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1. Attached are four reports from [] on Japanese rearmament and covert right-wing interest in it. Report C is of interest, we feel, only in that it supplies a few more names of former military leaders who are again active behind the scenes; that they all are doing "research" on rearmament is, we feel, doubtful. On the other hand, SAKUMA Ryoso, you will note, does not appear.

2. The statement in Report A on Japanese rearmament was obtained directly from OKADA Keisuke in an interview at his Tokyo home by [] He has been linked in previous [] reports with the UOAKI faction of the JIA.

3. In submitting this report, [] shed a little more light on the mystery of his access to such formidably inaccessible people as OKADA, discussed previously in ZJLA-1273-A. He attached two cards which he had used in introducing himself as OKADA. One, a thin, ladies'-style calling card, bore the name of [] grandmother; on the face of it she had written OKADA's name and kissed her hand. The other described her as the widow of [] distinguished-grandfather; on it she had written in Japanese: "I am praying for your health." In Japan, this technique seems to oil the rustiest of hinges.

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REPORT A

Subject: IZADA Tetsuaki's Views on
Japanese Rearmament

Report No: 2174551

Date of Information: 19 Jan 51

Place Acquired: Tokyo, Japan

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The following is the substance of proposals made by IZADA Tetsuaki
(伊田 節明), Elder Statesman, former Admiral and former Prime
Minister, regarding the rearmament of Japan:

1. In recognition of the fact that armament is necessary for the defense of Japan, the article in the present Japanese constitution prohibiting the arming of Japan must be amended.
2. In order to provide for the self-defense of Japan, a Japanese-American Joint Defense Pact should be concluded.
3. The participation (in such a pact) of the Emperor and the Imperial Household should be strictly forbidden.
4. It is essential that land, air and sea bases be offered to the United States for a specified period of time.
5. In so far as possible, Japan should maintain sea and air forces.
6. Japan should work toward lasting friendship with America.
7. The person who should be entrusted with the rearmament of Japan is former General YAMAZAKI Kiyomasa.
8. Members of the Japan Sea-Defense Army (NIHON JIKUUN) should not be sent overseas.
9. The rearmament of Japan should be based on the strengthening of the present National Police Reserve.

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Subject: Japanese Underground Interest
in Rearmament

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1. (Date of info: December 1950) dates rec'd: 2 Jan and 24 Jan 1951)

Secret conferences have been held by Premier IGUMI, YAMI Katsuhiko,
NAKAMA Kichisaburo and former Premier OKADA Keisuke, to discuss the rearmament of Japan.

After the Peace Treaty, a setting forth his own desires in the matter. The

conferences were advocated by former Major General OGA Takahashi (1893-1947).

2. (Date of info: 15 Aug 1951) date rec'd: 16 Jan 51)

Former General OGA is expediting the establishment of weapons and

ammunition factories, at the request of the Japanese Underground government.

These plants are scheduled to be constructed in Takasaki, Tokyo-10.

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REPORT D

Subject: Kyushu Japan Underground Govern- ment Rearmament Activities Report No: ZJI-551
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Former Baron AKAISHI Motomasa (明石元毅), of the Japanese Underground Government, is active in the rearmament of Japan. His activities center around Fukuoka, Kyushu.

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