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Source Cryptonym: []

References: ZJL-753,756; Earlier Rpts on TSUJI.

Source, Operational Data, and Comments:

1. We submit this report, and indeed originally asked for the information, primarily because TSUJI is not only a notorious public figure at present but also one who is reported by other sources, particularly [] to be currently involved in various underground operations. Therefore a first-hand report on the condition of his health and progress of his indictment case is interesting for checking purposes.
2. It is apparent that even though [] has not reported (and perhaps knows but does not choose to report) on other connections and activities of TSUJI's, neither TSUJI's health nor the sympathetic conduct of his indictment proceedings are likely to have prevented or to prevent in the future such activities as have been described by other sources.

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1. On 15 November, 1951, Source paid a visit to TSUJI Masanobu after a long interval.
2. Around the 10th of November, TSUJI had moved into a new house at #883 Narimune Cho, 2-chome, Suginami Ku, Tokyo, which he had bought from the proceeds of the sale of his previous house at Wakabayashi Cho, Setagaya Ku.
3. The following are the topics in summary which TSUJI discussed with Source on that occasion:

(Sub-source for para. 3: TSUJI Masanobu)

- a. In the hope of having a somewhat untroubled life, TSUJI had moved to his new residence, according to the advice of Source and SAZUJI Tadzo. Since the house at Wakabayashi Cho had a very small garden, he could not potter about in it. The new house, however, has a large garden. So TSUJI would like to raise some vegetables in it and, by so occupying himself, keep away from world affairs for the time being.

He has received only a few visits since he moved there, since that house is located at quite a distance from railway and other transportation facilities. He used to be much disturbed with such a number of visitors at the other house. From now on, he may be less bothered, at least by visitors.

- b. After he had undergone a cancer operation, TSUJI's health proved much more robust than was expected. Now he does not differ at all, at least in appearance, from a normal, healthy man. Of course, he has not yet regained his physical vigor in full, since for example he eats only 1/2 of the food he used to eat before. In appearance, however, he has recovered to a point where people could hardly believe him if he said he were a sick man. Therefore, he reported to the Tokyo District Public Prosecutor's Office and asked for resumption of interrogations under the Purge Ordinance violation case. Since then, he has been placed under files under interrogation, which was to wind up of the case on 1/1/52. The procurator in charge of this case, SAZUJI, is really a very intelligent man. If he had any hidden implications, he would have

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he tries to pick it out from the bottom to the best of his ability. He is a fine person. Come good fortune or bad, TSUJI is completely sold on him and is putting full trust in him. For this reason, whether he is going to be declared guilty or not has become of no consequence to TSUJI, and he is disclosing whatever opinions and facts he has, regardless of the verdict. TSUJI is chiefly appreciative that he has come to know an excellent person like Prosecutor SAKUMA thanks to the current case.

- c. TSUJI had promised Major General Willoughby to offer the latter the rights of translation and publication of his book "3000 Ri (or 6000 Miles) of Underground Travelling". To carry out this promise as soon as possible, TSUJI contacted General Willoughby through the press. Willoughby sent a reply to the following effect:

"Allow me to decline your offer of the copyright. Should you be desirous of coming to the United States, I would be willing to refer you to prominent officials of the Defense Department and in other quarters. Or, if you wish to serve us in Japan, I would be also prepared to introduce you to a high-ranking officer of the U.S. Far East Command. I specifically wish you to be discreet in your activity and in the correct interpretation of the world situation".

TSUJI assumes that General Willoughby's life as a military man away from active duty is by no means an easy one. He can not help but have high respect to the General's extremely unselfish attitude. Though TSUJI appreciates Willoughby's kind offer to introduce him to prominent figures in the American Government, TSUJI has no clear-cut idea at present as to what mission he should take upon himself in cooperation with the United States officials or army.

NOTES

It appears highly likely that HATCHI Takashiro was one of the three persons. It would be very interesting to know who the other two were, and whether they were American contacts or not.

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