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From: Mweils, P. L. TO: MILID

No. 7000 October 28th.

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WAR DEPARTMENT, WAR DEPART WEST GENERAL STANK MIRETARY ENTRALMENCE DIVISION G-2, Washington, October 28, 1951.

## INFORMATION THURSDAY FROM THE OFFICE

Dated August 20, 1011.

1. "Mr. HIROTA, a preciding officer at directors' meeting of the Black Drugen Society, rold of an order hance by War Minister TOJO (now Premier) "to comploto full prequention to meet any energincy with United States in the Pacific. All goes to be mounted in the islands of the Pacific under Juposese mundate. The full preparation to be completed in November."

2. HIROTA and others are said to have spring: "War with Calted States would best begin in Documber or in Pebruary."

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[Radio]

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Ост. 27, 1941. 1055 PM

From: Manila, Philippine Islands.

To: Milid, Washington. 54 Twenty Seventh.

General southward movement of Japanese shipping in western Pacific is reported by British sources two aircraft carriers have been operating among mandated islands, of which Kaga repeat Kaga still present following planes reported based there: Palau repeat Palau, eight flying boats, Saipan repeat Saipan, eight fighters, six heavy bombers; Truk repeat Truk, six fighters, six heavy bombers; Jalu repeat Jalu, eight flying boats, twelve flight planes; Wotje repeat Wotje, eight flying boats.

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#### CONFIDENTIAL

[Radiogram]

LAS 3 WTJ 518P

JULY 28, 1941. 10:36 PM

From: Manila To: Milid

No. 1485, July 26th.

British intelligence Singapore reports existence in Middle East of enemy connected organization there for supply of semiannual passports to so called refugees paren potential fifth columnists paren enroute from Middle East to South American stop One identified member of this organization Schwarzstein reported now enroute Far East stop Information suggests all passports for South and Central American countries issued nationals of occupied territories be regarded with suspicion stop Uncertain extent South and Central American governments may be involved.

O'REAR.

#### CONFIDENTIAL

[Radiogram]

LAS 30 WTJ 715P

JULY 27, 1941. 6:20 AM

From: Tokyo To: Milid

No. 505, July 26th.

Mobilization mentioned in my radio 498 and 500 still going on under conditions expreme secrecy involving restrictions all kinds on movements additional foreigners to the Continent also foreigners restricted as far south as Formosa and as far north as Korea and Manchukuo. Size of mobilization cannot be estimated but it is one of the largest single drafts since initial mobilization for China war. Some reports of troop movements away from Japan but nothing available to number preponderance moving in any single direction.

CRESWELL.

### SECRET

[Radiogram]

LAS 29 WTJ 8P

JULY 27, 1941. 6:20 AM

From: Tokyo To: Milid

No. 507, July 26th.

On basis of statements made by heretofore reliable contact, it is thought likely, should Japanese occupation French Indo China be extended, occupying forces will include one specially selected pursuit wing of approximately 80 to 90 planes now being organized Formosa.

CRESWELL.

[Radiogram]

LAS 82 WTJ 248P

JULY 23, 1941. 3:21 PM

From: Manila. To: Milid. No. 1456 July 22nd.

United Press states Lomei news Tokyo claims following from reliable French source quote as result of secret agreement between British, Chinese and De Gualliets the Chingking forces are massing for attack on northern Indo China stop Simultaneously the British will attack south Indo China using natives stop Whether Indo China govt will participate is not known unquote stop This office estimates above as build up for Japanese movement into Indo China stop We are of opinion that new Japanese cabinet is war minded

O'REAR.

[Radiogram]

LAS 150 WTJ 1210P

JULY 23, 1941. 11:32 PM

From: Tokyo To: Milid No. 504, July 21st.

and capable of action.

Recently imposed restrictions of indefinite duration on land, water, and air travel in Japan reduces available services southward to NYK Transpacific liner. Application has been made for reservations through to Manila on first possibility namely Yawata sailing Yokohama August 14th Shanghai August 19 arriving Manila August 21 without touching Hongkong. Company states that reservations cannot be confirmed for several days. If it is desired that Pape carry digest on Japanese vessel he requests specific authority therefor. It not, suggest that assistant naval attaché in Shanghai be requested to forward digest to Manila by first available safe hand and if it does not arrive before Pape leaves he be authorized to pick up Manila copy of digest. Only other alternative is for Pape to go to Shanghai first available transportation and to proceed thence by whatever combination of clippers and non Japanese shipping will put him soonest in Singapore. Schedule of British and Dutch lines are not available to their agents in Japan. Assist naval attaché in Shanghai has been requested to secure and forward pertinent information if possible. No detailed schedule can be reported until transportation to Shanghai is secured and possibly until after arrival there.

CRESWELL.

[Radiogram]

AEL 8 WVY 743P

JULY 14, 1941. 1:36 PM

From: Tokyo

To: Assis Chief of Staff G-2

No 500, July 14.

Now evident that mobilization mentioned our number 498 taking place on considerable scale and under unusual conditions as to secrecy. It has been determined that some of the newly mobilized men are being sent to Manchuria, but as yet unable to determine how many or whether any are being sent southern destination. Although Tokyo is alive with rumors as to purpose this mobilization there is no conclusive indication so far available.

CRESWELL.

[Radiogram]

67-WTJ

July 12, 1941, 1032AM

From: Tokyo. To: MILID.

No. 498, July 12th.

Considerable talk and some evidence of unusual recruiting extent and purpose not clearly determined but thought to be precautionary as for the time being governments attitude not considered as one tending towards positive commitments.

CRESWELL.

WPD 4544

July 7, 1941.

Memorandum for the Adjutant General:

Subject: Secret Radiogram

1. The Secretary of War directs that a secret radiogram, as follows be sent to the:

Commanding General, Caribbean Defense Command Commanding General, Philippine Department Commanding General, Hawaiian Department Commanding General, Fourth Army

For your information stop Deduction from information from numerous sources is that the Japanese Govt has determined upon its future policy which is supported by all principal Japanese political and milltary groups stop. This policy is at present one of watchful waiting involving probable aggressive action against the maritime provinces of Russia if and when the Siberian garrison has been materially reduced in strength and it becomes evident that Germany will win a decisive victory in European Russia stop Opinion is that Jap activity in the south will be for the present confined to seizure and development of naval comma army and air bases in Indo China although an advance against the British and Dutch cannot be entirely ruled out stop The neutrality pact with Russia may be abrogated stop They have ordered all Jap vessels in US Atlantic ports to be west of Panama Canal by first of August stop Movement of Jap shipping from Japan has been suspended and additional merchant vessels are being requisitioned end

II. That a copy of the above radiogram be furnished to the Chief of the Army

Air Force.

L. T. GEROW, Brigadier General, Acting Assistant Chief of Staff.

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(Original paper filed under Caribbean Defense Panama Command.

[Radiogram]

AEL 85 WTJ 451

JUNE 29, 1941. 7:43 AM

CRESWELL.

From: Tokyo.

To: The Assis Chief of Staff G-2.

No. 493, June 27

War Office states that cannot grant attachment regiment Japan proper Dickey Verback present time but may be able to arrange in future. At same time mentioned possibility arrange those officers Korea provided suitable exchange in one of our possessions no specific possession requested but Philippines mentioned as examples. Request statement policy regarding arrange our possessions in general and reciprocity for Korea in particular. In my opinion under present conditions Korea is not adequate trade any of our possessions and arrange in any other Japanese possessions would be severely circumscribed. Suggest I continue efforts obtain arrange Japan proper. See my letter June 9 to Harris, Chief Liaison Section in June 13 pouch.

G-2(WEC) Ralph G. Smith

Sent to all listed destination \* \* \* WE May 29, 1941 \* \* \*

May 28, 1941.

Assistant Chiefs of Staff, G-2, First Corps Area, Third Corps area, Fourth Corps Area, Fifth Corps area, Sixth Corps area, Seventh Corps Area, Eighth Corps area, Ninth Corps Area, Panama Canal Department, Puerto Rican Department, Hawaiian Department, Philippine Department and Alakan Department.

Communist Party order recently issued directs all Communist Party members of National Maritime Union to remain on board ship until further notice period Highly reliable British source reports nation-wide sabotage may be expected comma especially on Pacific Coast comma over may thirtieth weekend on all defense projects including shipping facilities period

MILES.

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE, April 3, 1941.

AG 220.482(4-3-41)E

COMMANDING GENERAL
Hawaiian Department, Fort Shafter, TH.

Issue orders detailing on temporary duty the necessary number of armed non-commissioned officers of the Air Corps but not less than 6 for the purpose of providing adequate and continuous guard from Hawaiian Department to destination for airplanes and parts being shipped on the Steel Mariner scheduled to sail to Philippine Department from Hawaiian Department April 5, 1941, and directing that upon completion of such duty soldiers return to proper stations in Hawaiian Department on first available army transport payment of monetary allowances \* \* \* authorized while traveling on SS Steel Mariner a chartered vessel \* \* \*

ADAMS.

Copy for A. C. of S., G-2. In connection with your disposition form dated April 3, 1941.

AGO 004.5 (5-13-41) MB-G The AGO AGMX-G EAH MAY 13, 1941.

Commanding General, Schofield Barracks, TH.

In reply city AGMX period. War Department authority granted you to permit representative of Pan Pacific Press Association to make photographs of unrestricted training activities and general views of post at your station for forthcoming articles Colliers Magazine period. All photographs to be made under your supervision and to be reviewed by War Department prior to publication.

ADAMS.

Copy for: Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2 (Major Corderman).

G-2

Lt. Col. R. C. Smith

G-2/272-82 No. 740 Sent April 18, 1941

Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2, Hawaiian Dept., Fort Shafter, T. H.

Naval Intelligence on March 21 received from unknown source partially illegible copy combat estimate of Fiji Islands dated December 1940 signed by Captain John W. Coulter present address University of Hawaii period. Investigate authenticity and why G-2 did not receive copy this valuable report.

MILES.

### [Radiogram]

MARCH 29, 1941. 8:32 AM

(JTP) 39WTJ

From: Ft. Shafter.

To: The Adjutant General.

FORT SHAFTER, No. 2492, March 28, 1941.

For G-2. Colonel Hideo Iwakuru, Ija passed through Honolulu 15th aboard Tatsuta Maru enroute Washington, D. C. Nippu Jiji of Honolulu reported, "Colonel Iwakuro was formerly head of military affairs section of Military Affairs Bureau which is probably the most important office in the army. He is so influential that there is no one in army circles who does not know him. We do not know what mission this colonel is on but in view of the times the visit of so important an army personage is worth our attention."

## MENTINET No. 23

[Hand written:] Copy of Capt. Safford's digest, with missing numbers supplied: I copy to Safford. I copy to Corderman.

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