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SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS
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11 February 1949

AG 680.2 (22 May 38)GA ECAPIN 1971

MEMORANDUM FOR: JAPANESE GOVERNMENT

SUBJECT

: Entry of Personnel into Japan to Visit Relatives

l. The Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers hereby authorizes individuals to enter Japan for the purpose
of visiting immediate relatives who are Japanese nationals or who are foreign nationals and were permanent
residents of Japan prior to December 1941. For definition of the term "Immediate Relatives" see Section I,
paragraph 1, Application Form (Inclosure 2). Period of
stay in Japan is limited to sixty days.

- 2. Attached are copies of the Procedures (Inclosure 1) for implementation of this program and an application form (Inclosure 2) which includes the conditions precedent to entry into Japan under this program. Inquired to sign a statement of conditions prior to entry.
- 3. The Jaranese Government will be responsible for determining that:
- a. The prospective host is able to provide hous-
- b. The respective host desires to have his re-
- form, i.e., rurchase of necessary Overseas Supply Store coupons or the importation of necessary food, are ful-
- filled. d. Conditions outlined in Inclosufe 1 are ful-

4. It must be clearly understood that this program is being authorized for compassionate reasons and will be under constant surveillance to insure that the terms under which it is authorized will not be violated. Violations will head to immediate scrutiny with a view to revocation of the program.

5. The responsibilities herein outlined for the Japanese Government may be delegated to the Japan Travel Bureau or any other travel agency authorized to operate in Japan.

6. The Japanese Government will establish liaison with the Commanding General, Eighth United States Army, to effect implementation of this program.

FOR THE SUPREME COMMANDER:

2 Incls 1. Procedures 2. Application Form

R. M. LEVY Colonel, AGD Adjutant General

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l. a. Prospective visitors to Japan will make application to a commercial carrier or travel agency for entry into Japan to visit relatives giving the necessary information and making necessary guarantees as shown on the application form.

b. The commercial carrier will forward the application to the Japanese Government for consideration.

2. a. Upon receirt of the application, the Jananese Government will contact the prospective host to determine:

- (1) That the host desires to have said relatives visit him.
- (2) That the host has adequate accommodations available for his visitors.
- b. When the Japanese Government has received assurances that the conditions outlined in par 2a above have been fulfilled, the Japanese Government will notify the Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers that it has no objection to entry into Japan of the visitor. Information will include the name, nationality, method of travel, port of entry, proposed dates of the visit, and the name, address and nationality of the host.
- c. The Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers will notify the Japanese Government of final approval for entry Japan of the prospective guests, at which time the Japanese Government will notify the commercial carrier and the Commanding General, Eighth United States Army, that clearance for entry Japan has been granted. Notification to Commanding General, Eighth United States Army, will include details as outlined in par b above.
- d. It will be the responsibility of the commercial carrier to notify the guest of the approval of his application to enter Japan.

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4. Upon arrival at nort of debarkation in Japan, the visitor will file proof of his arrangements for departure from Japan with the Japanese Government representative. Appropriate notation will be made in the visitor's passport to indicate his tourist status.

5. The commercial carrier will then place the visitor in charge of a properly designated agent of the Japanese Government who will:

a. Insure that the visitor arranges to notify his diplomatic or consular representative in Japan of his arrival and his address in Japan. This may be done by letter or postalcard.

b. Furnish transportation to a bank licensed by the Surreme Commander for the Allied Powers for operation in Japan, to affect any conversions or deposits of currency necessary. The only currency which subject visitors will be allowed to possess while in Japan is Japanese yen obtained at the military conversion rate. Those visitores authorized to purchase food at the Overseas Supply Store will temporarily possess foreign trade payment certificates in the amounts necessary to effect these purchases. (Fifty dollars (\$50.00) for each fifteen (15) day period or fraction thereof, of star in Japan.)

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c. Make necessary arrangements for the onward travel of the visitor to the home of the host. If layover is necessary prior to departure from the port of entry, the Japanese Government agency is responsible for locating necessary housing for any overnight stay involved:

d. Make arrangements for the purchase from the Overseas Supply Store of food supplies if visitor has not imported the necessary food.

6. Visitor will complete his visit and return to the port of embarkation in such time as to depart within sixty (60) days after his arrival in Japan. The visitor will not be permitted to convert yen into other currencies upon departure.

APPLICATION FOR ENTRY INTO JAPAN FOR THE PURPOSE OF VISITING RELATIVES

## Section I. General Instructions

- of the conditions hereinafter outlined, individuals may be authorized to enter Japan to visit immediate relatives who are Japanese nationals or who are foreign nationals and were residents of Japan prior to December 1941. This program is designed to afford such individuals the opportunity of seeing their families as a compassionate measure. For the purpose of this program, immediate relatives are defined as: grandparents, parents, children, grandchildren (including by adoption), brothers or sisters, husbands and wives. (Husbands and wives may visit same relatives of either).
- from a travel agency and forwarded through a commercial travel firm to the Japanese Government. Approval or disapproval of the application will be forwarded to the applicant by the commercial travel agency after decision by the Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers.

Date:\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. a. Full name\_\_\_\_\_\_

B. Place and date of birth\_\_\_\_\_\_

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		of naturalization and previous citizenship).
•	d.	Present occupation, including name of organization with which employed, if applicable
	е.	Name and address of prospective host in Japan
	f.	Full explanation of purpose of visit to include relationship to individual in Japan to be visited and full description of any prior periods of residence in Japan.
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	g.	Desired length of stay
	h.	Point of origin outside Japan

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2. I hereby agree to the following conditions which are prescribed for visitors entering Japan for the purpose of visiting relatives.

a. While in Japan I will be subject to all rules and regulations promulgated by the Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers and subordinate commanders and in addition will be subject to Japanese law. In the event I violate the above mentioned rules, regulations or laws while in Japan, the Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers may order trial by Japanese court or by occupation force provost court, as the facts of the case may warrant. The Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers reserves the right to terminate my stay in Japan under this program for cause at any time prior to the expiration date authorized.

b. I will not be authorized use of any oc-

facilities if injured or if ill.

d. I will provide myself with sufficient ford so that I will be completely self-sufficient during my stay in Japan and will not require purchase of Japanese rationed food. To insure this I will bring into Japan the following which is for the personal use of myself and my relatives, and will not be sold or traded:

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(2) I will not include more than one package of cigarettes per day of stay in Japan.

e. As an alternate to the above, but not in addition to it, upon arrival in Japan I will purchase from the Overseas Supply Store in Japan fifty dollars (\$50.00) worth of food for each fifteen-day period of stay or fraction thereof. I understand that such food will be in bulk fifty dollar (\$50.00) units and will be paid for with Foreign Trade Payment Certificates purchased by negotiable instruments in dollars or pounds sterling credits, i.e., travelers check, money order, certified check, or cashier's check.

f. I understand that my stay in Japan is limited to sixty (60) days and extensions will not be authorized.

thorized to engage in business or to conduct commercial operations, negotiations, transactions, or enter into commercial contracts of any nature except with express approval of the Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers. Engaging in such transactions without approval of the Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers will be cause for immediate termination of my visit.

h. I understand that importation into Japan or exportation from Japan of any of the following is strict-ly forbidden:

(1) Gold or silber coin, gold, silver or platimum bullion or alloy thereof in bullion form and other precious metals and precious stones except personal jewelry worn or carried in personal baggage accompanying the owner.

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- (3) Bank of Jaran yen currency and foreign currencies listed in Annex III hereto.
- (4) Any book pamphlet, paper, writing, advertisement, circular, print, picture or drawing, containing any matter advocating or urging treason or insurrection against any government.
- Any item of a pornographic nature.
- (6) Any narcotic drug or utensil used therefor.
- Weapons of any nature, gun rowder and other explosives, except that ammunition for hunting purposes may be entered in a reasonable amount for personal use.
- (8) National treasures of any country and important art objects.
- (9) Articles which infringe upon rights in patents, utility models, trademarks, and copyrights.
- i. I will be permitted to bring into Japanconly sufficient clothing and personal effects for my personal use while in Japan.
- j. I have seen and understand the customs declaration form which I will be required to fill out upon entry into and exit from Japan.
- k. Upon my arrival in Japan I will present to appropriate officials of the Japanese Government written evidence that I possess:

- (1) A return ticket to my roint of origin.
- (2) A reservation with a commercial carrier for departure from Japan within sixty(60) days of date of entry.
- A passmort, reentry permit or passrort (or similar travel document) and visa currently valid for entry into a country other than Japan.
- 1. The fact that I am a retired member of the United States Armod Forces will not be cause for alteration of any of the foregoing conditions or extention of any of the privileges normally authorized me by applicable United Etates Armed Forces regulations.
- m. In the event I marry or adopt children while in Japan under this program, the Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers makes no guarantees that said spouse or children will be permitted to depart from Japan. Their entry into any other country is subject to the laws of that country and the Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers will not intervene in behalf of such individuals or transmit or indorse their request to other countries nor will I be permitted to remain in Japan beyond the expiration date of my permit because of such marriage or adoption.
  - n. Upon arrival in Japan I will:
    - (1) If I am not importing my food as outlined in paragraph 2d above, immediately nurchase Foreign Trade Payment Certificates in the amount of fifty dollars (\$50.00) for each fifteen (15) day period of stay or fraction thereof.

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(2) Exchange at least fifty dollars (\$50.00) per month of stay for Japanese yen currency to care for my indigenous needs; such currency will not be reconvertible to foreign exchange upon departure.

For children under sixteen years of age, above requirements may be reduced by one-half.)

- 3. I understand that if I am unable to comply with the provisions of paragraph 2k and 2n upon my arrival in Japan, I will not be permitted entry into Japan.
- 4. Commercial carrier will notify me of the approval by the Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers of this application. Such notification by the commercial carrier will be sufficient for me:

a. To enter Japan if I am not a United States citizen.

b. To apply to the nearest United States State Department representative for a military permit for entry into Japan if I am a United States citizen.

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GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS
APO 500

AG 680.2(22 May 48)GA SCAPIN 1971/1

28 February 1949

MEMORANDUM FOR: JAPANESE GOVERNMENT

EUBJECT:

Entry of Personnel into Japan to Visit Relatives

- 1. Reference is made to memorandum from General Headquarters, Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers, file AG 095(22 May 48)GA, SCAPIN 1971, subject, "Entry of Personnel into Japan to Visit Relatives," dated 11 February 1949.
- 2. Pages 3 and 4 of Inclosure 2 to SCAPIN 1971
  (Application for Entry into Japan for the Purpose of Visiting Relatives) are rescinded and the attached new pages 3, 4 and 5 are substituted therefor.

FOR THE SUPREME COMMANDER:

1 Incl Substitute pages 3, 4 and 5 to SCAPIN 1971

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h. I understand that importation into Japan or exportation from Japan of any of the following is strictly forbidden:

- (1) Gold or silver coin, gold, silver or platinum bullion or alloy thereof in bullion form and other precious metals and precious stones except personal jewelry worn or carried in personal baggage accompanying the owner.
- (2) Counterfeit, altered or imitation coins.
- (3) Bank of Japan Yen currencies and foreign currencies. Foreign currencies are not permitted to be used within Japan. All persons entering Japan are therefore required to surrender all foreign currencies at the port of entry. United States dollar currencies surrendered will be treated as follows in accordance with the instructions of the individual concerned:
  - (a) Exchanged for Japanese Yen by the Bank of Japan.

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(b) Placed in the Bank of Japan for safekeeping; to be returned on the departure from Japan of the individual concerned.

(c) Deposited by the Bank of Japan to the account of the individual concerned in a foreign bank licensed to maintain a branch office in Japan.

All other currencies surrendered will be held at the Bank of Japan for safekeeping against individual receirt to be returned to the individual concerned on departure from Japan.

- (4). Any book, pamphlet, paper, writing, advertisement, circular, print, picture or drawing, containing any matter advocating or urging treason or insurrection against any government.
- (5) Any item of a pornographic nature.
- (6) Any narcotic drug or utensil used therefor.
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GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
SUPERME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS APO 500

AG 680.2 (22 May 48)GA-SCAPIN 1971/2

14 March 1949

MEMORANDUM FOR: JAPANESE GOVERNMENT

SUBJECT:

Charges for Fervices Rendered to Personnel Entering Japan to Visit Relatives

- 1. Reference is made to menorandum for the Jaranese Government, file AG 095 (22 May 48)GA, SCAPIN 1971, subject, "Entry of personnel into Japan to Visit Relatives," dated 11 February 1949.
- 2. The Jpanese Government is authorized to charge each visitor entering Japan under the provisions of reference paragraph 1 above a maximum of one thousand yen (¥1000) for services rendered by the Jaran Travel Bureau as required by said reference memorandum.

FOR THE SUPREME COMMANDER:

Colonel, AGD Adjutant General