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Historical file --- Provincial Administration.

"... war Department advices for political reasons earliest relief from office of governors of provinces and provincial chiefs of police, if not already accomplished. The state, war and navy departments do not believe service of Japanese officials named above are necessary because of technical abilities. Also removal of collaborationist Korean administrators and other Japanese officials should be accomplished as rapidly as possible...."

Reference is amde to proposed directive WX61967 proposed directive par 2 of summary.

Radio CINCAFPAC (adv) to CGUSAFIK 171525/ 23 Sept 45

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#### PRO-JAPANESE REMOVAL

Philip King, alias several other names, vice-president Korean Provisional Government, son of Kimm Kiu Sic. Broke relations with father. Was columnist on Shanghai paper. Collaborator with prominent Japanese-Nazi, Herbert Mov. Became Chief assistant to Colonel Akiyama, chief of Japanese Army Press in China. Philip King requested permission to return to Korea and received it. He maybe serving as liaison officer between Kimm Koo and our Army Hq.

FROM: CG CHINA TO: CG XXIV CORPS INFO: CINCAFPA ADV CFBX 20027 140936/Z Jan 46 CONFIDENTIAL

5. (b) "....and Koreans who collaborated with the former Japanese will be removed."

Letter of Transmittal from APO 500 29 Oct. 1945 AG 014.1/29 Oct 45 GS

Finance: D. (1) (a)
All Japanese directors have been relieved, and the names of Korean nominees submitted for approval.

Report of Military Government Activities. (Week ending 15 Dec 45) 3 Jan. 46

War Dept. advises, for political reasons, relief from office of Governors of Provinces and Provincial Chiefs of Police. Removal of Collaborationist Korean Administrators and Japanese Officials should be accomplished as rapidly as possible.

FROM: CINCAFPAC ADV TO: CG XXIV CORPS 171525/I Sept 45 SECRET

The functions of Jap Governor-General have been assumed by an American Military Governor. This Headquarters feels that the following expressions should be discontinued: "Governor-General" and "Government General". Suggestions have been indicated.

FROM: CG XXIV CORPS TO: CINCAFPAC APO 500 141057/Z 141957/I SEPT 45 SECRET

Replacement of Key Japanese Personnel by Qualified Military Government Officers should be accomplished as you deem advisable.

FROM: CINCAFPAC ADV ACTN: CG XXIV CORPS INFO: CINCAFPAC MANILA 140630/Z Sept 45 SECRET

#### JAPANESE REMOVAL (continued)

With the removal of Jap Governor-General, Korean criticism has stopped. Futher Jap removals would cause the collapse of the government. Unfavorable change may result if government collapses.

FROM: CG XXIV CORPS APO 255 TO: CINCAFPAC APO 500 131546 Sept. 45 SECRET

Removal of Provincial Governors before arrival of Military Government personnel would lead to violence and bloodsned. Korean advisory Council has been removed.

FROM: CG XXIV CORPS (MGTMG) TO: CINCAFPAC ADV INFO: CINCAFPAC MANILA (MIL GCVT) 261045/I Sept 45 SECRET

Request approval of plan to relieve Provincial Governor-General and appoint General Harris in his place.

FROM: CG 40th Div (Fusan) TO: CG XXIV CORPS CITE: GA2 261056/I Sept 45 SECRET

Replacing all Japanese in Governmental positions as rapidly as possible.

FROM: CINCAFPAC ADV TO: CONGEN XXIV CORPS 111641/I Sept 45 SECRET

Proceeding with plan of removing minor officials progressively. Will have difficulty with any sweeping removal of Japanese. Utilities and Communications, etc. are Japanese operated and Government controlled.

NO: TFCGC 60 TC: CINCAFPAC ADV OFFICIAL DESIGNATION OF SENDER: CG XXIV CORPS 120955 Sept 45 SECRET

General Hodge received broad powers to remove Japanese officials as rapidly as he deems necessary. With the removal of Governor-General and Director of the Police Bureau, it is noped that obvious Korean dissatisfaction will disappear. Many will desert to the extent that government functions will be affected.

FROM: USAFIK ACTN: CINCAFPAC (PASS TO STATE DEPT) 140939/I 140039/Z Sept 45 SECRET

## CIVIL AFFAIRS IN OCCUPIED AND LIBERATED TERRITORY



#### KOREANS SELL RICE TO JAP SMUGGLERS

Korean rice runners and Japanese smugglers meet far at sea, exchanging products of their lands against Allied directives.

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KOREAN TRUSTEESHIP PLAN HIT: ADVISORY PANEL BEGINS WORK

Dr. Rhee said, "No one in General Hodge's office or the military government is in favor of the Allied trusteeship" over his country. His remark was the only reference to the Korean problem.

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PARADERS IN KOREA HIT AT TRUSTEESHIP

Korean "Committee of 77" paraded Sunday as handbills were distributed protesting against 5 year plan.

No. 95 17 January 1946 Page 32

OCCUPATION SPLIT STALLS KOREA; SCARCITY, INFLATION GRIP NATION.

Dr. Allen Loren attributes inflation not only to the huge increase in currency but to a scarcity of goods.

No. 108 18 April 1946 Page 62

#### "Exacust

"Majing good progress in replacing Japs by Koreans but one knotty problem has been definition of Pro-Jap. One venerable Korean said, "Anybody who has money is pro-jap". Another said, "All ae pro-Jap except me." Another "Anybody who has been trained by the 'aps is pro-jap"

Statement by General Hodge, 8 Oct 45 to Press onference held in his office. Addressed to Americ n newsmen. From Nôtes of Historian 1st I & H Sv.

### MESSAGE

26 SEPTEMBER 1945

TO : CINCAPPAC ADV

INFO: CINCAFPAC MANILA (MIL GOVT)

PRIOR TO RECEIPT OF ANY SPECIFIC DIRECTIVE THIS HQ ADOPTED THE POLICY OF REMOVING JAPANESE OFFICIALS AS RAPIDLY AS POSSIBLE PD PAREN CITE ABLE XRAY FIVE TWO ZERO TWO ZERO PAREN THE REMOVAL OF ALL PROVINCIAL GOVERNORS PRIOR TO ACTUAL OCCUPATION OF THEIR PROVINCES BY OUR TROOPS AND PRIOR TO THE ARRIVAL OF ADEQUATE MILITARY GOVERNMENT PERSONNEL WILL CAUSE DISORDER CMA CONFUSION AND POSSIBLY LEAD TO VIOLENCE AND BLOODSHED PD THE DELAY IN ARRIVAL OF ADEQUATE MILITARY GOVERNMENT PERSONNEL HAS CONSIDERABLY HAMPERED THE CARYING OUT OF THE PROGRAM CITED IN REFERENCE RADIO PD KOREAN ADVISORY COUNCIL HAS BEEN REMOVED THIS DATE END

CG XXIV CORPS (MGTMG) 261045/ITEM

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TO: CG XXIV CORPS

INFOR: CINCAFPAC MANILA (MIL GOVT) 23 SEPT 1945

CITE: AX 52020

IN ADDITION TO GOVERNOR GENERAL ABT AND BUREAU CHIEFS OF THE GOVERN-MENT GENERA L, WHICH YOU HAVE ALREADY REMOVED. WAR DEPARTMENT AD-VISES FOR POLITICAL REASONS EARLIEST RELIEF FROM OFFICE OF GOVERNORS OF PROVINCES AND PROVINCIAL CHIEFS OF POLICE, IF NOT ALREADY ACCOM-PLISHED. THE STATE, WAN AND NAVY DEPARTMENT DO NOT BELIEVE THE SERVICES OF JAPANESE OFFICIALS NAMED ABOVE ARE NEGESSARY BECAUSE OF TECHNICAL ABILITIES. ALSO REMOVAL OF COLLABORATIONIST KOREAN ADMIN-ISTRATORS AND OTHER JAPANESE OFFICIALS SHOULD BE ACCOMPLISHED AS RAPIDLY AS POSSIBLE. REFERENCE IS MADE TO PROPOSED DIRECTIVE WX 61967, PARA-GRAPH 2 OF SUMMARY, 5 COPIES OF WHICH ARE BEING FURNISHED YOU BE EARLIEST AIR COURIER FOR YOUR INFORMATION.

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## No. of Japanese Head of County

	No. of Province	No. of He	ad -
	Keiki	1	17
	Chyuhoku	1	
	Chyunan ',	2	
	Zenpolu	2	
	Zennen (of them head of island	1) 3	the South
	Keihoku( " "	) 4	
	Keinen .	3	
	Koogen	3 20	. 12
	Total	20	
	Kokai		
		3	
	Heinan	. 3	The North
	Heihoku	, 5	
	Kaunan	4	
20000	Kanhoku	18	
	Total	18	,

No. of all heads

220

\* Ratio of Japanese to the total 38,220

No. of Staffs of National Government (including its branch offices) at the End of 1943

	Total	Japanese	Korean
	160,569	79,977	80,589
(officials appointed directly (by His Majesty or the samely treated	6	2	4 .
Official appointed by the Emperor	150	143	7
Officials treated as samely	24	- 0 .	24
Officials appointed by His Majesty's approval	4,316	3,750	566
Officials treated as samely	156	- 98	58
Minor official	50,559	32,175	18,384
Offical treated as samely	24,996	14,489	10,507
Officials paid by local office	7,857	2,610	5,247
Temporary Officer	9,462	2,352	7,110
Employee	63,042	24,358	38,685