

ENDO Saburo

Appointed director of the Aeronautical Div in the Japanese Ministry for Armaments. He serviced as Comdr of the air force in all the major South Pacific campaigns and directed the first employment of Japanese paratroops in the conquest of Sumatra. (See also Lt. Gen ENDO Kieaburo) Info from European Press, MID G-2 #1, 1/3/44.

Director of Aerial Ordnance Bureau, Munitions Ministry, as of 11 Aug 45; Councillor, Cabinet Gen Planning Board, as of 27 Jun 45; Pres, Aviation Industries Control Assn, appointed 14 Jan 44. (Prominent Persons in Japan & Japanese-dominated Areas, 14 Aug 45)

Pol from "Biographies of Prominent Japanese", ONI, Sept 45)

Dec 1883 - Born in Hiroshima-ken
Graduated from Military Academy & Military Staff College; served as director Military Aviation Technics School; director, Hamamatsu Army Officers' Air School
Apr 1942 Chief, Instruction Section, Hamamatsu Army Officers' Air School.
Nov 1943 Inspector Gen, Military Ordnance Bureau, Munitions Ministry.
Jan 1944 Pres, Aviation Industries Control Assn.
Mar 1944 Dir, Aerial Ordnance Bureau, Munitions Ministry. Held to end of war; thereby held key govt posts for promotion of Japanese Aircraft Production; has reported on such production to Japanese Diet.
Jun 45 Reported to be a councillor to Cabinet Gen Planning Board.

Member, former Sakura Kai; now opposed to UGAKI Kazushige. (ZWL-699B, 24 Aug 51, UGAKI Issai dossier).

Apr 53 - one of organizers (with KITAYAMA Tetsu, ARITA Hachiro and UNNO Shinkichi) of the "Conference for the Protection of the Peace Constitution", a group which ultimately became the KEMPO YODO KOKUMIN RENGO in Jan 54. (INTSUM 4184, 22 Feb 54)

Former Lt. Gen. ENDO is one of 57 Jpees invited by the World Peace Council to attend the extraordinary general meeting to be held in Berlin. (TOKYO AKAHITA, FEIS No. 98, 20 May 54)

Former Army Gen ENDO was present at the initial meeting of the League for the Restoration of Diplomatic relations with Russia and China. Purpose of which is the restoration of Diplomatic ~~relations~~ and economic relations among the three nations. (Tokyo, KYODO, 17 Oct 54, FEIS)

Subject, ~~was~~ perhaps same, appointed Vice Minister of Finance under new HATOYAMA Ichiro Cabinet, 14 Dec 54. (FEIS 14 Dec 54)

Former Lt. Gen, included in 27 member good will mission of People's League for Safeguarding the Constitution to ComChi. (FEIS 203, Tokyo, KYODO, 17 Oct 55)

Former Lt Gen among 16 members of a good will mission to ComChi sent by National League for Protection of Constitution. (FEIS 238, Tokyo, KYODO 8 Dec 55)

ENDO Saburo to ComChin - FEIS HHH 201, 1955.

ENDO Saburo to ComChi - FEIS HHH 069, 1956

ENDO Saburo to ComChi - AIRD 465988 May 1956

Lt. Gen (fru) ENDO to ComChina in 1955 and 1956 - STAD 408227 - (Army Rpt ?)

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44-6-1-72 - ZETA-19 - 19 Sept 47

0-2 rpts, Japan, 6 Sept 47 reads as follows:

SUBJECT: HEDU (fmu)

In early May 46, the Kwantung Army ordered Dr. HEDU (FNU), Dr. of Geology & former Chief of Chemical Warfare Service of the Army to organize a scientific expedition to search for Uranium deposits rumored to be located in Manchuria. HEDU compiled and formed a team which comprised 15 geological students and himself; spent several months looking for the valuable metal. The search culminated with the discovery of 9 potential Uranium mines. Two of these were known to be located in KIJUO and KIKUN, Manchuria; however, the whereabouts of the other 7 was discreetly kept secret. Deposits in these 2 mines are small but in the other seven, it is believed, deposits are large.

HEDU disappeared and is believed to be a prisoner of either Chinese or Russian Communists.

The fol info on individuals with the same name as subject exists in our files.

SUBJECT: HEDU (fmu)

Subj formerly worked for the Chikets in Changchun area in intelligence. He was repatriated to Japan in Group 72. His destination in Japan is 1-8 Takadai-machi, Ushigome-ku, Tokyo. He designated the Hattori Hdg in Tokyo (former PX) a rendezvous point for his former underlings while working for the Chinese in Changchun. Time for the meeting is Saturday afternoon of ea week. All efforts to locate Subject were unsuccessful. The Demobilization Bureau reported 3 persons named HEDU; however, as far as is known these individuals have not been repatriated.

HEDU Saburo }
HEDU Junsuke } Have not been repatriated
HEDU Ino }

SUBJECT: HEDU (fmu)

attended a meeting attended by several intelligence agents of the Communist espionage net held at the home of H. H. H. H. H. (Japanese), 50 H. H. H., Aramachi, Sendai-shi on 7 Jul 1947.

SUBJECT: HEDU (fmu) (Japanese)

Inanashi-ken, Inoue pl. returned to Japan, administrative member of the Assault Corps (Totsugaki Tai).

The purpose of this organization is to manifest communist principles through a system whereby an increase of food rations furnishes an incentive to raise the output of work.

SUBJECT: HEDU (fmu)

Former leader of TUMBU KILM.

44-7-14-1

44-7-5 by - ZJL-101 - 1 Oct 43

From G-2 files, Japan, dated 26 June 1943, Subject: Kwantung Army
Kampai Tai and Tokuma Hikan Units

Col. ENDO Saburo is listed among the Kwantung Army Tokuma Hikan Units
as the Commanding Officer of the Fanto branch unit located at Fanto.

44-7-14-7 - ZJL-641 - 5 June 51 SOURCE: []

ENDO Saburo is listed among an eight-man Japanese Army committee on
rearmament.

Field Comment: ENDO - 00 (Col), Fanto (Kwantung?) TOKUMA HIKAN Unit. (ZJL-101)
Chief, Information Unit, Kwantung Army.
Domicile: Tokyo. (Source: CIS, GR. 773 June 47)
16. Col. (August 1941); Infantry; Commander Branch
Section Kwantung Army Intelligence Section (August 42).
(Source: Alphabetical List of Japanese Army
Officers, ATIS, S.W.P.A., May 1943.)

44-7-14-1 - ZJL-658 - 6 July 51 SOURCE: []

Field Comment: [] supplementary rpt described ENDO Saburo
as a former Lt. General.

Former Lt. Gen. ENDO Saburo listed among the ex-SAMURA KAI members
who currently compose the anti-UGAKI faction.

(In reararmament circles, the "Committee for Compiling a History of the Pacific
War" (TAIHEI/YO SEIJI HENSHU KINKAI), led by HATTORI Takushiro, is
actively supporting UGAKI Kazushige. UGAKI intends to undertake Korean
ops after the cessation of hostilities there, starting with the overthrow
of Syngman RHEE's authority. UGAKI has also definitely stated that he has
not abandoned the idea of entering politics.)

44-7-16-193 - FJB-431 20 Sept 54 SOURCE: []

ENDO Saburo listed as Passive Supporter ("Bureaucratic Group") of the
Liberal Party.

44-7-35-3 - FJB-474 22 Nov 54 SOURCE []

From a list of members of the Lower House of Japanese Diet listed
according to their attitude toward the formation of a new conservative
political party - ENDO Saburo is among the Pro-New Party group.

44-3-5-9 FJB-1129 - 23 May 55 SOURCE: [] from Mrs. KORA
Tomi, leftist member of the
House of Councillors.

From a list of supporters and the proposed budget for the World Rally
for Banning Atomic and Hydrogen Bombs which is scheduled to be held on
6-9 Aug in Hiroshima-shi, Japan, ENDO Saburo, Former Lt. General
is listed among Other Circles.

ZJL-773, [] 18 Dec 51

ENDO, former Maj. Gen. One of the principal figures working in the Economic
Research Institute under the direction of IWAKURO Hideo. Major Gen ENDO
is an expert of management and ordinance.

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FJTA-10727, attachment #2 - Contact Report; 10 Apr 56 LCHARVEST

1. Met with IDEW A to secure from him a list of names of former militarists who have been selected to visit the ComChina during the first part of May. IDEW A provided me with mimeographed copy of a ltr of ENDO Saburo addressed to the For Minister requesting issuance of passports for 30 former militarists who have been selected to visit the ComChina. Attached to this ltr of request were a copy of formal invitational ltr from CHO Kai Jaku and a list of names of members of the militarists delegation. ENDO's ltr of request will be forwarded to the Foreign Minister after the list meets the approval of the ChiCom authorities. IDEW A then gave me another copy of a list similar to the one attached to ENDO's ltr. In this list, however, IDEW A made such notations as blue circle for [] contacts to whom we can pass EEI (6 persons), red circle for those militarists who are considered to be very cooperative and who can be approached after the trip for debriefing (9 persons) and red check for those individuals whom [] wants, if feasible, to have dropped from the list because of their backgrounds.

IDEW A - OSHIDA Shukitama Toshikazu - Cabinet Research Chamber, Staff Member)

C/R 23 March 56 - LCHARVEST

General ENDO's group, 30 going. CMC has access to 20. Thru special sources will be used (CMC employees) 17 others will report. Cost ¥ 300,000 for 3 tickets, ¥ 150,000 for 3 movie cameras.

Dept of Air Force Message from USAIRA Tokyo Japan dated May 56 LCHARVEST

Foreign Ministry delaying issuance passports to group Japanese ex-military men going to Red China. Foreign Ministry and Liberal Democratic Party oppose former Lt. General Endo as leader of group since he is suspected Communist.

Group now asking Red China if they could cancel invitation to General Endo and designate another leader for group in order secure passports.

Source close friend of one member of group considered reliable and not Communist. Is soon as passport forthcoming am arranging meeting with source.

FBIS #157, Peking, WONA, 12 Aug 56

A 15-member Japanese delegation, including 3 former Lt generals, a vice admiral, and other former mil figures, arrived in Peking Aug 12. They came to China at the invitation of the Chinese People's Institute of For Affairs. On behalf of the group, former Lt. Gen. Saburo ENDO expressed thanks for the invitation to visit China. "Sino-Japanese friendship is vital to Asian and world peace," he said. Friendship, he said, should be based on mutual understanding and the best way was through mutual visits, he added. He said the delegation's visit was endorsed by Gen. Higashilumi, a former prince and premier, and Marshal Shunroku Hata. In reply, CHEN HAN-SHENG, vice pres of the Chinese People's Institute of Foreign Affairs, said: "We welcome you because you are engaged in peaceful work." The delegates include former Vice Admiral Masao Kanazawa, one time commander of Kure base, and former Lt. Cens. Kasumaro Horige and Akio Tsuchii.

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44-5-3-369 PJB-2290 - 27 December 1955

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"At the time that KATAYAMA Tetsu and former Gen. ENDO Saburo visited Peiping, they were told by the Peiping authorities (sic) that a visit from former Japanese military officers would be welcomed. One of the persons under consideration for inclusion in such a delegation is MIYAJI Shigeru, chief of the Repatriate Investigation Team of the Cabinet Research Chamber; MIYAJI has consulted with FURUYA Toru Chief of the Cabinet Research Chamber, and has been encouraged to join the delegation if possible.

Field Comment: KATAYAMA was the head, and ENDO a member, of a delegation representing the Kishu People's League for Safeguarding the Constitution which left for Communist China on 6 Nov 55 and returned in early December."

5142 (IN 42203) 2 Apr 56

TO: SUBJ INFO DIR [] CIFS: []

LEHARVEST

1. CHICKS HAVE INVITED ENDO SABURO, FORMER JAP GENERAL, TO MAKE RETURN VISIT CHINA ACCOMPANIED BY OTHER FORMER JAP OFFICERS TO INSPECT CHICOM MILITARY ESTABLISHMENT AND BE SHOWN "PEACEFUL INTENTIONS CHINA." TO DEPART LATTER PART APRIL, PROBABLY TO ATTEND MAY DAY CEREMONIES PEKING.

4805 (IN 27548) 7 JUN 56

1. JCP PRESS CONFERENCE 6 JUN ANNOUNCED SHIDA SHIGEO RELIEVED OF ALL FUNCTIONAL JCP DUTIES; CONFIRMED SHIDA OUT OF PARTY CONTACT SINCE JANUARY.
2. [] RPTS CONVERSATION WITH TAKEMATSU ISAMU ON 2 JUN RE SHIDA. TAKEMATSU, ATTENDING ZENKAKUREN MEETING IN KYOTO LATE MAY HEARD FROM DOI KENJI FNU, JCP MEMBER ENROLLED AT KYOTO UNIV, THAT SHIDA UNDER PROTECTION OF ENDO MITSU, WIFE OF ENDO SABURO. DOI STATED THAT ENDO MITSU IS JCP MEMBER, HAS CLOSELY SUPPORTED SHIDA SINCE '47. SHIDA NOW RESIDING AT HOME OF FRIEND OF ENDO MITSU.

**** INTEND PROPOSE APPROACH TO SHIDA VIA ENDO MITSU.

DIR 15799 (OUT 54829) 11 JUN 56

*** BELIEVE PAREMATURE CONSIDER COMMITMENTS (SEEK SHIDA [] UNTIL YOU HAVE EXPLORED FURTHER POSSIBILITY ACCES THRU ENDO MITSU AND [] STATE OF MIND.

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FJTA-10866, 23 May 56 - Attachment #1

KISHI FACTION ACTIVITIES

On the morning of 26 April, KISHI is holding another of his breakfast meetings in order to help line up support ~~xxxx~~ for his own candidacy for the vice pres's post. [] has been invited to this and believes that the fol name also been invited:

CHIBA Saburo

ENDO Saburo - 50 yr old L-D Pty L.H. member from
agriculture Ministry

SHUDO Shimpachi

IKEDA Kiyoshi

KAJIMA Tetsuso

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HORINOUGHI Kasuo

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5181 (IN 37182) 2 Jul 56

RE: DIR 17899 (OUT 58983)

1. 22 JUN FAIRANDER ERIVOLD VISITED ENDO SABURO AND ENDO MITSU; BOTH DENIED KNOWLEDGE CLAIMED NEVER HEARD NAME. 29 JUN ERIVOLD REPEATED, SHOWED MITSU PHOTO WHO AGAIN CLAIMED NEVER SAW NOR HEARD OF HIM. DISAVOWAL PROBABLY GENUINE.

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Lt. Col. ENDO Saburo, an infantry officer in the Intelligence Dept of the Ho Kwantung Army.

Kunming SI Int 33 Folder #1A (7)

ENDO Saburo, Chief of aerial armament recently admitted Anglo-Saxon superiority in speech. In Parliament TOJO declared that the improvement on industrial effort and transport most important.

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