

ATTACHMENT (1)

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Subject: Present Activities Brig. Gen. MAKOTO ONO DERA, Former Japanese MA to Sweden

From: OARMA, Stockholm, Sweden 27 Jan 1953

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Subject was well known to Swedish intelligence sources as former Japanese Military Attache in Stockholm, and as an espionage agent of some ability. About one year ago, the Swedish export firm "Gerum" of Goteborg, requested the Alien Control Commission for the subject to enter Sweden as the commercial representative of the export firm in Japan. Because of the subject's reputation as an espionage agent and former member of Axis Military Forces, permission was denied.

The request was repeated some few months ago, at which time the Swedish negative attitude was reconsidered in the light of the fact that it was assumed that Japan being under U.S. influence, if not outright control, would be an area from which travelers would be well screened prior to their departure, this assumption leading therefore to the conclusion that the subject had the implied, if not explicit, approval of the United States. However, contrary to this view, the Swedish Security Police have had the subject under surveillance since arrival in this country, and it has been reported to the Army Attache that the subject has made no contacts outside those routinely associated with the Swedish export firm of Gerum and has made no effort to get in contact with any of his possible former professional associates in Sweden.

The Army Attache's official source in the Swedish Intelligence Service has promised to inform the Army Attache of any act which comes to the attention of the Security Police. It was gratuitously added that during the period of the subject's incumbency in Stockholm as Japanese Military Attache, it was known to the Swedish Intelligence authorities that the subject was in early and continuing contact with representatives of the German Intelligence Service but insofar as could be determined, subject engaged in no intelligence activities against Sweden, or contrary to the scope of his normally accredited diplomatic duties.

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