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Paragraph 1 and part of paragraph 3: [ ] from YAMADA, in a conversation at the latter's office on 26 May 1952, in company with HARUKE Yoshitane and TSUTSUMI Masa, a police official second class in the NPR, mentioned in previous [ ] reports.

Paragraphs 2-3 and 5-6: [ ], from TATSUMI, about 20 May.

Paragraph 4: [ ]

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**SOURCE** Paragraph 1 : Former Japanese intelligence officer, from an informant close to top NPR officials.  
 Paragraphs 2-3, 5-6: Former Japanese army officer with intelligence experience, from a high-ranking NPR official.  
 Paragraph 4 : Former Japanese army officer, now a political commentator.

- Relations between State Minister OHASHI Takeo and former Major General TATSUMI Eiichi (長谷川 英一), Prime Minister YOSHIDA's principal adviser on military affairs, are very poor as of late April 1952.<sup>1</sup> OHASHI is more and more obviously in opposition to the inclusion of former military officers in the National Police Reserve, while TATSUMI, although he is not popular with the old military clique, has favored inclusion of selected officers on the staff of the NPR.<sup>1</sup> YOSHIDA generally supports TATSUMI on this issue.<sup>2</sup>
- Even though OHASHI opposes the bringing of former officers into the NPR, he is not popular among the present staff officers of that organization. Many of them feel that he is interested only in increasing his own political influence by gaining the confidence and support of the American army. OHASHI favors an increase in the size of the U.S. military mission detailed to advise the NPR, while staff officers of the NPR want the advisory group to be cut down to a minimum.
- TATSUMI does not have the support of former high-ranking military officers, because they feel that he has not argued the case for rearmament and reorganization of the army strongly enough before YOSHIDA. In addition, former officers who have been selected for the NPR have frequently obtained positions because of introductions by members of the Diet and the Public Safety Board.<sup>3</sup>
- Former high-ranking military officers now giving active support and cooperation to the expansion and strengthening of the NPR are:  
 Eiichi  
 TATSUMI - Overall control and planning  
 Major Genl MIYANO Masatoshi (宮野 正博) - Training  
 Col. JUGEI Kasuji (久根 一久) - Translation, liaison, and education.  
 Col. HOSOMA Akira (細田 昭) - Organization and logistics  
 Col. TAKAYAMA Nobutake (高山 徳武) - Operations

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5. In the NPR, it has been decided that HOSOGA and TAKAYAMA will be placed in the General Superintendence Office. Their ranks have not yet been decided, but it is expected that they will be either police superintendents or police officers first class.
6. According to ~~YAMADA Makoto~~ (山田 誠), chief of the Police Affairs Bureau of the NPR, ~~MASUHARA Keikichi~~ will probably be given the job of Defense Secretary should such a post be created. It was previously thought that OHASHI would get the job.

- 1 Field Comment. This information is confirmed by the source of paragraph 2.
- 2 Field Comment. <sup>7/11/5</sup> The informant apparently refers to the Prime Minister's decision, published in late April, to employ former military officers in some of the key administrative posts in the NPR.
- 3 Field Comment. This information originated with the source of paragraph 1.