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\*MAEDA Minoru. DOD: 10 February 1893. Present address: 199 Toyogi-Sanya-cho, Shibuya-ku, Tokyo. Education: The Naval Academy, class of 1913; Tokyo College of Foreign Language. Employment History: Stationed in Poland in 1924; Served in Manchukuo; Naval Attache in the Japanese Embassy in the Soviet Union, 1931; Chief, Soviet Section, the Naval General Staff; Chief, Information Department, the Naval General Staff; Vice Admiral at the time of Japan's surrender; Consultant in charge of the Soviet Affairs, the Investigation Bureau of the Cabinet Office. Travels abroad: Poland, USSR serving in Japanese Navy, China. Membership: Institute for International Affairs. POSSIBLE DROUGHT INFORMATION: Former Vice Admiral MAEDA Minoru visited Taiwan late in the spring of 1952, ostensibly for the purpose of making surveys preparatory to salvaging Japanese ships sunk in Formosan waters. Actually he spent most his time there establishing contact with the Nationalist Chinese Ministry of National Defense for the purpose of getting Nationalist support for a secret intelligence network to be run in Japan. MAEDA Minoru has recently visited YAMAMI Kashiro at Makurazaki-shi, Kagoshima-ken. YAMAMI is believed to be owner of at least two ships involved in smuggling former Japanese military personnel to Formosa for service with Chinese Nationalist Forces, and he is presently wanted by Japanese police. (Report dated August 1950.)

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