

PERSONAL RECORD QUESTIONNAIRE
PART I - BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION

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- Instruction: 1. Write clearly.
2. Answer all questions completely. If question does not apply, write "not applicable"
3. Attach blank pages if additional space is needed.

1. Full Name Matsutaro (none) Shoriki
First Middle Last
2. Name in native script _____
3. Name at birth (if different from 1.) _____
4. Aliases, nicknames, legal changes (State briefly time, reason and place of use.) _____
5. a. Date of birth April 1885 b. Place of birth Toyama Prefecture
6. Present citizenship, race if appropriate Japanese
7. Nationality at birth and any subsequent nationalities (if different from 6.) Japanese
8. Present residence (Owner, tenant, sub-tenant.) _____
9. Permanent address (if different from 8.) _____
10. Present occupation (full title, salary etc.) Business promoter for television network. Former president and chairman of Yomiuri-Hoohi Shinbun newspaper
11. Naturalization of subject or of close relatives in the United States.
(Give date and name in which certificate granted.) _____
12. Relatives, friends, correspondents in United States. (Explain relationship) _____

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13. Father - full name occupation, present residence, year and place of birth, nationality at birth and subsequent nationalities.

Shoriki, Shojiro

14. Mother - same information as 13.

15. Wife (or husband) - full name, maiden name, date and place of birth, date and place of marriage, nationality at birth and any subsequent nationalities, present residence, divorce, annulment. (Give data for all previous marriages.)

Shoriki Hama
Yoshiwara Hama - maiden name, born April 1895, Chiba

16. Children - full names, sex, year and place of birth, nationality at birth and any subsequent nationalities, present residence.

Shoriki Toru, son, born October 1918
Shoriki Toshiko, daughter, born February 1923
Shoriki Umeko, daughter, born March 1920

17. Brothers and sisters - Same information as 16.

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18. Relatives in service of any government, names and positions held.

19. List all official identity papers held with dates, numbers, place of issue and duration of validity.

~~20. Religion - degree practiced, membership in religious orders~~

Buddhism

21. Present and past political affiliations

Japan Reconstruction League - advisory capacity

22. Travel outside country of present residence - country, dates, purpose, people and firms visited

23. Education - school, location, course, degree, dates

Tokyo Imperial University, Law, graduated 1911

24. Languages and dialects (indicate proficiency as good, fair, poor.)

Language _____ Speak _____ Read _____ Understand _____

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25. Military service - dates, country, unit, rank, duty, where services performed, decorations, when discharged, why. Give details if ever prisoner of war

26. Present and past membership in organizations (professional, social, political, etc.)

Imperial Rule Assistance Association
Imperial Rule Assistance Political Society
Great Japan Political Association
Japan Reconstruction League (Advisory capacity)

27. Special skills, abilities, hobbies (radio, photography, etc.)

28. Financial status - earnings, bank deposits, securities, property

29. Employment history - type of work, salary, dates, employers, addresses, reasons for leaving. Include employment by any government.

Metropolitan Police Board, Tokyo,	1913-1924	Chief of Secretariat
YOMIURI SHIMBUN	1924-1943	President
YOMIURI-HOCHI SHIMBUN	1943-1945	President

Forced to resign from Metropolitan Police Board after Toranomon incident. Obtained financial backing and took over presidency of YOMIURI SHIMBUN. YOMIURI-HOCHI SHIMBUN formed by merger of two papers. Served as president

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29. (Continued)

1945-1947 Interned at Sugamo Prison as a war crimes suspect.

1947 (30 August) Released from Sugamo prison, informally acquitted.

1951 (6 August) Released from purge

1951 - Present: Active in promoting television network for Japan.

30. Has subject done any writing? Give details including titles of books, articles, publishers, dates.

Nippon TV Network Corporation (Brochure) 2 February 1952

31. List persons living at same address, close associates, (individuals or groups,) correspondents at home and abroad.

32. List five character references.

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33. Court record - court, date, arrests, charges, punishments, sentences, acquittals, denazification, etc.

Arrested: 12 December 1945

Charge: War Crimes Suspect

Punishment: Interned at Sugamo Prison

Acquittal: 30 August 1947, Released from purge 6 August 1951

34. Description (Use American standards of measurement, if possible.)

Age _____	Posture _____
Apparent age _____	Weight _____
Height _____	Teeth _____
Eyes _____	Hair _____
Face - shape _____	Scars _____
Complexion _____	Build _____
Sex _____	
General appearance _____	
Prominent features _____	
Other identifying features _____	

35. Other miscellaneous biographical data and comments.

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Part II - OPERATIONAL INFORMATION

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INSTRUCTIONS TO CASE OFFICER:

1. If feasible, subject should fill in Part I of PRQ in his own hand.
 2. Part II of PRQ is classified, must be filled in by the Case Officer and is not to be shown to subject.
 3. Headquarters will not be able to provide an Operational Clearance unless it receives answers to all questions on page 1 of Part I (Items 1 to 12), and to all questions of Part II (Items 36 to 58).
 4. In emergency these answers, keyed to Items 1 to 12 by number, and with summary of Part II, may be cabled to Headquarters, followed promptly by pouch with complete data.
 5. Fully completed PRQ must be sent to Headquarters as soon as possible, two copies of Part I (including copy in subject's handwriting, if possible) and one copy of Part II.
 6. Data acquired later must be sent to Headquarters in PRQ format on a continuing basis.
 7. All pages of both parts will bear the PRQ number, composed of (a) station symbol (b) PRQ (c) number assigned consecutively by the field station; e.g. PGA/PRQ/10.
36. Cryptonym PODAM
37. How, when and where was subject first contacted or developed?
- a. Not known
 - b. Approximately 15 March 1953.
 - c. Tokyo, Japan
38. Could subject be turned over quickly and in a secure manner to someone else for handling? yes To whom?
- As subject is unwitting, problem as posed above would not difficult.
39. Best estimate of subject's motivation: Subject is anti-communistic, a highly successful businessman and promoter of sports, i.e. baseball, racing, etc. Subject is interested in maintaining his position as such.

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40. With what agencies and files has subject's name been checked? When? Result? What else has been done to verify biographical information furnished by subject?

1. State Department files, CIA biographic register, registry, green-list,
2. Week of 30 April 1953
3. No derogatory information
4. Information from field.

41. What control exists over subject at present? How can it be increased?

Desires to have U.S. money to back TV venture. Used unwitting basis.

42. For what service does he think he is working? What does he think becomes of his information?

Not applicable, outout capacity

43. Explain fully subject's past or present connection with any intelligence service.

None

44. What type of information has subject furnished? What type is he best qualified by education and experience to furnish? Give evaluation of information received.

1. None
2. Commercial, business
3. Not applicable

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45. If subject's duties are to be other than intelligence gathering, explain.

Unwitting cut-out for funding purposes

46. Has he been given special training as an agent? Explain.

No

47. How and from whom does he obtain information?

Not applicable

48. Is it proposed to pay subject a regular salary? If so, amount per week, month, etc. Explain any other methods of payment, such as exchange commodities.

No salary

49. Have any promises or commitments whatsoever (not covered elsewhere in this form) been made to subject? Explain.

None

50. Are subject's language abilities and other characteristics such that he could pass as a native of a country or region other than his own? Explain.

unknown

51. What is subject's social standing? Aristocracy, upper middle class, lower middle class, peasantry, etc.? Upper middle class

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52. What are subject's personal habits? Liquor, drugs, gambling, mistresses or lovers?

Unknown

53. Evaluation of subject's character, reliability, security.

Conservative, rightist, patriotic, ultra-nationalistic tendencies perhaps. Subject known to be reliable, but shrewd. Limited use by CIA as cutout.

54. With what other foreign power would subject be most likely to collaborate because of his ideology, obligation, etc.? Explain.

None

55. What special abilities, talents, or qualifications are possessed by subject which would conceivably be of value for other operations in the future?

Large circle of influential business friends, also in area of journalism, sports.

56. Attach samples of subject's signature and handwriting in all languages known to him, also a recent, dated photograph, and fingerprints.

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57. How was information in Part I obtained? From field, State, CIA files.

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58. Other miscellaneous operational data and comments.

None

Case officer

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