

CLARKE EXHIBIT No. 8

SECRET

Paraphrase

1087 DECEMBER NINTH

Re your five four nine radio five two nine RCA received this message at their Honolulu station at seven thirty three morning December seventh and this message was delivered Fort Shafter eleven forty five morning seventh the Adjutant General received the deciphered copy at two fifty eight pm

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Incl #1

DECEMBER 8, 1941

Memorandum for: The Chief Signal Officer.

Subject: Warning order to Overseas Departments

1. At about 11:30 a. m. Sunday, December 7, a secret radiogram, written by the Chief of Staff, was handed in to the Message Center by Colonel Bratton of this division. Colonel Bratton reported verbally to the Chief of Staff that the message would be in the air in about eight minutes as he was assured by the Message Center. This radio was a highly important warning to all overseas departments including Hawaii regarding the timing of the Japanese ultimatum on that afternoon.

2. It is recommended that steps be taken to determine the exact time of arrival of this message at Honolulu, the time when the deciphered message was transmitted by the Signal Corps to the Staff, and by what office it was received in the Staff. Prompt action on this message might have averted disaster.

SHERMAN MILES,

*Brigadier General, U. S. Army,
Acting Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2.*

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MID 336. (11-3-41) Haw. Dept.

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WAR DEPARTMENT

WAR DEPARTMENT GENERAL STAFF

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE DIVISION, G-2

WASHINGTON, D. C., November 4, 1941.

Subject: Letter of transmittal.

To: Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2

Headquarters, Hawaiian Department

The attached communications are forwarded for your information and such action as you consider advisable.

Sherman Miles

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*Brigadier General, U. S. Army,
Acting Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2*

1 Enclosures:

336. (1103-41)—MID Sum. of Info. re Information received from the Orient; dtd. FMH

Mailed G/2 ——— Nov 5, 1941 Reg. #910405.

MID 336. 11-3-41

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WAR DEPARTMENT

M. I. D.

November 3, 1941.
(Date)

Subject: Information Received from the Orient.

Summary of Information:

The following information received from the Orient, dated August 26, 1941, is considered reliable:

1. Mr. HIROTA, a presiding officer at directors' meeting of the Black Dragon Society, told of an order issued by War Minister TOJO (now Premier) "to complete full preparation to meet any emergency with United States in the Pacific.

All guns to be mounted in the islands of the Pacific under Japanese mandate. The full preparation to be completed in November."

2. HIROTA and others are said to have stated: "War with United States would best begin in December or in February."

3. "Very soon," they say, "the Cabinet will be changed. The new Cabinet would likely start war within sixty days."

G2 Note: Full name of individual mentioned above is KOKI HIROTA, who is reported to be a member of the House of Peers, former Premier of Japan and Director of the Bureau of Intelligence, U. S. Section.

Distribution:

All Corps Areas
All Departments
Alaska
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Evaluation

| —of source | —of information |
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| X | Reliable |
| | Credible |
| | Questionable |
| | Undetermined |

Source: Dr. Cho. Date of original paper 10/28/41 p. m.

HEADQUARTERS HAWAIIAN DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT CHIEF FOR MILITARY INTELLIGENCE
Fort Shafter, T. H.

6 September 1941.

In reply refer to:

350.05 (G-2)

Subject: Summaries of Information.

To: War Department General Staff,
Military Intelligence Division G-2,
Washington, D. C.

REC'D-B-2 SEP 17, 1941

1. It has been noted that many of the Summaries of Information received from your office originate with Office Naval Intelligence, 14th Naval District and have already been furnished this office by the Navy.

2. The cooperation and contact between Office Naval Intelligence, Federal Bureau of Investigation, and the Military Intelligence Division, in this Department, is most complete and all such data is received simultaneous with the dispatch of information to the respective Washington offices.

3. Inasmuch as such advices are received in duplicate and unless there are other reasons to the contrary it is recommended that such notices from your office be discontinued in order to avoid the duplication of effort.

Kendall J. Fielder
KENDALL J. FIELDER,
Lieut. Colonel, Inf.,
Acting A. C. of S., G-2.

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NO. 519 sent out December 5, 1941

ASSISTANT CHIEF OF STAFF HEADQUARTERS

G-2 Hawaiian Department
Honolulu, Territory Hawaii

Commander Rochefort who can be located thru the 14th Naval District has some information on Japanese broadcasts in which weather reports are mentioned that you must obtain. Contact him at once.

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[Handwritten:] From Boogy Woogie.

| Date dispatched SIS No. | Date translated | From | To | Extract |
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| 11/19/41 25040 11/20/41 | | Tokyo | Washington | "-- please present our B proposal of the Imperial Government, and no further concession can be made. If the U. S. consent to this cannot be secured the negotiations will have to be broken off." |
| 11/22/41 25138 11/22/41 | | Tokyo | Washington | There are reasons beyond your ability to guess why we wanted to settle Japanese-American relations by the 25th but if within the next three or four days you can finish your conversations with the Americans, if the signing can be completed by the 29th . . . we have decided to wait until that date. This time we mean it, that the deadline absolutely cannot be changed. After that things are automatically going to happen." |

Warning Mess. No. 1. OPNAV. 24 Nov.

"These are very doubtful chances--"

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| 11/14/41 25322 11/27/41 11/26/41 25344 11/26/41 | Tokyo | Hongkong | "Should the negotiations collapse . . . we will completely destroy British and American power in China." |
| | Tokyo | Washington | "The situation is momentarily becoming more tense and telegrams take too long. Therefore will you cut down the substance of your reports of negotiations to the minimum and, on occasion, call up Chief Yamamoto of the American Bureau on the telephone and make your report to him. At that time we will use the following code . . ." |
| 11/19/41 25432 11/26/41 | Tokyo | Washington | "In case of an emergency (danger of cutting off our diplomatic relations) and the cutting off of international communications, the following warning will be added in the middle of the [2] daily Japanese language short wave news broadcast. (1) In case Japan-U. S. relations in danger: Higashi no Kazeame (east wind rain). This signal will be given in the middle and at the end as a weather forecast and each sentence will be repeated twice. When this is heard please destroy all code papers etc." |
| 11/19/41 25392 11/26/41 | Tokyo | Washington | "When our diplomatic relations are becoming dangerous, we will add the following at the beginning and end of our general intelligence broadcasts: (1) If it is Japan-U. S. relations "Higashi". . . The above will be repeated five times and included at beginning and end." |
| 11/26/41 25349 11/26/41 | Washington | Tokyo | Kurusu to Yamamoto: "I have made all efforts but they will not yield." |

Trans Pacific telephone conversation

Warning Messages Nos. 2 & 3

OPD "Negotiations with Japan appear G-2." Advise only the Commanding Officer. 27 Nov.

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| 11/28/41 25445 11/28/41 | Tokyo | Washington | "Therefore with a report of the views of the Imperial Government on this American proposal, which I will send you in two or three days, the negotiations will be de facto ruptured. . . . However, I do not wish you to give the impression that the negotiations are broken off, merely say to them that you are awaiting instructions." |
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Warning Message No. 4 28 Nov.

136 CONGRESSIONAL INVESTIGATION PEARL HARBOR ATTACK

[Lines immediately above and below the cross rule are handwritten]

| Date dispatched SIS No. Date translated | From | To | Extract |
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| G-2 "Critical situation demands that all | | | |
| 11/26/41 25460 11/29/41 | Washington | Tokyo | "Should we, during the course of these conversations, deliberately enter into our scheduled operations, there is great danger that the responsibility for the rupture of negotiations will be cast upon us." |
| 11/29/41 25496 11/30/41 | Tokyo | Washington | "We wish you would make one more attempt verbally along the following lines: . . . [3] (in carrying out this instruction please be careful that this does not lead to anything like a breaking off of negotiations). Kurusu: "Are the Japanese-American negotiations to continue?" Yamamoto: "Yes." |
| 11/30/41 25497 11/30/41 Telephone conversation 12/1/41 25545 12/1/41 | Washington | Tokyo | Kurusu: "Are the Japanese-American negotiations to continue?" Yamamoto: "Yes." |
| 12/1/41 25552 12/1/41 | Tokyo | Washington | "When you are faced with the necessity of destroying codes, get in touch with the Naval Attache's office there and make use of chemicals they have on hand for this purpose." |
| 11/30/41 25553 12/1/41 | Tokyo | Berlin | "The conversations . . . between Tokyo and Washington . . . now stand ruptured, broken. . . . lately England and the United States have taken a provocative attitude . . . They are planning to move military forces into various places in East Asia . . . we will have to counter by also moving troops . . . war may suddenly break out between the Anglo-Saxon nations and Japan." |
| 11/30/41 25553 12/1/41 | Tokyo | Berlin | "Say that we have already clarified our attitude toward the Russians. Say that by our present moves southward we do not mean to relax our pressure against the Soviet . . . however, right now it is to our advantage to stress the south and for the time being we would prefer to refrain from any direct moves in the north." |
| 12/2/41 25640 12/3/41 | Tokyo | Washington | "Among the telegraphic codes with which your office is equipped, burn those now being used in connection with the machine. Burn every "O" code . . . stop at once using the machine and destroy it completely . . . Burn all the codes Kosaka brought you." |

Warning message No. 5 Dec.

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| [4] | G-2 "Contact Commander Rochefort | | |
| 12/1/41 25787 12/5/41 12/5/41 25836 12/6/41 | Tokyo | London | "Please discontinue the use of your code machine and dispose of it immediately." |
| 12/6/41 25838 12/6/41 | Washington | Tokyo | We have completed destruction of codes but since the U. S.-Japanese negotiations are still continuing I request your approval of our desire to delay for a while yet the destruction of the one code machine." |
| 12/6/41 25838 12/6/41 | Tokyo | Washington | "The Government has deliberated deeply on the American proposal of the 26th of November and as a result we have drawn up a memorandum for the United States . . . when you receive it I want you to keep it secret for the time being. Concerning the time of presenting this memorandum to the United States I will wire you in a separate message." |
| 12/6/41 25843 12/6/41 | Tokyo | Washington | The memorandum referred to in 25838 above. A 14 part telegram in reply to the American proposal and concluding with the sentence—"The Japanese Government regrets to have to notify hereby the American Government that in view of the attitude of the American Government it cannot but consider that it is impossible to reach an agreement through further negotiations." |

| Date dispatched SIS No. | From | To | Extract |
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| Date translated 12/7/41----- 25850 12/7/41 | Tokyo----- | Washington----- | Re my #902 (see 25843 above) will the Ambassador please submit to the United States Government, if possible to the Secretary of State, our reply to the United States at 1:00 p. m. on the 7th, your time. |

Final message 7 Dec.

"Japanese are presenting at one p. m."

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