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[] received this information from ^{*}TATSUMI Eiichi in early June 1952.

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SOURCE Former Japanese intelligence officer, from an informant close to Prime Minister YOSHIDA.

- As of mid-June 1952 all matters pertaining to the selection of personnel for expanding the Maritime Safety Board (MSB) were being handled by former Rear Admiral YAMAMOTO Yoshio (1772/2609/0810/7160) and an eight-man selection board.
- Relations between former (Admiral) NOMURA Kichisaburo (6851/2625/0679/0005/6745) on the one hand and Prime Minister YOSHIDA Shigeru and Foreign Minister OKAZAKI Katsuo on the other have been deteriorating. The reason most frequently given is YOSHIDA and OKAZAKI's lack of understanding of rearmament matters.

1 Field Comment. YAMAMOTO has been reported many times as YOSHIDA's adviser on naval rearmament. According to ZJJ-45, whose source is "fairly reliable", YAMAMOTO, or Y. Kikan and which consists of the following persons:

AKISHIGE Sanetada (4428/6850/1395/1813)
 NAGAI Taro (3057/0061/1129/6745)
 HATSUMI Mitsuro (0113/6015/1134/6745) — Ko-correct reading
 NAGASAWA Uiroshi (0122/3119/3185) —
 YOSHIDA Kiso (0679/3944/2837/0005) —
 MORISHITA Seiichi (2773/0007/3237/0001)
 YANAGIZAWA Yoneichi (2692/3419/4717/0679)
 TERAI Yoshimori (1408/0061/5030/1343)
 MITA Kazuya (0005/3944/0001/0048).

MSA (no naval background)

Y KIKAN incorrect. Cdr YAMAMOTO
 refers to it as Y KIKO