

HATTORI Takushiro

ASAHI SHIMBUN ran an article on 8 Jan 1952 entitled: "Former military men consisting of four generals and one field-officer assist TATSUMI Eiichi". HATTORI believes the four generals to be SHIMOMURA Sadamu, former Major General TAKASHIMA, Iru, an intimate friend of SAKURAI Tokutaro; former Major General YAMASAKI Masao and TANIDA Isamu. TATSUMI is friendly with HATTORI Takushiro, but again, does not discuss with HATTORI the conversations he holds with Government officials on the subject of rearmament. HATTORI believes that TATSUMI is working out his program with very little help. (ZJI-787, [] 22 Jan 52 [] Dossier.)

On 24 Feb. 1952 HARUKE Yoshitane held an informal conference with TATSUMI Eiichi at the latter's home. In regard to rearmament matters generally, TATSUMI made the following remark: Although he would like to use HATTORI Takushiro in working out a rearmament program, the many unfavorable comments on him received in letters, apparently from former officers, made it difficult. (ZJJ-75, [] 28 Mar. 52, [] Dossier.)

ASAHI Shimbun, See ZJJ-76 [] 11 Apr 52. See [] 15 Mar 50, p.20, 21.
[] #62109, 17 Jul 50, vol. 1, [] 1 Nov 50.

See [] ZJA-231, 28 May 52.

Former General TANAKA Shinichi has a strong desire to participate in rearmament planning. About March 1951, TANAKA took HATTORI Takushiro to an Akasaka restaurant where they met former Lt. General WACHI Takaji, MANAKI Keishin, AKIBA Saburo, IWAKURO Hideo, and others. Although rearmament was not discussed in concrete terms, HATTORI feels sure that the purpose of the meeting was to bring together those interested in furthering the cause of rearmament.

Financial support for the TANAKA Shinichi - OGOSHI Kenji rearmament movement comes from former Col. SHIHO Kenkichi, who is operating a trucking business. SHIHO came to HATTORI asking advice on continuation or discontinuation of support of the TANAKA-OGOSHI group. HATTORI convinced SHIHO to stop the aid. In HATTORI's opinion TANAKA and OGOSHI are probably approaching rearmament exponents within the Democratic Party. Their contact being with Chairman of the Executive Board MIKI Takeo. (ZJI-789, [] 23 Jan 52, [] Dossier.)

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