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*firmly* OGATA Taketora has obtained a political contribution of from 40 to 50 million yen from three companies which were formerly part of Mitsui Bussan. The companies are Dai Ichi Kaisha, Dai Ichi Tencho, and Mitsui Bussan. In return for the contributions OGATA, as Director General of the Hokkaido Development Agency, a part of whose program is the importation of substantial quantities of American tools and machinery to be used in the development of Hokkaido, will use his influence to import tools and machinery through the Mitsui companies.

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