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THE FOLLOWING EXCERPTS ARE QUOTED VERBATIM			
<p>1. It is reported that for the past five years, certain former Japanese Army Officers, particularly in the field grades, have been working for the creation of a Japanese Army. It is believed that many of these field grade officers are members of the 1st and 2nd Demobilization Bureaus. Among them are HATTORI Takushiro and <u>TSUJI Masanobu</u>.</p>			
<p>2. TSUJI reportedly has been in recent contact with HATOYAMA Ichiro. TSUJI's speech at the Liberal Club on 3 March 1951 in which he voiced opposition to rearmament is far from being the truth. He later told IMOTO Kumao (former Colonel), working under HATTORI, that it was necessary to "deceive the ally prior to the enemy." IMOTO, not a classmate of HATTORI's group, nevertheless remained at the Demobilization Bureau, Chiba, to the end, surveilling the activities of former servicemen. He is presently president of SHIZUOKA Hall. IMOTO is assisted by a former Major KOMURADANI who was a subordinate of IMOTO's in an operational section.</p>			
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