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1. The basic point in operations to revive the Japanese Army is found in the meetings between Maj. Gen. Willoughby of G-2 and the following Army Generals and Field Grade Officers. The meetings are held at SHIMAZU House, located near Ueno, which Willoughby uses to entertain guests.

* General SHIMOMURA Sidama (下村 定) Ex-Minister of War. He has a fine mind, freely handling advanced mathematics. He invented a coastal anti-aircraft gun and an electric calculating machine (DEKKI SAKUJI GU). He is a man of mild character respected by the younger officers.

* USHIOUCHI Benichi (牛内 文一) Military Academy, 21st Class. Accompanied Prince CHICHIBU to America. Is an acquaintance of Gen. Willoughby.

* YAMADA Yasuhide (or Keichi) (山田 康一) Military Academy, 21st Class. Has apparently been acquainted with Willoughby ever since he was a Japanese Military Attache in France. Converses with Willoughby in French.

* ARISUE Seizo (有末 精一) Military Academy, 29th Class.

* YAMADA Benichi (山田 文一) Military Academy, 29th Class.

* AOKI Takashi (角 孝) Military Academy, 35th Class Graduate. Former Military Attache in America, Instructor of Military Science at the General Staff College and connected with the Air Force.

* YAMANE Jiroshiro (山内 次郎) Deputy Chief of the General Staff.

A certain KAKAMURA is said to be meeting with Willoughby as a representative of the Navy. KIMURA is reportedly engaged in information gathering activities under Willoughby. ARISUE and SHIMOMURA are in the same group.

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2. Another person who irregularly contacts General Willoughby is:

Major General INAKUBO Goro (稲久保 五郎), 6 Military Attache in America when NOMURA Kichisaburo was Ambassador. At the end of the war was Chief of the Military Service Bureau (GUNJI KIKOKU). It appears likely that INAKUBO is connected with TAMAKA Shinichi (玉岡 新一) who was a graduate of the 25th class of the Military Academy. TAMAKA Shinichi was Military Operations Chief of Imperial GHQ and Chief of the Military Affairs Section (GUNJI KA). He liked politics and deliberately sought a political position. He has few friends today. HATTORI Takushiro and MOTO Kuma, who were working in the Military Operations Section No. 1 when TAMAKA was Chief, have come to distrust him.

3. The following persons belong to HATTORI Takushiro's group, working in APIS in the KIK Building:

Colonel HATTORI Takushiro (稲堀 卓生), 34th Class of the Military Academy, 42nd Class of the General Staff College. Formerly Chief of the 2nd Operations Section of the General Staff. HATTORI contacts the SHIMAMURA Group (para 1) two or three times a month.

* NORITA Eizo (野田 英三), 10 34th Class of the Military College and 42nd Class of the General Staff College. An intimate friend of HATTORI's.

* MIYAMA Eizaburo (宮山 英三郎), 11 34th Class of the Military Academy and 42nd Class of the General Staff College. Formerly in charge of budgetary matters at the Military Affairs Section of the War Department.

MOTO Kuma (本郷 熊), Formerly a Colonel. 37th Class of the Military Academy and 46th Class of the General Staff College. Now working at the Military Career Investigation of the First Repatriation Bureau. He belongs to HATTORI's group and is respected by his classmates.

14. Colonel MIYAMACHI Takushiro (宮前 卓生), 42nd Class. Appears to be controlling his classmates under HATTORI's direction.

4. Connected with the Demobilisation Bureau are:

* YOTSUKI Yoshio (吉住 義生), 12 21st Class, Military Academy.

* YOSHIZUMI Masao (吉住 正雄), 26th Class, Military Academy.

Both of the above are working for General Willoughby.

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5. Other persons concerned with rearmament are:

* TSUJI Masamichi (辻政信), 36th Class of the Military Academy and 43rd Class of the General Staff College.

* KUWA Kiyomasa (甲谷 清政), 36th Class of the Military Academy and 43rd Class of the General Staff College.

* Major General TSUBADA, Probably id/w HISADA Tsukasa (原田 實泰), 31st Class of the Military Academy and 42nd Class of the General Staff College; formerly Chief of the General Affairs Section of Air Force Headquarters.

* Col. MAKIHARA Makoto (中原 博), About the 50th Class of the General Staff College. Former engineer of the 10th Division and Chief of its Military Affairs Section.

* Major General MATSUMI Eiichi (辰巳 英一), Personally liked by other officers but his influence in military circles is weak. Formerly worked at the Liaison Bureau (REIKANU KIKOKU). Has reportedly been associated with Premier YOSHIDA since the latter was Ambassador to Great Britain.

* Colonel ONISHI Akira (大木 規章), 35th Class of the Military Academy and 45th Class of the General Staff College.

* Colonel SHIMIZU, Possibly id/w SHIMIZU Takeo (清水 武雄), 36th Class of the Military Academy and 46th Class of the General Staff College.

6. There is considerable friction between former members of the Military Operations Section (SAKUSEN BU) of Imperial General Headquarters (DAIHON EI) and the Military Affairs Section (GUNJI KA) of the War Department (RIKUGUN SHO).

Field Comments:

1. SHIMOMURA Sadamu. See ZJIA-841, also ZJL-596 which states that the Japanese Government is using SHIMOMURA to conduct research on rearmament and that he is advisor to the Liberal Party on rearmament problems.

2. KUSHIBUCHI Senichi. Lt. General. Army CO in North Korea. In Special PW Camp #45, Khabarovsk. Speaks fluent English. Had studied in London. Source: ATIS Interrogation Report #21547. Landed at Misawa on 17 Apr 50 in repatriation of large group of General Officer PW's. Source: CIG Spot Rpt.

3. KOMEDA Yasukazu or Koichi. Military Attache in France 1923-1926. Lt. General as of 1939. 1940-42 CO, 10th Div., Canton, China. Aug 1942 General Staff Hdq. Supt 1942 Chief, Defense Bureau, Tokyo (Reserve) Municipal Office. 1944-45 Military Governor, Seoul, Korea. Fluent in French. Fairly reliable informant. Claims to have access to info from friends and connections mostly in Tokyo. Source: MIB, FEO, Summary of Information, dated 6 September 1949.

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Field Comments (Cont'd)

4. YAMADA Senichi, Lt. General. Former Japanese Army Engineer and Transportation expert. Has close association with U.S. Army Engineers. Requested name of CIC office in Nagano City where he is going at request of Governor of NAGANO Prefecture to investigate communist activity. Source: Friend, 30 August 1950. Possibly id/w/ YAMADA Kazuo, latest reference in ZJL-551, Report C.
5. AKI Takashi. Possibly id/w/ Lt. General AKI (Gen) who liaises with the Intelligence Section of FAR East Air Force. (See ZJL-571, p. 3)
6. ITAKURO Goro, aka: IMAZEN Goro or Takeo
7. TANAKA Shinzō. See: ZJL-483, p. 4; ZJL-561, Report C.
8. See: ZJL-664, p. 8, for an account of TANAKA's fall from grace.
9. HATTORI Takashiro. See: ZJL-571.
10. NOZIMA Kazuo. One-time Assistant Military Attache, Moscow.
11. NIEMURA Summa. See: ZJL-551, Report C.
12. KOTSUKI Yoshio or KOJIMOTO Yoshio. See: ZJL-551, Report C, and ZJL-596, Report B, where he is listed as Chief of the Demobilization Board.

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