

1 classification of 'Prepare for destruction' or 'Destroy  
2 after reading' on the right side of the dispatch file  
3 number. Documents not having any marks shall be docu-  
4 ments that require preservation.

5 "All units are requested to strictly observe  
6 the usage of these marks.

7 "3. Documents already in possession of Head-  
8 quaters and subordinate units shall be disposed of  
9 immediately according the disposition instructions  
10 mentioned in the previous items.

11 "Accordingly, such documents which have already  
12 been destroyed and which shall be needed in future,  
13 must be reproduced at once."

14 THE PRESIDENT: Well, I suggest that you  
15 need not read any more of this.

16 MR. WOOLWORTH: Very well.

17 I desire to introduce document No. 2687,  
18 which is a certificate authenticating documents  
19 2689 to 2701.

20 Correction: This certificate applies to  
21 documents 2688 to 2701.

22 THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

23 CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document  
24 No. 2687 will receive exhibit No. 2002.

25 (Whereupon, the document above

1 referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit  
2 No. 2002 and received in evidence.)

3 MR. WOOLWORTH: (Reading) "I hereby swear  
4 that exhibits A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M,  
5 N, and O attached hereto and initialed by me are  
6 original documents duly requisitioned and confiscated  
7 from Imperial Japanese Army Headquarters for Taiwan,  
8 Taihoku, Taiwan, (Formosa), and handed over by a  
9 representative of the Imperial Japanese Army in April  
10 1946 to the British-American Formosa War Crimes Team  
11 of which I was then a member."

12 Signed, "James T. N. Cross."

13 Printed, "James T. N. Cross, Major, Royal  
14 Artillery, Commanding, War Crimes Liaison Section,  
15 (Formosa) Allied Land Forces, Southeast Asia.

16 "Sworn before me this 19th day of September  
17 1946.

18 "Statement of witness sworn before me  
19 (signature) signed P. A. L. Vine, Rank, Major, Royal  
20 Marines, LAJAG (War Crimes) S.E.A., this 19th day  
21 of September 1946.

22 "(Authority: ALFSEA War Crimes Instructions  
23 No. 1, para. 7.)"

24 If the Tribunal please, I do not think it  
25 essential to read the rest of the affidavits attached

1 thereto.

2 Prosecution desires to introduce document  
3 No. 2688, certified as exhibit "A" in document  
4 No. 2687, being a letter to the Chief of Staff, Taiwan  
5 Army, from the Chief, POW Control Bureau.

6 THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

7 CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document  
8 No. 2688 will receive exhibit No. 2003.

9 (Whereupon, the document above  
10 referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit  
11 No. 2003 and received in evidence.)

12 MR. WOOLFORTH: (Reading) "To: Chief of  
13 Staff, Taiwan Army. From: Chief, POW Control Bureau.  
14 (Coded) Radio #2 of 4. 5th June 1942.

15 "Although the working of prisoner of war  
16 officers and warrant officers is forbidden by Article  
17 One of 'Rules for the Working of POW's' (10 September  
18 1903, Ministry of War Instruction 139), the policy  
19 of the control authorities is that under the situation  
20 of our country where not one person now eats without  
21 working and considering the preservation of health  
22 of the POW's, they want them to set to work, volun-  
23 tarily; conforming to rank, capabilities and physical  
24 condition. It is desired you give proper orders on  
25 this. Accordingly, work which is considered suitable

1 is given as follows for your reference:

2 "1. Work which uses technical skills and  
3 science.

4 "2. Agriculture.

5 "3. The raising of domestic animals and  
6 fowl.

7 "4. The protection and supervision of the  
8 general working POW's.

9 "5. The recording of materials for a history  
10 of the war.

11 "6. Propaganda duties.

12 "7. Other work which is considered suitable.

13 "Addressees:

14 "Zentsuji, Osaka, Korean Army, Taiwan Army,  
15 Nobori (Shanghai) Unit of China Expeditionary Army,  
16 and Hong Kong - each Chief of Staff.

17 "Chopped by:

18 "TANAKA, HIGUCHI, YOKOTA and HIRAI.

19 "I hereby certify that this is a true trans-  
20 lation from Taiwan Army H.Q. Staff Files concerning  
21 Prisoners of War, entry No. 16.

22 "Signed, Stephen H. Green."

23 Prosecution desires to introduce document 2689,  
24 letter from the Chief of POW Information Office to  
25 Taiwan Army Chief of Staff.



1 THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

2 CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document  
3 No. 2689 will receive exhibit No. 2004.

4 (Whereupon, the document above  
5 referred to was marked prosecution's exhibit  
6 No. 2004 and received in evidence.)

7 MR. WOOLWORTH: (Reading) "To: Taiwan  
8 Army Chief of Staff. From: Chief of POW Information  
9 Office, Tokyo. Radio #165, 2 April 1942.

10 "Plans are now being pushed on projects for  
11 the use of POW's in production, etc., in Taiwan. We  
12 think we want to apportion as many as possible to your  
13 island. We want you to report immediately a gist of  
14 the requisite strength. End.

15 "Chopped by: Staff Officer TANAKA of Taiwan  
16 and checked by the C.G. and the C. of S."  
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1 Prosecution desires to introduce document  
2 No. 2690, letter from the Taiwan Army Chief of Staff  
3 to Chief of POW Information Office.

4 THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual  
5 terms.

6 CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's docu-  
7 ment No. 2690 will receive exhibit No. 2005.

8 (Whereupon the document above  
9 referred to was marked prosecution's ex-  
10 hibit No. 2005 and received in evidence.)

11 MR. WOOLWORTH: "To: Chief of POW Infor-  
12 mation Office, Tokyo. From: Taiwan Army Chief of  
13 Staff. Radio #854. 2 April 1942.

14 "Reference Radio #165.

15 "Reply to POW Information Office Radio #165

16 "We will use the POW's principally as  
17 laboring power for Taiwan agricultural production  
18 and on another hand as material for education and  
19 guidance of local islanders. For this we would like  
20 for the time being about two or three thousand  
21 British and American POW's. Moreover, informal con-  
22 sultation has been completed on this matter with  
23 the Hong Kong Governor-Generalship."  
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25 "(Translator's note: On the margin is  
written, 'The Taiwan Governor-Generalship also

1 concurs')."

2 Prosecution desires to introduce document  
3 No. 2691. To the Chief of Staff of the Hong Kong  
4 Governor-Generalship, from Taiwan Army Chief of  
5 Staff.

6 THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual  
7 terms.

8 CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's docu-  
9 ment No. 2691 will receive exhibit No. 2006.

10 (Whereupon, the document above  
11 referred to was marked prosecution's  
12 exhibit No. 2006 and received in evidence.)

13 MR. WOOLWORTH: "To: Chief of Staff of  
14 the Hong Kong Governor-Generalship. From: Taiwan  
15 Army Chief of Staff. Radio #852. 2 April 1942.

16 "We confer with you on the fact that we  
17 want to use British POW's in Hong Kong, principally  
18 as agricultural labor in Taiwan and as material  
19 for instruction and guidance of local islanders.  
20 We want to get about two or three thousand in  
21 Taiwan. Moreover, we have an inquiry from the Chief  
22 of the POW Information Office on the use of POW's  
23 in Taiwan and have answered them that we have in-  
24 formally conferred with you on it. For your  
25 reference."

1 THE PRESIDENT: Are the words, "Chopped  
2 by: HIGUCHI, TANAKA and HIRAI" of no importance?

3 MR. WOOLWORTH: That is on the copy. I  
4 neglected to read it, as I thought it unessential.

5 THE PRESIDENT: You omitted to read some-  
6 thing of the sort on exhibit No. 2005.

7 MR. WOOLWORTH: That was: "Chopped by:  
8 Chief of Staff HIGUCHI and Chief of Section in  
9 Charge, TANAKA, and for the staff section by HIRAI.  
10 Checked by or for the Commanding General."

11 Prosecution desires to introduce document  
12 No. 2692, a letter from Chief of Staff Hong Kong, to  
13 Taiwan Army Chief of Staff.

14 THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual  
15 terms.

16 CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's docu-  
17 ment No. 2692 will receive exhibit No. 2007.

18 (Whereupon, the document above  
19 referred to was marked prosecution's  
20 exhibit No. 2007 and received in evidence.)

21 MR. WOOLWORTH: "To: Taiwan Army Chief of  
22 Staff, From: Chief of Staff Hong Kong Governor-  
23 Generalship. Radio #146. 3 April 1942.

24 "As far as this department is concerned,  
25 the request of the Taiwan Army that two or three

1 thousand British POW in Hong Kong be transferred  
2 to the Formosan Army to supplement labor and for  
3 the guidance of Taiwan islanders meets no objection.  
4 We would like a directive one way or another.

5 "Chopped by: HIGUCHI, HIRAI, TANAKA,  
6 YOKODA.

7 "(Army Staff) (Taiwan Army reference)"

8 Prosecution desires to introduce document  
9 No. 2693, from the Chief of Staff Taiwan Army to  
10 Chief of Staff POW Information Office, Tokyo.

11 THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual  
12 terms.

13 CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's docu-  
14 ment No. 2693 will receive exhibit No. 2008.

15 (Whereupon, the document above  
16 referred to was marked prosecution's ex-  
17 hibit No. 2008 and received in evidence.)

18 MR. WOOLWORTH: "To: Chief POW Informa-  
19 tion Office, Tokyo. From: Chief of Staff Taiwan  
20 Army. Radio #929. 7 April 1942.

21 "Concerning the allotment of POW's to  
22 Taiwan, in Taiwan Radio #854 we wanted for the  
23 time being about two or three thousand, prin-  
24 cipally as agricultural laboring power. However,  
25 afterwards the Governor-Generalship wanted to use

1 them in public works construction and mines, too, so  
2 combining this with the substance of the last radio  
3 it comes to about seven thousand (7,000), which is  
4 referred for due consideration.

5 "Chopped by: HIGUCHI, TANAKA and checked  
6 for the Commanding General."

7 Prosecution desires to introduce document  
8 No. 2694, from Chief of POW Control Bureau, Tokyo,  
9 to Taiwan Army Chief of Staff.

10 THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual  
11 terms.

12 CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's docu-  
13 ment No. 2694 will receive exhibit No. 2009.

14 (Whereupon, the document above  
15 referred to was marked prosecution's  
16 exhibit No. 2009 and received in evidence.)

17 MR. WOOLWORTH: "To: Taiwan Army Chief  
18 of Staff. From: Chief of POW Control Bureau,  
19 Tokyo. Coded Radio #17. 29 April 1942.

20 "We acknowledge your radio #929 dated 7  
21 April, further please consider the following points,  
22 and also report the approximate number of POW's  
23 that can be confined on Taiwan.

24 "1. We want to confine as many POW's as  
25 possible on Taiwan.

1           "2. For the purposes of control, the  
2 number in each camp should not exceed 500.

3           "3. The army will take responsibility for  
4 control and supply but the POW camp facilities with  
5 the exception of repairs and additional construction  
6 will be the responsibility of the Governor-General-  
7 ship or the companies which use the POW's. This will  
8 be the frame work.

9           "Chopped by: IGUCHI, TANAKA and YOKOTA."

10           Prosecution desires to introduce document  
11 No. 2695, from Adjutant of War Ministry to Taiwan  
12 Army Chief of Staff.

13           THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual  
14 terms.

15           CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's docu-  
16 ment No. 2695 will receive exhibit No. 2010.

17           (Whereupon, the document above  
18 referred to was marked prosecution's ex-  
19 hibit No. 2010 and received in evidence.)

20           MR. WOOLWORTH: "To: Taiwan Army Chief  
21 of Staff HIGUCHI. From Adjutant of War Ministry,  
22 KAWABARA Naoichi. Riku A Mitsu 1456 Secret. 6 May  
23 1942.

24           "You are notified by order of the decisions  
25 made concerning the arrangements for Prisoners of



1 War which are in the attached sheet.

2 "Inclosure.

3 "Top Secret.

4 "Summary of the arrangements for POW's.

5 "The Policy:

6 "1. So that they can be used for the en-  
7 largement of our production and as military labor,  
8 white POW's will be confined successively in Korea,  
9 Formosa and Manchuria. Those who are not suitable  
10 for this purpose will be confined in Prisoner of  
11 War Camps which will be built immediately on the  
12 spot.

13 "2. As for other than white POW's, those  
14 for whom there is no necessity for internment will  
15 as much as possible be put to practical use on the  
16 spot after they have been released on oath.

17 "The Outline:

18 "3. First, by the end of August, this  
19 year, a part of the white POW's in Singapore will  
20 be confined in Korea, Formosa and other places. The  
21 number will be fixed separately.

22 "Other than those necessary on the spot,  
23 superior technicians and high ranking officers  
24 (Colonels and above) will be included among the  
25 POW's confined in Formosa.

1 "4. The remainder will immediately be  
2 confined in POW camps organized and built on the spot.

3 "5. For the purposes of control and security  
4 in the POW camp organization, it is planned to assign  
5 special units organized of Koreans and Formosans.  
6 Moreover, the POW camps will be a lumped organiza-  
7 tion in each army and each army will consider the  
8 proper division it can make.

9 "First sheet chopped by: HIGUCHI, TANAKA,  
10 Checked for C.G."

11 Prosecution desires to introduce document  
12 No. 2697, from Chief of Prisoner of War Camps,  
13 Tokyo, to Chief of Staff, Taiwan Army.

14 THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual  
15 terms.

16 CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's docu-  
17 ment No. 2697 will receive exhibit No. 2011.

18 (Whereupon, the document above  
19 referred to was marked prosecution's  
20 exhibit No. 2011 and received in evidence.)

21 MR. WOOLWORTH: "To: Chief of Staff,  
22 Taiwan Army. From: Chief Prisoner of War Camps  
23 Tokyo. POW Camps Radio #9 Top Military Secret.  
24 -20 August 1945.  
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"Personnel who mistreated prisoners of

1 war and internees or who are held in extremely bad  
2 sentiment by them are permitted to take care of it  
3 by immediately transferring or by fleeing without  
4 trace. Moreover, documents which would be unfavor-  
5 able for us in the hands of the enemy are to be  
6 treated in the same way as secret documents and  
7 destroyed when finished with.

8 "Addressees: Korean Army, Taiwan Army,  
9 Kwantung (Manchuria) Army, North China Area Army,  
10 Hong Kong. (YOSHIOKA, Nadoji)

11 "Reference in Korea, Taiwan, Mukden, Borneo,  
12 North China, Hong Kong, Thailand, Malaya, Java.

13 "Each POW Camp Commanding Officer."

14 Prosecution desires to introduce in evidence  
15 document No. 2698, from Chief of Staff Taiwan Military  
16 Jurisdiction, to Chief of Staff Taiwan POW Camps.

17 THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual  
18 terms.

19 CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's docu-  
20 ment No. 2698 will receive exhibit No. 2012.

21 (Whereupon, the document above  
22 referred to was marked prosecution's  
23 exhibit No. 2012 and received in evidence.)

24 MR. WOOLWORTH: "To: Chief of Taiwan POW  
25 Camps. From: Chief of Staff Taiwan Military Juris-

1 diction. Taiwan Mil. Juris. F.O., POW Sec. Top  
2 Secret #4.

3 "NOTIFICATION ON DEALING WITH PRISONERS OF WAR

4 "This is to inform you that on the above  
5 subject we have a notification of which the enclosure  
6 is a copy and on which you are to give the fitting  
7 instructions. Preparations are steadily being made  
8 on methods of dealing which will conform to transi-  
9 tions in the forthcoming situation, but if further  
10 there are things which need urgent settlement, send  
11 us your suggestions.

12 "Chopped by: Chief of Staff and HARADA.

13 "I hereby certify that this is a true  
14 translation from an order filed in the Taiwan Army  
15 F.O. Staff Files concerning POW's. Vol. VII, 2  
16 January 1945 to 22 August 1945.

17 "Signed: Stephen H. Green."

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19 "To: Chief of Staff Taiwan Military Juris-  
20 diction. From: The Vice Minister of War. Riku A  
21 Ritsu #2257 Secret. 17 March 1945.

22 "NOTIFICATION ON SUMMARY OF ARRANGEMENTS FOR  
23 PRISONERS OF WAR IN CONFORMITY WITH TRANSITIONS  
24 IN THE SITUATION.

25 "The handling of Prisoners of War in these

1 times when the state of things is becoming more and  
2 more pressing and the evils of war extend to the  
3 Imperial Domain, Manchuria and other places, is in  
4 the enclosed Summary of Arrangements for Prisoners  
5 of War in Conformity with Transitions in the Situa-  
6 tion. We hope you follow it making no mistakes.  
7 Notified by order.

8 "Chopped by the Vice Minister of War, Gen-  
9 eral ANDO, HARADA, General ISAYAMA, UCAKI, HARADA,  
10 ENDO.

11 "(Also stamped as received in Taiwan. 27  
12 March 1945).

13 "This and enclosure are original, chopped  
14 documents sent from Tokyo).

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16 "I hereby certify that this is a true trans-  
17 lation from an order filed in the Taiwan Army H.Q.  
18 Staff Files concerning POW's. Vol. VII. 2 January  
19 1945 to 22 August 1945.

20 "Signed: Stephen F. Green."

21 Prosecution desires to introduce in evidence  
22 document No. 2699, which is the enclosure to docu-  
23 ment No. 2698, "Summary of the Arrangements for  
24 POW's in Conformance with Transition in the Situa-  
25 tion."

1 THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual  
2 terms.

3 MR. TOOLWORTH: If the Tribunal please, I  
4 desire to merely have document No. 2699 marked for  
5 identification, as it is the same as exhibit No.  
6 1978, which is already before the Tribunal.

7 If the Tribunal please, I suggest that  
8 possibly I should introduce this in evidence but not  
9 bother to read it, as it is already in evidence.

10 THE PRESIDENT: Admitted as already stated.

11 CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's docu-  
12 ment No. 2699 will receive exhibit No. 2013.

13 (Thereupon, the document above  
14 referred to was marked prosecution's  
15 exhibit No. 2013 and received in evidence.)  
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1 MR. WOOLWORTH: The prosecution desires to  
2 introduce in evidence document No. 2700, a letter  
3 from the Chief of Staff Taiwan Military Jurisdiction  
4 to the War Ministry Adjutant.

5 THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

6 CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document  
7 No. 2700 will receive exhibit No. 2014.

8 (Whereupon, the document above re-  
9 ferred to was marked prosecution's exhibit  
10 No. 2014 and received in evidence.)

11 MR. WOOLWORTH (Reading):

12 "TO: Chief of Staff Taiwan Military Juris-  
13 diction.

14 "FROM: War Ministry Adjutant

15 "Riku A Tn #281 Routine

16 "16 March 1945

17 "NOTIFICATION CONCERNING WORK OF PRISONERS  
18 OF WAR

19 "Up to now there have been directives from  
20 the Central Authorities on the duty hours of Prisoners  
21 of War each time the latter were dispatched, but in  
22 view of the fact that the demands of the situation  
23 more and more make necessary a display of the highest  
24 degree of efficiency in the prisoners' service, from  
25 now on the duty hours of Prisoners of War will conform



1 to the actual situation on the spot (the type of work,  
2 the relative difficulty of the work, the urgency  
3 of the labor, the season of the year, the health  
4 of the prisoners and the working hours of local  
5 laborers) and you will direct the commander, POW  
6 Camps to decide or change these hours on his own  
7 suitable discretion and thus maintain elasticity  
8 in this matter of the working hours of Prisoners  
9 of War. Notified by order.

10 "Chopped by: ANDO, HIGUCHI, TANAKA, YOKOTO"

11 The prosecution desires to introduce document  
12 No. 2701. This is an extract from the journal of  
13 the Taiwan Camp Headquarters in Taihoku.

14 THE PRESIDENT: Admitted on the usual terms.

15 CLERK OF THE COURT: Prosecution's document  
16 No. 2701 will receive exhibit No. 2015.

17 (Whereupon, the document above re-  
18 ferred to was marked prosecution's exhibit  
19 No. 2015 and received in evidence.)

20 MR. WOOLWORTH: Before reading this document  
21 I desire to invite the attention of the Court to a  
22 mistake in translation. The year 1944 does not appear  
23 in the original Japanese text. That is in the second  
24 line on the first page.

25 THE PRESIDENT: The certificate says

1 "1 August 1944." Can we accept that as the fact?

2 MR. WOOLWORTH: The original Japanese text  
3 does not include the year 1944.

4 THE PRESIDENT: You can point to nothing  
5 else as indicating 1944 is the year?

6 MR. WOOLWORTH: It appears, if the Tribunal  
7 please, that these extracts from the journal were  
8 covered between 1942 and 1945.

9 THE PRESIDENT: Well, the journal is your  
10 indicator.

11 MR. WOOLWORTH (Reading):

12 "From the Journal of the Taiwan POW Camp  
13 H.Q. in Taihoku, entry 1 August 1944.

14 "1. (entries about money, promotions of  
15 Formosans at Branch camps, including promotion of  
16 Yo [u]-toku to 1st Cl. Keibin - 5 entries)

17 "2. The following answer about the extreme  
18 measures for POW's was sent to the Chief of Staff of  
19 the 11th Unit (Formosa POW Security No. 10).

20 "Under the present situation if there were a  
21 mere explosion or fire a shelter for the time being could  
22 be had in nearby buildings such as the school, a  
23 warehouse, or the like. However, at such time as  
24 the situation became urgent and it be extremely im-  
25 portant, the POW's will be concentrated and confined in

1 their present location and under heavy guard the  
2 preparation for the final disposition will be made.

3        "The time and method of this disposition  
4 are as follows:

5        "(1) The Time.

6        "Although the basic aim is to act under  
7 superior orders, individual disposition may be made  
8 in the following circumstances:

9        "(a) When an uprising of large numbers  
10 cannot be suppressed without the use of firearms.

11        "(b) When escapees from the camp may turn  
12 into a hostile fighting force.

13        "(2) The Methods.

14        "(a) Whether they are destroyed indi-  
15 vidually or in groups, or however it is done, with  
16 mass bombing, poisonous smoke, poisons, drowning,  
17 decapitation, or what, dispose of them as the  
18 situation dictates.

19        "(b) In any case it is the aim not to  
20 allow the escape of a single one, to annihilate them  
21 all, and not to leave any traces.

22        "(3) To: The Commanding General

23                "The Commanding General of Military  
24 Police

25        "Reported matters conferred on with the

1 11th Unit, the Airbase Fortified Area H.Q., and each  
2 prefecture concerning the extreme security in Taiwan  
3 POW Camps."

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5 "3. (The next entry concerns the will of  
6 a deceased POW)."