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On 7 April 1952 HATTORI gave   and HARUKE Yoshitane all the information brought out in this report, with the exception of that contained in the first sentence of the first paragraph. HATTORI told   of his GHQ conversation about 15 April.

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SOURCE A former Japanese army officer with intelligence experience.

1. About 10 April 1952, GHQ unofficially informed former Colonel HATTORI Takushiro that his position as head of the Historical Records Department, War Demobilization Board, would be terminated when the Peace Treaty took effect and that he would be attached to the Demobilization Board in an unspecified, but apparently unimportant, position. The unfavorable publicity he has been getting lately in the press is the reason for HATTORI's dismissal. HARA Shiro (原 四郎), a HATTORI subordinate, was scheduled to replace HATTORI when the Historical Records Department was cut down to section size and HATTORI was removed. HATTORI stated on 7 April 1952 that he knew he would lose his position and that he intended to resign from his future job with the Demobilization Board in August 1952.
2. In mid-March 1952, HATTORI, NAMBU Kenosuke (南 幸三), former Saigon businessman who intends to form several new enterprises in Indochina and Singapore soon, and NAMBU Kenichiro (南 幸吉), his brother, who was a member of the ARISUE Organization, visited HATOYAMA Ichiro at Nirasayama, Shimozaki Prefecture, for the purpose of encouraging HATOYAMA to take a medicine discovered in Indochina and used successfully by NAMBU Kenichiro. During their visit, HATOYAMA said that he had learned that Prime Minister YOSHIDA Shigeru had pledged himself to U.S. representatives to dispatch troops from the National Police Reserve to Indochina. HATOYAMA strongly disapproved of such a move and eagerly sought from the three visitors any political information they might have.

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