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Connection with IPRI: Little data available in CE office on China activities. However, Subject identified with Horiuchi's FEARS (Japan branch. IPRI) through its various phases from 1950 to present.

Connection with IERI: Member

Pre 1945 - President of Seiyukai

1945 - One of YOKOYAMA Yui's principal backers according to statement dated 1945.

1947 - Forecasted that leaders of New China would be primarily oriental in their thinking and would ultimately provide third force in world affairs. Gave views on rise of Asian power; outlined ambitious plan for United States of Asia which would include Japan, Manchuria, Korea, India, and both Nationalist and Communist China. (Source makes following comment: "Mr. KUHARA may be opposed to communism from ideological standpoint, yet he recognizes it as a power to stay. One might presume he feels a hidden admiration for an Asian people that has won victories over the West and succeeded in doing what Japan itself failed to do; assert the principle of Asia for the Asians and Asian supremacy over the west.... Many "old China hands" cannot rid themselves of the obsession that Japan and China are inextricably woven together, that the two are mutually dependent from a commercial standpoint, that common cultural matters constitute an unbreakable link...." (Article by Chief Far Eastern Correspondent, Christian Science Monitor, 9 Nov 55)

1948 - Approached by three top JCP leaders for interview shortly after Americans released him from Sugamo Prison where he had been held as war criminal suspect. Report implies JCP leaders were interested in developing liaison between JCP and rightists. Subject told them "the time was not yet ripe". Later Subject remarked to source that in final showdown JCP leaders would act like Japanese first, then like communists. 13 Aug 48, from news article by Howard Handleman, INS correspondent

1949 - Named among friends of WANG Wen-cheng who arrived in Japan and was believed to be seeking help from Jap financiers in organizing and financing a Japanese volunteer corps to strengthen TANG En-po's army and to organize trade corp to give economic assistance to TANG. 16 May 49. Note: China desk was queried on activities of WANG Wen-cheng. WANG belongs to an anti-Chiang Kai-shek clique which is suspected of having ties with Peiping although no data has been produced to establish this. They are opportunists.

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- 1950
- Subject and YOKOYAMA Yui connected with WANG Wen-cheng who was reported to have been spy for Japanese in China during war, and who was involved in smuggling at time of report. (SHINSO (Communist publication) #16, 15 Feb 50)
 - Subject and YOKOYAMA Yui associated before war; connection continues to exist. Subject and political and business followers as well as former military men are seeking to use UGAKI Kazunari as front in attempt to grasp political leadership. 16 Sept 50
 - A chief advisor of UGAKI group Subject's function in line with YOKOYAMA Yui's efforts, in direct level liaison to leading figures at Foreign Office such as KAWAMURA and HORIUCHI Ganjo, and direction of Foreign Office men within UGAKI group. Also wields considerable influence with politicians of Liberal Party who are part of UGAKI organizations such as INUKAI Ken and SHIDEHARA fmu. 8 Sept 50.
- 1951
- (Apparently at time Subject and Hatoyama were members of SEIYUKAI), Subject received HATOYAMA Ichiro's recommendations for formation of racial front. After depurge, Subject's former followers including SATO Eisaku and YAMAZAKI Takeshi will join HATOYAMA faction. 22 June 51
 - Contemplating participation in formation of a new political party with FUKUYA Shinichi and other IWAKURO associates. 18 Dec 51
- 1951
- In touch with certain ChiNats who have taken refuge in Japan or who are expected to come to Japan. 13 June 51
 - Chosen to head political aspects of new political party to be formed by IWAKURO Hideo, SHIBUSAWA Keiso, MIZUNO Shizeo. and others. Close to FUKUYA Shinichi. 20 Sept 51.
 - FUKUYA Shinichi took IWAKURO Hideo a few times to Subject's home so that IWAKURO could brief Subject on military affairs. FUKUYA Believed Subject should be informed on this matter since he was participating with FUKUYA and other IWAKURO associates in formation of new party.
- 1953 (Oct)
- Named among sponsors certain to participate in first meeting of Sponsors Society for new extra-party newspaper organ of the JCP, the KOKUMIN no Shinbun. Comment suggests communist connections may have been will conceal since few sponsors mentioned appear to have connection with leftist activity. 24 Dec 53, B-documentary) Note: Since July 1953 JCP issued plea for further unification of non-party organizations and individuals (e.g. groups for promoting Sino-Japanese trade and diplomatic relations with Com China and USSR), JUHARA, a leading advocate of this policy, could have wittingly supported the JCP organ.

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- 1954 - President of Japanese National Council for Restoration of Diplomatic Relations with China and Soviet Union formed Oct. 54.
- 1955 (Apr) - Soviet Ambassador to India, Mikhail A. MENSHIKOV, Chief Soviet Delegate to ECAFE Conference, visited Subject at his home. Meeting was arranged by DOI Sukezobu, JCP member and repatriate from USSR. MENSHIKOV demanded that Subject through his organization (Japanese National Council for Restoration of Diplomatic Relations with China and Soviet Union) arrange restoration of USSR-Jap relations since Soviets desire restoration during tenure of HATOYAMA Cabinet and doubt restoration will occur if left to Japanese Government action. Following this meeting Subject's organization conducted research into territorial claims of Japan and USSR since these claims were considered a chief impediment to restoration of Jap-USSR relations.
- 1955 - To head eight member private mission to USSR selected by People's Council for Restoring Japan-China, Japan-Soviet International Relations. Mission scheduled to leave 23 Jul 55.
- Will be accompanied by IWAKURO Hideo and six other on trip to USSR.
- Above delegation received cable from CHANG Hsi-jo, President of Chi Communist Foreign Policy Association stating delegation welcome to come to China for three weeks. Assumed cable was sent after Foreign Ministry refused to grant delegation passports to USSR. It was believed however, that delegation would make trip to China and then an unauthorized visit to USSR.
- (1 Aug) - Subject's group promised in writing not to go to USSR if permitted to go to China.
- Subject, old friend of (Soviet Deputy Premier, Anastasia) MIKOYAN, will probably go to USSR. IWAKURO (Hideo) is Subject's brain, IWAKURO has deep relations with US bases and is trying to get together with the main family of the "peace offensive".
from article in 9 Aug. NAIGAI Times
- Heading party to visit Red China to attend Sun Wen's 30th Anniversary.
- Will meet Soviet Deputy Premier Anastasia MIKOYAN in Peking during projected Red China tour. Slated to leave for Peking 14 Aug.
(FBIS #155, Tokyo, Central News, 10 Aug 55)