that it was a shame to the Japanese 24

troops,

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'Q Did not the high ranking Japanese officers

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discuss the matter and find out in what way you could improve the situation so that similar incidents would not be repeated in the future?

"A There were no formal gatherings just to discuss such matters, but among the officers there were individual discussions.

"Q Did you not feel at the time in 1938 that there must be something wrong with the information section of your army? Why was it that in the case of Nanking you only knew about ten or twenty incidents when the book mentioned written by the American, 'The Rape of Nanking', the whole civilian population?

"A As I have stated before, I have only heard of between ten to twenty incidents. How many incidents were reported within the two armies I do not know.

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"Q When you heard in 1938 about the book mentioning about the rape of Nanking, did you not discuss the matter informally with other officers in a higher echelon?

"A There were no discussions.

"Q You mentioned about informal discussions about atrocities committed in China. Of what did

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those discussions consist?

"A There were no discussions concerning the rape of Nanking in regards to the published book. However, because the Japanese troops were misbehaving, there were informal discussions.

"Q What remedies were suggested in those discussions?

"A During the China-Japanese and the Russo-Japanese War such atrocious acts were not known among the Japanese Army. It was about 1915 when Japanese troops were sent to Siberia such tendencies toward atrocity came into the limelight, thereby proving that the quality and character of the Japanese is slowly deteriorating. Therefore, education in homes and schools must be changed to meet the situation. Such discussions were held informally.

"Q Many officers like you were worried about such atrocities because it reflected adversely on the honor and the prestige of the Japanese Imperial Forces, is it not?

"A They were very much worried.

"Q You were worried yourself so that when the book appeared you tried to investigate what you could do in order to remedy the situation -- the book on the rape of Nanking?

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"A For a long time I had been associated with the Inspector General Military Training Department, and I was very much interested in the proper education of the army.

"Q What reforms did you introduce in the training and education of the young men who were about to go into the army so that those weaknesses which you noticed to have cropped up after the Siberian expedition in 1915 could be corrected?

"A At the time when Japanese troops were sent to Siberia, I was only a Second Lieutenant, so even if I did notice that I couldn't do anything about it.

"Q But when you had influence with the office of the Adjutant General who was in charge of military training, what did you do in order to strengthen that weakness which you noticed way back in 1915?

"A Even after I became Lieutenant General I could not do anything as I was not a divisional commander. In order to put anything into force one has to be a divisional commander.

"Q How about when you became Chief of the Military Affairs Bureau?

"A The Chief of the Military Bureau is only a staff under the Minister of War, and he has no

power to give out orders on such.

"Q If you were a divisional commander or if you had been in charge of the training or education in the schools, you would have given out orders to the schools that that weakness which you noticed since 1915 was strengthened and fortified?

"A Yes. (witness laughs)

"Q What happened in Siberia which started the deterioration of the character of the Japanese soldier?

"A Confiscation, or rather (tealing, rape, robbery, and such."

MR. LOPEZ: We offer in evidence IPS Document No. 2947 which is a news story entitled "MUTO Flays Bureaucrats and Parties," published in "The Japan Times & Mail" for March 21, 1940, on pages 1 and 2, to show the importance of the high office occupied by defendant MUTO as Director of the Military Affairs Bureau, and to --

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

MR. LOPEZ (continuing): further show his totalitarian views which included favoring dissolution of political parties and suggesting that national-

ism is a better name for totalitarianism of European conception as guiding principle of the Japanese nation. CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document No. 2947 will receive exhibit No. 2243. 6 (Whereupon, the document above refer-7 red to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 8 2243 and received in evidence.) 9 THE PRESIDENT: What is the delay due to? 10 Is there something wrong with the IBM? 14 MR. LOPEZ: We will read the first six 12 paragraphs from page 1 of this document: 13 "MUTO FLAYS BUREAUCRATS AND PARTIES. 14 "Avers Army Wents Political Organizations 15 to Reconsider Attituáes. 16 "Tokyo, Wednesday, March 20, 1940. 17 "Major-General Akira MUTO, Director of the 18 Military Affairs Bureau of the War Office, Tuesday 19 afternoon expressed straightforthwardly the opinion 20 of the Army favoring dissolution of political parties if they seek to further their interests 22 alone under the current emergency. 23 "General MUTO'S declaration came in answer 24 to interpellations put to War Minister General

Shunroku HATA at a joint meeting of sub-committees

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of the House of Representatives in charge of discussing settlement of accounts of State budget.

"Bunhei HAMACHI, Seiyukai KUHARA, Faction M.P., put interpellations to War Minister HATA on the following points:

"1. What does the Army think of the present social system?

"a. Don't you think that the Army commits itself to the field of politics and economy too much?

"3. Don't you think that the Army, bureaucrats and political parties ought to proceed hand in hand to accomplish the objective of the 'sacred war'?"

MR. LOPEZ: Also from page 2 of this document we read paragraphs 4, 5, and 6, as follows:

"Referring to totalitarianism of European conception, General MUTO said that 'nationalism' is considered a better name for what is believed to be the guiding principle of the Japanese nation.

"In this connection, General MUTO quoted the speech delivered by General Juichi TERAUCHI before the Diet when he was War Minister that ours should be totalitarianism completely nationalist in principle and faith.

""If the whole nation carried everything before the State, General MUTO further said, 'the

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full power of the State will be displayed. "
             MR. LOPEZ: If your Honor please, we offer
   as our next witness Shinichi TANAKA.
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BY MR. LOPEZ:

Q Will you kindly give us your full name, age, and address, and occupation if any?

A TANAKA, Shinichi, age 54, No. 2040 Tsuizawamura, Miye County, Miye Prefecture. Address 2042.

Q I show you IPS document No. 2925 entitled Affidavit. Will you kindly tell us if you have read its contents?

A I have read it.

Q Are the facts recited in that affidavit true and correct?

A Yes.

Q Did you make that affidavit voluntarily without any compulsion, intimidation, or any pressure brought to bear on you?

A Yes, you are correct.

MR. LOPEZ: At this juncture, Mr. President, we offer in evidence IPS document No. 2925 identified by the witness Sinichi TANAKA as his affidevit.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document

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2925 will receive exhibit No. 2244. (Whereupon, the document above re-2 ferred to was marked prosecution's exhibit 3 No. 2244 and received in evidence. MR. LOPEZ: We will read the affidavit in 5 its entirety: "I, Shinichi TANAKA, make oath and say as 7 follows: "O Were you once Chief of the First Section 9 (Operations) of the General Staff of the Japanese 10 Imperial Army? 11 "A Yes, I was such from October 12, 1940 to 12 December, 1942. 13 "Q What was your rank when you assumed office 14 for the first time? 15 "A I was Major General but was promoted to 16 Lieutenant General in October, 1941. 17 "Q Do you know the defendant Akira MUTO? 18 "A Yes. When I was Chief of the First Section 19 (Operations) under General SUGIYAMA, General MUTO 21 was Chief of the Military Affairs Bureau. He was one , 22 of the liaison men who did most of the work between 23 the War Ministry and the Army General Staff. 24 "Q As liaison man what was the nature of his

"A At the General Staff office the work was mostly paper work concerning mobilization, organization, operations, strategy and tactics. The Army General Staff has nothing to do with matters involving politics, foreign relations and finance.

"Q In the decision to undertake operations on Indo-China in 1941, what had the War Ministry to do with that decision?

"A In matters like that, military policies go to the General Staff from the War Ministry, but it does not mean that the 'ar Ministry makes the decision.

First of all the Prime Minister, the Foreign Minister, the Minister of var, the Minister of Navy and the Chief of the Army General Staff and the Chief of the Navy General Staff, hold a preliminary meeting and arrive at a decision of national policies. The decision of the Cabinet is handed down to the War Ministry which in turn contacts the General Staff on matters which concern the General Staff such as military operations.

"Q Who is sent down to the Army General Staff from the War Ministry in order to convey the policy laid down or the decision made?

"A In such important matters as the national policy regarding Indo-China, the War Minister would go directly to the Chief of Staff, but in minor

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details the War Minister approaches the Chief of the Military Affairs Bureau and he in turn will make connections with the General Staff.

"Q Who would follow up the order or the decision arrived at at the conference which is handed down to the War Minister and which is passed on to the General Staff?

"A The Chief of the General Staff will carry out that part of national policy as far as operations are concerned. The Chief of General Staff integrates the national policy into operations and strategy.

"Q In what way does he carry out the order?

"A The Chief of the General Staff had been already included in the preliminary meeting so he knows in general the over-all policies and operations. For this reason, it is easier for him to integrate the policies into the operations. After he comes back to the General Staff office, he calls in the Vice Chief of Staff and the four main assistants and he requests the various assistants, after revealing his plans and policies, to bring in various details to conform to his plans. After such materials are at thered the Chief of Genenral Staff gives out the order for the actual carrying out of the operation.

"Q Your section is in charge of operations and

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strategy? "A Yes.

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"Q As the Chief of the General Staff attends the conference that makes the decision why is the need for the War Minister to go over to the Chief of Staff

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and hand him the orders?

"A The decisions arrived at the preliminary meetings must be approved by the Cabinet in order to make them legal and binding. Since the Chief of General Staff does not know the decision of the Cabinet, the War Minister contacts the Chief of General Staff.

"Q Once you have prepared the plans for operation, to whom do you submit them?

"A After the operational plans are completed, they are presented to the Vice Chief of Staff. He makes the necessary corrections and in turn delivers them to the Chief of the General Staff.

"Q Once it is received by him, what does the Chief of the General Staff do about it?

"A He makes the necessary corrections and important matters are discussed with the War Minister. It is shown to the War Ministry and if approved the Chief of the General Staff will give out the orders and if they are important orders, they are first shown to the War Minister, who will sign it if he approves.

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"Q Following the Imperial Conference of 2 July 1 1941, do you recall if you were directed by General SUGIYAMA to make operational study on a campaign 3 against Malaya, Java, Borneo, Bismarck, Dutch East 4 Indies and Philippines? 5 "A Yes. 6 Following the Imperial Conference of 6 7 September 1941 do you remember if you were directed 8 by General SUGIYAMA to begin preparations for operations against those countries? "A Yes, I was ordered to do so following the 11 Imperial Conference which was attended by KONOYE, TOJO, 12 OIKAWA, SUGIYAMA, TOYODA and NAGANO. 13 "Q Can you tell us if Generals TOJO, KIMURA and 14 MUTO had knowledge of these instructions by General 15 SUGIYAMA to you in September 1941? 16 17 "A Yes, for by the very nature of the rules and 18 practices governing the relationship between the War Ministry, and the General Staff at the time, Generals 19 20 TOJO, KIMURA and MUTO had to know and did know of 21 those instructions. As I stated before, the paper work for the preparation of the operation is done by the 23 General Staff, however, the actual preparation such

as supply and strength, etc., was carried on by the

War Ministry. Since General MUTO was Chief of the

Military Affairs Bureau of the War Ministry explanations for the preparation of the operation had to be made to him by the General Staff. He was well informed, especially on supply and money matters.

"Q was it the duty of the General Staff to alert the field commanders about the imminence of hostilities?

"A If necessary, the field commanders were alerted by the General Staff. It wasn't the duty of my Section, it was more the duty of the Intelligence Section.

"Q Following the Imperial Conference on 1 December 1941 were you directed on the next day by General SUGIYAMA to draft an alert order to all commanding generals of troops in the South Seas Areas that wer with the United States, England and Holland was imminent and warning them that hostilities should commence on X-Day?

"A I was directed by General SUGIYAMA to write the order to the field commanders in the South Seas so that in case war should break out they would be ready. Actually, SUGIYAMA issued the order because his signature was necessary to make the order valid and effective; but before the order could be wired to the various commanders in the South Pacific it also

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1	had to have the signature of approval of Generals
2	TOJO, KIMURA and MUTO in their respective capacities
3	as War Minister, Vice Minister of War and Chief of
4	the Military Affairs Bureau. It was the customary
5	rule in our office to obtain the signatures of the
6	War Minister, the Vice War Minister and the Chief
7	of the Military Affairs on those important orders
8	before they could be sent out.
9	"Q Then were you so directed?
10	"A I am not sure, though I think it was
11	December 2nd or 1st when I was directed by General
12	SUGIYAMA to write and issue the order in his name.
13	"Q Was the alert order sent by wire to the
14	commanding generals of all troops of the South Scas
15	areas?
16	"A Yes, they were sent that day after it had
17	been signed by General SUGIYAMA.
18	"Q Did General SUCIYAMA tell you what day was
19	X-Day?
20	"A Yes, about 27th or 28th November 1941 he told
21	me that X-DAY would be December 8, 1941."
22	That is all for the witness.
23	THE PRESIDENT: We will recess for fifteen
24	minutes.

(Thereupon, at 1045, a recess was

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MARSHAL OF THE COURT: The International Military Tribunal for the Far East is now resumed.

THE PRESIDENT: Mr. Lopez.

IR. LOPEZ: If the Tribunal please, at the suggestion of the Clerk of the Court and before the defense will proceed on its cross-examination of my witness, Shinichi TANAKA, I beg leave to offer to be marked for identification only the whole interrogation of the defendant MUTO, of April 1946, from which exhibit 2239 was extracted from.

We also offer for identification only the whole interrogation of the defendant MUTO, of 15 April 1946, from which exhibit 2240 was extracted from.

We likewise offer for identification only, the whole interrogation of defendant MUTO, of 16 April 1946, from which exhibit 2241 was extracted from.

And further offer for identification only
the whole interrogation of the defendant MUTO, of
22 April 1946, from which exhibit 2242 was extracted from.

THE PRESIDENT: You told us at the time, Mr.

Lopez, you were tendering the whole of the interrogation
in each case, although your document did not indicate it.

The document tendered for identification will have the same number in each case as the excerpt. The excerpt in each case will be renumbered as now, plus

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the letter "A".

CLERK OF THE COURT: The record then will show as corrected prosecution document No. 4108 will receive exhibit No. 2240 for identification only and the excerpt therefrom, bearing the same document number, will receive exhibit No. 2240-A.

Prosecution's document No. 4109 will receive exhibit No. 2241 for identification only and the excerpt therefrom, bearing the same document number, will receive exhibit No. 2241-A.

Document No. 2273 will receive exhibit No. 2242 for identification only and the excerpt therefrom, bearing the same document number will be exhibit No. 2242-A.

Document No. 2947 will receive exhibit No. 2243 for identification only and the excerpt therefrom, the same document number, will receive exhibit No. 2243-A.

Document No. 2925 will receive exhibit No.

(Whereupon, the documents above

referred to were marked prosecution's exhibit Nos. 2240 to 2243 for identification; the excerpts therefrom being marked prosecution's exhibit Nos. 2240-A to 2243-A and received in evidence. Document No.

2925 was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 2244 and received in evidence.)

MR. LOPEZ: If your Honor please, our witness is ready for any cross-examination.

THE PRESIDENT: Counsel OKAMOTO.

CROSS-EXAMINATION

BY MR. S. OKAMOTO:

Q In your affidavit, page one, answer to the fifth question, you state that first of all the Prime Minister, the Foreign Minister, the Minister of War, the Minister of Navy and the Chief of the Army General Staff and the Chief of the Navy General Staff called a preliminary meeting. This sounds to be a new name to me. Does it mean the liaison conference?

A It is a preliminary conference and is not a -"preliminary" used as an adjective and this is not a
proper noun and it is a liaison conference.

THE INTERPRETER: I will repeat that. "This merely denotes a preliminary conference with the word 'preliminary' used as an adjective and is not a proper noun and it is a liaison conference."

Q Is the liaison conference not a preliminary conference and is an independent conference?

A Liaison conference as I see it in order to make it legal and to empower it must, first of all,

1 require the meeting of the Cabinet. But, in fact, are there any precedents or examples of decisions reached at the liaison conference being modified by Cabinet conferences? That, I do not know. Then I shall change the subject. Concerning the 12th question and answer of your affidavit, in page two of the English affidavit -fifth question and answer on page two of the affidavit. 10 By what you have stated here, do you mean that the power to decide operational plans rests in the hands of the 12 Chief of the General Staff; is that what you mean? 13 THE INTERPRETER: The witness answer: "That is correct." 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24

Q But is it not a fact that the power of decision which the Chief of General Staff is alleged to possess is the prerogative of command, a secret prerogative of command, which cannot be violated by anyone and which must be respected and cannot be violated by anyone? That is the custom in Japan, is it not?

THE MONITOR: Just a minute, correction: Will you strike out "secret" from the -- "secret" prerogative.

MR. LOPEZ: Objection, your Honor, because the question is very vague and not clear. I wish it reworded and reformed.

THE PRESIDENT: The test is whether the witness understands it. Do you understand the question, Witness?

THE WITNESS: Yes, that question was rather vague and abstract. If put to me more concretely I may be able to answer more precisely.

MR. S. OKAMOTO: Then I shall try to put the question in a concrete form.

Q Could the War Minister interfere with decisions made by the Chief of General Staff; could he? What I am trying to ask you is whether the highest power of decision rested with the Chief of General Staff?

A A nation's operational plan is based upon that nation's national policy; however, the War Minister is in charge of national defense policy and the outline of that national defense also is under the charge of the War Ministry. The matter over which the Chief of the General Staff has charge is national defense and operations. An operational plan is completed only when a nation's national policy and its national defense policy -- and its national defense operations -- are coordinated and integrated, so both in theory as well as in fact there cannot be any operational plan which is separated from national policy and national defense.

Q I understand that point already, therefore I am asking you definitely about the employment of armed forces and operations for national defense.

A If that is your premise, then if a nation is to set up or formulate an operations plan it must also take into consideration diplomatic policy which is related to that matter, and also to formulate an operations plan it is necessary to build up its military manpower strength, the mobilization of its military personnel, as well as preparations in matters pertaining to materiel, equipment, and so forth; thus materiel, personnel and budget necessary for

operations is in charge of the War Ministry, and if
I should add still further, it should be under the
charge of the cabinet or the government itself.
Therefore, an operations plan is built up or formulated
on the basis of the equipment and materiel, personnel
and money available and within the limits of the -or within the scope of such materials available. The
Chief of the General Staff formulates the operations
plans and decides upon it.

Q What you have stated generally coincides with the knowledge that we generally have. Mr. Witness, you are trying to answer all at once all of the questions I am trying to put to you. Then I shall put the questions separately to you.

Has the Chief of General Staff the right to decide, to make decisions concerning operational plans inasmuch as operational plan is drawn up in parts with each part in charge of separate groups; however, the highest decision that is rendered is by the Chief of Staff, is that not so, as far as operational plans are concerned?

MR. LOPEZ: Objection, your Honor, because it is a long-winded question and it involves so many extremes. I wish the question reported more simply, one by one. There are several subject matters there.

MR. S. OKAMOTO: Although the answer was quite involved, complicated, my question was simple. I asked him only one thing.

THE PRESIDENT: I think counsel suggested that the witness was anticipating him, giving him answers which might be the subject of further questions. I can see no fault of counsel at all in this matter. Proceed to ask your questions.

Q Please answer one by one to my questions without any fear and if you find yourself to be in error, please correct it. Please answer.

What I was trying to ask you was whether it was the charge of the Chief of General Staff -- matters concerning employment of military force and operations were matters under the charge of the Chief of the General Staff?

A Yes, that is correct.

Q In your answer to the 12th question in your affidavit you state that "he makes the necessary corrections concerning operational plans and important matters are discussed with the War Minister."

THE MONITOR: Just a moment, instead of "he," the "Chief of Army General Staff."

Q (Continuing) May I take this to mean in this fashion: Concerning important matters, after

decisions have been reached by -- decision has been made by the Chief of General Staff, explanation is made to the War Minister and his understanding is sought?

A No, that is not so.

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Q what I am asking is not about the materiel and personnel but the operations plans, that is to say, the plans drawn up by the Chief of the Army General Staff. I presume that confirmation is a matter of consultation between the two parties.

Now, are you speaking about the plans itself, that is, operations plan itself? My interpretation is you are not.

A I think I know where the mixup lies. In an operations plan men and materiel are all included. They are important fundamental elements for the making of an operations plan -- how much ammunition should be made, or that kind of fighting strength should be built up. These matters are all included in the operations plan, And, therefore I find that with respect to the important items in the operations plan, such as men and material, the Chief of the General Staff discusses the matter with the War Minister.

Q Then I understand you better now. What you state in your affidavit about discussions, consultations, and approval means consultation and approval pertaining to matters relating to men and material. So that means confirmation of those things, doesn't it?

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A	Actually those are the principal matters,
and, as I	have said before, it was a very intimate
relations	ship with general policy itself.

Q I think I understand you generally. Then I shall turn to another point; then I will turn to my next question. It is about the thirteenth question and answer in your affidavit on page 2, English text. There you find the question:

"Following the Imperial Conference of 2 July 1941, do you recall if you were directed by General SUGIYAMA to make operational study on a campaign against Malaya, Java, Borneo, Bismark, Dutch East Indies and Philippines?"

To that question you answered, "Yes."

A Yes, I remember being directed.

Q Were these plans made at one time or were orders received on several occasions and plans made on several occasions?

A I am not referring to a plan. I was ordered to make a study.

Q That was my mistake. The word "study" appears here. Well, the order to conduct the study, were these orders given on several occasions?

A Yes, I think they were given separately, on different occasions.

1	THE PRESIDENT: Over what period?
2	MR. S. OKAMOTO: That will be in my next
3	question, your Honor.
4	Q When were they made, the whole thing, whole
5	study?
6	A Yes, the study was started about that time,
7	but was not completed until about the first part
8	of December.
9	Q Then with respect to the next question,
10	that is, the question and answer No. 14 on page 2
11	of the English affidavit. There you find the
12	question:
13	"Following the Imperial Conference of
14	6 September 1941 do you remember if you were directed
15	by General SUGIYAMA to begin preparations for
16	operations against those countries?"
7	And you answered affirmatively to that
.8	question.
9	Did you hear in those days, at that time,
20	from General SUGIYAMA, Chief of Staff, that although
21	efforts were mainly concentrated on diplomatic nego-
22	tiations we were making preparations to cope with
23	an enventuality?
24	THE MONITOR: Possible exigency.

A Yes, I have heard that definitely.

Then your answer to the effect that you remember that at the Imperial Conference you ansswered "Yes, I was ordered to do so following the Imperial Conference which was attended by KONOYE, TOJO, OIKAWA, SUGIYAMA, TOYODA and NAGANO," did the Chief of General Staff explain that to you? Was the import of this Imperial Conference explained to you by the Chief of General Staff?

A I was not able to get your question clearly.

Do you mean what he explained to me about?

Q What I am asking you is whether the Chief of General Staff also talked to you in line with the decision read at the Imperial Conference?

A Yes, that is correct.

THE MONITOR: Correction in a question that was asked two or three back: "That diplomatic negotiations, efforts, should be primarily devoted to diplomatic negotiations, and that military or operational plans should be made only in case of a possible contingency.

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Then turning to question and answer No. 0 1 17. second question and answer in page 3 of English 2 affidavit. There you find words -- telegrams to 3 commanding generals of troops in the field. Why 4 was this communicated to the War Minister -- were 5 they communicated to the War Minister and his 6 subordinates? 7 What tolegram are you referring to. Mr. 8 Counsel? I don't know. I don't quite understand. 9 Then I shall read your answer: "I was 10 directed by General SUGAYAMA to write the order to 11 the field commanders in the South Seas, so that in 12 case war should break out they would be ready." 13 That is based upon regulation and custom 14 and it is impossible to conceive that such an im-15 portant matter like this is not reported or let 16 known by the War Office. 17 May I take it to mean that the War Minister 18 was notified? 19 20 No. It is stated as written there. A Were there any regulations concerning that 22 matter? A Yes. Do you mean to say that there is a regula-

tion which stipulates that approval should be

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obtained from the War Minister and his subordinates?

A Yes.

Q Does that mean that because there are the matters relating to diplomatic affairs, relations and military administration and not because they are matters relating to operations and employment of military force?

A Of course, because it applies, or it relates to military administration, but at the same time it relates to the national defense policy, in the very large sense.

Q Although it may be needless to say the power of decision rests with the Chief of General Staff, doesn't it; that is, the power of command with respect to sending communication to commanding generals in the field?

A Yes. Power to issue orders, is that it?

Q Yes.

A As a matter of fact, there is no case in which any order is issued on which the approval or agreement of the War Minister has been obtained.

THE MONITOR: Has not been obtained.

Q I am not asking about the agreement or the consent; I am asking about the right to issue orders. authority to issue orders.

A The authority to issue orders with respect to questions relating to operations resides in the Chief of Staff.

Q Then passing over to the 20th question in your affidavit, page 3 of the English affidavit. There, answering the question, you say that you were told by General SUGAYAMA of his determination to start a war. At that time, Mr. Witness, did the Chief of the General Staff tell you that although a decision for war had been made, inasmuch as the Japanese negotiations were being continued that if a settlement, a successful settlement, were reached as a result of those negotiations, the operational force will be abandoned? Did he give you any such order?

A Yes, I received such a statement from the Chief of Staff. There is something further that is related to that if I may speak of it.

Q Please speak of it.

A I think it was shortly after Chief of the General Staff SUGAYAMA issued that order that the Chief of the Personnel Bureau of the War Office came to see me. "The order has been issued," he said, "but if the diplomatic negotiations then under way should reach a successful culmination, then the

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Japanese forces sent out to the South Seas areas will have to be brought back; that is, they will have to be returned," and he asked me, "Will it be possible to return these forces peacefully?" And the purpose of the mission, the purpose of the visit made to me by the Chief of the Personnel Bureau of the War Office, was that the War Minister had said that if the negotiations should reach a successful culmination the forces will be returned, "and so you go on to see the Chief of the First Division, of the first department of the General Staff Office and discuss the matter whether these soldiers can be brought home peacefully." Thereupon, I said that that is not a very simple question, however there would be nothing better than a successful culmination of the Japanese-American negotiations, and assured my visitor that the General Staff Office will take full responsibility as to the returning of the forces from the front line.

Q Who was the Chief of the Personnel Bureau at that time?

A Lieut. General TOMINAGA, Kioji.

THE PRESIDENT: A colleague has asked me to put the following question. Answer this, witness: If the War Ministry refused to provide material, men

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or other things required by the Chief of the General Staff, what happens?

THE WITNESS: If refused, the operational plans as conceived by the General Staff could not be formulated, but it would have to as a matter of course formulate an operations plan within the limitation of the men and materiels provided them or provided the General Staff by the War Ministry.

THE MONITOR: Instead of "provided," "guarantee," by the War Ministry.

THE PRESIDENT: We will recess until half past one.

(Whereupon, at 1200, a recess was taken until 1330, after which the proceedings were resumed as follows):

AFTERNOON SESSIOU D 1 d MARSHAL OF THE COURT: The International 3 8 Military Tribunal for the Far East is now resumed. 4 E MR. HIGGINS: Mr. President. d THE PRESIDENT: Mr. Higgins. r 6 MR. HIGGINS: It is with deep regret 7 that I announce to the Tribunal the death of Mr. Worth McKinney, our staff associate from the United 9 States. The end came suddenly as a result of a 10 heart attack at eleven o'clock today, while he was 11 at his post of duty. 12 THE PRESIDENT: We greatly regret to 13 hear of the sudden death of an esteemed member of 14 the American bar and member of the prosecution. 15 Our sympathy goes out to his sorrowing widow. 16 17 SHINICHI TANAKA, called as a witness 18 on behalf of the prosecution, resumed the 19 20 stand and testified through Japanese inter-21 preters as follows: 22 CROSS-EXAMINATION 23 BY MR. S. OKAMOTO (Continued): 24 THE PRESIDENT: Mr. OKAMOTO. 25 Now, referring to the fifth question and 0

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answer in your affidavit, page 1, in the English text:

"O In the decision to undertake operations on Indo-China in 1941, what had the War Ministry to do with that decision?"

I don't think you are referring to operations by your answer. You simply mean dispatch or advance, dispatch of troops, advance into Indo-China, by your answer, do you not?

A By operations I mean combat, the forward advance of troops and stationing of troops, and therefore when I say advance I also include that to be within the meaning of operations. That is our definition of "operations."

THE MONITOR: Slight explanation: The word "advance" as used by the witness, is "shinchu," and means advance and occupy or advance into and station.

O Changing the subject: The question comes from the question and answer number 17 in your affidavit. In answering the question there you stated that for certain kinds of orders signature of the War Minister is necessary.

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INTERPRETER: The witness' reply was: As

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MR. S. OKAMOTO: How shall I do it?

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O In those days did not MUTO remain strictly within the bounds of his duties and never went

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THE MONITOR: Obeyed and respected.

A Yes, I think he respected to the point where I used to feel that it certainly is something to be able to respect to the degree that he did.

Was he not a man of common sense, and was

he not a man who would always abide by the law, who would implicitly abide by the law?

A Well, I don't understand your question too well, but MUTO generally was a man rich in common sense, very realistic and very conservative -- and somewhat conservative.

1	Q Are you aware of the fact that in those
2	days MUTO's opinion was specially favored and adopted
3	by ToJo?
4	A I don't know very much about that.
5	Q Then, are you aware of this, that plans made
6	by MUTO were rejected very often by the Minister?
7	A That does not apply only to MUTO but to many
8	others whose plans have been rejected by General TOJO.
9	Q I am asking you particularly of the case of
10	MUTO.
11	A I don't have any example, concrete example,
12	here but I am quite sure that such situation existed.
13	Q Then, have there not been any documents
14	cases of any documents of either General Staff or of
15	the War Ministry which had already been signed by
16	MUTO and after MUTO's signature had been affixed, been
17	rejected by TOJO?
18	A Yes, there are cases such as that.
19	THE PRESIDENT: The relevance of this is not
20	clear.
21	MR. LOPEZ: I object to this type of question
22	because it is beyond the scope of the cross-examination
23	THE PRESIDENT: You must observe the red
24	light, Mr. Lopez.
25	MR. S. OKAMOTO: I should like to ask your

opinion, Mr. President. I failed to hear, Mr. President. your last remark. THE PRESIDENT: My remark was that your 3 question was hardly relevant. The objection was that 4 it was beyond the scope of the affidavit of the 5 witness and his examination in chief. 6 The objection is upheld. 7 MR. S. OKAMOTO: Then I will ask another 8 question. 9 Now, Mr. Witness, in cases where agreement 10 of views was not reached between you and MUTO, the 11 Chief of the Military Affairs Bureau, is the matter 12

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Then, in cases where no solution is reached even between the Vice-Chief of General Staff and the Vice-War Minister, is the matter brought up to Chief of Staff and War Minister himself?

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of Staff and the Vice-Minister of War?

A Yes.

Q Does that mean that the bureau chief had no power or authority to make decisions?

A A bureau chief had no power of decision on any matter of importance.

MR. S. OKAMOTO: That is all.

MR. LOGAN: No further cross-examination, 1 your Honor. 2 THE PRESIDENT: Mr. Lopez. 3 4 MR. LOPEZ: We have no redirect examination of the witness, your Honor. 5 6 THE PRESIDENT: The witness is excused on the usual terms. 7 (Whereupon, the witness was excused.) 8 9 MR. LOPEZ: We offer in evidence IPS document No. 1793-A, which is a Japanese Military Secret Order 10 No. 2190 issued 28 July 1942 by Vice-Minister of War, 11 12 Heitaro KIMURA, to show the defendant KIMURA's con-13 nection and responsibility in so far as the execution 14 of the Doolittle fliers was concerned. 15 MR. SHIOHARA: Counsel SHIOHARA. 16 I should like to call the attention of the 17 Tribunal to this present document. 18 On the 8th of January, Associate Prosecutor 19 Woolworth said that he would omit tendering as 20 evidence document 1793-A because it was identical 21 and the same as exhibit 1992 and, therefore, there 22 is no need to tender that document here. 23 With respect, Mr. President, to exhibit 1992, 24 may I say that because there were very serious trans-25

lation mistakes, the matter was referred to the Language

Arbitration Board and that the words "By order you are notified" was added, and in the place of "capital crime" the word "major criminal" -- "capital criminal," the words "major criminal" were inserted. However, since these mistakes have not been corrected or rectified in the copies now tendered, I feel that it is very unfair to the accused and prejudicial to the accused.

I wish to say one more, sir, and that is the Japanese words "Gunitsu Koiji" is rendered as "Military Discipline Council," and since this is a very unclear rendition of that term, I wish that this matter would be considered for correction.

MR. LOPEZ: If your Honor please, those facts have escaped us, and we have no doubt that counsel for the defense must have the facts right, and for that reason I refrain from further offering in evidence the document that we intended to offer.

THE PRESIDENT: Objection upheld.

MR. LOPEZ: We offer in evidence IPS document No. 16-A, which is a memorandum of transmittal of the report of the investigation of the Doolittle fliers, sent by Military Police Commander NAKAMURA, Akito, to Chief of Staff, General SUGIYAMA, dated 26 May 1942, copy of which was forwarded to the Minister of War,

Vice-Minister of War, Chief of the Military Affairs Bureau, and others. This evidence shows that the defendant KIMURA, who was then Vice-Minister of War, was constantly posted with the fate of the Doolittle fliers. THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms. CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document No. 16-A will receive exhibit No. 2245. (Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 2245 and received in evidence.) MR. LOPEZ: We will read the document in its entirety.

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MR. LOPEZ: (Reading) "NOTE: Translation requested by Legal Section.

"Military Police Report No. 352

"Report on the Matter Concerning the Investigation of the American Airmen Who Raided the Japanese Homeland.

"FROM: Military Police Commander NAKAMURA,
Akito

"TO: Chief of General Staff SUGIYAMA, Gen. "26 May 1942.

"Attached is the report of the investigation of the eight officers and men of the American planes who took part in the raid on JAPAN proper on 18 April and were forced down at NANCHANG and NING PO in CENTRAL CHINA.

"FORWARD TO: Minister of War, Vice-Minister of War, Chief of the Bureau of Naval Affairs, Chief of Military Affairs Bureau, Chief of Home Defence. (3).

"Chief of General Staff, Vice-Chief of General Staff, Chief of 1st (Administration) Section, Chief of 2nd (Intelligence) Section, Chief of General Affairs Bureau. (3)

"Chief of Naval General Staff, Vice-Chief of Naval General Staff, Chief of 1st (Administration)
Section, Chief of 2nd (Intelligence) Section, Chief of

5th Bureau.

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"Navy Minister, Vice-Minister of Navy, Chief of Bureau of Naval Affairs (3) and the Commander-in-Chief of the Home Defense."

THE PRESIDENT: Where is the report?

MR. LOPEZ: I beg your pardon. We have not tendered the report, your Honor. We merely want to show that they were kept posted about investigations.

We tender in evidence IPS document No.

2534-A, which is a news-story entitled, "Conference is Held by Army Members of Supreme Council", published in the Tokyo Nichi Nichi of Tuesday, July 1, 1941, to show that the defendant KIMURA was part of the inner circle that plotted the course of Japanese policies in the face of the "fast-changing international situation." The Tokyo Nichi Nichi issue of July 1, 1941 was already admitted in evidence as exhibit 1132 (page 10,204 of the record).

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document

No. 2534-A will receive exhibit No. 2246.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 2246 and received in evidence.)

MR. LOPEZ: We read the document in its

entirety: "CONFERENCE IS HELD BY ARMY MEMBERS OF 3 SUPREME COUNCIL 4 "TOJO EXPLAINS 5 "Candid Views are Exchanged Regarding 6 Fast-Moving Situation. 7 "The Army called a conference of Army members of the Supreme War Council on June 30 at 1:30 p.m. 9 at the War Minister's official residence. 10 "War Minister Lieut. General TOJO and re-11 lated officials explained in detail the present 12 fast-changing international situation after which 13 candid views were exchanged regarding the attitude 14 to be taken by Nippon in the future. 15 "The Army members of the Supreme War Council 16 who attended the conference were T. I. H. Marshal 17 Prince KAN-IN General Prince ASAKA and General 18 Prince HIGASHI-KUNI General Count Hisaichi, TERAUCHI, 19 General Kenji DOIHARA and General Yasuji OKAMURA. 20 "Representing the Army organs were War 21 Minister TOJO; General Gen SUGIYAMA, Chief of the 22 General Staff: General Otozo YAMADA, Inspector-General 23 of the Army Education; War Vice-Minister KIMURA, 24 Vice-Chief TSUKATA of the General Staff, and other 25 officials concerned."

We tender in evidence IFS document No. 2908, which is a news-story entitled, "Awarding of Decorations to General SUGIYAMA and others from 3 Fuehrer HITLER", published in the Asahi Shimbun 4 of 2 October 1942 which gives account of the ceremonies attending the award of medals from Adolf 6 HITLER to the defendants KIMURA, DOIHARA, and SATO in recognition of their contribution to German-Japanese collaboration. 9 THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms. 10 CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document 11 No. 2908 will receive exhibit No. 2247. 12 (Whereupon, the document above re-13 ferred to was marked prosecution's exhibit 14 No. 2247 and received in evidence.) 15 MR. LOPEZ: We will read the document in 16 its entirety: 17 (Reading): "AWARDING OF DECORATIONS TO 18 GENERAL SUGIYAMA AND OTHERS FROM FUEHRER HITLER. 19 "CEREMONY HELD AT EMBASSY TODAY 20 "Answering to the decorations which were 21 conferred by His Majesty the Emperor upon military 22 and civil officials of Axis nations residing in 23 Japan on the anniversary of the conclusion of the. 24 Tripartite Pact, the ceremony of awarding decorations

conferred by Fuehrer Hitler upon Japanese officials was held at the German Embassy, NAGATACHO KOJIMACHI KU TOKYO at 12.30, 1st October.

"SUGIYAMA, Chief of General Staff, DOHIHARA,
Army Air Inspector General, KIMURA, Vice War Minister,
SATO, Chief of Military Affairs Bureau, NINOMIYA,
Secretary to the Prime Minister proceeded to the
Embassy in dignified official military uniform.
Ambassador OTT, after handing the 'Grand Cross of
the German Eagle' to General SUGIYAMA and DOHIHARA
and Lieutenant General KIMURA, 'Order For Merit with
Star' to Major General SATO and 'First Class Order
For Merit' to Colonel NINOMIYA, stated as follows:

"'We acknowledge your merits in having by your efforts won glorious victories in the joint execution of the War.' Representing the others General SUGIYAMA stated as follows: 'We pledge that we will march steadily towards the final victory with a firmer belief in the victory of the Axis in order to respond to the honour given by the FUEHRER today.'

"The decorations conferred by the FUEHRER today are all newly issued war time decorations with swords attached to them.

"After the ceremony was over, all the

attendance drank a toast. They had dinner with friendly conversation and atmosphere and the meeting was closed at 2 P.M." Brigadier General Quilliam, your Honor, will address the Court.

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THE PRESIDENT: Brigadier Quilliam.

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BRIGADIER QUILLIAM: May it please the Tribunal, I offer in evidence as implicating the defendant SHIMADA the report of a speech made by him at an Accounts Committee Meeting of the Diet on the 10th February 1942, being IPS document No. 2774B. This is part of IPS document No. 2774 which has been already produced for identification, and was given exhibit No. 2236. In this speech SHIMADA emphasizes that Japan must be the leading power throughout the whole area of Greater East Asia and that any element which does not conform to the will of the Japanese must be eliminated completely. I propose, if the Tribunal please, to read the whole speech.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document No. 2774B will receive exhibit No. 2248.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 2248 and received in evidence.)

BRIGADIER QUILLIAM: (Reading)

"Minutes of the Accounts Committee Meeting of the Diet, 7th Day, February 10, 1942, Speech by

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"I am overwhelmed with gratitude for the praises given just now concerning the various naval victories. The question asked, is not a matter which can be decided by the Navy alone. A part of the outline of the basic policy is primarily indicated in the Emperor's Declaration of War. The Government's Declaration also extends to this point. Premier TOJO has already reported at this Diet Session (T. N. 79th Imperial Diet Session) matters which can safely be revealed at this time. As for the Navy, it also has the desire to successively show good results by following the Government's policies, not to mention the Emperor's Declaration. I am in full agreement with the anxiety which was expressed, that perhaps it might be meaningless to have foreigners who already have foundations, grab the economic power despite our occupation, which was no easy task. I believe that this does not apply only to the southern regions. I believe that this should apply to the whole area which comprises the Greater East Asia Co-Prosperity Sphere. We, the JAPANESE race, must be the leading power throughout the whole area

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of Greater East Asia. However, since JAPAN is the center of activities, whatever one may say, any element which does not conform to the will of the JAPANESE race must be eliminated completely. However, those who work on a foundation of righteousness will naturally be recognized. I am also of the conviction that we must never allow the sacrifices of lives to have been made in vain. In the future, concrete matters will be decided by the Government and not by the Navy alone. I am also of the opinion that this line of thought should be adopted. For the present, we must win this war at all costs, as the Premier has stated frequently. The opponent is a great enemy who possesses vast amounts of materials, and since two great powers are unitedly opposing JAPAN, it is no easy task to defeat them. Occasionally we hear people cry for materials and gasoline just because we have attained a few military victories, but we soldiers do not feel any such freedom from care. Even a drop of gasoline must be used for military purposes, and the war must be won somehow or other. After first winning the war, I would like to build the foundation while eliminating the point which you have just indicated.

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(T. N. The last sentence was addressed to Committee Member KASAI who gave a talk just prior to SHIMADA) in other words, as regards the great plan of devising various measures for the winning of the war and also the successive building of a foundation which will enable the JAPANESE race to expand in the future, I believe, as the Premier stated previously in the Diet, that an announcement will be made in the near future since appropriate organs are now ready. I want them to progress by striving to the utmost, taking into consideration the peoples ideas and avoiding pitfalls. It is now only two months since this war started, but even if we think far in the future, if we make too much haste, mistakes are more likely to crop up. Therefore, I hope that perfect plans will be devised in order to avoid miscaiculations."

BRIGADIER QUILLIAM: May it please the Tribunal, that concludes the evidence to be presented against the defendant SHIMADA.

THE PRESIDENT: Mr. Comyns Carr.

MR. COMYNS CARR: May it please the Tribunal, I now come to supplement the case against the accused KIDO.

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agree with the Language Arbitration Board of four extracts from his diary, already exhibited. Exhibit 1196 is dated 29 November 1941. The pages of the record which will be required to be replaced are 10,452 to 10,454.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

MR. COMYNS CARR: "Extract from entry from

Marquis KIDO's diary, 29 November 1941."

"From 2 o'clock for about an hour in the study, the Emperor listened in person to the Senior Statesman's opinions. The following is a summary:

"The Emperor remarked, The times have become very difficult, haven't they? To this Baron WAKATSUKI at once replied, in substance, as follows:

"WAKATSUKI - I am not worried about the spiritual strength of our people but in the matter of materials the question of whether or not we can really stand a long-eange war deserves careful study.

"OKADA - I think that today we are truly confronted with a critical situation. I am concerned as to whether we can put full confidence in our ability to supply necessary materials. There was an explanation by the Government a short while ago, but I am still not convinced.

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"HIRANUMA - His Excellency WAKATSUKI has spoken of the spiritual strength of our people and I agree with him on this point. But if today, when we have already been engaged in war for four years, things should further develop into a protracted war, it would become necessary to endure hardships and privations. I therefore consider that adequate measures and efforts for bracing up public sentiment are necessary.

"KONOYE - I deeply regret that I have not been able to do anything toward the adjustment of Japanese-American relations despite my efforts since last April. But I beg to express my appreciation to the present cabinet for zealously striving to attain this end. To my great regret I am forced to conclude, on the basis of this morning's explanation by the Government that further continuation of diplomatic negotiations would be hopeless. Still, is it necessary to resort to war at once even though diplomatic negotiations have been broken off? Would it not be possible, I wonder, while carrying on things as they are -- to later find a way out of the deadlock by perservering to the utmost under difficulties. I think that I would like to question the authorities concerned on this point later.

"YONAI - I do not have any data with me so 21 cannot express any definite opinion, but if Your 3 Majesty will permit me to use the vernacular, I ⁴ pray that we may take care 'not to lose everything by trying to avoid becoming poor gradually.' "HIROTA - After having talked on conditions of each of the world powers since the World War, Japan has adopted every possible means to avoid the intervention of Britain and America in the China Incident. In spite of this the diplomatic situation has become so serious as it is to lay. According to the explanations of the Government we seem to stand now face to face with a diplomatic crisis. Though the diplomatic crisis has a close relation 15 to the strategic moment, I think the true intentions 16 of both sides in diplomatic negotiations are only revealed after passing through several crisis. Why 18 should we hastily rush into war immediately after 19 being confronted with the present crisis? Granting 20 that war is inevitable, I believe we should always 21 be on the watch to seize the opportunity for a solu-22 tion by diplomatic negotiations even though blows 23 have been exchanged. 24

"HAYASHI - I have no reference data with me

1 but on the whole there is no alternative but to reply 2 on the conclusions arrived at by the Cabinet after 3 thorough cooperation and study with Imperial Head-4 quarters.

"ABE - According to the Government's explanation it seems as the continuation of diplomatic 7 negotiations will be difficult and that we are now placed in a really grave situation. I believe that we cannot expect anything further from the Cabinet as it appears to have studied matters very minutely from every conceivable angle. But it will be necessary to carefully take into account the attitude of the Chinese people, for I believe it will be possible by one false step to lose all the gains hitherto achieved.

"WAKATSUKI - We have today, I believe, arrived at a really important moment. I should like to say one thing: If it is necessary for the preservation and self defense of the Empire, we must rise to arms even though the country be reduced to ashes and though we can foresee defeat. But it is dangerous indeed to execute state policy or to make use of the national strength to achieve such ideals as to the 'Establishment of the Greater East Asia

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1Co-Prosperity Sphere' or of the 'Stabilizing Power 2of East Asia.' I pray that Your Majesty will give 3careful consideration to this point."

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(Reading): "Extract from Entry from Marquis KIDO's Diary, 8 December 1941.

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"At 7:15 a.m. was on duty at the office. Today was an unusually fine day. As I was proceeding

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"At 12:40 a.m. Foreign Minister TOGO telephoned me saying that Ambassador GREW had brought a personal telegram from President ROOSEVELT to the Emperor, and asked my advice as regards the manner of handling same. I therefore advised him to deliberate carefully with the Premier as regards its diplomatic effect and procedure, also stating that, as for an audience with HIS MAJESTY, His Majesty would graciously grant same even at midnight, so that there was no need of paying heed to this point.

MR. COMYNS CARR: The next exhibit is 1239.

"At 1:30 a.m. MATSUDAIRA, the Minister of the Imperial Household called me up by telephone about the aforesaid matter, so I gave him my opinion.

"Was notified that Foreign Minister TOGO had proceeded to the Imperial Palace. I also proceeded to the Palace at 2:40 a.m. I had a talk with the Foreign Minister at The Palace. Returned home at 3:30 a.m.

towards Miyake-zaka after having climbed the Akasaka Mitsuke slope, I saw the sun rising brilliantly above the buildings in the distance. When one comes to think of it, this is the very day when our country is at last going to enter a gigantic war against the two great Powers of America and Britain. Already at daybreak this morning, an air unit of the Navy has carried out a mass air raid on Hawaii. Knowing of it, I was anxious about its result, and unconsciously I faced the sun and closed my eyes in prayer.

"At 7:30 a.m. met the Premier and both
Chiefs of Staff and on hearing about the good news
of the grand success of the surprise attack on
Hawaii, I deeply felt the blessings of Divine Grace.

"From 11:40 to 12 a.m. was received in audience.

Even at the moment of our entering upon a war where
the national destiny was at stake, I most humbly
beg to remark that I found His Majesty perfectly
calm and absolutely unperturbed in His demeanor, for
which I truly felt extremely thankful. The Imperial
Proclamation of War was issued."

MR. LOGAN; If the Tribunal please, may we have this referred to the Language Section to have them point out to the Tribunal just what the

Japanese interpretation is of the words "at last", because I understand they are different from what we ordinarily understand them in English. THE PRESIDENT: This document is approved by the Board and it is supposed to contain the equivalent English words. MR. LOGAN: They are the equivalent English words, your Honor, but they have an entirely different meaning, as I understand it, from what is ordinarily understood in the English language, that is, the Japanese meaning.

THE PRESIDENT: They are supposed to give us the English words that convey the proper meaning.

MR. LOGAN: Well, I spoke to the Translation Bureau about it, and they said that they would not put a translator's note on it unless they had a direction from the Court. I might say that those same words were used in exhibit 1210, which is also another excerpt from Marquis KIDO's diary.

THE PRESIDENT: We will refer the matter to them.

MR. COMYNS CARR: I would like to say that this matter has been referred to the Board.

> THE PRESIDENT: We will refer it to them again. MR. COMYNS CARR: If your Honor pleases:

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Exhibits 1278 and 1282 were read in the corrected form in the record. All I have to do is to hand in copies of the pages which have been reprocessed to be substituted for the pages in the copy exhibits themselves.

Your Honor, I am asked to ask for this instruction. In the cases of 1196 and 1239 the whole document has been reprocessed and should be substituted for the original translation. In the cases of 1278 and 1282 it was only necessary to reprocess certain pages, and those should be substituted for the corresponding pages in the original translation.

THE PRESIDENT: Well, you are not merely making recommendations on a document already tendered, but you are tendering fresh documents; and they are admitted on the usual terms, and will bear the same number.

MR. COMYNS CARR: The next is prosecution's document 1532-E, which is the Japanese original of exhibit 1189, an intercepted message in which certain errors were found (see Record page 10402. As certain errors appear on examination, I offer the original in evidence.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document No. 1532-E will receive exhibit No. 2249.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit
No. 2249 and received in evidence.)

MR. COMYNS CARR: A telegram to Foreign Minister TOGO from NOMURA and KURUSU, No. 1180, dated November 27, 1941.

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MR. COMYNS CARR: A telegram to Foreign Minister TOGO from NOMURA and KURUSU, No. 1180, dated November 26, 1941:

"As /stated/ in our frequent cables, there is no hope to get acceptance for the whole of B plan, while we have not much time left. If the condition does not change we must give up the negotiation though it is not desirable at all. We are deeply humiliated at our lack of influence. In this case the only way to bridge over this difficulty is to let President Roosevelt cable to His Majesty first of the hope of Japan and America's cooperation to maintain peace in the Pacific, (we will try our best to do so, if we can get your permission) and in return, to ask His Majesty to answer this message, clearing the air. At the same time, if we can get a little time more, it is possible to take the initative in proposing the establishment of neutral countries including French Indo-China, Netherland East Indies and Siam, considering that England and America may start protective occupancy (as you know, President Roosevelt suggested to make the Netherlands East Indies and Siam neutral countries in September of this year).

"Though there is an opinion that the rupture of this negotiation does not decidedly mean the

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outbreak of war, after the breakdown of the negotiations, it is possible for them to occupy Netherlands East Indies, as I stated previously and the conflict 3 will inevitably start by our attack. But it is very 4 doubtful whether Germany will take action in accordance with Article Three of the (Tri-Partite) treaty, and the solution of the China incident must be carried over at least to the end of this World War.

Interviewers and

"As this telegram may become the last one of my suggestions, I wish you to show this at least to the Lord Keeper of the Privy Seal KNDO and answer us by return telegram."

The first additional document which I offer in evidence is prosecution No. 2-A dated November, 1941, being a fuller and more considered account than appears in his diary, exhibits 1147, 1150, 1151, 1154, and 1156, of the fall of the Third KONOYE Cabinet and his reasons for recommending TOJO as the new premier.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms. CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document No. 2-A will receive exhibit No. 2250.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 2250 and received in evidence.)

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THE PRESIDENT: Any substituted document will bear on its face a statement that it is substituted by order of the Court of the 24th of January 1947. I am referring now to thos pages that were substituted.

MR. COMYNS CARR: I take it, your Honor, that the substituted exhibits will retain the same number as the original for which they are substituted.

THE PRESIDENT: I have already so directed, but, in addition, the substituted material should bear on its face a statement that it is substituted by order of this Tribunal of today.

MR. COMYNS CARR: Reading now exhibit 2250:

"Circumstances under which the Third KONOE

Cabinet Tendered Resignations.

"On October 16, 1941, Prime Minister KONOE collected the resignations of the Cabinet Members and presented them to the Emperor.

"According to the announcement of the Information Board, the reason for the resignation enbloc of the Cabinet is the incongruous perspective of opinion in regard to the execution of the present national policy. Consequently, the actual facts of the circumstances leading up to the resignation enbloc are not known at all by the public, and it is

not at all such a simple matter.

"Of course, this is not unreasonable, because as regards the decision of the Council in the Imperial presence of September 6 which was the cause of the recent political change, not even the fact of the opening of the Council itself was announced; thus, it was hardly possible to know nor in any way to let it be known. Let it slip out, then indeed, one is liable to infringe on the National Defense Preservation Law. However, unless somebody who knows the truth clarify this situation, there is the fear of erroneous judgment by historians at a later date. So the gist of the circumstances has come to be recorded.

"1. The Decision of the Council in the Imperial Presence on September 6 and the Developments later.

"The direct cause of the recent political shakeup had its origin in the decision of the Council in the Imperial presence of September 6. Prior to this, however, the government had been pushing, with utmost secrecy, the negotiations in regard to the adjustment of diplomatic relations with America since about April. There are many matters worth recording about these negotiations, but they will be omitted inasmuch as they have no direct connection with the

present subject. At any rate, those negotiations had to be temporarily suspended because of the peaceful advance of the Imperial army into Southern Indo-China and also the resignation en bloc of the Second KONOE Cabinet. But they were again taken up by the Third KONOE Cabinet. As a result the Council in the Imperial Presence was opened on September 6, when the following policy was decided, and in line with it, the following important decision was made:

"'To utilize every means of diplomacy in reagrd to America and Britain to fulfill the requirements of Japan, with the determination to open hostilities against America (Britain and the Netherlands) immediately in case our requirements seem unlikely to be realized by some time during the first ten days of October.'

"The Principle of the Execution of the National Policy of the Empire.

"'In view of the present imminent situation, especially the anti-Japanese attitudes taken by the various countries, such as America, Britain and the Netherlands, the situation of Soviet Russia as well as the resiliency of the national strength of the Empire, etc., the Emprie will carry out the policy prescribed in regard to the South within "the Principles of the

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National Policy of the Empire in line with Recent
Developments of the Situation" in accordance with the
following:

- "1. The Empire will complete war preparations by around the latter part of October, with the determination not to shirk war against America (Britain and Netherland) /if it be/ for the sake of self-preservation.
- "2. In line with the aforementioned, the Empire will endeavour to fulfill the requirements of the Empire by utilizing every diplomatic means in regard to America and Briatin.

"The minimum required items which the Empire must obtain in regard to the negotiations with America (Britain) and the limit of agreements which can be accepted by the Empire in regard to these are on separate sheets (separate sheets omitted).

"3. We are resolved to open hostilities against America (Britain and the Netherlands) immediately if, by the diplomatic negotiations of the preceding paragraphs, there is still no outlook for the realization of our requirements by about the early part of October.

"Policies towards areas other than the South shall be in accordance with the established national policy, and particularly, an endeavour shall be made to avoid a combined battle front against the Empire by America and Soviet Russia in the future.'

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"After that, although the government worked assiduously for the establishment of negotiations with America, the opinions of the two countries did not coincide readily and finally the 10th day of October came and passed. Thereupon, the army repeatedly demanded the execution of the decision of the Council in the Imperial presence, but Prince KONOE remained irresolute. However, as the political situation was such that things could not be put off from day to day, Prince KONOE called the three ministers, the Foreign, Army and Navy, along with President SUZUKI of the Planning Board, to his private residence at Ogikubo on October 12 and held a meeting. From Chief Secretary TOMITA of the Cabinet, I learned that opinions were divided at the meeting as to the interpretation of the decision reading 'in case there is no outlook for realization of our requirements. . . ' The premier was of opinion that there was still hope, whereas the War Minister had already decided that there was no hope and strongly advocated a decision to open hostilities. The attitude of the Naval Minister was to await the decision of the premier.

Finally, the following decision was made upon the 1 suggestion of the War Minister: 2 "'In the Japanese-American negotiations. 3 Japan should: "OTry to obtain confidence regarding diplo-5 matic success on the following two points by about 6 the time desired by the Supreme Command: 7 "a. No changes to be made in the policies 8 regarding the stationing of Japanese troops, and any 9 policies centering around them. 10 "b. Not to undermine the success attained 11 in the China Affair. 12 "OProceed to reach diplomatic agreement 13 according to the abovementioned conviction. 14 "Ostop preparations for military operations, 15 with the decision of proceeding with the above inten-16 tion. 17 "OThe Foreign Minister should investigate 18 the possibilities of success of the above points. 19 "2. Developments after the Ogikubo Conference. 20 "Although the decision was made as above 21 mentioned, the political situation tightened up each 22 moment and without time for sufficient study of the 23 aforementioned decision and without arriving at any 24 conclusion, the Cabinet rushed into the resignation

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en bloc which took place on the 16th. I had several occasions to confer informally in regard to the saving of the situation with Premier KONOE, War Minister TOJO and President SUZUKI of the Planning Board, etc., from the 12th to the 16th, inclusive, but the details will be omitted. Mention may be made, however, as to the attempted formation of the Imperial Prince HIGASHIKUNI Cabinet, which was proposed by War Minister ToJO at that time and which was reportedly agreed upon by Prince KONOE. I expressed my opposition from the following reasons, and had it sent to War Minister TOJO through the medium of President SUZUKI:

"11. The request for the help of an Imperial Prince should be sought only in case of sheer necessity, for instance, a case when the Army and the Navy coincide in opinions, but the circumstances call for the arbitration by an Imperial Prince. In such a case, there is a possibility of the formation of an Imperial Prince Cabinet. According to the circumstances as represented in the talk of the night before last, difficult problems still remained unsettled. In such situation, it is absolutely impossible to request an Imperial Prince for the solution of these problems.

"On the other hand, it may be construed as an indication that there is no able man among the

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subjects, and moreover, if a war should happen between America and Japan with an Imperial Prince Cabinet, it would be a grave matter. In other words, if a member of the Imperial Families should be entrusted with the execution of the policies of such an important nature as even Premier KONOE could not carry out according to the decision of the Council in the Imperial presence, and if it should turn out against expectations, then the Imperial Families would be liable to be exposed as a national object of hatred.

"On the 16th, an interview was sought by War Minister TOJO, so I received him at 3 p.m. at the office of the Lord Keeper of the Privy Seal. The talk was connected with the extremely pressing political situation. At that meeting, TOJO suggested Prince HIGASHIKUNI as the succeeding premier, to which I expressed opposition for the foregoing reasons.

Moreover, I expressed my opinion candidly as follows in regard to the saving of the situation:

"'In view of the present attitude of the Navy, it is hardly possible to decide on the opening of hostilities against America. On the other hand, without doubt, the decision of the Council in the Imperial presence of September 6 is of the utmost importance. Now, if there should be even a little

doubt /about the attitude of the Navy or the decision of the Council/, I believe it will necessitate a complete reconsideration. In short, without the decisive assurance of the Navy, the utmost precaution must be taken in plunging into an all-out war and gambling the fate of the country.'

"War Minister TOJO completely agreed with my opinion and went so far as to express the opinion that the decision of the Council in the Imperial presence was a cancer and that this war could not be carried out without the firm confidence of the Navy. Then we exchanged opinions to the effect that, if the War Minister understood the situation to this extent, there should be some means of reaching an understanding with the Premier and of removing the deadlock with success. By this time, however, it was reported that the Premier had been collecting the resignations of the Cabinet members individually, and at 5 p.m.

Prince KONOE proceeded to the Palace and tendered the resignations to the Throne.

"An Imperial order was immediately given to me in regard to the remedial measures following the resignation on bloc of the KONOE Cabinet. This time, various difficulties which had never been seen before appeared and I could not come to a decision readily.

Firstly, there was no one for the candidacy of premier equal to Prince KONOF, and, secondly, the recent political change had been caused by the interpretation of the decision of the Council in the Imperial presence, even the opening of which had not been made public. Judging from the change of the recent situation, the minimum requisite of today was to withdraw the decision of the Council in the Imperial presence of September 6, but, on the other hand, the so-called 'Imperial Standard,' - that is to say, the decision that in case diplomatic negotiations seem hopeless by the first part of October, we will be determined to open hostilities against America -- was in the hands of leading elements of the Army. Thus, in view of the recent situation, the most difficult task was to withdraw the aforementioned decision and start from the very beginning. In other words, the man who was entrusted with the Imperial order at this time, and formed a Cabinet, must comply with the wishes of the Emperor in assuming leadership of the military, especially of the Army, and also in bringing about the complete cooperation of the Army and the Navy. The person who was able to meet these conditions had to be a man who could sufficiently comprehend the development of the situation up to this time, and had

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sincerely reviewed the circumstances which had brought about the present situation. In this respect, I thought, that a man who had been an outsider to date would not only not be able fully to understand the above-mentioned situation, but would most likely be unable to resist the so-called 'Imperial Standard' and would inevitably destroy the significance of the recent political change.

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"At the Meeting of the Elder Statesmen on the 17th, I recommended the War Minister /as the succeeding Premier/ for the above mentioned reasons and made a reply to the Throne with the approval of the majority of the members. As such was the actual state of things at that time, even if the Imperial order for the reorganization of a Cabinet were issued, it would be difficult to save the situation. So I requested the Emperor that, at the time of the issue of the Imperial order to the War Minister TOJO, the Imperial message should also be bestowed on him as follows, and that, simultaneously, Navy Minister OIKAWA should be specially called and the following message bestowed on him, communicating to him the Imperial request for the eternal close cooperation between the Army and the Navy. Thereafter, I communicated, by order of the Emperor, the following Imperial messages to both

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Ministers who had returned to the waiting room, and thus, the decision of the Council in the Imperial presence of September 6 was completely withdrawn.

just been given to you regarding the coordinative relations between the Army and the Navy. I understand it is the Emperor's wishes that, in deciding the fundamental national policy, it is necessary to investigate the domestic and foreign affairs more broadly and deeply and to carry out an earnest study of things without being bound by the decision of the Council in the Imperial presence of September 6. I communicate this to you by Imperial order.'

"To War Minister TOJO:

"I hereby authorize you to proceed with the organization of a Cabinet. I wish you to conform to the provisions of the constitution. I believe that the present situation is confronted with utmost difficulties.

"At this time, I further wish that the Army and the Navy should cooperate more closely.

"I will receive the Navy Minister later and tell him about this.

"To Navy Minister OIKAWA:

"I have received War Minister TOJO and

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ordered the formation of a Cabinet. I believe that
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   myself, I submitted the recommendation to the Emperor.
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            THE PRESIDENT: Do you hope to complete
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           MR. COMYNS CARR: I am afraid possibly not
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23 few documents short if the Tribunal rises at the
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            THE PRESIDENT: We will recess for fifteen
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minutes. (Whereupon, at 1445, a recess was taken until 1500, after which the proceed-ings were resumed as follows:)

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MARSHAL OF THE COURT: The International
Military Tribunal for the Far East is now resumed.

MR. COMYNS CARR: I now offer in evidence
a series of further extracts from his diary which
explain themselves and which I will read. Translation
queries have been agreed. The corrections are made in the

Prosecution document No. 1632W(3).

Court copies and in the errata sheet circulated to

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document

No. 1632W(3) will receive exhibit No. 2251.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 2251 and received in evidence.)

MR. COMYNS CARR: (Reading)

"January 28th, 1932

"At 2:00 p.m. today, General MINAMI delivered a lecture on the latest situation in Manchuria before the Emperor in the Palace. I had the honor to attend the lecture in the Imperial presence.

"General MINAMI told us of his impressions resulting from his inspection of the general situation there. He explained that the brave action of our Japanese troops lay in the Japanese people's overall assistance

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to them, their firm belief in victory, and their confidence in their own military skill.

"His conclusions regarding the Manchuria-Mongolia question:

"I. In the matter of our national defence,
Japan's relation to the new state and its administration
will be to take over its defence and by expediting the
completion of the Kirin-Kwainei Railway, make the
Sea of Japan into a lake and facilitate Japan's advance
into the North Manchuria area. Thus our national
defence plans would be revolutionised.

"II. Japan-Manchuria Joint Management - To take concrete measures against economic blockade from abroad, thereby firmly establishing a method by which she can live forever as a Japan of the world.

"III. Solution of the Population Problem It is not so difficult to solve the population problem
provided that we give our emigrants in Manchuria the
same protection as that which they receive in South
America, and provided that we establish a colonial
trooping system there.

"When a new state is established in Manchuria and Mongolia, I think it is advisable to unify the present three or four Japanese organs in Manchuria and Mongolia under one Japanese organ to be placed under a Government-

1 General as follows: - The Governor General." 2 There is a plan I won't read. 3 Next, 1632W(5). 4 THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms, 5 CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document 6 1632W(5) will receive exhibit No. 2252. 7 (Whereupon, the document above 8 referred to was marked prosecution's ex-9 hibit No. 2252 and received in evidence.) 10 MR. COMYNS CARR: (Reading) 11 "May 17th, 1932. 12 "At noon today I met and had lunch with Prince 13 KONOYE, Marguis INOUYE and Lt. Col. SUZUKI at Baron 14 HARADA's residence. We talked about matters concerning 15 measures to cope with the present incident as well as 16 the succeeding cabinet Lt. Col. SUZUKI 17 said that if a new Cabinet were organized under the 13 leadership of political parties, a second or third 19 incident would occur..... It was suggested that a 20 national coalition cabinet might be a solution. Vice-21 Minister KOISO seems to be in favour of a HIRANUMA 22 Cabinet. It is thought that the direct stimulation for 23 24 the incident this time was a declaration in respect to 25 the safeguarding of the political parties." 1632W(6).

THE PRESIDENT: Mr. Levin. 1 MR. LEVIN: Mr. President, I think it should 2 be indicated that certain portions of the memoranda 3 of this day are not in the exhibit. In other words, the exhibit itself does indicate that fact, but there 5 is nothing in the statement and I would like to direct the attention of the Tribunal to that fact. MR. COMYNS CARR: 1632W(6). THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms. 9 10 CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document 11 No. 1632W(6) will receive exhibit No. 2253. 12 (Whereupon, the document above 13 referred to was marked prosecution's ex-14 hibit No. 2253 and received in evidence.) 15 MR. COMYNE CARR: (Reading) 16 "18 April 1933 17 "Attended a party given by Vice-Minister OTANI 18 at the Kinsui. In the middle I left to attend a party 19 held for Prince HIGASHIKUNI at the residence of Marquis 20 INOUE, and I found there Prince KONOYE, Baron HARADA, 21 Lieutenant-Colonel & UZUKI and Chief of the Information 22 Bureau SHIRATORI. 23 "The discussion naturally extended to the 24 theory of the Japanese spirit, Viscount OKABE's abolition 25

of the metric system, and the severance of diplomatic

relations with Russia. "According to Lt. Col. SUZUKI there were two 2 kinds of enemies, an absolute enemy and a relative 3 enemy. As Russia aimed to destroy the national structure 4 of Japan, he pointed out Russia as an absolute enemy. He said that any attempt to conclude a non-aggression pact with Russia is nothing more than a utilitarian calculation and must be denounced by all means." 8 1632W(9). 9 THE PREFIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms. 10 CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document 11 12 1632W(9) will receive exhibit No. 2254. (Whereupon, the document above 13 referred to was marked prosecution's ex-14 15 hibit Mo. 2254 and received in evidence.) 16 MR. COMYNS CARR: (Reading) 17 "14th July, 1937 - (Extract) 18 "ATSUI came at 8:00 o'clock. We talked on 19 matters such as discontinuing the dispatching of troops 20 to North China, and became indignant." 21 This a few days after the Marco Polo Bridge 22 Incident. 23 MR. LOGAN: May I say that that word is not 24 "We", it is "He." 25

MR. COMYNS CARR: This has been before the

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            THE PRESIDENT: The capital "H" appears
  so indistinctly as to easily be taken as a "W". It
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            MR. COMYNS CARR: It is "He", your Honor.
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            MR. COMYNS CARR: 1632W(10).
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            CLERK OF THE COURT: Document No. 1632W(10)
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            MR. COMYNS CARR:
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  cabinet, in which we decided on our statement and answer
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KIDO was now Education Minister. 1632(W)11. THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms. CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution document No. 1632W(11) will receive exhibit No. 2256. (Whereupon, the document above re-ferred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 2256 and received in evidence.)

MR. COMYNS CARR (Reading): 1 "3 November 1937. War Minister SUGIYAMA visited me at 6:00 o'clock. We freely exchanged views on matters such as saving of the situation, the establishment of the Imperial General Headquarters, the declaration of war, etc." 1632W (13). 7 THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms. 8 CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document No. 1632W (13) will receive exhibit No. 2257. 11 (Whereupon, the document above 12 referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit 13 No. 2257 and received in evidence.) 14 MR. COMYNS CARR (Reading): "16 November 1937. At 10 a.m. I called on 15 16 Prince KONOYE at the Premier's official residence. I 17 urged him as follows: Concerning the matter mentioned 18 yesterday, I thought that the action would have an 19 adverse influence on financial and other circles, 20 particularly with respect to the rate of exchange. 21 am very much concerned over how the war situation might 22 be affected if it should drop heavily. 23 "Whatever the case might be in the event of 24 the war changing into a defensive operation, if there 25 were a commotion in the internal politics now when we

are on the offensive, the attitude of foreign 1 countries, which had finally turned serious, would be 2 changed by it. This must be avoided by all means. 3 "Moreover I said that even if he should 4

resign, nine chances out of ten the Emperor would again order him to form a cabinet, and if he should refuse this command, I should also be unable to explain it to the elder statesman (GENRO) and the others. I said that if he should finally make up his mind to do it, that I should like to talk casually about the future to Mr. Seihin IKEDA and the Chief of the Military Affairs Bureau, MACHIJINI, beforehand. He said 'wait a little while.' Moreover he decided that in the event of an Imperial command he would accept. The talk ended for the time being."

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THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms. CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document No. 1632W (14) will receive exhibit No. 2258.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 2258 and received in evidence.)

MR. COMYNS CARR (Reading):

"19th November, 1937. Attended the Cabinet 25 session at 10 a.m. We decided the matter respecting

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the liaison between the Imperial General Headquarters and the Government. I said that the present Imperial General Headquarters Regulations cover incidents as well as war, but I asked if the degree and extent of an incident had been studied.

"The War Minister replied though he had never tried to find a definition on the degree of an incident he considered that only in the case of an incident of such an extent as to require a declaration of war, that is, if the mobilization of the army must be ordered, would Imperial Headquarters be established."

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THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document

No. 1632W (15) will receive exhibit No. 2259.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 2259 and received in evidence.)

MR. COMYNS CARR (Reading):

"21st December, 1937. At 10 a.m. I attended a Cabinet meeting in which we deliberated on the negotiations with China, draft of the answer to the German Ambassador, and counter-measures for the China Affair. I urged the necessity of creating cultural measures in North China."

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THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

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No. 1632W (16) will receive exhibit No. 2260.

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"14th January, 1938. At 10:00 a.m. attended

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announcement concerning the China Affair. We continued

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"At the request of the German Ambassador,

the Minister of Foreign Affairs met him at 4:30 p.m.

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China had handed him the answer of the Chiang Kai-shek

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wished to know the meaning of the conditions.

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"As we thought that it lacked sincerity, we decided to make an announcement of a fixed policy to the effect that we would have nothing to do with the national government, but would negotiate with the new Chinese Government which we expect to be established and join it in the promotion of the newly rising China

and the peace of Asia. Concluded the meeting at 1 5:30 p.m." HIROTA was Foreign Minister at this date. 3 4 1632W (18a). THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms. 5 6 CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document 7 No. 1632W (18a) will receive exhibit No. 2261. 8 (Whereupon, the document above 9 referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit 10 No. 2261 and received in evidence.) 11 MR. COMYNS CARR (Reading): 12 "May 19th, 1938. At 4:00 o'clock I conversed 13 with President HONJO. He expressed the following 14 opinion in regard to the preparations after the battle 15 of Suchow. I promised to do my best since I agreed 16 generally with his opinion. 17 "It may be difficult to anticipate any 18 striking changes as a result of the Battle of Suchow 19 as it appears also that a fairly large portion of the 20 enemy managed to run away. However, even in China there 21 is a considerable amount of peace talk. There is in-22 formation that when Wu-Pei-Fu protested to Tang-Shao-I 23 as to the attitude of Chiang Kai-shek, Tang replied to 24 the effect that although Chiang's attitude before the 25

Incident was improper, he approved of Chiang's attitude

and actions since the Incident. It is said that Tang has contacted Kao-Tsung-Wu, so it could be thought that perhaps there may be some sort of a negotiation 3 from China. Before making a statement to the effect 4 that we will have nothing to do with the Chiang 5 Government, it is necessary to give due consideration 6 7 and provide room for breaking the impasse. "After the battle of Suchow, it is on one 8 hand, necessary to show an attitude of advancing to 9 10 Hankow, but, at the same time, it is essential to take steps for settling the Incident. If things do 11 12 not turn out as hoped for, I believe it would, by all 13 means, be necessary to establish a close connection 14 also with the Supreme Command and, with the present 15 Reserve Fund of ¥800,000,000 and ¥300,000,000 in 16 gold, enter into protracted warfare, by planning to 17 continue for about three years. Etc." 18 1632W (19). 19 THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms. 20 CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document 21 No. 1632W (19) will receive exhibit No. 2262. 22

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 2262 and received in evidence.)

MR. COMYNS CARR (Reading):

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"August 9th, 1938. I attended the Cabinet meeting held at 10:00 a.m. and heard about the progress of Changkufeng incident from the War Minister and the Foreign Minister. After the meeting I heard from the Premier that the German Foreign Minister von Ribbentrop made a very important proposal to Ambassador OSHIMA (Ambassador TOGO was ignorant of this fact).

Von Ribbentrop had consulted with Hitler for four hours before he made this proposal (Ambassador OTT was also ignorant about it). Lt. Col. KASAHARA returned by airplane with the above message.

"The essence of this proposal is to reinforce the relationship between Japan and Germany which contains three clauses.

"The third clause provides that in case one nation is attacked by a third country, the other will render military aid. It is a serious matter. According to von Ribbentrop's explanation, Italy will become a participant in this treaty and his words suggest that the negotiations with Italy have already begun. The Navy objects to this clause. Von Ribbentrop predicts the European political situation as follows: 'War with Russia is inevitable; peaceful measures will be taken towards the Czechs; Anglo-French relationship is so intimate that it is impossible to cause disunity between

them; America will aid England and France financially but not militarily; Rumania will remain neutral, and Hungary can be made an ally." ITAGAKI was War Minister at this date. 1632W (21). THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms. CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document No. 1632W (21) will receive exhibit No. 2263. (Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 2263 and received in evidence.)

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MR. COMYNS CARR: (Reading)
"September 7, 1938:

".... Dined with Prince KONOYE, Baron
HARADA, Marquis MATSUDAIRA, and the widow of
TSUGARU at" -- I can't read that --"at 6:30 p. m.
Had a friendly talk with Prince KONOYE in a separate
room. I learned that the following is in general the
state of affairs in regard to the head of the new
political party:

"After the fall of Hakko, the changes in the situation may cause a condition which may necessitate our dealing with Chiang Kai-shek. Furthermore, there are domestic conditions calling for considerable concern such as unemployment and other matters. From the viewpoint that there is a necessity for arranging a so-called 'one nation-one party' system by incorporating all the political parties into one body in order to deal with the above problems, AKIYAMA, KITA, KUHARA, ASO, and others are participating in the movement. It is said that through the mediation of AKITA, MEIDA also met AKIYAMA recently. Prince KONOYE said that he is giving an ambiguous answer thinking that perhaps it would be inadvisable to refuse the party leadership if the political party merger

movement should progress according to the aforementioned meaning.

"Furthermore, Prince KONOYE revealed his true mind by saying, 'I came up against the outbreak of the China Incident since the formation of my cabinet, and have continued to make various painstaking efforts. However, in viewing the perspective after the fall of Nanking, the result of the declaration of January 16th, the effects and showing of the establishment of the new Regime, etc., there are many cases where matters have gone contrary to my expectations. If, on top of this, things should finally lead to having to deal with Chiang Kai-shek, there is nothing I can do but resign since the responsibilities thereof would be too heavy.' Moreover he recalled that it could also be surmised that the recent backbiting against the Premier's policy, etc., by the UGAKI circle is being done with the intention of eventually overthrowing this cabinet. I therefore stressed the fact that it was wholly out of the question for the Premier to quit at this time due to dealing with Chiang Kai-shek and to have the new political situation dealt with by Foreign Minister UGAKI's policies. I told him that it would probably result in a disturbance within the

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fear that this would result in our nation's defeat.

I emphasized that it was necessary for him not to
think of such a thing and go ahead, mustering up
his courage once more, and for this purpose it might
be unavoidable for him to accept the leadership of
the new party if necessary. We talked further
about the forming of the new party taking every
possible circumstance into consideration, but we
both eventually agreed that the secretary-general's
test of selecting men is extremely difficult. We
further promised each other that we would study this
matter more thoroughly.

"The Right Wing is also of the opinion that peace between Japan and China must be brought about even by dealing with Chiang-Kai-shek, and TOYAMA and SUENAGA agree to this. He said that he was contacted by SUENAGA on the above point.

"As for the military, it is said that the General Staff is generally of the above opinion, and that Lt. Col. IMADA and his Imperial Highness Prince CHICHIBU are its leaders. At first War Minister ITAGAKI was inclined to be opposed to this but lately he has come almost to agree with it. It is said that the situation is at a deadlock

1 because TOJO and KAGESA have the opposite opinion. 2 "I returned home at 11 a. m." 3 TOJO was then Vice-Minister. 4 1632W (22). 5 THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual 6 terms. 7 CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution document 8 1632W (22) will receive exhibit No. 2264. 9 (Whereupon, the document above re-10 ferred to was marked prosecution's exhibit 11 No. 2264 and received in evidence.) 12 MR. COMYNS CARR (Reading): "2 Nov. 1938. 13 "At 10:00 a. m. I attended the conference 14 of the Privy Council. It was decided to cease 15 cooperating with the various bodies of the League 16 of Nations." 17 1632W (24). 18 THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms. 19 CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution document 20 No. 1632W (24) will receive exhibit No. 2265. 21 (Whereupon, the document above re-22 ferred to was marked prosecution's exhibit 23 No. 2265 and received in evidence.) 24 MR. COMYNS CARR (Reading): "26 Dec. 1938. 25 "At 1:00 p. m. I called on Baron HIRANUMA

at his residence. He expressed his opinion on the 1 resignation of KONOYE Cabinet. He insisted that 2 they must carry on. His reason was that it was 3 reported that Wang Chao-ming had escaped from 4 Chungking and that the plot was proceeding steadily. 5 Even from the viewpoint of loyalty, it is undesirable 6 that Princ: KONOYE should resign his post in the 7 present situation." 8 16321 (25). 9 THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms. 10 CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution document 11 No. 1632W (25) will receive exhibit No. 2266. 12 (Whereupon, the document above re-13 ferred to was marked prosecution's exhibit 14 No. 2266 and received in evidence.) 15 MR. COMYNS CARR (Reading): "December 29, 16 17 1938. 18 "At 9:00 a. m. Maj. Gen. Teichi SUZUKI 19 visited me. He insisted that KONOYE's Cabinet should 20 carry on. 21 "At 7:00 p. m. the Prime Minister's 22 Secretary, KISHI, telephoned me and I called on 23 Prince KONOYE at his Okikubo residence at 8:00 24 o'clock. Finance Minister IKEDA also went there.

War Minister ITAGAKI was already present. The

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War Minister explained the development of the scheme and the international situation."

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms. CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution document No. 1632W (26) will receive exhibit No. 2267.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 2267 and received in evidence.)

MR. COMYNS CARR (Reading): "5 Jan. 1939.

"Received an invitation from Baren HIRA-NUMA, and called on him at 9:50 a. m. at the official residence of the Minister of Justice. He requested me to take the position of Home Minister on the ground that the nomination was a predetermined one and almost constituted a condition as the result of his talk with Prince KONOYE. I then consented, on condition that I might dispose of the many different pending problems in the Ministry at my discretion. I was requested, at the same time, to take up the post of the Welfare Minister, to which I assented on condition that the full-time Minister should take up his post as soon as possible. At 1 p. m. I reported the circumstances to Secretary KOREMATSU and Vice-Minister HIROSE.

"As the result of several negotiations over the telephone with Justice Minister SHIONO,
Baron HIRANUMA also approved my proposal to promote
Vice Minister HIROSE. HIROSE was immediately
informed and sent to the cabinet organization headquarters."

1632W (27).

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

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No. 1632W (27) will receive exhibit No. 2268.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit
No. 2268 and received in evidence.)

MR. COMYNS CARR (Reading): "31 March 1939.

"Conferred at 1 p. m. with the Premier on the problems of the Military Alliance between Japan and Germany and of the appointment of new cabinet members, etc. At 4 p. m. I went to the Tokyo Club, and met Prince KONOYE there. We had not met for some time, but exchanged opinions until 6 p. m. on the political situation and the policy towards the Incident."

HIRANUMA was the Premier.

1632W (28).

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution document 1 No. 1632W (28) will receive exhibit No. 2269. 2 (Whereupon, the document above re-3 ferred to was marked prosecution's exhibit 4 No. 2269 and received in evidence.) 5 MR. COMYNS CARR (Reading): "19 April 1939. 6 "At 1:30 p. m. I conferred with Premier 7 HIRANUMA on the Military Alliance (T. N. between 8 Germany, Italy and Japan/ and emphasized that, in 9 the event of its ending in failure, it would have a 10 dangerous effect on the domestic situation and 11 would be a decisive disadvantage to the settlement 12 of the China Incident, and requested him to (t. N. 13 therefore/ exert his increased efforts." 14 1632W (29). 15 THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms. 16 17 CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution document No. 1632W(29) will receive exhibit No. 2270. 18 19 (Whereupon, the document above re-20 ferred to was marked prosecution's exhibit 21 No. 2270 and received in evidence.) 22 MR. COMYNS CARR (Reading): "2 May 1939. 23 "Met with Chief Secretary OTA at p p. m. 24 at the Premier's official residence. Heard from 25 him the details of the disagreement between Army

and Navy circles in regard to the Military Alliance.

"At 8 p. m. I called on the Navy Minister to hear of the recent progress in the Military Alliance and we exchanged views as to the saving of the situation.

"I stressed that there is no reason to force the conclusion of the Military Alliance, as it depends on the will of the other parties. But if it fails after so much effort, it would not only have a bad influence on our policy towards the Sino-Japanese Incident, but it would inevitably bring about a feeling of uneasiness and dissatisfaction on the part of the people, especially if the main cause of failure were due to disagreements between the Army and Navy on such an important national policy. Therefore it must be avoided by all means. And so we must do our utmost to unify public opinion as far as possible, even if we should fail to conclude the Treaty. The Navy Minister was entirely of the same opinion and promised me to exert himself to follow the above line. I felt somewhat relieved and returned home at 10 p. m."

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(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 2271 and received in evidence.)

THE PRESIDENT: Mr. Carr, would you defer reading these excerpts until each Judge has a copy? MR. COMYNS CARR: I beg your pardon. (Reading): "4 August 1939.

"At noon, I resented the following views to War Minister ITAGAKI on the question of the Military Alliance with Germany and Italy, and on talks of political changes connected with it, and he agreed with them.

"According to general rumor the Army has decided to conclude the Military Alliance as soon as possible, and if the proposal is not accepted at the Cabinet Meeting, the War Minister is determined to resign, notwithstanding the fact that it will unavoidably result in the resignation of the entire Cabinet. If we observe this from the present state of internal affairs the people appear somewhat tired of the war. They are hoping for a settlement of the Incident, so they have pinned their hopes on the

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1 trend which is gradually pushing a settlement of 2 conditions, such as the success of the Tokyo Conference and the establishment of the Wang Regime. This is splendid; but if the reverse should happen, 5 i. e., if the Tokyo Conference does not materialize, 6 and the effort to establish the Wang Regime should fail, a serious situation might develop. It would be unwise to bring the political situation to a head by taking up this matter during the Anglo-Japanese 10 Conference. The last time, shortly after Wang 11 escaped from Chungking, the KONCYE Cabinet fell; no this time, it would be extremely bad policy should the HIRANUMA Cabinet resign prior to the 14 establishment of the regime, after Wang has taken 15 all the trouble to come to Tokyo to confer with 16 the Cabinet ministers. I believe that it is best, 17 if possible, to have the political change after 18 the Wang Regime is established. It is rumored that 19 Army circles insist on effecting martial law, forcibly in case of political change, and they intend gradually to adopt a military administration. 23 24

"But I think we must resist such methods with all our might, especially so in the present situation. In case of political change, if the

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Army and the Navy are permitted to continue to balk one another, and the Emperor should order the formation of a new Cabinet, it is certain that it would be impossible to form one. Therefore, I think that it is absolutely necessary for the Army and Navy to find a way to break their deadlock before the political change. So I want you (T. N. ITAGAKI/ to get in touch with all concerned if you by any chance make up your mind.

"I told the Premier about the result of the above talk, and we exchanged opinions. I also relayed the above talk to the Minister of Justice and to the Chief Cabinet Secretary."

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(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 2272 and received in evidence.)

MR. CCMYNS CARR: (Reading):

"28th August, 1939.

"A cabinet meeting was held at the Premier's official residence at 9 a.m. Premier HIRANUMA explained about the reasons why the Cabinet should resign en bloc, and requested all the Cabinet Ministers to agree with his opinion. His proposal was unanimously approved and all tendered their resignations. The Premier immediately proceeded to the Imperial Palace, and after being received in audience by the Emperor, presented to the Throne all the resignations of the Cabinet Ministers. But the Emperor requested that all Cabinet Ministers should remain in their present posts until further notice.

"At 1:30 p.m. Nazomi NAKAGAWA called on me to express his gratitude for the Imperial nomination as a member of the House of Peers.

"At 8:00 p.m. Chief KATO of the Gendarmerie

visited me. He said there was a rumor that Lieutenant-General TADA was to be appointed War Minister. He added he was very anxious that this might intensify friction between different groups within the Army, and sought my opinion to prevent it. I answered that, as an outsider, I could do nothing about it:

"At 8:50 p.m. General Nobuyuki ABE was summoned by the Emperor and was ordered to organize a new Cabinet.

"At 11:30 p.m. Prince KONOYE telephoned me and informed me of the following fact. The Prince seemed to be perplexed and asked my ominion about it.

"According to the Prince, he was paid a visit
by General ABE and the General told him that he had
been ordered by the Emperor to organize a new
Cabinet and that the Emperor had given him instructions on the following three points, which, not being
expected, seemed to embarrass the General very much.

- "1. Either UMEZU or HATA should be appointed War Minister.
- "2. Diplomatic policy should follow the line of cooperation with Britain and the United States.
- "3. Discretion must be used to in choosing the Home Minister and the Justice Minister, as the

maintenance of public order was of supreme importance.

"After thinking over the matter, I telephoned Prince KONOYE at 0030 a.m. and expressed my opinion to him as follows, with which the Prince agreed.

"Points 2 and 3 above could in any case be disposed of at the discretion of General ABE, but as for the nomination of the War Minister by the Emperor, there was a danger, if it were left to take its own course, that it might bring about a clash with military circles. So it was advisable that the Emperor summon the War Minister or let the Chief Aide-de-camp to his Majesty convey to the Army the Imperial Order given to General ABE as to the selection of the War Minister.

"I requested Prince KONOYE to convey my opinion to General ABE."

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THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document

No. 1632-W-33 will receive exhibit No. 2273.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit
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MR. COMYNS CARR: (Reading):

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"10th November, 1939.

"At 10:00 a.m. Marquis MATSUDAIRA visited me. As I have been contemplating, at the request of Prince KONOYE, the method of recommending the succeeding Premier to the Throne in case of the resignation of the Cabinet, I had a talk over the matter with the Marquis. The gist of my opinion is as follows:

"When I had an interview recently with the Lord Keeper of the Privy Seal, his opinion on this question was that no other method except the present one was conceivable for him, because he could not think of any other plan even when the elder statesman was still alive and well. As for me, there was no reason to raise any objection to the above opinion, but I thought we ought to consider beforehand the method in question after the death of the elder statesman. Besides, judging from the recent atmosphere of political circles, in which the present method was being criticised unfavorably, there was a need for setting up a new method which would be more objective than the present one. The authorized limit of powers of both the offices of the Lord Keeper of the Privy Seal and of the President of the Privy Council were prescribed by the Government Organization Ordinance,

and so there was some doubt as to whether the office of the Lord Keeper of the Privy Seal, which was responsible to the Emperor as his adviser, was really compatible with the act of recommending a Premier to the Throne. Moreover, from the political point of view, it was not desirable that high officials who were so close to the Emperor should hold the reins of political power. So, in the future, the office of the Lord Keeper of the Privy Seal should be strictly confined to that of the adviser to the Emperor, but in the case of an 'en bloc' resignation of the Cabinet, the Emperor would do well to consult with former Prime Ministers as to the succeeding Premier, not limited to those accorded the status of former Premier. In case the number of ex-Prime Ministers was too small, ex-Ministers of State might be added to the meeting. Whether the Lord Privy Seal should participate in it by the special order of the Emperor, or whether he should not take part in it at all but only act as adviser to the Emperor when he investigated the matter, needs further consideration. The above principle could be applied to the President of the Privy Council. I believed that both the Lord Privy Seal and the President of the Privy Council should be strictly separated from the

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"In the event of the Emperor asking the opinion of ex-Premiers, they should hold a conference to discuss the question, but it is undesirable that they should decide the matter by vote. They should report to the Throne all the opinions expressed in the conference together with the minority opinion as material for the judgment of the Emperor.

"I expressed my opinions as above, to which the Marquis assented, and we promised each other to discuss the matter further.

"At 1:30 p.m. I called on Prince RONOYE at his residence at Ogikubo. After having a talk on the general situation both at home and abroad, I told him about my opinions which I had told Marquis MATSUDAIRA in the morning. Prince KONOYE gave his full assent to my opinions. He even hoped to carry out the plan at the first opportunity, and requested me to take proper measures as soon as possible. But I wanted him to make a further study on this problem, since it was difficult to carry it out while the elder statesman is still active. Then Prince KONOYE asked me whether my opinion meant, in the end, the abolition of the office of the Lord Privy Seal. I answered

to the effect that it might seem so from the logical point of view, but in fact I did not favor the abolition, for there would be many important affairs of State left for him as the adviser to the Emperor. We parted at 3 p.m."

At this date KIDO was out of office. 1632-W-34.

The PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document

No. 1632-W-34 will receive exhibit No. 2274.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit
No. 2274 and received in evidence.)
MR. COMYNS CARR: (Reading):
"10 May '40.

"At 9:00 a.m. Mr. IKEZAKI called and sounded out my opinion in regard to the new political party of which Prince KONOYE is to be President, with me as Vice-President, and with regard to the formation of a Cabinet. I frankly expressed my opinion that as long as Prince KONOYE stays in the political field, I would like to have him take the leadership and that I would support him to the last, as I had no intention of forming any other new political party."

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No. 1632-W-35 will receive exhibit No. 2275.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit
No. 2275 and received in evidence.)
MR. COMYNS CARR: (Reading):

"26th May, 1940.

"Dined with Prince KONOYE and Count ARIMA at Kioicho Kinsui at 6:00 p.m; we discussed the problem of the new political party and agreed upon the following:

"1. The formation of a new political party should not be carried out positively prior to the acceptance of the Imperial Mandate.

"Consideration, however, shall be given to this point when the movement for the establishment of a new party is commenced by the political parties themselves.

- "2. When the Imperial Mandate is issued the following should be considered:
- "(a) A supreme national defense conference is to be established between the Chiefs of General Staff of both the army and Navy, the Premier, and the War and Navy Ministers.

No. 2276 and received in evidence.)

MR. COMYNS CARR: (Reading):

"1st June, 1940.

"By request of the Imperial Household Minister I called at his official residence at 10:30 a.m. and was asked to accept the appointment of Lord Keeper of the Privy Seal. I thought I was not fitted to the post but understood that it was an unanimous recommendation of all the higher officials, including Prince KONOYE, Lord Keeper YUASA, Premier YONAI and Prince SAIONJI. Under the circumstances, I wished to withhold my answer until I had consulted about the matter with Prince KONOYE. I went to KONOYE's residence at Ogikubo at 11:30 a.m. After lunch we exchanged views freely. After arriving at the conclusion that there was no alternative but to accept the office, I reported my acceptance by telephone to the Imperial Household Minister.

"This morning at 8:30, Mr. Tadataka IKEZAKI came and told me how important my role would be in connection with the new Party. He strongly urged me to refuse the offer of the post of Lord Keeper of the Privy Seal."

1632-W-43.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document

1 1632-W-43 will receive exhibit No. 2277.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit
No. 2277 and received in evidence.

MR. COMYNS CARR: (Reading):

"21st September, 1940.

"The Chief Aide-de-Camp called at 10:30 and stated that French Indo-China authorities were showing signs of concessions in regard to the question of our penetration into French Indo-China,

"Foreign Minister MATSUOKA reported over the telephone that telegraphic instructions had reached the German side since this morning.

"I reported the above to His Majesty. With regard to the solution of the China Incident, I expressed my opinion to His Majesty to the effect that we should have eventually to oppose both England and the United States if we conclude a military alliance with Germany and Italy. We should therefore make necessary adjustments regarding our relations with China as soon as possible."

Your Honor, looking at the clock and at the work remaining to be done, I think that we could conclude the prosecution case tonight, if the Tribunal would concede us a comparatively few minutes overtime.

THE PRESIDENT: We are all agreed to sit late. MR. COMYNS CARE: 1632-W-45. THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms. CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document No. 1632-W-45 will receive exhibit No. 2278. (Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit: No. 2278 and received in evidence.)

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MR. COMYNS CARR: (Reading).

"From 2:00 p.m. until 2:45 p.m. I was granted an audience and was asked for my opinion regarding the settlement of the China Incident. His Majesty wanted to know what kind of policy we should take if the incident were prolonged by the failure of Chungking negotiations, and we are forced to conclude a treaty with the Wang Government.

"In reply to His Majesty's query I said "As Your Majesty says, the incident will be a prolonged war and yet it would be difficult for us to defeat Chungking completely at this time, in view of the present exhausted state of our power. Under the circumstances, we should be fully prepared to complete our national strength, while securing key points. Today, we should exercise the utmost caution in compromising with positive action proponents for it will cause inability to bring about the submission of the enemy and also the completion of our national strength. It is indeed alarming to think of the future of the country."

1632W (70).

THE PRESILENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution document

No. 1632W (70) will receive exhibit No. 2279.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution exhibit No. 2279 and received in evidence.)

MR. COMYNS CARR: (Reading).

"September 25th, 1941. (Extract).

"Ambassador SHIGEMITSU visited me at 9 a.m. to talk about the negotiations between the U.S.A. and this country. . . .

"The Chief Aide-de-Camp visited me at 1 p.m. and told me arout the report of the Chief of the Army General Staff to be submitted to the Throne."

1632W (73).

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution document

No. 1632W (73) will receive exhibit No. 2280.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution exhibit No. 2280 and received in evidence.)

MR. COMYNS CARR: (Reading).

"October 1st, 1941 - (Extract).

"SUZUKI, President of the Planning Board, visited me at 9 A.M. to have an informal talk about our national policy towards the U.S.A."

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Mr. Logan.

May I now take the opportunity of introducing my friend Mr. Glanville Brown who has come
from England to replace my late colleague, Mr. Davis.
He would have dealt with the ARAKI exhibits the
other day, but he was indisposed and will now read
one which was inadvertently omitted.

THE PRESIDENT: Mr. Brown.

MR. LOGAN: If the Tribunal pleases --

THE PRESIDENT: Do let me greet Mr. Brown,

Mr. Logan.

MR. LOGAN: If the Tribunal please, with respect to all these exhibits just introduced from KIDO's Diary, they have been rushed through in the past few days, and I cooperated as much as possible with the prosecution; and there may be further changes with respect to some of them. May I ask leave to submit them to the Language Board if and when they should come up so they can be corrected?

THE PRESIDENT: We will submit any that you suggest centain errors, Mr. Legan.

Mr. Brown.

MR. BROWN: May it please the Tribunal, I now offer in evidence prosecution document No. 2155-C of the same volume which became exhibits 2223

and 2223A. It is a speech by ARAKI on the first 1 anniversary of the China Incident, printed in the Education Ministry Review of July 1, 1938. 3

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms. CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution document 2155-C will receive exhibit No. 2281.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 2281 and received in evidence.)

MR. BROWN: I will read the passage on page 2:

"Yet Chiang's bigoted thought has not shown any symptom of changes and his unspeakable acts of tyranny can never be stopped before he comes to the end of his devil's luck. Our Imperial Japan, who is entrusted by God, took the arm and stood up for justice and humanity, will, of course, inflict chastening blows persistently against Chiang's Regime and it is our policy that we will not lay down arms until anti-Japanese China is completely crushed to the extent that they can not stand up again. As we announced many times previously the Chinese people are not the enemy of our Imperial Japan.

"Furthermore, the peoples under the Chiang Kai-shek's regime have suffered for many years from the misgovernment and they are still wandering on

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"For the Chinese people of four hundred thousand are now under the protection of Japanese Army and they are receiving our Army's warm sympathy."

I will now read passages on page 5 and 6:

"As the situation will become more serious with the development of the war, it is beyond the question whether the substance of the system of this movement has to be perfected further or not.

"We the people even though we shall engage in various occupations according to our divine duties -- such as cultivation of rice-fields, woodcutting in the forests, fishing along the coasts, beating hammers in the factories, teaching on the platforms, or keeping the homes, we must -- keeping in mind that each of us is one of the elements of the strong motive power in this spiritual movement -show our sincerity of loyalty and patriotism, assist and encourage each other, old or young and men or women, fill up the storehouses with products by making industries prosperous, endeavor to strengthen finance and economy by performing thrift and savings and moreover, we must be propared for the aggrandizement of national strength required to wage longperiod war.

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"With deep understanding of the national thought, we should clarify the absolute superiority of our national constitution and the thought of HAKKO ICHIU or the unification of the world under one roof should be pervaded to the whole world.

"National Mobilization must be achieved both in the material and spiritual sense, which will promote the conspicuous ever-progressing prosperity of the nation, who must not be left as a power in East Asia only but must be promoted to the world's Japan as the leader of the new era and the proper magnanimity and full vigour of her people should be cultivated so that the mission given to her may be thoroughly fulfilled."

That concludes that extract, Mr. President.

MR. COMYNS CARR: I now offer in evidence the prosecution's last document, No. 2927.

THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution document

No. 2927 will receive exhibit No. 2282.

(Whereupon, the document above referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit No. 2282 and received in evidence.)

MR. COMYNS CARR: It is a record compiled and certified by the First Demobilization Bureau giving the locations of certain formations of the

1 Japanese Army at certain dates. They link up with 2 the commands held by various accused as shown in 3 their personnel records. I will only read those 4 which turn out to be of some importance. 5 The first five relate to DOHIHARA whose 6 personnel record is exhibit 104: 7 The 14th Division, from 1 March 1937 to 18 8 June 1938. Then, from August, 1937 onwards, "After 9 Peiping-Hankow Campaign in North China stationed near 10 Hsinsiang." 11 "Fifth Army: Area around Tungan, East 12 Manchuria; 19 May 1939 to 9 June 1941. 13 "Eastern District Army: Area around Tokyo; 14 1 May 1943 to 22 March 1944. 15 "Seventh Area Army: Malay, Sumatra, Java, 16 Borneo; 22 March 1944 to 2 March" -- there is a mis-17 print -- "1945. 18 "Twelfth Area Army: Area around Tokyo; 19 25 August to 14 September 1945." 20 I now read the entry regarding the 32nd 21 Division which relates to KIMURA whose personnel 22 record is exhibit 113: 23 "32nd Division: Organized on 1st April 24 1939; stationed at Yenchou (60 kilometres south of 25 Chinan); 9 March 1939 to 7 November 1940."

I now read the entry regarding the 14th Area Army which relates to MUTO whose personnel record is exhibit 118: "14th Area Army: Philippine Area; 5 October 4 1944 to 2 September 1945." 5 The next one, 37th Division, relates to 6 SATO whose personnel record is exhibit 122: "37th Division: Area around Bangkok (in 8 course of being transferred from Northern French 9 Indo-China); 7 April to 2 September 1945." 10 The last one, 1st Army, relates to UMEZU 11 whose personnel record is exhibit 129. 12 "1st Army: -1938 May to November, stationed 13 at Shihchiachwang; 1938 - After December, stationed at Taiyuan." 15 THE PRESIDENT: We will adjourn until half-16 past nine on Monday morning. 17 We had better decide this other matter first. 18 MR. HIGGINS: Mr. President, the prosecution 19 will now rest. 20 21 (WHEREUPON, THE PROSECUTION 22 RESTED.) 23 24

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MR. BLEWETT: If the Court please, I move that exhibit No. 705, found on page 7,526 to 7,529 of the record, being the testimony of TOMINAGA, be disregarded by the Court. This testimony was given on direct examination to interrogatories, and the witness was ordered to be produced for cross-examination by the Tribunal.

If the Court please, we have other motions of like tenor concerning which we have not as yet had an opportunity of looking through the evidence in the record to point out the particular page on which the testimony is given.

THE PRESIDENT: I suppose the prosecution knew what they were doing in closing their case this afternoon. They could have waited until Monday morning.

We will reserve consideration of that matter mentioned by you, Mr. Blewett.

We will adjourn until half-past nine on Monday morning.

(Whereupon, at 1615, an adjournment was taken until Monday, 27 January 1947 at 0930.)

