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Identity of "X" and U.S. Foreign Aid Policy

REF : FJTW-5105, 23 May 1956

HEADQUARTERS ACTION REQUIRED: None; for information and file.

1. In compliance with above reference, () was directed by his Case Officer, () to identify the author of the article who had commented critically about U.S. foreign aid policy as it appeared in Yomiuri Shimbun, morning edition, 7 May 1956. According to () preliminary findings, "X" is IMAMURA S., Economic Desk, Yomiuri. IMAMURA's "beat" is the Foreign Office.
2. It was further learned that IMAMURA wrote the article under the anonymous title of "X" in order to protect the source of his article-- the Foreign Office. It seems that IMAMURA received the theme and background materials from the Foreign Office, and the latter told IMAMURA that if he used the materials, he should not sign the article under his true name.
3. Due to the recent ambivalent attitude of PODAM, () the Field cannot at this time offer concrete suggestions to disabuse IMAMURA of his opinions. However, the Field will judiciously seek to bring this to the attention of PODAM/ () if a proper opportunity arises.
4. () has been further instructed to report in greater detail concerning IMAMURA's background; such as, who at the Foreign Office passed the material to IMAMURA, whether PODAM/ () were aware of the article, etc.
5. Headquarters will be kept informed of this development, as they arise.

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