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HISTORY AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS
OF THE
JAPANESE GOVERNMENT PRISONER OF WAR INFORMATION BUREAU

The Prisoner of War Information Bureau of the Japanese Government was established in December 1941 by an Imperial Ordinance under the jurisdiction of the Minister of War. Its primary function was that of collecting, processing and transmitting information concerning Allied military and civilian personnel interned by the Japanese Government through the International Red Cross Committee to be allied governments concerned. The information which was accumulated at the Bureau during World War II was compiled in roughly 300,000 Individual Record Cards and 1500 volumes of documents containing official correspondence, regulations, monthly reports, death certificates, rosters, death lists, wouchers, list of effects, charts. and various records concerning prisoners of war and civilian internees and matters pertaining to the administration of approximately 300 Prisoner of War Camps. These records are believed to be the only concentrated source of information of this nature in existence. Immediately prior to the cessation of hostilities, orders were issued by the Imperial Japanese High Command that all documents and records were to be destroyed by burning; hence, what would have constituted a vast store of potential information had dwindled down to a mere handful by comparison. Fortunately, the greater portion of these POW and Civilian Internee records were preserved virtually intact by the Bureau, which continued to function under the First Demobilization Bureau following the surrender.

Realizing the potential value of as well as the necessity for providing adequate security for the records, the approximately 150 Japanese personnel and the entire records of the Bureau were transferred into and placed under the supervision of the Adjutant General's Section, General Headquarters. in January 1946 under the provisions of a SCAP memorandum (AGO91.1(4 Jan 45)AG-PE) with First Lieutenant Norman E. Churchill, AGD, as the supervising officer. The documents are treated as "Restricted" matter and the information contained therein is disseminated only to those authorized to receive the information for official purposes, as cleared by the Officer in Charge. The Japanese personnel are forbidden to remove any documents or allow them to be removed from the premises of the Bureau. The Bureau conducts a bi-monthly inventory of documents and a report of the inventory is submitted to the Officer in Charge. It was discovered that a large portion of the records was neither cross-indexed nor properly catalogued, and that the filing s ystem in use left much to be desired, especially with regard to finding information rapidly and efficiently. Much of the Bureau's subsequent work has been that of consolidating, reorganizing, processing of records in order to complete the

reports of internments, transfers and deaths, which had yet to be rendered as of the termination of the war and also for speedler location of information. All deaths have subsequently been reported.

Simultaneously, the primary mission of Casualty Section, Enlisted Branch, Adjutant General's Section, (or which the PWIB was attached to) that of soreening and translating Japanese records and dispatching pertinent information relative to American casualties to the Adjutant General, Washington; Commanding General, AWRSPAC and AFMIDPAC, was put into operation. This phase of the program, which has materially contributed to the resolvement of World War II casualties, is now complete.

One of the more interesting highlights among the post-war accomplishments of the Eureau had been the collection, compilation and translation of information contained in the document entitled "Location of Remains of Allied Airborne Personnel in Japan", a document which was prepared in compliance with a SOAP memorandum. This document, addition to the death certificates and roster of Allied Prisoners of War who died in the various prisoner of war camps and during transfer from outlying areas as a result of bombings, torpedoings and sinkings of Frience of War transports have, in particular, been an invaluable aid in the resolution of World War II caused Section 11 to take the Advance of the Compute Campbell of the Campbell of th

Casualty Section, Emilsted Branch, Adjutant General's Section, has not been the only agency to benefit from these records. The records have been made awaitable and utilized extensively by the following organizations; First, Legal Section, General Headquarters, SCAF; International Prosecution Section; and War Crimes Defense Division, Judge Advocate Section, Headquarters Sth Army, in the investigation, prosecution, and defense of war criminals; and secondly, Kemorial Division, Quartermaster Section, 8th Army, and the Graves Registration agencies of Allied governments, in the investigations incident to Graves Registration with. The requested infinitely approximate of the respective forms of the Scatter of

The following lists and rosters have been compiled in English from he original Japanese documents and is presently located at the Forrestry Building, AG Records Division, Records

Administration Section.

- 1. Index of documents of the Prisoners of War Info. Bureau.
- 2. Laws, Rules and Regulations concerning Prisoners of War. 3. Chronological chart of former POW camps in Japan Proper.
- Translated death certificates of American Prisoners of War that died while interned by the Japanese.
- 5. A complete list of Prisoners of War segregated according to the Nations' Armed Forces they were attached to; regardless of their nationality.
- 6. A complete list of all deceased Prisoners of War.
- 7. List of Monetary Effects of former Prisoners of War and Military Internees.
- 8. List of Monetary Effects of former Prisoners of War and Military Internees which were not remitted to the Prisoners of War Information Bureau,
- 9. List of Personal Effects of deceased Prisoners of War
- Roster of all plane crashes and deceased Allied Airborne Personnel in Japan and their location of remains.
- 11. List of Prisoners of War that were released from POW camps prior to the termination of hostilities.
- 12. List of Allied Air Crew Personnel who were never interned in official POW camps in Japan Proper.
- 13. List of Prisoners of War that died prior to internment in official POW camps.
 - 14. List of Medical Corps personnel captured by the Japanese.
 - 15. List of Chaplains (Survivors and Deceased) captured by the Japanese.
- 16. List of unnatural deaths (POWs that were shot to death),
- 17. Table showing the number of officers and enlisted men that were captured by the Japanese and the number of survivors and deceased according to the branch of service
- 18. List of Prisoners of War that escaped and never recaptured.



- List of crimes committed by Prisoners of War and Punishment received.
- 20. List of deceased Prisoners of War without death certificates.
- 21. List of Prisoners of War that were not reported thru the International Red Cross.
- 22. List of Prisoners of War that were injured or died while dispatched to work,
- 23. Roster of deceased Prisoners of War interned in Japan Proper.
- 24. Roster of surviving Prisoners of War interned in Japan Proper.
- 25. List of deceased Prisoners of War according to camps and nationality.
- 26. List of Prisoners of War separated according to Rank, (Officers and Enlisted men) deceased or living and also according to the camp location--In Japan Proper or abroad,
- Roster of U.S. Airmen Captured in China, Manchuria and Formosa and interned in POW camps located in Japan Proper.
- 28. Cryoku, Encura, and Brazil Maru death lists.
- 29. List of Prisoners of War that died on board Japanese transport ships.
- List of Civilian Internees (Survivors) and their period of internment.
- List of Civilian Internees (Deceased) and their period of internment.
- 32. List of Civilian Internees whose date of release or death is unknown.
- 33. List of Civilian Internees who were released prior to the termination of hostilities.

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- A fundamental concept which must be borne in mind constantly in working with the records of the Prisoners of Nar Information Bureau is that of the Supanese version of the term "Frisoner of Mar and exceptions thereto as derived from practical application. Recognition and understanding of this concept is essential to the comprehension of the scope as well as the limitation of the scope as the property of the scope in the contract of the scope in the contract of the scope in the presence of the scope in the presence of the scope in the
- In the Aspanese Government's "Rules and Regulations concerning
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 anywasmy combatant who has fallen into the power of the Empire
 or any other person who is to be accorded the treatment of
 a prisoner of war by virtue of interhational treaties
 and customs."

In practice, the Japanese Government did not subscribe to this definition. The following exceptions offer definitive clues which can prove of considerable value in working with the Bureau records. These definition, it must be pointed out, are not official by any means, but are those of the writer, and should be used accordingly merely as a guide.

1. SEISHIM FURTO (Formal Frisoners of War) are those Allied military personnel, including civilians attached to or working with the military at the time of capture, who after capture were interned in a prisoner of war camp which was established under the provisions of the "Rules and Regulations concerning the Treatment of Frisoners of War." Hence, captives or other places of detentions by military introments camps, or other places of detentions by military intromed to one not established by the above Rules and Regulations were not reported as formal prisoners of war and therefore were not reported such to the authorities, until such time as they were "Formally" interned in a prisoner of war camp established under the cited rules and regulations. KAIGUN PURYO (May prisoners of war; that is, Allied prisoners of war who were captured and interned by Japaness May units) were not considered as formal prisoners of

War until they wre interned in a formal FOW Camp, of which the Japanese Navy had none because all formal FOW Camps were under the jurisdiction of Army commanders under the control of the Minister of War.

- 2. TEKKOKU SENSHISHA (Enemy combetants killed in action) comprised those Allied Wilters personnel, including civilians attached to or working with the military, who died prior to capture by the Japanes forces. The Japanes took statements from captured prisoners concerning enemy combatants who were killed on the battlefield. This information, however, was not transmitted to the International Red Cross since they were not considered formal prisoners of war. The information contained in these statements have been transmitted to the Adjutant General, Washington thru he Commanding General, Philiprocal
- 5. SHEMINI FURYO SHUYOSHO KAISTEUZIN FURNO (Frisoners of Wer prior to the establishment of Formal Prisoner of Wer Campa) were those Allied military personnel, including civilians attached to or working with the Military, who were captured and interned in internment camps prior to the establishment of formal prisoner of wer camps. An excellent example was the personnel who were captured at the time of and after the fall of Estaan and Corregior. However not considered formal prisoners of war until the establishment of the Philippines. Consequently, those who died prior to August 1942 were not reported to the International Red Cross during the war. They have now been reported.
- 4. HOKAKU TOJOIN (Captured Aircrew Personnel) are those Allied airmen, including Army, Navy and Marine Corps personnel (primarily B-29 crewmen), who were captured alive and interned by the Japanese. This classification was established more or less by the actions of military commanders, ostensibly based on the actions taken by the War Ministry regarding the Doolittle fliers. The general policy was that captured fliers were to have undergone a court-martial to determine whether they were to be punished as war cfiminals tr be interned in POW camps as formal prisoners of war. The fast-moving turn of events and the pressure caused by the numerous air strikes and bombing raids in 1945, when the greater majority of Hokaku Tojoin were captured in Japan, resulted in atrocities and executions, often without a trace of courts-martial or trials of any sort. Records concerning Hokaku Tojoin are available in the PWIB only on those who were transferred from the detaining organizations, such as the Kempei Tai, Air Defense Headquarters, and the Ofuna Naval Interrogation Center, and interned in formal Prisoner of War Camos. The greater part of these transfers took place in August 1945 after the Japanese knew that the end of the war had come. Due to the lack of recorded information concerning

the Hokaku Tojoin, a SCAP memorendum was issued in November 1945 directing the Japanese Covernment to furnish all information regarding the location of remains of Allied at mee who crashed in Jeapan. This information was collected at the Eureau and furnished to the agencies concerned. Both Legal Section, 640, SCAP, and Memorial Division, QCM, Hq 6th Army (Graves Registration Service) have utilized this report in investigating and locating the remains of allied personnel and in the investigation and prosecution of war oriminats.

5. GUN YOKURYUSHA (Civilian Internees, Military Internees; that is, Allied civilians interned by the Japanese military) are those allied civilians, residing in areas occupied by the Japanese forces at the time of their internment in areas outside the Home Islands of Japan. who were interned in the Civilian Internment camps established under the provisions of the "Rules and Regulations". Civilian internees in Japan Proper were interned in camps under he jurisdiction of the Home Ministry, consequently there are no records in the Prisoners of War Information Bureau concerning those interned in Japan Proper. Chinese civilians who were imported as laborers during the war were not classified as formal prisoners of war, but were under the jurisdiction of the Greater East Asia Ministry and the Home Ministry; hence, no records concerning them are available in the Bureau files.

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Yang tryly yours,

American Embassy, Tokyo, June 19, 1952.

Commander-in-Cnief, Far East, APO 500. s/t/ JUNE N. BIRMAR, First Secretary of Ambrey.

Attn: Adjutant General

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It is understoom tent too Headquarters, Far Heat Commend, he completed a translation of toe documents in question and tent he originally appears records may served their purpose. Under these circumstances, it would appear that there should be no objection to affewerable consideration of tem Ministry's request,

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s/t/ JOHN M. STMAVES. First Secretary of Embassy.

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GENERAL HEADQUARTERS SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS APO 500

Ad 313-3 (15 Apr 52)AG

MOMORANDEM FOR: Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Attention: Inte national Cooperation Bureau

SUBJECT: Withholding of Records

1. Reference is made tol letter from the Japanese Government, subject as above, dated 25 February 1952, copy attached.

2. The retention in Japan of the records of the Japanese Government Priosumer of War Information Bureau for a period of one (1) year beginning 31 March 1952, for the convenience of the Japanese Government, is approved.

3. The following are conditions to this approval.

a. All expenses incident to the retention of the subject record for the ported indicated, including the salary of Mr. Teutomo Otake, Department of the Aury Offician, 60-7, willbe borne by the Jopanses Government with Japanses Funds outside of any agreement that may arise under Article III of the Security Treaty.

b. The responsibility and authority for the supervalon of the record of the Repenses Government Prisoner of Mar Information Durgent will' regain with the Adjutant General, General Headquarters, Supreme Commander for the

FOR THE SUPRIMUM COMMANDER:

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DIPLOMATIC SECTION

TO: General Headquarkers, Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers, AG 883.6 (Through Intermitional Gooperation Bureau, Hinistry of thember 1951 Foreign Affairs)

FROM: Japanese Government Priosners of War Information Bureau MEMORANDUM FOR: Ministry of Foreign Affairs

SUBJECT: Withholding of Records: from United Nations Requesting Information Regarding Prisoners of War who Died While in Japanese Custody

23 February 1952

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Reference is unde toyyour Memorandum dated t, January 1972, subject:
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Letter from United Nations to Minister for Foreign Affairs of Japan, as Noted. /s/ Tamotsu Kumada DUMADA, Tamotsu

DUMADA, Tamotsu Chief, Japanese Government POW Information Bureau

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DIPLOMATIC SECTION

AG 383.6 ()DS

21 September 1951

MEMORANDUM FOR: Ministry of Foreign Affairs

SUBJECT: Transmitting Letter from United Nations Requesting Information Regarding Prisoners of War who Died While in Japanese Custody

There is transmitted herewith a letter addressed to the minister for Foreign Affairs (File No. SOA 417/5/01) deted 10 September 1951 from the Office of the Acting Assistant Secretary-General for Social Affairs of the United Nations, acknowledging receipt of previous correspondence from the Minister for Foreign Affairs and requesting detailed information concerning the prisoners of war who died while under the control of the Japanese Government during World War 11. This request is stated to have originated with the United Nations Ad Hoc Commission on Prisoners of War.

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Inclosure: no that it appreciated the information transmitted.

Letter from United Nations to Minister for Foreign Affairs of Japan, as Noted.

Received: 25 Sept 11.30 a.m.

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10 September 1951

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Sir,

I have the honour to refer to your letters of 14 May and of 19 June 1951 addressed to the Fresident of the General Assembly of the United Nations, concerning measures for a peaceful solution of the problem of prisoners of war in accordance with resolution 427 (V) adopted by the General Assembly on 14 December 1950. These letters have been brought to the attention of the Ad Hoc Commission on Frisoners of War in documents A/AC.46/1/Add.1 and 2.

The Ad Hoc Commission on Prisoners of Wer, which is seized of the replies received from Governments to the Secretary-General's note No. SOA 417/5/Ol of 23 February 1951, has requested the Secretary-General to inform your Government that it appreciated the information transmitted.

The Ad Hoc Commission has further requested the Secretary-General to inform the Government of Japan that it would appreciate receiving information in accordance with paragraph 2(b) of Resolution 427 (V)

The Minister for Foreign Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Tokyo, Japan,



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of the General Assembly as to the names, date and cause of death and place of buriel of prisoners who died while under the control of the Japanese authorities.

I have the honour to inform you that the Chairman of the Commission has also replied himself of the above-mentioned letters.

Please accept, Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration,

Julia Henderson for the Acting Assistant Secretary-General Department of Social Affairs

Paragraph 2(b) of Resolution 427 (V) of the General Assembly.

The names of prisoners who have died while under their control as well as the date and cause of death, and the manner and place of burial in each case.

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MONORANDUM FOR: JAPANESE GOVERNMENT

SUBJECT 18. 305 Report on Status of Property of 15 March 1949. Civil Internees and Prisoners of War.

1. Reference: SCAP Memorandum, File AS 035(21 Fem 48) CPG/FF 1. It is directed that the following records be supplied General Headquarters, Supreme Commander for the Allied powers Civil Property Custodian by 31 January 1949,

of 18,272 record cards are submitted herewith. This total a. Mame, account numbers, balances in postal savings and other fiscal instututions and identifying information for each foreign national as of 7 December 1941 and opened up prior to 2 September 1945, including balance on 2 Sept. 1945 and data regarding last with drawal made.

b. Date, place and length of interment or imprisonment for each civilian and each prisoner of war of world war II.

c. Status of personal property of such internees and prisoners whose property was confiscated, within the

2. It is directed that the Civil Property Bureau of the Foreign Office supervise the assembly of the records from the various departments of the government which can supply the necessary data and information be submitted to General Headquarters, supreme Commander for the Allied Powers. Civil Property Custodian.

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TO : CIVIL PROPERTY CUSTODIAN, GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
DESCRIPTION OF THE SUPERIOR CONGLANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS.

SUBJECT: Report on Status of property of Civil Internees and Prisoners of War.

Total time of interment

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 - a. Information on prisoners of war and civil interness taken from cifficial rosters; identified by name and nationality; date and place of capture; period of time and location of interness; date of death if applicable; and postal savings or bank dipositis, 1229 cards.
 - b. 3,763 cards covering those foreigners who have bank deposits only but cannot be verified in the rosters of P.O.W. or civil internees; separated by mattenality as follows:

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Dutch	69	Stateless	53
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Remarks: It is to be noted that no one was found who

3. The information submitted is summarized for Americans.

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DECLASSIFIED Authority 883078 prisoners of war, and civil internees as follows:

A. American Prisoners of War

(2) Total time of interment 1658 4 19
Tears Months Days

for 675 POW's recorded on cards submitted.

(3) Total number of different person accounts (postal awings, pottal transfers and/or nilitsy postal awings) that still show palanoses 946
and total amount of such balances today 715,229,65.
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B. American Civilian Internees

- (1) Total number of American civilians interned during the war by the Japanese Government 6707.
- (2) Total time of internment no record available . Year Months Days

for 54 civilian internees recorded on number cards submitted.

(3)("\$chal number of different person accounts (postal savings, postal transfers, and/or all bank accounts) that stillshow present balances ligs and total ascent of such balances today 95,359,39, (Ant. of year)

b. There are no deposits and no records of deposits representing money taken from Allied prisoners of war. A thorough and exhaustive investigation reveals no information concerning such money or other personal property taken from such prisoners.

5. Every effort has been made toobtain the information prescribed by SCAPIN 5983-A and the report submitted herewith

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CASUALTY UNIT

29 June 1948

Memorandum to: Chief of Enlisted Branch

Subject : Proposed changes in the P.W.I.B.

The following are the proposed changes in the Japanese Government Prisoner of War Information Eureaus

- 1. The Head of the Prisoner of War Information Bureau to be named as Director of the Prisoner of War Information Dureau.
- (A) At present the head of the FWIB (Mr. IIDA) is the Acting Director of the Prisoner of War Information Bureau.
 - (B) In view of the fact that Mr. IIDA has to leave this office by the lith of July 1948 due to the latest Purge Orders, it is proposed that Mr. Noji YOKOI be appointed as the Director of the FWID.
 - The Intendence Sub-Section be separated from the General Affairs Section and a section of its own be set up since the Research Section is now defunct and no changes in manpower and the number of sections are involved.
 - (A) The Intendence Section handles all finance and supply matters, including the payment of employees and maintenance of embounts and responds pertaining to Houstary and Personal Effects of Prisoners of War.
- (B) Mr. Hideo MAKAHEA, who has been officially cleared from the latest Purge Orders is to be appointed head of the Intendence Section.
- 3. Mr. Masaru AEE, who has been the assistant head of the General Affairs Section to be appointed head of the General Affairs Section.
 - (A) Up to the present time, Mr. IIDA has been assuming dual responsibilities being the head of the General Affairs Section and also the Acting Director of the Prisoner of Mar Information Eurem.
 - Mr. Tamoteu KUMADA, who is presently the head of the Idaison Section and formerly with the Investigation Section is to be appointed head of the Investigation Section.
 - (A) Since Hr. YUKOI, presently the head of the Investigation Section is to succeed Hr. IIIA as the Edvetor of this Bureau, Hr. KUMMAT is the most suitable one to succeed Hr. YUKOI as the Head of the Investigation Section inasuuch he presently holds the title of a Section Head.

The abovementioned proposals are submitted to the Chief of the Enlisted Brunch for approval since all appointments of Sertion Heads and above and changes in the organisation needs the written approval of the Allied Forces concerned before submitting it to the Japanese Government.

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> GENERAL HEADQUARTERS SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS

ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES PERTAINING APO 500

December 1947

AG 386.7(27 Dec 47)CFC/FP SUPERVISION OF THE PWIB MEMORANDUM FOR: JAPANESE GOVERNMENT.

THROUGH: Central Liaison Office, Tokyo.

In view of the fact that the Prisoner of War Information SUBJECT: u is a Jeffects of Deceased Prisoners of War and tions are being super Civilian Anternees. of General Headquarters,

and that its employees are Japanese nationals governed by lan Reference is made to the following: tons, certain

(30 Say 45 Marko, SCAPDI 75, 30 September 1942, Subject, "Effects of Deceased Originary of Mar and divilian interfect," from General Headquarters, Supremb Commander for the Allied Fronts;

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2. The Japanese Government is directed to transfer the following sums to the "Custody Account for the Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers" in the Bank of Japan, Tokyords of the been treated as having a "Restricted

a. #1,381,500.710 due deceased Allied prisoners of war and civilian internees, which is now on deposit in the Deposit Bureau of the Treasury Department located in the Bank of Japan:

b. ¥47,216.805 due the decensed Allied prisoners of war and civilian interness regarding which letters of notification of transmittal of the funds had been received by the Japanese Prisoners of War Information Burwas, from Japanese Prisoners of War Camps, word is a section burwas, from Japanese Prisoners of War Camps, word is a fundamental to the release of information pertaining to word and the release of information pertaining to word the release of information pertaining to word the release of information pertaining to word the release of information pertaining the release of the release of

3. It is further directed that a report of the transfer be submitted to General Headquarters, Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers, within thirty (30) days of the date of this memorandum. release by the DA; consequently, special caution should

FOR THE SUPREME COMMANDER:

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ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES PERTAINING

TO THE SUPERVISION OF THE PWIB

I. GENERAL stion is charged with the routine daily check

In view of the fact that the Prisoner of War Information Bureau is a Japanes Government agency, that its operations are being supervised by AG Section of General Headquarters, and that its employees are Japanese national governed by Japanese Government Civil Service Regulations, certain administrative procedures and policies have been established administrative procedures and policies have been established commissioned the procedure of the procedure of the continuous continuous of the continuous continuous accordance are continuous for the continuous continuous continuous for the continuous continu

II. SECURITY and military and sighten personnel are not

A. GENERAL

The premises occupied by and the records of the Bureau have been treated as having a "Restricted" classification for security purposes, although no official designation has been made as such.

E. RELEASING OF INFORMATION

The information contained in the records will not be released except by approval of the OIC, whose approval is based on the general provisions governing the release of information pertaining to World War II canualties. The Department of the Army has a tressed that undue embarrassment has been caused in the past by the dissemination of information prior to official release by the DA; consequently, special caution should bewereised in this regard.

C. PASSES FOR JAPANESE EMPLOYEES

Bureau employees must have a pass signed by the S-2, Headquarters and Service Group, in order to enter the Teikoku Building. These passes are obtained from Headquarters and Service Group and must be renewed monthly. Requests for passes are usually submitted approximately 10 days prior to the date of expiration

of old passes by a check sheet. General Affairs Section is required to submit a roster of employees together with expired passes each month.

D. SECURITY CHECK OF PREMISES

The premises occupied by the Bureau will be checked at the close of Business each day by U.S. Personnel. General Affairs Section is charged with the routine daily check outlined as follows:

- 1. Lock all windows and exit doors except the door labelled 501. Emergency fire doors in rooms 307 and 308 are normally left locked throughout the day, however, they will be checked daily.
 - All Bureau employees will leave the premises of the PWIB by 1630 except by permission of the OIC.
 - 3. Japanese building custodian personnel will leave the premises by 1655 each day.

E. VISITORS

- 1. Allied military and civilian personnel are not authorised to enter the premises of or obtain information from the Sureau without prior approval of the UIC. Visitors will be requested to furnish credentials if necessary, Fersonnel from Legal Section and Headquarters 5th Army who have once been cleared and who are recognized on sight need
 - not obtain further clearance.
 2. Japanese visitors are required to register at the reception desk at the entrance to room 301.

F. INVENTORY OF DOCUMENTS

A document by document inventory of the Bureau's records will be performed every 45-60 days by the General Affairs Section and a report of the inventory will be submitted to the OIC.

III. FIRE REGULATIONS

A. FIRE DRILLS

Fire Regulations as prescribed by the GHQ Fire Marshal require that a fire drill be held once each month. The Fire Plan for the Eureau has been coordinated with the Srd Ploor and Building Fire Plans. The General Affairs Section as required to maintain an up-to-date roster of the Japanese personnel assigned to fire-fighting teams.

All extension cords for desk lamps, fans and other fixtures will be pulled from the wall sockets prior to leaving for the day.

IV. DAILY STRINGTH REPORTS
The General Affairs Section is required to submit a daily
strength report. Although matter concerning personnel
administration have been handled practically entirely by
the Sureau, the purpose of the daily strength report
that of keeping the OIC informed of any undue decrease
or absenteeism in the total personnel which may affect the
continued efficient operation of the Sureau,

V. BUSINESS HOURS

The Bureau is open for business according to a schedule outlined in Japanese Government regulations. The Bureau has been requested to furnish a small skeleton crew during the fortyd ays (20 July-SlAugust) that the summer half-day schedule is in effect, (See Inclosure No. 2 for details)

VI. HOLIDAYS

Japanese employees have been permitted to observe official Japanese Government holidays, The Executive Officer of Enlisted Franch will be informed by the OIC, Gasualty Section, in each case. Japanese employees have not been permitted to observe U.S. holidays except on special occasions as prescribed by SCAP Memorandums, In special cases warranted by the urgency of current work, the Bureau has been requested to furnish a small skeleton crew. (See Inclosure No. 3)

VII. PHYSICAL PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT

Buch of the physical property and equipment being used by the Bureau belongs to the Japanese Government and was brought into this building as Bureau property. Rone of the Bureau property is charged to the AG Section.

VIII. REPAIR OF BUREAU PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT

Bureau property and equipment may be repaired by means of a check sheet addressed and hand-carried to the Building Custodian. The CTC, Casualty Section, is the only person authorized to sign for the request for such services.

IX. NEW PROCEDURES AND POLICIES

All major procedures and policies to be established, revised, or discontinued, will be cleared by the OIC, Casualty Section. The OIC will be informed of all minor changes in routine procedures.

X. JAPANESE PERSONNEL

The general policy which has been followed in the past has been to avoid interfering or becoming entangled in the administration of Bureau personnel, unless the security or the continued efficient operation of the Bureau was involved. (See File: "Purge of FWIB Personnel") On matters pertaining to Japanese personnel, it will often be necessary to confer with "Japanese officials so that Japanese Government policies and results flow can be given due consideration.

XI. TRANSLATION WORK

As a general rule, no translation work is performed for Legal Saction, 8th Army War Crimes Defense Division, and other Agencies outside of the AG Saction, which have their own translators. U.S. Linguist personnel are used mainly to interpret, supervise, coordinate, check and make snot-translations.

XII. PREPARATION OF CERTIFIED TRUE COPIES

Criffied true copies of extracts from the documents are prepared by WWIB officials with their signatures and/or seal affixed thereto. Copies of documents certified by Japanese officials have and are being accepted and used by the War Orimes Commission in Yokohama.

ORGANIZATION

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JAPANESE GOVERNMENT

PRISONER OF WAR INFORMATION BUREAU

I. GENERAL

The Prisoner of War Information Bureau (PWIB) is a Japanese Government agency which was established in Docember 1941 under the provisions of an Impediation of the Minister of War with tial Cydinance under the jurisdiction of the Minister of War with tial Cydinance under those outlined in the "Rules and Regulations concerning Featment of Frisoners of War". (A translation of these rules and regulations is in a file folder of the same title.

II. PRESENT ORGANIZATION

The present organization of the PWIB is as follows:

CHIEF OF THE PWIB

General Information Intendence Investigation Liaison Affairs Section Section (Research) Section Section (War Ministry)

A. GENERAL AFFARS SECTION

The Ogneral Affairs Section deals with the administrative affairs of the Bureau, including the receipt, translation and dispatch of correspondence; employment, and discharge of employees; and other personnel and administrative matters. This section has the following sub-sections;

1. The correspondence Sub-Section, which receives, distributes, and coordiantes all correspondence prior to dispatch, Before assignment of work to the various sections is made, this season and the section of the section, reads the contents, notes the organization from which the correspondence was received, etc., in order to keep a cheek on the type and volume of work being performed by the Bureau.

- 2. The Translation Sub-Section translates correspondence from English to Japanese and from Japanese to English as required. Translation of Official documents must always be at least spot-checked by he Translations Officer. Translation work is generally limited by the number of translations which is generally limited by the number of translators and their translation sbility; hence, involved reports and documents for us in war orines work are not translated but furnished in the form of true copies certified by Japanese officials.
- B. INFORMATION SECTION

The information section handles all matters pertaining to military and civilian personnel of Allied countries who were interned during World War II in intermment camps which were under the jurisdiction of the Minister of War, including the preparation of resters, death list, record cards, etc. The work of this section is divided among the following sub-sections. In this connection, it should be noted that the Information Section does not necessarily have information regarding all Allied military and civilian personnel who may have been or were captured and or interned by the Japanese. (See Miscellaneous Information file on "Definition of FOW")

- The Death Raport Sub-Section handles all matters pertaining to Allied Prisoners of Way who died wintle internad in a POW Gamp under the jurisdiction of the Minister of War, has compiled deth lists and furnished certified true copies of death certificates for use in the war crimes trials.
- 2. The Record Gard Sub-section handles all matters pertaining to Allied Prisoners of War who wakes interned in POW Gamps under the jurisdiction of the Minister of War and were alive as of 15 August 1945 or as 5° the date of the last report received by the PWIB from POW Gamps abroad, has prepared resters of POWs and certified true copies of Individual POW Record Gards (MEI MEI HYO) for use in the war orimes trials.
- The Citylian Internee Sub-Sectici handles all matters of the citylian to the and addition (Citylians who were interned in Citylians who were interned in Citylians which are located outside of Fapan Proper. (Allied citylians interned in camps in Japan Proper were under the jurisdiction of the Minister of War, which are located outside of Fapan Proper were under the jurisdiction of the Minister of Home Affairs, consequently this Bureau has no information on them)

4. The Miscellaneous Sub-Section handles all matters partaining to Allided Prisoners of War who died or were missing as the result of bombings and sinkings of POW transport ships on route to Japan, those who died while intended in the standard internment camps prior to the formal establishment of POW camps under the jurisdiction of the Minister of War, enemy combatants-killed in action, and other quasi-prisoner of war personnel.

C. INVESTIGATION SECTION

The investigation Section, which actually does not conduct amy field investigations but which is generally confined to investigative research work in connection with the records in the Bureau, handles all matters pertaining to the administration of POW Camps and related matters, such as the compilation of resters of Japanese Camp Staff Personnel, chronological history of POW Camps, sanitation reports, statistical reports, POW orlmss and punishments, etc.

D. RESEARCH SECTION (NOW DEFUNCT)

The Research Section, which is now defunct, handled all matters pertaining to Japanese prisoners of war who were interned by the Allied Fowers during World War II, including the translation and processing of information received from the international Red. Cross and other sources and the forwarding of the same to the appropriate agency of the First Demobilization Bureau of the Japanese Government, which in turn forwarded the information to the various regional Smobilization offices for notification of next of kin.

E. LIAISON SECTION

The Lisison Section, which is located in offices of the First Demobilization Office near he War Ministry Buildings in Lehigaya, Tokyo, performs lisison functions with the First Demobilization Office.

F. INTENDENCE SECTION

The Intendence Section which handles all finance and supply matters, including the payment of employees and maintenance of accounts and record books pertaining to (Monetary Effects of) Prisoners of War. (See POW Monetary Effects file)

Compiled 24 Sept 48

T. Otake - DAC - AG-PE



GENERAL HEADQUARTERS FAR EAST COMMAND

APO 500 11 September 1945

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RECEIPT FOR OFFICIAL JAPANESE RECORDS

Netherlands Government, hereby acknowledge receipt of the following official records of the Japanese Government Prisoner of War Information Bureau pertaining to Netherlands personnel:

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The aforementioned records will be retained in Japan until it is definitely ascertained by the Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers that they are no longer required and will make these records available to authorized agencies upon squest, in accordance with the stipulations as contained in paragraph four, letter, General Headquarters, Far East Command, file AG 513 (15 Aug 1947) AG-FE, subjects Release of Records Pertaining to Netherlands Personnel, dated 15 August 1947.

Receipted by:

Released by:

N. SCHENK, S. Lt. RNIA For the Netherlands Gov.

HENRY T. OMACHI, 1st Lt. Inf. AGC-GHQ-FEC, Casualty Sec. APO 500

YUKIO IIDA, Acting Director, Prisoner of War Information Bureau For the Japanese Government

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GENERAL HEADQUARTERS UNITED STATES ARMY FORCES, PACIFIC

AG 704 (23 Jul 46)AG-PC

APO 500 23 July 1946

FOR Casp Min 5

SUBJECT: Death Certificates

TO : The Adjutant General, Washington 25, D. C.

TO: The Adjutant General, Mashington 25, D. C (Attention: Casualty Branch)

- Herewith is the first in a series of translations of official lapanese desth certificates furnished for such action as deemed appropriate in resolving World War II casualty cases. The original documents are on file in the Jegenese Government Prisoner of War Informatich Bureau, whose operations are being supervised by The Adjutant General's Office, General Readquarters, United States Arm Yorces, Pacific.
- The translation of these death certificates are broken down by camp districts, and the groups of translated certificates will be forwarded to your office by districts as soon as practicable after all translations pertaining to a particular district have been completed.
- 3. The attached group of translations are for the Tokyo district and include the following comps:
 - 1. Mein Camp, OMORI, formerly Shinagawa POW Camp.
 - 2. Main Camp Attached Infirmary (Shinagawa).
 - 3. Main Camp Detached Camp (Ofuna), formerly Tokosuka Navy Carrison Ofuna Provisional POW Camp.
 - 4. No. 1 Branch Camp, formerly Kawasaki Provisional POW Camp.
 - 5. No. 2 Branch Camp, formerly No. 1 Branch Camp Wharf Sub-Camp.
 - No. 3 Branch Camp, (Yokohama), formerly Yokohama POW Camp, No. 2 Branch Camp (Yokohama).
 - 7. No. 3 Branch Camp (Hosokura Mining), later Sendai.
 - 8. No. 3 Branch Camp (Magaoka).
 - 9. No. 3 Brench Camp Detached Camp.
 - 10. No. 4 Branch Camp.
 - 11. No. 5 Branch Camp. (Weshin Old Estimony), forestly

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- 12. Ho. 6 Branch Camp (Kamaishi Iron Works), formerly Hakodate FOW Camp No. 4 Branch Camp.
- 13. No. 6 Branch Camp (Nihon Foundry).
- 14. No. 7 Branch Camp (Kamaishi Steel Works), formerly Hakodate FOW Camp No. 3 Branch Camp, later Sendai FOW Camp No. 5 Branch Camp.
- 15. No. 7 Branch Camp (Hidachi Mining), formerly No. 8 Branch Camp, and No. 6 Dispatched Camp.
- 16. No. 8 Branch Camp, (Oserusawa Mining), later Sendai FOW Camp No. 6 Branch Camp, Company Company Camp
- 17. No. 8 Branch Camp (Hidachi Mining), formerly No. 12 Dis-
- 36 patched Campiched Camp (Ameno Books).
- 18. No. 9 Branch Camp (Ashio Mining), formerly No. 8
- 19. No. 9 Branch Camp Deteched Camp (Ashio Mining), Formerly Main Camp Deteched Camp (Ashio).
- 20. No. 9 Branch Camp (Hanacka Mining), later Sendai POW Camp No. 7 Branch Camb.
- 21. No. 10 Branch Camp (Kosaka Mining), later Sendei POW Camp No. 8 Branch Camp.
- 22. No. 10 Branch Camp formerly No. 20 Dispatched Camp.
- 23. No. 11 Branch Campana, (Del Nippes Chemical).
- 24, No. 12 Branch Camp, formerly No. 3 Branch Camp, (Hiraoka), No. 2 Dispatched Camp.
- 25. No. 13 Branch Camp, formerly No. 9 Branch Camp, No. 7 Dispatched Camp.
- 26. No. 14 Branch Camp (Shibaura Electric), formerly No. 11 Dispatched Camp.
- 27. No. 15 Branch Camp, formerly No. 15 Dispatched Camp.
- 28. No. 16 Branch Camp, formerly No. 16 Dispatched Camp.
 - 29. No. 17 Brench Camp, (Nisshin Oil Refinery), formerly

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- 30. No. 1 Dispetched camp, formerly No. 2 Branch Camp, Sub-Branch Camp (Yokohama).
- 31. No. 3 Dispatched Camp (Tsurumi Shipyards), formerly No. 5 Branch Camp.
- 32. No. 4 Dispatched Camp (Johan Coal Mining), formerly No. 6 Branch Camp, later Sendai FOW Camp No. 1.
- 33. No. 5 Dispatched Camp (Mihon Foundry), formerly No. 7 Branch Camp.
- 34. No. 9 Dispatched Camp.
- 35. No. 10 Dispatched Camp, formerly Osaka Zosen Dispatched Lian Camp.
- 36. No. 13 Dispatched Camp (Asano Docks).
- No. 14 Dispetched Camp, (Yoshima Coal Mining), later Sendei POW Camp No. 2 Branch Camp.
- 38. No. 18 Dispatched Camp (Yokohama).
- 39. No. 19 Dispatched Camp, (Yokohama Docks).
- 40. No. 21 Dispatched Camp, (Hokkai Electro-chemical), Later Nagoya POW Camp No. 6 Branch Camp.
- 41. No. 22 Dispatched Camp (Nihon Express Transportation), later Magoya FOW Camp No. 9 Branch Camp.
- 42. No. 23 Dispatched Camp, (Dai Nippon Chemical).
- 43. No. 24 Dispatched Camp, (Misshin Milling).
- Copies of this letter have been forwarded to Commanding Generals, United States Army Forces, Middle Pacific, and United States Army Forces, Western Pacific.

FOR THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF:

172 Incls: 172 death certificates for Tokyo District (2 copies ea.) ROY C. ULMER, Lt. Colonel, AGD, Asst. Adj. General



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REPORT

ON THE STATUS OF THE WORK OF

THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT PRISONER OF WAR INFORMATION BUREAU

AND THE LANGUAGE DETACHMENT

- A. THE LANGUAGE DETACHMENT
 - The work of the Language Detachment falls into two broad categories.
 - TRANSLATION This work involves translation of Japanese documents which may be helpful in the Casualty Clearence program, At present, this work consists of translating the best avilable records of death of American FOWs and Civilian Internees.
 - CURRENT WORK This work consists of investigating Japanese records, and extracting information for the agencies listed in Appendix I. The types of information furnished are shown in Appendix II and III.
 - The actual work is largely performed by Japanese EWIB
 personnel, under the supervision of Language Detachment
 personnel. The language Detachment can be called a
 medium for receiving inquiries and expeding the work
 of the FWIB, while maintaining supervision of operations
 and oustodial charge of the documents.
- B. THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT PRISONER OF WAR INFORMATION BUREAU The work of the PWIB also falls into two bread categories.
 - DISPOSAL WORK -- This entails disposing of work which was backlogged as of V-J Day. Lack of personnel, antiquated filing methods and lack of communication during the latter part of the War were generally responsible for this condition. Consolidation of documents, re-organization of records, reports to the International Red Cross in

- in Geneva, and preparation of Individual Record Cards make up the major portion of this work.
- CURRENT WORK -- This work consists of the work performed for the inquiring agencies listed in Appendix I and IV.
 C. EXPLANATION OF APPENDICES.
 - APPENDIX I -- TABULATION OF VISITS, PHONE CALLS AND CORRESPONDENCE RE INQUIRIES FOR INFORMATION.

This tabulation shows the numerical breakdown of the inquiries coming into and handled by the Language
Detachment, the actual work being performed by the PWIB.

- APPENDIX II AND III -- WORK ANALYSIS CHARTS
 These charts show an itemized breakdown of the types of
 information requested by the sgencies listed in
 Appendix I.
- 3. APPENDIX IV -- TABULATION OF INQUIRIES FOR INPORMATION

 (JAPANESE PRISONER OP WAR INPORMATION

 BUREAU)

This tabulation shows the numerical breakdown of inquiries coming into and handled by the PWIB, and spot checked by the Language Detachment.

TABULATION OF VISITS, PHONE CALLS AND

CORRESPONDENCE RE INQUIRIES FOR INFORMATION

1 APRIL 1946 - 31 JULY 1946

						FOUR MONTHS AVERAGE					
	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	JULY		MONTHLY A VERAGE		PERCENT			
AG Casualty Clearance	21	9	13	7		12.5		15.5%			
Legal Section ²	34	22	36	56		37.0		46.0%			
Liaison Division2		2	2	9		3.2		4.0%			
P.R.O. 2		2	5	6		5.51		6.8%			
8th Army Defense Section	27	21	16	9		18.3		22.7%			
Australian War Graves	3	3	1	1		2.0		2.5%			
International Prosecution Section		6				1.5		1.9%			
United Kingdom Liaison	2		**			0.5		0.6%			
TO TAL	87	63	73	88	20	80.5		100.0%			

^{1...}P.R.O. began requests in June, therefore average is for two months.
2...Legal Section includes the following Divisions; however, only the last
two have been segregated for this analysis. Prosecution, Investigation,
Australian, Canadian, British, Liaison, P.R.O.

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JUNE 1946

INQUIRER

INFORMATION REQUESTED

Death Cert.	Death	POW Home Addr.	POW Info.	Air Crew Inves.	Jap. Pers. Info.	Jap. Pers. Roster	Jap. Records Research	TO TAL
AG Casualty			9	1			1	11
Legal Section 12	3	1	93		25	1		135
Liaison Div.			2					2
P. R. 0.1		33	4					37
Sth Army Defense Section 100		7	49		1	3	5	165
Australian War Graves			3					3
112	3	41	160	1	26	4	6	353

1... Legal Section includes the following Divisions; however, only the last two have been segregated for this analysis. Prosecution, Investigation, Australian, Canadian, British, Liaison, P.R.C.

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JULY 1946

INQUIRER

INFORMATION REQUESTED

	Death Cert.	Death Lists	POW Home Addr.	POW Info.		r Crew	Jap. Pers. Info.	Jap. Pers. Roster	Jap. Records Research	TO TAI
AG Casualty				32"		7				39
Legal Section1	42	5	50	64			28	3	2	194
Liaison Div. 1 P. R. O. 1	80		3	3			2			85 14
8th Army Defense Section	7						55	5	3	70
Australian War Graves	W INATES	N CONTROL		6						6
	129	5	64	105	1	7	85	8	5	408

^{1...}Legal Section includes the following Divisions; however, only the last two have been segregated for this analysis. Prosecution, Investigation, Austrealian, Canadian, British, Liaison, P.R.O.

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TABULATION OF INQUIRIES FOR INFORMATION

(JAPANESE GOVERNMENT PRISONER OF WAR INFORMATION BUREAU)

APRIL - JULY 1946

			APRIL	MAY	JUNE	JULY	FOUR MONTHS AVERAGE
LEGAL SECTION SCAP(Via C		20	31	42	32	31.3	
INTERNATIONAL RED CROSS	JAPAN DE	ELEGATION)	21	16	11	18	16.5
	(GENEVA)		54	17	1	2	18.5
JAPAN RED CROSS		6	7	2	2	4.3	
FIRST DEMOBILIZATION BUT	TEAU		6	15	16	18	13.7
SECOND "	11		3	1	7	5	4.0
HOME SERVICE DEPT			1	2	6	12	5,2
NORTHERN DEMOBILIZATION	LIAISON	OFFICE	2	1	2	2	1.7
EASTERN "			7	1	3	4	3.8
CENTRAL "	п		6	3	3	6	4.5
Western 2		ıı	5	9	6	6	6.5
MISCELLANEOUS			25	63	74	120	70.5
TOTAL			156	166	173	227	180.5

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Page 12, Volume No. QB-52 part I - "General Natters" Dec 1945 - May 1945 Japanese Government Prisoner of War Information Bureau Files.

AG 091.1 (4 Jan 45) AG-B

APO 500 4 Jan 1946

MEMORANDUM FOR: IMPERIAL JAPANESE GOVERNMENT

THROUGH : Central Lisison Office, Tokyo.

SUBJECT : Moving of Japanese Prisoner of War Info. Bureau.

1. Effective this date, the *apanese Frisoner C War Info, Bureau will have from its present location in the War Ministry Building to the third floor of the Forestry Building, and will operate under the direct supervision of this headquarters. Foreonel presently assigned this Bureau will continue to perform being duties at he new location.

- The Officer in Charge, Japanese Prisoner of War Information Bureau will be responsible for insuring that all documents presently on file in the Bureau are moved to the new location and will provide necessary security to prevent the loss of any document during the move to the new location.
- First Lieutenant Norman E. Churchill, AGD, this headquarters, is designated to supervise and coordinate matters in connection with the wowins of this Bureau to its new location.

FOR THE SUPREME COMMANDER:

H. W. ALLEN, Colonel, A. G. D.; Asst Adjutant General.

CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

S/ Henry T. Omachi T/ 1st Lt., Inf CPC.

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OFFICE OF THE SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS

AG 383.6 (30 Sep.45) AG-KD

30 September 1945.

MEMORANDUM POR: IMPERIAL JAPANESE GOVERNMENT

THROUGH : Central Liaison Office, Tokyo.

SUBJECT : Effects of Deceased Prisoners of War and Civilian Internees.

1. Faragraph 30, Chapter 4, page 10, "Regulations on the War Prisoners", issued by War Prisoners Intelligence Bureau, states as follows:

"Articles and money of the dead prisoners will be sent to the Prisoners Information Bureau from the Army Troops in charge, the governmental office, the hospital or the dressing station, but articles, the unsuitable for reserve will be sold and the cash will be sent."

- 2. Report is desired without delay as to what action has been taken by the Imperial Japanese Government to secure the effects of every kind, character and description, of all deceased prisoners of war from every camp.
- a. The term "effects", as it pertains to deceased prisoners of war, will include all personal property and chattels, wearing apparel, papers, documents, letters, notebooks, photographs, albums, diaries and articles of probable sentimental value, all funds or evidence of funds, such as ordered for money held by or on deposit with any agency or representative of the imperial Japanese Government, and all sums due but not paid to the prisoner of war for labor performed or services rendered prior to the death of such prisoner of war.
- 3. In the event no action has been taken to secure such effects, it is desired that immediate action be taken to do so, and that such effects, when secured, be marked to show the name, rank, serial number, nationality, and branch of service, and the name or other designation of the camp where the deceased prisoner of war was confined.
- a. When the foregoing has been accomplished the effects, marked as directed, will be delivered to the headquarters of the major allied military force occupying the zone or district where the effects were secured.

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b. Report will be made to this office when delivery of such effects is made to the headquarters of the appropriate Allied occupying force. A roster will be attached to this report, showing the moster will be attached to this report, showing the mame, rank, serial number, nationality and branch of service of each deceased prisoner of war and the effects belonging to each as delivered to the appropriate Allied occupation force headquarters.

4. Identical information is desired with regard to the effects of deceased civilian internees. However, it is desired that the effects of civilian internees be held until notification is received from this office as to their disposition.

FOR THE SUPREME COMMANDER:

HAROLD PAIR Lt Col AGD Asst. Adjutant General Authority 883078

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RECORDS AND DOCUMENTS OF THE PWIB

I. GENERAL

The documents and records of the FUIB are official records of the Japanese Government. A great volume of information partaining to Allied military and civilian personnel who were interned during World War II in internment camps under the jurisdiction of the Minister of War are contained therein. (See "Index of Documents" in FWIB Documents file) However, it was discovered early in 1946 that a large portion of this information was neither cross-indexed nor properly estalogued, at that the filling system in use left much to be desired, especially with regard to finding information to be desired, especially with regard to finding information has been that of completing the cart line as table in information at hand and reorganization of records for speeder location of information.

The records conside mainly of those which were received during the war period at the Bureau from EOW and Civilian Internse Camps, but also include those received after the cessation of heatilities, and those prepared in the Bureau itself during and after the end of the war. The records are marked with volume file numbers (called EOWED BANG), or registration numbers), such actical the same volume number 222 in the JA series, All actical consists and trunslations are referenced to these file designations.

designations.

II. SECURITY OF RECORDS

- A. The documents are treated as "Restricted" matter and the information entained therein is disseminated only to those authorized to receive the information for official purposes, as cleared by the OIC.
- B. The Japanese personnel are forbidden to remove any documents or allow them to be removed from the premises of the Eureau in Twitchia Building. All matters pertaining to the release of documents to outside agencies is transacted through release of contents are policy set forth in "Folior regarding Release of Original Documents", as outlined in III below.
- c. The Bureau has been instructed to conduct an inventory of the documents at least once every sixty days. A report of the results of the inventory is submitted upon completion thereof.

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III. POLICY REGARDING RELEASE OF ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS

A. TEMPORARY RELEASE - The policy regarding temporary

release of documents is as follows:

1. It must be ascertained that certified true copies will not suffice or that the amount of labor and time required for reproduction prohibits the making of true copies or the extracting of the requested information within the allotted time, or that the originals are a bsolutely necessary,

2. Direct mouests from General Headquarters, Far East Command and SCAP sections may be accepted. However, requests from agencies outside of General Headquarters must be made through channels in writing.

3. The release of documents is for the exceptional cases and should not be allowed to become a habit for obvious reasons. Past experience indicates that certified true copies of documents will fulfill most requirements.

4. It must be stipulated and understood that all documents will be returned immediately upon the completion of the use

thereof.

5. The recipient must be a person, preferably an officer, authorized to sign a receipt for the documents.

B . PERMAENT RELEASE

A policy regarding permanent release of documents to a representative of the Netherlands Government has been approved. (See PWIB Documents file) This can be used as a guide in the future with reference to release and disposition of records to other Allied governments.

It is contemplated hat all records will be turned over to the various Allied governments at the proper time in an As is condition as no provisions have been made for complete or patial ranslation thereof. The translation of pertinent information pertaining to American personnel has already been completed.

IV. PREPARATON OF RECORDS FOR ULTIMATE DISPOSITION

A. CARDS (MEI MEI HYO)

The completion of the Individual POW and Civilian Internee Record Cards prior to deposition is of primary importance. At this time, the preparation of cards for all Allied military and civilian personnel mentioned in the records is virtually emplete. Current work involves the processing and recording of pertinent information from various records on the cards, with appropriate cross-indexing references made wherever necessary,

The main card files are the Deceased POW, Deceased Civilian Internee, Live POW and Live Civilian Internee files, all segregated according to nationality. The tentatively contemplated DECLASSIFIED
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ultimate plan is to merge all files into a central file segregated by nationality only.

B. DOCUMENTS

- 1. All "Type B" documents on which processing work is complete (i.e., the pertinent information from which have been recorded on the cards, etc.) are to be broken down by nationality with the appropriate file designations placed thereon, such as "JA 232 American", which means that portion of volume number JA 232 which pertain actilusively to American personnel.
- 2. After the breakdown of Type B documents is completed, Type C documents will be processed. Details regarding the method of processing Type C documents have not yet been worked out. The guiding feature in this regard is that all pertinent information which is not included in the cards or in other Type A or B documents will be reproduced or extracted.
- 5. The advisability of disposing all of the Bureau documents to the Allied Governments raises a most question, there are records in the Bureau which are purely administrative in mature of mound be of no practical value to the Allied Government but are of documentary and administrative value to the Dureau. It may be necessary to determine a policy regarding such documents.





THE PRISONERS OF WAR INFORMATION BUREAU

The Prisoners of War Information Bureau of the Japanese Government was extablished in December 1941 by the Imperial Ordinance under the jurisdiction of the Minister of War. Its primary function was that of collecting, processing and transmitting information concerning Allied military and civilian personnel interned by the Japanese Government through the International Red Gross Committee to the Allied governments concerned. The information which was comfiled in roughly 300,000 Individual Record Cards and 1,500 volumes of documents containing official correspondence, regulations, monthly reports, death certificates, rosters, death lists, youchers, lists of effects, charts, and various records concerning prisoners of war and civilian internees and matters pertaining to the administration of approximately 300 Prisoner of War Camps. These records are believed to be the only concentrated source of information of this hature in exixtence. Immediately prior to the cessation of hostilities, orders were issued by the Imperial Japanese High Command that all documents and records were to be destroyed by burning; hence, what would have constituted a vast store of potential information had dwindled down to a mere handful by comparison. Fortunately, the greater portion of these records were preserved virtually intact by the Bureau, which contained to function under the First Demobilization Dureau following the surrender.

Realising the potential value of as well as the necessity for providing adoguate seasourity for the records, the Japanese personale and the entire record of the Bureau were transferred into and placed under the supervision of the Adjutant General's Section, General Headquarters, in January 1946 under the provisions of a SAAP menorandum. At present, the Prisoders of Mar Information Bareau is located on the third (Jar) floor of the Hypothe Bank Annex Ballding occupying a floor space of approximately 1,000 square feet and employing 57 Japaneses personalenal one (1) Department of the Army Chyllian representing the Adjutant General's Section, General Headquarters, Far Mast Gommand, A minium floor space of 3,500 square feet is believed necessary in order to maintain the efficient function of the Bureau with its present strength.

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COMPLETE MEASUREMENTS OF ALL DOCUMENTS ON PILE IN THE PRISONERS OF WAR INFORMATION BUREAU

(1) 284,142 Inches: Total number of inches for all documents in the Prisoners of War Information Bureau, This includes the criginal documents in binder form, this compiled from the criginal documents and the Individual Record Cards.

(2) 1470 Volumes : Total number of volumes or criginal documents on file in the Prisoners of Wer Information Bureau,

(3) 349 Wolumes : Number of volumes or original documents that are written in English.

Note: The total number of inches has been obtained by multiplying the Width, Length and the thickness of the documents. DECLASSIFIED
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5 1/2	х	8	х	1		44	1
6	x	8 1/1	2 X	17		867	7
7	х	10	х	9	1/2	665	5
7 1/2	E	10 1/2	х	842		66,307,5	941
8	x	10 1/2	х	7		588	4
8	х	11	х	18		1,584	31
8 1/2	х	12	х	2	1/2	255	9
8 1/2	х	14	X	68		8,092	48
9	x	11	х	1		99	1
9	х	12	х	52		5,616	72
9	х	13	х	16		1,872	22
9	x	14	х	1		126	3
10	х	13	х		1/2	65	1
10	х	14	х	3		420	12
10	х	15	х	12		1,800	28
10	х -	15 1/2	X	1		155	3
10 1/2	x	14 1/2	х	127	-	19,304	220
11	x	15	х	22	1/2	3,712.5	46
12	x	14 1/2	х	3	1/2	609	2
TOTALS						112,284	1470
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POWS(5 1	/2 7	8 1/2)	25, 320	146,578	171	1,898 317	1832" 2149

CI VILIAN INTERN. " 5, 372 102,662 109,034 68" 1282" 1350"

TOTALS 30,692 249,240 279,932 385" 3114" 3499"

MEASUREMENTS OF VARIOUS LISTS COMPILED IN ENGLISH FROM ORIGINAL JAPANESE DOCUMENTS

Index of Documents in the files of the Prisoners of War Info, Bureau.
 Size: 8" X 13" X 1/2" 52"

2. Translation of the Laws, Rules and Regulations pertaining to

Size: 7" X 10" X 1/2" 35"

Prisoners of War.

3. Translateddeath certificates of American POWs

Size: 8" X 10" X 26" 2080"

4. Orycku, Encurs, Brazil Maru desk lists; list of POWs that did no board Japanese transport ships, List of FOWs that were released From POW Camps prior to the termination of hostilities; List of Allied Alt Orew Fearcamel who were newer intermination of the stilling punchased the state of Fows the secaped and never recaptured; List of Greened POWs the secaped and never recaptured; List of Greened POWs that secaped and never in Agent Proper; Noster of Survivors in Agent Proper; Noster of Survivors in Agent Proper; Noster of Survivors of Living); and List of FOWs who were not reported thru the intermittent Red Cross.

Size:12" X 8 1/2" X 15" 1530"

5. Roster of Deceased Allied Airborne Ferennel in Japan; List of FÜNE injured or died while working [Mis List is partially given the country! Armed Forces they was established. Country in the country! Armed Forces they was established. Country! Armed Forces they was established to Country! Armed Forces they was established to the Country! Armed Forces they was established to the Country! Armed Forces they were established in List of Deceased Civilian Interness that died abroad; List of Konstary Effects of Effects of Deceased FORM by matchallty, and a List of Forceons!

Size: 14 1/2 X 10 1/2 X 26" 3958 1/2"

6. List of Personal Effects of December POWE giving the forwarding address list of Givilian Internse (Survivors and their period of Internment); List of decembed Civilian Internees and their period of internment; List of Givilian Internees whose date or release or death is unknown and a List of Civilian Internees that were released prior to the termination of hostilities.

Size: 12" X 8" X 6 1/2" 624"

Total measurements of all lists in English compiled from Original Japanese documents:

8279 1/2 or 8280"

NUMBER OF DOCUMENTS AND STORAGE FACILITIES

IMPORMATION SECTION

This section handles all matters coneerning POWs. Approximately 170,000 cards

No. of Individual Record Card Boxes 52 (31o drawers filled)
No. of File cabinets with four (4) drawers 8

No. of Filing Boxes 24 X 36"

INVESTIGATION SECTION

This section handles all matters concerning Civilian Internees.

Approximately 110,000 cands

No. of Individual Record Card Boxes 44 (262 drawers filled)
No. of File Cabinets with four (4) drawers 9

Ne of Filing Boxes 24" X 36" 4

ADMINISTRATION AND PAYROLL SECTION

This section handles all matters concerning POW and Civilian Internees' monetary effects and personal effects.

No. of File Cabinets with four (4) drawers

No. of Filin Boxes 7

Total Storage facilities

Total number of individual card boxes 96 (572 drawers filled)
Humber of documents contained 280,000 Individual Record Cards

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Number of File Cabinets
These cabinets contains documents in

binder forms

No. of Filing Boxes
These boxes contain documents in binder forms

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GENERAL HEADQUARTERS UNITED STATES ARMY FORCES PACIFIC

AG 704 (14 Nov 46) AG-PC

A.P.O. 500 14 November 1946

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SUBJECT: Missing Air Crew Reports.

TO: Pacific Air Command United States Army, AFO 925.

(ATTENTION: A-1, Missing Personnel Section)

 Request six copies of the following Missing Air Crew Reports be forwarded to Commander-in-Chief, United States Army Forces, Facific, as soon as practicable.

a. Planes of the 20th Army Force envolving the following

listed pers	onnel:			
Date	Name	Rank	ASN	Unit
29 Nov 44 27 Nov 44 21 Nov 44 24 Nov 44 22 Dec 44 3 Dec 44 3 Dec 44 13 Dec 44 18 Dec 44 18 Dec 44 127 Dec 44 12 Dec 44 13 Dec 44 15 Dec 44 15 Dec 44 16 Dec 44 17 Dec 44 18 Dec 44	Hamen, Harold M. Mosier, Gerald L. Featecost, Ned C. Wagner, Sam P. Garcia, Michors T. Doxey, William S. Hyde, Albert W. McGandliss, George Bailey, Jock R. Campbell, David C. Manner, Sam P. Gardiss, George Bailey, Jock R. Campbell, David C. Milliam, Granville Walker, William H. Grise, Charles G. Couway, Leo E. Milliam, Garcus A. Charters, John J. Schramm, Harold F.	Major Major Major Ist It. Ist It. Sgt Major Capt Capt Capt Ist It. Ist It. Major Major Capt Ist It. Major Capt Ist It. Major Capt Ist It. Major Capt Capt Capt Capt Capt Capt Capt Capt	ASM 0-421695 0-885549 0-659175 0-2024801 38352286 0-396423 0-128801 0-430974 0-417027 0-409625 0-730374 0-664095 0-406919 0-724738 0-2026122 0-22829 0-22829 0-406036	Unit 883 Bomb Sq. 881 Bomb Sq. 881 Bomb Sq. 871 Bomb Sq. 872 Bomb Sq. 873 Bomb Sq. 873 Bomb Sq. 874 Bomb Sq. 875 Bomb Sq. 876 Bomb Sq. 877 Bomb Sq. 878 Bomb Sq. 878 Bomb Sq. 878 Bomb Sq. 878 Bomb Sq. 879 Bomb Sq. 879 Bomb Sq. 870 Bomb Sq.
14 Jan 45 14 Jan 45 27 Jan 45	Mellen, Henry A. Zylla, Frank L.	1st Lt.	0-536878 0-741394	878 Bomb Sq. 871 Bomb Sq.
27 Jan 45 10 Feb 45 10 Feb 45	Hahn, Elmer G. Walsh, Birrell Cady, Robert E.	Capt Capt	0-478847 0-18109 0-432877	870 Bomb Sq. 313 Bomb Wing. 505 Bomb Gp.
19 Feb 45 10 Mar 45 10 Mar 45	Miller, Robert H. Bakskns, Sam P. Allington, Homer C.	2nd Lt. Major 2nd Lt.	0-829060 0-403395 0-2066124	93 Bomb Sq. 28 Bomb Sq.
17 Mar 45	Burk, John T. Smith, Irvin L.	2nd Lt.	0-717744	398 Bomb Sq.

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18 Apr 45 24 May 45 24 May 45 15 May 45 16 May 45 16 May 45 26 May 45 26 May 45 26 May 45 26 May 45 27 May 45 28 May 45 26 May 45 27 May 45 27 May 45 28 May 45 27 May 45 28 May	Harrington, R. B. Turk, L. Oyd, R. C. Turk, R. C. Turk	2nd Lt. Capt. Capt. 2nd Lt. Major Capt Capt Capt lst Lt. lst Lst. lst Lt.	0-2060796 0-413922 0-2056354 0-409919 0-420376 0-420376 0-737352 0-766078 0-653271 0-865320 0-66353 0-666353 0-666353 0-666350 0-2068812 0-2068812 0-2068812 0-23494 0-23494 0-23494 0-2453054 0-728307	869 Bomb Sq. 877 Bomb Sq. 428 B
20 July 45 2 Aug 45 8 Aug 45	Ringham, Wallace P. Cay, Wyatte J. Shumate, James L.	Capt Capt	0-791414	768 Bomb Sq.
8 Aug 45 8 Aug 45	Cahall, Arthur B. Jr. Correll, Eugene V. J.	1st Lt. 2nd Lt.	0-771661 0-2078937	482 Bomb Sq. 5 Bomb Sq.

b. Missing Air Crew Reports for all 5th and 7th Army Air Force planes crashing in or near Japan except the following:

5th tin Rono

	oth Air Force	
Date of Crash	Name of Unit	Plane Number
12 Aug 45 7 Aug 45 10 Aug 45 11 Aug 45 11 Aug 45 11 Jul 45	8th Ptr Gp, 35th Ptr Sq. 35th Bomb Gq, 49th Bomb Sq. 418 Night Fighter Squadron 348 Ftr Gp, 460th Ptr Sq. 348 Ftr Gp, 460th Ptr Sq. 418 Night Fighter Squadron 35th Ftr Gp, 40th Ptr Sq. 418 Night Fighter Squadron 35th Ftr Gp, 40th Ptr Sq. 43 Rough Gp, 6374 Rough Sq.	44-25242 44-31300 42-39588 44-15008 44-63594 42-39591 44-63883



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7th Air Force

Date of Crash	Name of Unit	Plane Number
7 Aug 45 7 Aug 45 31 Jul 45 31 Jul 45 29 Jul 45 28 Jul 45 28 Jul 45 28 Jul 45 28 Jul 45 28 Jul 45	lith Bomb Group, 431st Bomb Sq. 41st Bomb Gp, 596st Bomb Sq. 11 Bomb Gp, 59th Bomb Sq. 71st Recon Cp, 82nd Tec Recon Sq. 41 Bomb Gp, 520 Bomb Sq. 21st Ftr Gp, 531 Ftr Sq. 21st Ftr Gp, 531 Ftr Sq. 494 Bomb Gp, 866 Bomb Sq.	44-41494 42-64934 44-50958 44-13138 43-27879 44-63915 44-63911 44-40680 44-40716 44-40559

 Further request that Missing Air Crew Reports for the 13th Army Air Porce and all miscellaneous units losing planes over or near Japan Prior to 15 August 1945 be furnished.

BY COMMAND OF GENERAL MacARTHUR:

WALTER A. TAYLOR Major, A.G.D. Asst Adj General DECLASSIFIED
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POW INDIVIDUAL RECORD CARDS

COUNTRY SURVIVORS DEATH TOTAL
INTURD STATES 15.322 9.998 25.320
OPPAG RETUATE 11.062 14.525 55.587
GREAT BRITAIN 41.062 14.525 55.587
AHSSERATTA 19.236 5.389 24.625
7 621
HELHERINGE
CANADA1.607 214 1.881
WDANGE 5, 300 152 5, 454
2022
TIDIA
OFFICE 1.560 251.565
70 600 171 808

HOTE: Others are countries that are listed below.

ARMENIA GRENCE
BELGIUM FRAT
OTHERA CZEGHOSLOVAKIA MORMAZ
DENMARK PORTUGAL
ESTRONIA SUFEDBH
ESTRONIA

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CIVILIAN INTERNEE INDIVIDUAL RECORD CARDS

Mationality	Survivors	Paroled	Decembed	Unknown	Total
United States	5,078	125	169	0	5,372
Australia	406	0	35	0	447
Argentine	. 7	0		0	7
Austria	42	0	3	0	45
Armenia	190	0	23	0	213
South Africa	11	0	0	0	11
Great Britain	9,114	168	558	2	9,842
Belgium	1.35	21	36	4	196
Burma	2	15	0	0	17
Brazil	9	0	1	0	10
Canada	152	3	5	0	160
China	44	6	20	0	70
Cuba	17	1	0	0	18
Chile	3	1	.0	. 0	4
Czechoslovakia	- 54	0	3	0	57
Cevlon	1	0	0	0	1
Costa Rica	2	0	0	0	2
Denmerk	18	0	2	0	
grypt	15	1	0	0	20 16
Ecuardor	6	0	0	0	
France	160	1	7	0	6
Greece	43	0	3		168
Dermany	206	7	43	0	46
Guetemale	5	0		0	256
Molland	73,270		0	0	5
		190	7,313	8.457	89,230
lungary	80	0	2	0	82
ionduras	2	0	0	0	2
inland	1	0	. 0	0	1
Iran	4	45	0	0	49
reland	2	3	1	0	6
(taly	57	0	0	0	57
Indonesia	117	29	13	2	161
Israel	41	0	7	1	49
India	0	2	0	0	2
Irmo	110	0	5	0	115
etvia	2	0	0	0	2
auxemburg	7	0	2	0	9
exico	2	3	0	0	5
orway	131	1	7	2	141
lewzealand	58	0	6	0	64
licaragua	4	0	0	0	4
oland	120	7	2	0	129
hilippines	5	22	0	0	
ortugal	21	0	3		27
eru	22	0	0	0	24
.S.S.R.	40	2	5	0	22
umenia	38	0		0	47
witzerland	14	6	3	0	41
	0	0	1	0	21
reden		2	1	1	· A
mein	15	5	0	0	20
irkey	6	0	1	0	7
enezuela	0	1	0	0	1
goslavia	4	1	1	0	6
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 Index of Domments in the files of the Prisoners of Var Information Bureau. (10 copies were east to that Adjuster General, Mankington) Reforence: Latter dated As 704(25 Apr 16)AA-20, Subject: Records of Japanese Government Prisoners of Var information Bureau.

- Translated copy of the Laws, Rules and Regulations pertaining to Prisoners of War. (Translation requested by Megal Section, General Meadquarters, Far Hast Command, 2 copies are Mrf for reference in this office).
- Chronological Chart of Rx-Prisoner of War Camps in Japan Proper, (Desk copy only) This chart gives the designated camps, location and its history; such as: Netablishment, see lustions if any were made and the date of termination.
- Translated death certificates of American POVs.
 copies each were eart to the Adjustan General, Washington, Reference/Lebber dated 23 July 1946, file AG704 (23 Jul 46)AG-PG. One copy of the translations are left in this office.
- Orycke, Beours, Brazil Maru dasth lists.
 Sopies were east to the Commanding General, Bighth Army, Attention: Henorial Division. Letter dated 20 November 1947, file AG 704 (20 Nov 47)AG-EB, Subject: Shoure, Orycku, Bassil Maru dasth list.

AMERICANS

Pfc USA

Example:

E. George W.

	AEHR, Carl Jr. ALDWIN, Lee	Major USA Capt USA	0-20280 0-890478	15 Dec 44 15 Dec 44	
6	. Roster of Deceased Translation done	by STIS. One co	py each was sent to	and its location of the Adjutant Gener	al, Washington

DATE OF DEATH

Translation done by MEIS. One copy each was sent to the Adjutant General, Washington and the General, Washington and the Geomemiting General, Washington and the Geomemiting General, Washington Heteromost Fetter dated 22 January 1947, file 45 70% (22 Jan 47) Subjects Japanese Report of Pecessed Allied Altborns Fersonnel in Japan Proper.

	RANK SHRIAL NO.	DATE OF DEATH	CAUSE OF DEATH
HENDERSON, Paul H. U	JS NAVY Unidentified PRESENT LOGATION OF R	i i	lane crashed and he died instantly PARTY HAVING KNOWLEDGE OF HERRACOUT OF REMAINS
TOTAMA-Shi, SHIMOOKUI		rst placed NOKUI, TATEYAMA COLOR COMMING TATEYAMA COLOR COMMING COMMIN	AAGOTA B.W. Intermment the same sup-camp No. 5 (A.M. RILEY, Captain A.M.C.

 List of Deceased POWs a rding to Camps and Mationality, This list was submitted to GHQ as per directive No. 2

EXAMPLE: NAME

RANK NEXT OF KIN
A 2nd Lt. Mr. S. L. Baker

MEAT OF KIN
HOME ADDRESS
DATE OF DE
Mr. S. L. Baker
7236 Foreythe
18 2 43
Miss Gertrude PHILLIPS Unive sity City, Mo. 3 2 43

BAKER, William I. BALDWIN, Barry

PALCE OF BURIAL
All Remains enshrined at Zugenji, Odaka.

 Roster of U S Airmen captured in CHIMA, MANCHURIA and FORMOSA and intermed in JAPAN POW CAMPS.
 This roster was sent to Major SMITH, CHIMA THEATER, AMERICAN WAR GRAVES DIVISION.

EXAMPLE:

DATS AND PLACE OF INTERNMENT DATE AND PLACE OF RECOVERY
21 August 45 Tokyo 29 August 45 Ofuna

28 July 45 Tokyo 29 August 45 Omori

 List of POWS that died on board Japanese transport ships. (Compiled for use in this of the only.)

EXAMPLE:

AKAMINE MARJ (MAME OF SHIP)

NAME RANK DRAT OF DEATH

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10. List of POWs that were released from POW Comps prior to the termination of hostilities, (POWs that were parols d. *his includes the majority of Asiatice that were captured by the Japoness and set free)

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DATE OF DATE OF HECK, William D HUNN, Douglas A UNIT - RANK SER NO Sgt 666-CAPTURE RELEASE 23 Dec 41 13 May 45 Disease USMC Pyt -----8 Dec 41 13 av 45 Disease CHANDLER, Paul B. USMC Q. M. Clerk 9 Dec 42 3 Jun 42 Diplomat returned to

country by 1st exchange ship

 List of filled Air Crew Personnel who were never intermed in of icial POW Camps in Japan Proper (Compliate Pow records obtained after the war ended from various Japanese offices.

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CAPTURE

3. List of crimes committed by POWS and punishment recrived.

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14. "ist of POWS that excaped and me ver recaptured

j. List of POWs injured or died with working. (The mature of Injury is contined because of the time invloved in translating and since this information is included on the obstructificates that have been forwarded to Washington.

AMPLE: RANK INJURED DATE OF DATE OF DATE OF DATE OF DATE OF DATE OF DEATH CAMP OF DEATH CAMP OF DEATH OF DEATH

List of Deceased POWs without death certificates.

SAMPLE:

BANK & DATE OF CAUSE OF DRATH CAMP

SER NO.

NDERSON, Milan E A. Sgt. 20800194 8-11-42 Ameebdo Osebe

ERRIS, Walter E.Jr A Capt 0-291431 27-6-44 Dysentery Shot to death (Executed)

17. Roster of Deceased POWs in Japan Proper

19, List of POWs separated according to "ank(Officer and Enlisted Men) Deceased or Living and also according to the camp location-In Japan Proper or Abboad. (All separate lists)

EXAMPLE: RANK & DATE OF DATE OR PERIOD OF CAPTURE 9-14-42 INTERNMEN 2-7-19 REMARKS AHLES, Hugh F 27-11-14 Deceased yr mo da AARON, Barney 23-12-41 2-9-45 2-8-11

20. List of POWs who were not reported thru the International Red Cross.

EXAMPLE RANK & SER NO ALLEN, Henry A Sgt.lst lass and Sgx.lst 23049922

21. A complete list of FOHs segregated only according to the Countrys' Armed Forces they were attached to; segariless of their Nationality. For example: A Canadian may have been with the British Amy. In this case he is listed with the British. Contente of list

RANK & SER DATE OF DATE OF RELEASE CAPTURE REMARKS Capt 0-316451 Deceased AGEL, Gilbert R 2nd Lt 0-90011 24-10-44 Missing on board ship Pvt. 6282884 ADAMS, Berdine 10-4-32 FUKBOKA

22. A complete list of December D'06 segressed only according to the "Omntrys Armed Forces they were attached to regardless or their Matinantity." (This list was requested by the United Mations Ad Noc Committee and will not be ready until the end of November 1971.)

RANK & BRANCH OF DATE OF MANNER OF EXAMPLES: CAUSE OF PLACE OF BURTAL BURTAT. SER_NO SERVICE DRATH DEATH NAME apt 28-1-45 Died in ABELES, Cary on board bombing BRAZIL MAHJ ABRAMS, Rus sell P03/e Navy 9-11-43 Beri Beri Buried APARONG. BURMA

23. List of Monetary Effects of Prisoners of Var and Military Internees. By Nationality, SASPIS 75 Dated 30 September 1989, file Ad-353, 6(3 Sep 4): Ad-ZD, SHRANDY: Effects of deceased prisoners of war and civilian interness was sent to the Japanese Covernment and form the basis of this list. This list has been turned over 60° Section, 6H2.

Contents of list:

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Ave., North Little Rock, ARK. 24. List of Monetary Effects of POWS and Military Internees which were not remitted to

the Prisoners of War Information Bureau.
(This is a same type of list as mentioned above and SCAPIN 75 applies to this also.)

These Lists were sent to the Ctrll Property and Oustodian Section, GEC, and the total amount was deposited in the Bank of Japan with SOAP as Gustodian of this fund (Ref: SOAPIE Memorandum 5075-A Dated 27 December 1947, file AD 386,7 (27 Dec 47) CP0/PF, BURNADOT: Effect of Prisoners of War and Civilian Interness.

25. List of Personal effects of Deceased POWs have been truned over to Lt. Morman Churchill, AG Gausulty Section, who was also the supervising officer of the Prisoners of War Information Euresu. This same list was also turned over to Lt. Churchill with the Personal Effects of POWs.

CONTENTS OF LIST:

HAME TIMES

BANT, Wayne E. Silver ring, ommedfix, casholic medals

LUIP jakward A. Leather case, cross card, social security card

Gold Ring

Gold Ring

Since this lightwas not given in alphabetical order (according to POW card no.) another list was made to go together with it giving the Carn No., Name, Rank, Destination of Henort - Home Address and the date of death.

EXAMPLE:

EXAMPLE:
OARD NO. HAMP. RANK. BESTMANION OF REPORT DATE OF DEATH
199 Tokyo ADAMS, Edgar G. Opl Mrs. Morris Broyles, 1565 Temple 20-1-12

Bace, Saint Louis, No.

35 Phil ADAMS, Adwin B Pvt Mrs. E.B. WHITE, 851 Gramercy Place Jr. Los Angles, California 18-5-42

26. List of Civilian Internees (Survivors) and their period of internment.

Contents of list:			Date	Date	Period of
Gard No. Name Cook, Carl J	Sex	Date of Birth	Interned	Released_	Internment
oo ooon, oarr	Gremian M	10-2-1000	13-0-15	2-9-49	3-0-19
602 COLLEY, G. J.	r. M	8-7-1902	12-3-43	2-9-45	2-5-22

27. List of Civilian Internoes (Deceased) and their period of internment.

Date of Death Period of

Ourd Fg. Hame
Phys Assor, George F N 1568 1669 5-2-15 Internment
213 MarketholdMi, august V. M 19-11-1876 3-1-12 6-10-44 2-9-5

25. List of Civilian Internees whose date of release or death is unknown.

Gard No. Heme Sem Date of Birth Date Interned

562 ASTA, Theodorous Fischer F 28-12-1915 2-1-12

5821 BERKUM, Henri Nico Van M 4-8-1939 14-1-43

29. List of Civilian Internees who were released prior to the termination of hostilities, that of Basen for Dark of Resear for List of Resear for List of Resear for List of Resear List No. 29-1948 Child 22-1-1944 Child Chi

ELLIOTT, Mill Hell E F 2-5-1988 Social Worker 23-9-1943

Return to country by 2nd Exchange ship

Note: The majority of the Civilian Internee Record Gards are incomplete because the various components of the Civilian Components of the C



OTHER RECORDS IN THIS OFFICE BUT NOT PART OF THE PRISONERS OF WAR INFORMATION DOCUMENTS

Machine Records Roster and Punch Cards.

These records were received from the Machine Records Division, Meadquarters, United States Army Forces Western Facific for Casualty Information. Reference: Letter dated 14 October 1946, fill OSEMP 704 (14 Oct 16).

MISSING AIR CREW REPORTS.

These reports was requested by Casualty Section, GHQ, FEO, in order that a complete set of Missing Air Grew Reports of all planes crashing on or near Japan may be made available for Gasualty Clearance and Legal Section, GHQ, FEO. Reference: Letter dated AO 70% (14 Nov No) AG-PC, TO: Pacific Air Commandy United States Army, AFO 925.

Legal Section Investigation Reports

Copies of Legal Section Investigation Reports were detained as part of Casualty Olearance Plan and were sent to the Adjutant General, Washington thru Philippon (Presently Philosm)

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