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31 May 1946

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SUBJECT: Progress Report on Interrogation of Major General Makoto Onodera

To : Director of Intelligence, War Department General Staff,
Washington 25, D.C. (ATTENTION: Chief, X/2 Branch,
Strategic Service Unit).

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THROUGH: Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2.

Onodera Makoto

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2. Though reticent to begin with, General ONODERA has been increasingly cooperative and at the date of writing, his spirit can be described as good.

There follow brief notes on the more important information which he has given:

a. Mission: ONODERA has confirmed that his chief mission was to obtain intelligence on the USSR and that his training and career have been centered on Russia. He has described his method of obtaining this material from organizations in Finland, Poland, and the Baltic countries, and has given details as to codes and other intelligence obtained.

b. Finnish Intelligence Service: He has confirmed the purchase of allied codes from HALLAKAA in 1945, and has stated further that he financed the Finnish refugee crypto-analytical group with 500,000 kronen.

c. Swedish Intelligence Service: ONODERA says that he exchanged intelligence with the Swedish Intelligence Service while Colonel VALDERCREUTZ was in command. This ceased early in 1942 and from that time on, his contacts were personal. His most fruitful source of information was (Major) C. PETERSEN from whom he obtained the report on allied order of battle on the western front dated 22 February 1946, which was mentioned by KRAEMER (see ONODERA Brief, page 28). His closest Swedish friends were: General THORNELL and SHALLGREN, Admiral DESCHAMPS, Professor WROK, and Mr. GADELJUS.

d. Polish Intelligence Service: ONODERA has confirmed what was already known of the activities of Major RYBICKI alias Peter KWANOW. ONODERA stated that he had the closest relationship with the Polish Services throughout the war. After the surrender of Japan, Colonel Feliks PRZESKWIŃSKI contacted him on behalf of Colonel GANO and offered him funds and protection in case he was not on good terms with the new Japanese government. When he was interviewed by Colonel GODEFROY in Naples, the latter showed him a letter from Colonel GANO again offering any help he might need and recommending French services.

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Colonel KONONCHI Hirose
Colonel SATO Tatsuya
Colonel MITO Kiyokazu
Major KIGOSHI Yasukazu
SATO Kichinosuke
INOUE Yoichi
SUGIHARA Kyune

4. The arrest of ENOMOTO Monotaro, former Mainichi correspondent in Turkey, Bulgaria and Sweden is desired for interrogation in connection with ONODERA. Investigation has revealed that he disembarked from the repatriation ship the "Plus Ultra" at Colombo, Ceylon, because of the illness of his daughter. On 18 May 1946, a despatch was sent by this headquarters to Delhi, India, requesting information as to ENOMOTO's whereabouts, and asking for his speedy return to Japan. As no answer was received, a further despatch requesting an immediate reply was sent to the British authorities in India by the Military Adviser to the British Embassy, Tokyo on 27 May 1946.

5. The cooperation of this headquarters in this investigation has been wholehearted and complete. It has been possible to carry out the interrogation of General ONODERA under ideal conditions. It is expected that the investigation will be terminated and final report prepared before the end of June.

/s/ THEODORE ROUSSEAU, Jr.
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G-2 GENERAL HEADQUARTERS, UNITED STATES ARMY FORCES, PACIFIC,
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Washington 25, D. C.

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Hq, Intelligence Group, War Department Intelligence Division, Washington 25,
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TO: Chief, I/2 Branch, Strategic Service Unit, Washington, D. C.

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