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<p>Information on Subject, KODAMA Yoshio, contained in the above referenced document has been excerpted verbatim below.</p> <p><u>Attachment A</u> <u>Subject: 1. Plans for Reconstruction of the Japanese Military.</u></p> <p>1. On 24 December 1948, OKAWA Shumei, JUZUO Yoshihisa, SASAGAWA Ryoichi and KODAMA Yoshio were released from prison by the allies and charges against them of being class "A" war criminals were dropped.</p> <p>2. These four men are reported to be planning in secret the reconstruction of the Japanese military. "Their initial aim is the organization of a volunteer corps to join the Chinese Nationalists in their defense of Formosa and then to gradually increase the size and equipment of the group until it becomes a power for whose service both the East and West will bid prior to the inevitable World War III."</p> <p>3. Three principal movements in support of this undertaking are as follows:</p> <p>(1) Movement of YAMAOKA Michitake and MIKAMI Taku based on a secret understanding with YEN HSI-SHAN (Chinese).</p> <p>(2) Movement of a Rightist group in Japan composed of military personnel in connection with HO YING-CHIN (Chinese).</p> <p>(3) Movement of former Kempeitai personnel who were stationed in North China prior to and during World War II. The Chinese contact of this group is LI TSUNG-JEN.</p> <p>Of the three movements, the one listed as (1) is the best organized and most active.</p> <p align="center">THIS IS ALL THE INFORMATION PERTINENT TO THE SUBJECT IN THIS DOCUMENT.</p>				
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