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SOURCE Former Japanese intelligence officer

1. The MATTORI Kikan, headed by former Colonel MATTORI Takushiro (2591/6752/0587/0934/6745), became virtually inactive in 1952. Most of the Kikan's personnel left the organization because it was short of funds.
2. Although there were rumors in 1952 that relations were strained between MATTORI and TATSUHI Aichi (6591/1570/2837/0001), the two men actually cooperated actively in choosing former military personnel, particularly military operations specialists, for positions in the National Safety Force (NSF)<sup>1</sup>.
3. MATTORI was overtly employed in 1952 and early 1953 as chief of the Materials Regulation Section of the Demobilization Bureau (Fukuin kyoku Shiryō Seiri Kacho). He resigned from this position in March or April 1953 and organized the Historical Facts Research Institute (Shijitsu kenkyū sho)<sup>2</sup>. Former General SHIMIZU Sadamu (0007/2625/1353), former Lieutenant General TAMURA Shinichi (3944/0022/2450/0001), former Colonel TAMURA Susumu (6007/3104/5651), former Colonel AKIYAMA Kenjiro (4428/1472/4773/2945/6745), former Colonel ICHIMARI Shūo (3946/6253/1878/7100), former Lieutenant Colonel ICHIMARI Masakatsu (2450/2609/2973/0524)<sup>3</sup>, former Lieutenant Colonel ICHIMARI Hasso (4470/5509/2973/1133), and former Major YAMAGUCHI Futao (Futami) (1472/0656/0059/0005) are connected with the Institute<sup>4</sup>. The Institute plans to study the rearmament problem and submit findings and conclusions to the NSF and the Cabinet Research Chamber (CRC)<sup>5</sup>. MATTORI has stated to a friend that he finances the Institute with money from the sale of his writings and with money donated by his brother. The Institute is located at Tokyo-to, Shinjuku-ku, Ichiyama Sadohara-cho, 1 chome, 2.
4. Of his friends among former military intelligence personnel, MATTORI is closest to ICHIMARI Shūo. ICHIMARI was once a member of the MATTORI Kikan and now regularly attends meetings of the Historical Facts Research Institute. Although relations were strained between MATTORI and ICHIMARI Saburo (2651/0005/6745) prior to early 1952, the two have been on good terms since that time<sup>6</sup>. MATTORI also maintains very friendly relations with former Colonel MATSUDAIRA Teigo (Sadatoku) (2646/1627/1353/1031)<sup>7</sup>.

1 Field Comment. The strained relations probably stemmed from the fact that early in 1952 MATTORI opposed the YOSHIDA Government's plan of using the National Police Reserve (NPR) as the nucleus for a new army. MATTORI has

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lied an army should be built from an entirely new organization and not around the NFR. TATSUMI was YOSHIDA's military advisor and was ordered by the Prime Minister to have nothing to do with HATTORI (see ZJJ-90).

2 Field Comment. As predicted in ZJJ-110, HATTORI was replaced in his Demobilization Bureau position by his second in command, HARA Shiro (0626/0934/6745).

3 Source Comment. HASHIMOTO also works for the GRG.

4 Source Comment. Former Colonel HORIBA Eisuo (8231/1034/0001/7160) also was connected with the Institute, but he died of an illness on 21 October 1953.

Field Comment. On one occasion Source referred to most of the men listed here as "connected" (kankei) with the Institute. At a later date Source submitted a list of "members" which included all the names except SHIMOMURA, TANAKA, and KOTANI.

5 Source Comment. It is believed the Institute receives some financial assistance from the GRG.

6 Field Comment. Source probably refers to the strained relations which reportedly began in 1949 when HATTORI published a severe criticism in the Shukan Asahi of HAYASHI's book, A History of the Ground Forces in the Pacific War.

7 Field Comment. See FJJ-314 for information on MATSUDAIRA.

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