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SUBJ: SENKAKU ISLANDS (C)
1. (U) 15 FEBRUARY LOCAL NEWSPAPER--SHIMPO--REPORTS ARTICLE
ALLEGEDLY APPEARING IN 11 FEBRUARY CHUD NIPPO. SHIMPO STATES
THAT ACCORDING TO CHUD NIPPO EXECUTIVE YUAN HAS "OFFICIALLY
DECIDED" THAT SENKAKUS FALL WITHIN ILAN ADMINISTRATIVE DISTRICT
OF TAIWAN PROVINCE. STORY FURTHER STATES THAT AS RESULT OF THIS
DECISION ILAN DISTRICT OFFICE PLANS DISPATCH SURVEY TEAM TO
LARGEST OF SENKAKUS, UOTSURI, IN MARCH AND IS ALSO PREPARING TO
ESTABLISH ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE ON THAT ISLAND. TEXT SHIMPO
ARTICLE CARRIED FBIS DTG 150641Z FEB 72. CE YARA COMMENT, IN
WHICH HE REPORTEDLY SAID HE WILL REQUEST GOJ AND USG TO TAKE
"APPROPRIATE COUNTERMEASURES," CARRIED FBIS DTG 151143Z FEB 72.
2. (C) U.S. CIVIL ADMINISTRATION CURRENTLY DECLINING COMMENT
ON REPORT. WILL APPRECIATE ANY INFORMATION EMBASSY TAIPEI CAN
PROVIDE REGARDING ACCURACY OF SHIMPO STORY. IF STORY CORRECT,
WILL APPRECIATE EMBASSY EFFORTS TO DUSSUADE ROC FROM SUCH
ILL-ADVISED ACTION. GP-4

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C O N F I D E N T I A L TOKYO 1716
SUBJ: SENKAKUS

REF HICOMRY 160635Z FEB 72

SUMMARY: GOJ FONOFF, ON BASIS OF NEWSPAPER STORY
REPORTED REFTEL, HAS RAISED WITH CHINESE EMBASSY
TOKYO GOJ OBJECTIONS TO ACTION OF EXECUTIVE YUAN AND
REPORTED PLANS OF ILAN DISTRICT OFFICE. END SUMMARY.

1. EMBASSY WAS INFORMED BY FONOFF FEB 18, 1972
THAT ON FEB 17 FONOFF EAST ASIA BUREAU CHIEF YOSHIDA
CALLED IN GRC MINISTER NEW TO DISCUSS STORY REFERRED
TO REFTEL. REPORTEDLY YOSHIDA REHEARSED GOJ LEGAL
POSITION RESPECTING SENKAKUS, REQUESTED CONFIRMATION
OF ACCURACY OF REPORT, AND SAID THAT IF REPORT ACCURATE
"COMPLICATIONS WOULD BE CREATED". YOSHIDA REQUESTED,
THEREFORE, THAT GRC PREVENT ANY LANDING OF CHINESE
NATIONALS ON SENKAKUS. MINISTER NEW REPORTEDLY
OFFERED TO CHECK ON ACCURACY OF NEWSPAPER STORY.
2. IN RESPONSE TO EMBOFF, FONOFF OFFICIAL (KATO,
NO. AMERICAN AFFAIRS DIV) SAID THAT GOJ ITSELF HAD
NOT CONFIRMED ACCURACY OF STORY.
3. FONOFF REPORTED ALSO THAT INSTRUCTIONS HAVE BEEN
DESPATCHED TO GOJ ELEMENT OF PREPCOM TO CONTACT
USCAR AND TO REQUEST THAT USCAR TAKE APPROPRIATE
ACTION TO PREVENT ANY CHINESE INCURSION INTO SENKAKUS.
4. EMBOFF EXPRESSED SURPRISE THAT GOJ WOULD CONVORE
GRC MINISTER AND MAKE STRONG REPRESENTATIONS
CONCERNING SENKAKUS WITHOUT PREVIOUS CONSULTATION WITH

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USG SINCE ADMINISTRATION OF SENKAKUS REMAINS PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITY OF USG UNTIL OKINAWA REVERSION, EMBOFF POINTED OUT THAT USG ALREADY HAS LAUNCHED LOGICAL STEPS REPORTED REFTEL TO CONFIRM ACCURACY OF REPORTS AND THUS TO LAY BASIS FOR ANY OFFICIAL ACTION NECESSARY. EMBOFF REQUESTED THAT FONOFF BEAR IN MIND PRIORITY RESPONSIBILITY OF USG FOR SENKAKUS UNTIL REVERSION AND REQUESTED THAT GOJ CONSULT WITH USG BEFORE TAKING ANY FURTHER ACTION RESPECTING SENKAKUS.

SUBSEQUENTLY DIRGEN AMERICAN AFFAIRS BUREAU YOSHINO CALLED DCM TO APOLOGIZE FOR GOJ'S PRECIPITATE ACTION BUT POINTED OUT THAT SENKAKU SITUATION IS SUPER-SENSITIVE TO GOJ SINCE POWERFUL PRO-PRC FORCES IN JAPAN WILL NOT HESITATE TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF ANY TAIWAN-FOMENTED DIFFICULTIES ON SENDADUS TO UPSET DELICATE BALANCE WHICH GOJ STRIVING AT PRESENT TO MAINTAIN IN ITS RELATIONS BETWEEN GRC AND PRC. YOSHINO, IN FACT, ALREADY HAS BEEN CALLED ON CARPET BEFORE LDP COMMITTEE. GP-3.

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SUBJECT: GRC AND SENKAKUS
REF : A) HICOM OKINAWA RYIS 160635Z FEB 72;
B) TOKYO 1716 ^{En}

1. BEGIN SUMMARY: EMBASSY HAS MADE CLEAR TO FONOFF THAT EVEN PRESS TALK OF SENDING A SURVEY MISSION OR ESTABLISHING AN ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE IN SENKAKUS IS PROVOCATIVE AND UN-HELPFUL FOR ROC/JAPANESE RELATIONS. FONOFF, WHILE INDICATING CLEARLY NO SUCH ACTION IS GOING TO OCCUR, REVEALED ITS GREAT RELUCTANCE TO APPEAR AS THE SUPPRESSOR OF NATIONALISTIC SENTIMENT. END SUMMARY.
2. INTERNATIONAL EDITION OF KMT, CENTRAL DAILY NEWS, CARRIED STORY (REF A) SUGGESTING ILAN COUNTY MIGHT SEND SURVEY MISSION TO SENKAKUS. INTERNATIONAL EDITION IS NOT DISTRIBUTED DOMESTICALLY, AND ONLY LOCAL REFERENCE WAS FEB 1 ARTICLE IN CHINA TIMES WHICH STATED THAT MINISTRY OF EDUCATION WAS REVISING TEXTBOOKS TO INCLUDE SENKAKUS IN ILAN COUNTY.
3. OCM AND POLCONS RAISED QUESTION WITH FREDRICK CHIEN, FONOFF DIRECTOR NORTH AMERICAN AFFAIRS, WHO MADE FOLLOWING POINTS, WHICH HE SAID ALREADY CONVEYED TO JAPANESE CHARGE:
 - A. STORY IN QUESTION WAS A LOCAL STORY FROM ILAN.
 - B. ROC CLAIMS SOVEREIGNTY OVER SENKAKUS.
 - C. ROC REALIZES THAT JAPAN ALSO CLAIMS THE SENKAKUS AND THAT REVERSION TO JAPAN IS SCHEDULED.

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D. SINCE THERE IS A CONFLICT OVER SOVEREIGNTY AND THE TWO GOVERNMENTS ENJOY FRIENDLY RELATIONS, THE MATTER IS ONE BEST SOLVED THROUGH AMICABLE DIPLOMATIC NEGOTIATIONS.

E. IN LINE WITH FRIENDLY RELATIONS WITH JAPAN GRC HOPES THAT NEITHER SIDE WILL PLAY UP THIS INCIDENT.

4. WE EMPHASIZED THAT ROC ATTEMPT TO SURVEY SENKAKUS OR ESTABLISH ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OR EVEN TALK OF SUCH MOVES COULD ONLY HAVE UNFORTUNATE CONSEQUENCES. CHIEN REPLIED, OFF THE RECORD, THAT ISSUE IS SO SENSITIVE THAT NO ONE IN GRC WILLING TO DENY STORY, BUT HE ADDED THAT HE REALIZED THIS SORT OF GUESTURING WAS PROVOCATIVE AND HE CLEARLY IMPLIED NO ACTION WILL FOLLOW.

5. COMMENT: WE ARE QUITE CERTAIN GRC DOES NOT ACTUALLY INTEND TO SEND SURVEY TEAM TO SENKAKUS'S MUCH LESS TO TRY TO ESTABLISH ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE. WE ARE SLIGHTLY LESS CERTAIN THAT GRC FULLY APPRECIATES THAT EVEN TALK ALONG THESE LINES IN INTERNATIONAL PRESS IS PROVOCATIVE, ALTHOUGH WE HAVE MADE THIS EXTREMELY CLEAR TO PONOFF. GRC IS FACED WITH A REAL DILEMMA ON THE SENKAKUS ISSUE. ON THE ONE HAND OFFICIALS ARE QUITE AWARE OF REALITIES AND WANT TO MINIMIZE CONTROVERSY. ON THE OTHER HAND THE ISSUE HAS BECOME SO HIGHLY NATIONALISTIC THAT NO OFFICIAL RELISHES THE JOB OF ACTING AS A DAMPENER. GP-4.

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SUBJ: SENKAKUS (U)

A. HICOMRY 160635Z FEB 72
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1. (C) COUNSELLOR MURAZUMI, GOJ PREPCOM ELEMENT, NAHA, CALLED ON DIRECTOR USCAR LNAT 1st45 HOURS 68 FEB TO DRALLY INFORM USCAR OF DEMARCH DESCRIBED REF B. HE ADDED GOJ REQUEST TO USCAR THAT SHOULD AN ROC SURVEY TEAM ENTER THE TERRITORIAL WATERS OF THE SENKAKUS OR SHOULD MEMBERS OF SUCH SURVEY TEAM ATTEMPT TO LAND UPON ANY OF THE SENKAKUS, APPROPRIATE STEPS BE TAKEN TO EXPEL SUCH ROC CITIZENS FROM THE AREA.

2. (C) DIRECTOR LN RECEIVED ABOVE WITHOUT COMMENT EXCEPT TO POINT OUT THAT SENKAKUS WILL REMAIN U.S. RESPONSIBILITY UNTIL REVERSION AND U.S. WILL ACT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THAT RESPONSIBILITY.

3. (U) MORNING PRESS 19 FEB QUOTES TOKYO STORY TO EFFECT THAT FONOFF AMERICAN AFFAIRS DIRECTOR YOSHINO TOLD JOINT MEETING OF DIET'S OKINAWA SPECIAL COMMITTEE AND FOREIGN RELATIONS RESEARCH BOARD ON 18 FEB THAT GOJ HAD REQUESTED THAT HICOM MUST ANY ROC SURVEY TEAM DISPATCHED TO THE SENKAKU ISLANDS. GP-4.

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PRC ATTACK ON US AT SEABEDS COMMITTEE

1. PRC REP TO SEABEDS COMITE MADE FOLLOWING STATEMENT
MORNING MARCH 3.

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SPEECH BY AN CHIN-YUAN, REPRESENTATIVE OF THE PEOPLE'S
REPUBLIC OF CHINA, AT THE UN COMMITTEE ON THE PEACEFUL
USES OF THE SEA-BED AND THE OCEAN FLOOR BEYOND THE LIMITS
OF NATIONAL JURISDICTION

MR. CHAIRMAN,

FELLOW REPRESENTATIVES,

FIRST OF ALL, ALLOW ME, IN THE NAME OF THE DELEGATION
OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA, TO EXPRESS THANKS TO MR.
CHAIRMAN AND THE REPRESENTATIVES OF MANY COUNTRIES FOR THE
WELCOME THEY HAVE GIVEN US.

IT IS A PLEASURE FOR THE DELEGATION OF THE PEOPLE'S
REPUBLIC OF CHINA TO COME HERE TO TAKE PART IN THE WORK OF
THE UNITED NATIONS COMMITTEE ON THE PEACEFUL USES OF THE
SEA-BED AND THE OCEAN FLOOR BEYOND THE LIMITS OF NATIONAL
JURISDICTION AND TO WORK TOGETHER WITH OTHER MEMBER STATES
OF THIS COMMITTEE FOR AN EQUITABLE AND REASONABLE SOLUTION
TO THE QUESTION OF THE RIGHTS OVER THE SEAS AND OCEANS.

THIS COMMITTEE WAS ESTABLISHED ON THE ACTIVE INITIATIVE
OF THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES. AT ITS PREVIOUS SESSIONS,
MANY ASIAN, AFRICAN AND LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRIES PLAYED
A POSITIVE ROLE. THEY HAVE PUT FORWARD A NUMBER OF REASONABLE

PROPOSITIONS IN THE INTERESTS OF THE PEOPLE OF ALL COUNTRIES AND EXPOUNDED THE JUST STAND OF SAFEGUARDING STATE SOVEREIGNTY AND OPPOSING BIG-POWER HEGEMONY, THUS WINNING INCREASINGLY EXTENSIVE SYMPATHY AND SUPPORT THROUGHOUT THE WORLD. THIS IS A MOST INSPIRING SITUATION, WHICH REFLECTS THE HISTORICAL TREND OF THE WORLD TODAY AND THE INCREASINGLY AGREAT ROLE PLAYED BY THE COUNTRIES OF THE THIRD WORLD IN INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS.

SINCE IMPERIALISM CAME INTO BEING, THE SEAS AND OCEANS HAVE BEEN TURNED INTO A PLACE WHERE IT HAS RUN RAMPANT AND CARRIED OUT AGGESSSION AND PLUNDER AT WILL. AFTER WORLD WAR II, THE UNITED STATES ATTEMPTED TO DOMINATE THE WORLD AND INCREASINGLY EXTENDED ITS ACTIVITIES FROM THE SEA SURFACE TO THE SEA-BED AND CARRIED OUT EXPANSION OVER VAST AREAS OF THE SEAS AND THE SEA-BED. IT DISPATCHED ITS WARSHIPS AND VESSELS EVERYWHERE TO INTRUDE INTO THE TERRITORIAL SEAS AND PLUNDER THE SEA-BED RESOURCES OF OTHER COUNTRIFS AND EVEN COMMIT OUTRIGHT ARMED INTERVENTION AND AGGRESSION. IN RECENT YEARS, THE OTHER SUPERPOWER HAS NOT BEEN CONTENT TO LAG BEHIND. IT ENTERTAINS THE IDEA THAT A COUNTRY WHICH FIRST GAINS CONTROL OF THE SEA-BED WILL CONTROL THE WHOLE WORLD, AND SO IT HAS ENERGETICALLY SOUGHT EXPANSION ON THE SEAS AND OCEANS AND REACHED OUT ITS TENTACLES EVERYWHERE. TO DOMINATE THE SEAS AND OCEANS, THE TWO SUPERPOWERS ARE CONTENDING AND COLLUDING WITH EACH OTHER AT THE SAME TIME. WHILE PAYING LIP SERVICE TO THE "PEACEFUL USES OF THE SEA-BED", THEY ARE IN FACT STEPPING UP THE DEVELOPMENT OF NUCLEAR SUBMARINES, EEMPLACING NUCLEAR WEAPONS AND VARIOUS MILITARY INSTALLATIONS AND USING THE SEA-BED FOR ARMS EXPANSION AND WAR PREPARATIONS. WHILE TALKING GLIBLY ABOUT THE "JOINT EXPLOITATION OF SEA-BED RESOURCES", THEY ARE IN FACT SENDING OUT THEIR SO-CALLED "RESEARCH VESSELS" AND "FISHING FLEETS" EVERYWHERE FOR BRAZEN INTRUSION INTO THE TERRITORIAL SEAS AND UNBRIDLED PLUNDER OF THE SEA-BED RESOURCES AND COASTAL FISHING AREAS OF OTHER COUNTRIES. THESE HEGEMONIC AND EXPANSIONIST ACTS ON THEIR PART CAUSE A GREAT DAMAGE AND CONSTITUTE A GRAVE THREAT TO THE ECONOMIC INTERESTS AND STATE SOVEREIGNTY OF MANY COASTAL COUNTRIES, EXPECIALLY OF THOSE OF ASIA, AFRIC AND LATIN AMERICA.

BUT THE TIMES ARE ADVANCING, AND TREMENDOUS CHANGES HAVE TAKEN PLACE IN THE SITUATION IN ASIA, AFRICA AND LATIN AMERICA IN THE TWENTY OR MORE YEARS SINCE WORLD WAR II. A SERIES OF NEW EMERGING ASIAN AND AFRICAN COUNTRIES HAVE ATTAINED INDEPENDENCE ONE AFTER ANOTHER. THEY HAVE WAGED UNREMITTING STRUGGLES TO SAFEGUARD THEIR NATIONAL INDEPENDENCE AND STATE SOVEREIGNTY AND HAVE CONTINUOUSLY WON NEW VICTORIES. THE STRUGGLE OF LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRIES,

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WHICH SUFFERED LONG FROM IMPERIALIST ENSLAVEMENT AND OPPRESSION, IS VIGOROUSLY RISING AGAINST IMPERIALIST AGGRESSION, CONTROL AND PLUNDER. TO RESIST ROBBERY AND PLUNDER OF THEIR COASTAL FISHING AREAS BY THE SUPERPOWERS, MANY LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRIES HAVE SUCCESSIVELY DECLARED THE LIMITS OF THEIR TERRITORIAL SEAS TO BE 200 NAUTICAL MILES AND UNFOLDED A JUST STRUGGLE IN DEFENCE OF THEIR RIGHTS OVER TERRITORIAL

SEAS. IN THE LAST FEW YEARS, THIS STRUGGLE AGAINST MARITIME HEGEMONY HAS GRADUALLY EXTENDED FROM THE EAST COAST OF SOUTH PACIFIC TO THE VARIOUS SEAS AND OCEANS OF THE WORLD, AND FROM LATIN AMERICA TO ASIA AND AFRICA AND EVEN NORTH EUROPE AND NORTH AMERICA, FORMING A STRONG IRRESISTIBLE SURGING TORRENT POUNDING THE OVERLORD POSITION OF THE SUPERPOWERS COVETING MONOPOLY OF THE SEAS AND OCEANS.

IMPERIALISM IS NOT RECONCILED TO ITS DEFEATS. THE SUPERPOWERS ARE RESORTING TO ALL MEANS OF INTIMIDATION AND BLANDISHMENT IN A VAIN ATTEMPT TO BRING INTO SUBMISSION THOSE LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRIES WHICH ARE TAKING THE LEAD IN PUTTING UP RESISTANCE. HOWEVER, THE INCREASINGLY AWAKENING LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRIES AND PEOPLES CANNOT BE SUBDUED, COWED OR TAKEN IN. THEY HAVE FIRMLY STOOD UP AGAINST THE GREAT PRESSURE OF THE SUPERPOWERS AND CARRIED OUT STAUNCH STRUGGLES. ONCE PIRATE FISHING VESSELS OF A SUPERPOWER INTRUDE INTO THEIR TERRITIRIAL SEAS, THEY PUT THEM UNDER ARREST AND IMPOSE FINES ON THEM, THUS PUTTING THE SUPERPOWERS, WHICH HAVE ALWAYS BEEN SWASHBUCLING AND DOMINEERING, IN PREDICAMENT AND EVER-IN-INCREASING ISOLATION BEFORE THE PEOPLE OF THE WHOLE WORLD. THE HEROIC STRUGGLE OF LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRIES TO SAFEGUARD THEIR RIGHTS OVER THEIR TERRITORIAL SEAS HAS WON THE SYMPATHY, ADMIRATION AND SUPPORT OF THE PEOPLES OF ASIA, AFRICA AND LATIN AMERICAN AND THE REST OF THE WORLD. IT HAS PROVED ONCE AGAIN THAT SO LONG AS SMALL AND WEAK COUNTRIES IN THE WORLD RAISE THEIR VIGILANCE, PERSIST IN STRUGGLE, STRENGTHEN THEIR UNITY AND SUPPORT ONE ANOTHER, THEY WILL SURELY WIN VICTORY AND THAT THE SUPERPOWERS, THOUGHT LOOKING MONSTROUS, ARE NOTHING TERRIBLE AND CAN SURELY BE DEFEATED.

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THE SUPERPOWERS HAVE TRIED HARD TO FIND PRETEXTS IN INTERNATIONAL LAW FOR THEIR OWN DEFENCE. FIRST THEY ASSERTED

THAT "THE BREADTH OF THE TERRITRIAL SEAS OF STATES HAS BEEN DEFINED BY INTERNATIONAL LAW TO BE THREE NAUTICAL MILES". THEN, UNDER THE PRESSURE OF CIRCUMSTANCES, THEY CHANGED THEIR TUNE AND SAID THAT IT SHOULD BE "12 NAUTICAL MILES". BY THIS THEY ATTEMPT TO ATTACK THE LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRIES' PROCLAMATION OF 200 NAUTICAL MILES TERRITORIAL SEAS AS "VIOLATION OF INTERNATIONAL LAW". BUT THIS IS OF NO AVAIL. AS EVERYONE WITH SOME KNOWLEDGE OF INTERNATIONAL LAW IS AWARE, THERE HAS NEVER BEEN IN HISTORY A UNIFIED AND INTERNATIONALLY RECOGNIZED BREADTH OF TERRITORIAL SEAS. THE BREADTH OF THE TERRITORIAL SEA OF EACH COUNTRY IN THE WORLD IS DETERMINED BY THE COUNTRY ITSELF, AND THIS IS WITHIN ITS STATE SOVEREIGNTY. WITH REGARD TO THE BREADTH OF TERRITORIAL SEAS OF VARIOUS COUNTRIES IN THE WORLD, THERE ARE AT PRESENT MORE THAN TEN DIFFERENT STIPULATIONS, RANGING FROM 3 TO 200 NAUTICAL MILES. WHAT IS MOST RIDICULOUS, WHEN A SUPERPOWER SAYS 3 NAUTICAL MILES TODAY, OTHERS MUST NOT SAY NO WHEN TOMORROW IT, IN COLLUSION WITH THE OTHER SUPERPOWER, SAYS THE BREADTH MUST NOT EXCEED 12 NAUTICAL MILES, OTHERS HAVE AGAIN TO FOLLOW SUIT. BY THIS LOGIC, ONLY THE SUPERPOWERS HAVE THE FINAL SAY, WHILE THE OTHER ONE HUNDRED AND SCORES OF COUNTRIES IN THE WORLD CAN ONLY SUBMISSIVELY OBEY AND LET THEMSELVES BE TRAMPLED UPON AT WILL. CAN THIS BE "INTERNATIONAL LAW" IT IS CRUDE VIOLATION OF THE PRINCIPLE OF STATE SOVEREIGNTY. IT IS IMPERIALIST LOGIC, PURE AND SIMPLE.

FURTHERMORE, THE SUPERPOWERS WANTONLY DISTORT THE PRINCIPLES OF "FREEDOM OF INTERNATIONAL NAVIGATION" AND "FREEDOM OF FISHING". THE VERY TRUTH IS THAT THEY ARE SENDING PIRATE FISHING VESSELS EVERYWHERE TO INTRUDE INTO THE

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TERRITORIAL SEAS AND PLUNDER THE FISHERY RESOURCES OF OTHER COUNTRIES, YET THEY TURN THINGS UPSIDE DOWN AND SLANDER THE JUST STAND OF SMALL AND MEDIUM-SIZED COUNTRIES IN SAFEGUARDING THEIR TERRITORIAL SEAS AND DEFENDING THEIR SEA AND FISHERY RESOURCES AS VIOLATION OF "FREEDOM OF INTERNATIONAL NAVIGATION" AND "FREEDOM OF FISHING". THIS WOULD ACTUALLY MEAN THAT THE SUPERPOWERS ALONE HAVE THE "FREEDOM" OF PLAYING THE BULLY AND RUNNING AMUCK ON THE SEAS AND OCEANS AND CAN TAKE THE TERRITORIAL SEAS AND THE SEA-BED OF OTHER COUNTRIES AS THEIR OWN "INLAND WATERS" AND "COLONIES" WHERE THEY CAN ACT RECKLESSLY AND DO WHATEVER THEY PLEASE, WHILE OTHER COASTAL COUNTRIES, ESPECIALLY THOSE OF ASIA, AFRICA AND LATIN AMERICA, DO NOT EVEN HAVE THE RIGHT TO DEFEND THEIR OWN TERRITORIAL SEAS. SHOULD SUCH "FREEDOM" BE PERMITTED IN THE WORLD TODAY IN THE 1970'S?

ALL THIS SHOWS THAT THE CURRENT INTERNATIONAL STRUGGLE WITH REGARD TO THE RIGHTS OVER THE SEAS AND OCEANS IS IN ESSENCE A STRUGGLE BETWEEN AGGRESSION AND ANTI-AGGRESSION, PLUNDER AND ANTI-PLUNDER AND HEGEMONY AND ANTI-HEGEMONY, A STRUGGLE OF ASIAN, AFRICAN AND LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRIES IN DEFENCE OF THEIR NATIONAL RIGHTS AND INTERESTS AND STATE SOVEREIGNTY AGAINST THE MARITIME HEGEMONY OF THE SUPERPOWERS.

THE CHINESE PEOPLE SUFFERED LONG FROM IMPERIALIST AGGRESSION AND OPPRESSION. THE UNITED STATES IS TO THIS DATE FORCIBLY OCCUPYING CHINA'S TERRITORY TAIWAN PROVINCE, AND OF LATE IT HAS COLLUDED WITH THE JAPANESE REACTIONARIES AND USED THE FRAUD OF "THE REVERSION OF OKINAWA" IN AN ATTEMPT TO INCLUDE INTO JAPAN'S TERRITORY THE TIAOYU AND OTHER ISLANDS -- ISLANDS APPERTAINING TO CHINA'S TAIWAN PROVINCE. FURTHERMORE, THE UNITED STATES HAS IN THE PAST FEW YEARS COLLABORATED WITH JAPAN AND COLLUDED WITH THE CHIANG KAI-SHEK CLIQUE IN MAKING FREQUENT AND LARGE-SCALE "SUBMARINE EXPLORATIONS" IN CHINA'S COASTAL SEAS IN AN ATTEMPT TO FURTHER PLUNDER CHINA'S COASTAL SEA-BED RESOURCES. THESE FLAGRANT ACTS OF AGGRESSION AND PLUNDER CANNOT BUT AROUSE THE UTMOST INDIGNATION OF THE CHINESE PEOPLE. ON BEHALF OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA, I HEREBY REITERATE: CHINA'S TAIWAN PROVINCE AND ALL THE ISLANDS APPERTAINING TO IT, INCLUDING TIAOYU ISLAND, HUANGWEI ISLAND, CHIHWEI ISLAND, NANHSIAO ISLAND, PEIHSIAO ISLAND, ETC. ARE PART OF CHINA'S SACRED TERRITORY. THE SEA-BED RESOURCES OF THE SEAS AROUND THESE ISLANDS AND OF THE SHALLOW SEAS ADJACENT TO OTHER PARTS OF CHINA BELONG COMPLETELY TO CHINA AND IT IS ABSOLUTELY IMPERMISSIBLE FOR ANY FOREIGN AGGRESSOR TO POKE HIS FINGERS INTO THEM. NO ONE WHOSOEVER IS ALLOWED TO CREATE ANY PRETEXT TO CARVE OFF CHINA'S TERRITORY AND PLUNDER THE SEA RESOURCES BELONGING

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TO CHINA. AND NO ONE WILL EVER SUCCEED IN DOING SO.

CHINA SHARED THE COMMON LOT AND FACES THE COMMON HISTORICAL TASKS OF THE GREAT MAJORITY OF THE COUNTRIES OF ASIA, AFRICA AND LATIN AMERICA, THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT AND PEOPLE CONSISTENTLY AND FIRMLY STAND BY ALL SMALL AND MEDIUM-SIZED COUNTRIES SUBJECTED TO AGGRESSION, SUBVERSION, CONTROL, INTERFERENCE AND BULLYING BY THE SUPERPOWERS, AND FIRMLY STAND BY THE PEOPLES OF ASIA, AFRICA AND LATIN AMERICA. WE FIRMLY SUPPORT THE JUST STRUGGLE INITIATED BY LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRIES IN DEFENCE OF THE 200 NAUTICAL-MILES TERRITORIAL SEA RIGHTS AND THEIR OWN MARINE RESOURCES, AND RESOLUTELY OPPOSE THE MARITIME HEGEMONY AND POWER POLITICS OF THE SUPERPOWERS.

MR CHAIRMAN AND FELLOW REPRESENTATIVES,

MORE THAN THREE YEARS HAVE PASSED SINCE THE UNITED NATIONS AND OUR SEA-BED COMMITTEE STARTED TO DISCUSS THE QUESTIONS CONCERNING THE LAW OF THE SEA. MANY SESSIONS HAVE BEEN HELD AND VARIOUS PROPOSALS PUT FORWARD, YET LITTLE HAS BEEN ACHIEVED BY THESE SESSIONS. THE CRUX OF THE PROBLEM LIES IN THE FACT THAT THE ONE OR TWO SUPER-POWERS TRUCULENTLY IGNORE THE SOVEREIGNTY OF THE MAJORITY OF COUNTRIES AND TRY HARD TO COOK UP AND IMPOSE ON OTHERS "RESOLUTIONS" AND "CONVENTIONS" DESIGNED TO STRENGTHEN THEIR HEGEMONIC POSITION ON THE SEAS AND OCEANS AND PUT A "LEGAL" CLOAK ON THEIR ENCROACHMENT UPON THE SOVEREIGNTY AND PLUNDER OF THE RESOURCES OF OTHER COUNTRIES. THIS EXTREMELY ABNORMAL STATE OF AFFAIRS DEFINITELY MUST NOT BE ALLOWED TO CONTINUE.

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WE HOLD THAT EQUALITY OF ALL COUNTRIES REGARDLESS OF THEIR SIZE SHOULD BE A BASIC PRINCIPLE TO WHICH ALL COUNTRIES JOINTLY ADHERE, IN SETTLING QUESTION CONCERNING THE RIGHTS OVER THE SEAS AND OCEANS. WE ARE RESOLUTELY OPPOSED TO THE ONE OR TWO SUPERPOWERS ACTING ARBITRARILY, ORDERING OTHERS ABOUT AND IMPOSING THEIR WILL UPON OTHERS.

WE HOLD THAT IT IS WITHIN EACH COUNTRY'S SOVEREIGNTY TO DECIDE THE SCOPE OF ITS RIGHTS OVER TERRITORIAL SEAS. ALL COASTAL COUNTRIES ARE ENTITLED TO DETERMINE REASONABLY THE LIMITS OF THEIR TERRITORIAL SEAS AND JURISDICTION ACCORDING TO THEIR GEOGRAPHICAL CONDITIONS, TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE NEEDS OF THEIR SECURITY AND NATIONAL ECONOMIC INTERESTS AND HAVING REGARD FOR THE REQUIREMENT THAT COUNTRIES SITUATED ON THE SAME SEAS SHALL DEFINE THE BOUNDARY BETWEEN THEIR TERRITORIAL SEAS ON THE BASIS OF EQUALITY AND RECIPROCITY.

WE MAINTAIN THAT ALL COASTAL COUNTRIES HAVE THE RIGHT OF DISPOSAL OF THEIR NATURAL RESOURCES IN THEIR COASTAL SEAS, SEA-BED AND THE SUBSOIL THEREOF SO AS TO PROMOTE THE WELL-BEING OF THEIR PEOPLE AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF THEIR NATIONAL ECONOMIC INTERESTS.

WE MAINTAIN THAT THE SEAS AND OCEANS AS WELL AS THEIR SUBMARINE RESOURCES BEYOND THE LIMITS OF TERRITORIAL SEAS AND NATIONAL JURISDICTION ARE IN PRINCIPLE COMMONLY OWNED BY ALL THE PEOPLES OF THE WORLD. QUESTIONS OF THEIR USE, EXPLOITATION, ETC. SHOULD BE SETTLED THROUGH CONSULTATION BY ALL COUNTRIES JOINTLY, BOTH COASTAL AND LAND-LOCKED. AND MANIPULATION AND MONPOLY BY THE ONE OR TWO SUPERPOWERS ARE ABSOLUTELY IMPERMISSIBLE.

WE MAINTAIN THAT THE SEA-BED AND OCEAN FLOOR BEYOND THE LIMITS OF TERRITORIAL SEAS AND NATIONAL JURISDICTION

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SHOULD ONLY BE USED FOR PEACEFUL PURPOSES IN THE INTEREST OF SAFEGUARDING INTERNATIONAL PEACE AND SECURITY. THEY SHOULD NOT BE USED TO SERVE THE POLICY OF MILITARY AGGRESSION OF ANY COUNTRY.

WE MAINTAIN THAT THE FIVE PRINCIPLES OF PEACEFUL COEXISTENCE SHOULD BE THE PRINCIPLES GUIDING RELATIONS AMONG STATES. THE SOVEREIGNTY AND TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY OF ALL COUNTRIES AND THEIR RIGHTS AND INTERESTS IN THE SEAS AND OCEANS SHOULD BE UNIVERSALLY RESPECTED. WE ARE RESOLUTELY OPPOSED TO ANY FOREIGN AGGRESSION, INTERFERENCE AND PLUNDER.

WE ARE DEEPLY CONVINCED THAT THESE PROPOSITIONS ARE IN CONFFORMITY WITH THE FUNDAMENTAL INTERESTS OF ALL THE OPLES THROUGHOUT THE WORLD AND ALSO WITH THE SPIRIT OF THE PRINCIPLES OF THE UNITED NATIONS CHARTER, AND THEY PROVIDE A BASIS FOR EQUITABLE AND REASONABLE SETTLEMENT THROUGH DISCUSSIONS OF THE QUESTIONS CONCERNING THE RIGHTS OVER THE SEAS AND OCEANS. WE HOPE THAT THE ABOVE PROPOSITIONS OF THE CHINESE DELEGATION WILL BE GIVEN SERIOUS CONSIDERATION BY THIS SESSION AND THAT, THROUGH THE COMMON EFFORTS OF ALL THE PARTICIPATING COUNTRIES, THIS SESSION WILL MAKE FAVOURABLE PROGRESS.

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2. AFTER ABOVE STATEMENT AND BEFORE US REJECTION OF CHARGES (SEPTEL), PRC REP SPOKE AGAIN SUPPORTING ECUADOR'S DENUNCIATION OF CONGRESS' ACTION IN SUSPENDING AID TO ECUADOR. PRC REP SAID "PRC DENOUNCES POWER POLITICS AND HEGEMONY AS PRACTISED BY THE UNITED STATES."

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C O N F I D E N T I A L USUN 833

SUBJ: LOS, JAPANESE CONCERN RE US REPLY TO PRC INTER-
VENTION IN SEABED COMITE ON 3 MARCH.

REF: A. USUN 783
B. USUN 802

1. SUMMARY. JAPANESE DEL REQUESTED TO KNOW IN ADVANCE ANY REPLY US MIGHT MAKE TO PRC RE SENKAKUS AND REQUESTED US DEL TO SUPPORT JAPAN IN REPLY RE OKINAWA REVERSION.
2. AMB OGISIO (JAPAN) ASKED FOR MEETING WITH USREP STEVENSON AND DEP ASS SECY HERZ TO EXPRESS GOJ CONCERN RE POSSIBLE US REPLY TO PRC INTERVENTION IN SEABED COMITE MEETING ON 3 MARCH. READING FROM INSTRUCTIONS OGISIO MADE FOLLOWING TWO POINTS:
 - A. IN CASE US MAKES USE OF RIGHT OF REPLY TO PRC RE SENKAKUS JAPANESE DEL WOULD LIKE TO BE INFORMED IN ADVANCE OF USG PROPOSED REPLY.
 - B. IF US DOES NOT REPLY TO PRC REMARKS RE REVERSION OF OKINAWA IT MIGHT BE INTERPRETED THAT USG TACITLY AGREES WITH PRC STATEMENT. JAPANESE DEL WAS INSTRUCTED TO REQUEST US DEL TO SUPPORT JAPAN IN ITS REPLY.
3. OGISIO THEN SAID HE UNDERSTOOD (FROM OUR EARLIER CONVERSATION TODAY WITH IGUCHI) THAT USDEL WAS NOT PLANNING ANY FURTHER REPLY TO PRC. STEVENSON SAID IT CORRECT US NOT CONTEMPLATING FURTHER REPLY AS THIS WOULD TEND TO OPEN COMMITTEE DISCUSSION TO FURTHER POLEMICS ON TERRITORIAL QUESTIONS UNRELATED TO ITS WORK. IF PRC RAISES ISSUE AGAIN US WOULD THEN REPLY IN MORE DETAIL. STEVENSON GAVE

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OGISID A COPY OF BRIEF US STATEMENT MADE IN REPLY TO PRC ON 3 MARCH POINTING OUT US HAD REJECTED PRC ACCUSATIONS AND STATED THAT US ACTIONS CONSISTENT WITH INTL. LAW, (ON THAT OCCASION WE HAD RESERVED RIGHT TO REPLY FURTHER BUT DID NOT FEEL THIS COMMITTED US TO DO SO.) STEVENSON SUGGESTED OGISIO FORWARD FULL TEXT STATEMENT TO TOKYO AND THAT IT COULD BE USED IN REPLY TO ANY FURTHER QUESTIONS IN DIET.

4. OGISIO THOUGHT ONE OF REASONS HE HAD RECEIVED INSTRUCTIONS FROM TOKYO WAS BECAUSE JAPANESE DEL HAD REPORTED TO TOKYO ON 3 MARCH THAT US "WOULD REPLY" AND HAD NOT REPORTED ON THE BRIEF REPLY WHICH US HAD MADE AT THAT TIME. HE SAID HE PERSONALLY AGREED THAT WOULD NOT BE DESIRABLE FOR US TO MAKE FURTHER REPLY AT THIS TIME AND THAT FORWARDING OF FULL TEXT OF US EARLIER REPLY WOULD HOPEFULLY BE SUFFICIENT.

5. STEVENSON SAID HE WOULD OF COURSE FORWARD GOJ CONCERNS TO DEPT BUT BEFORE DOING ANYTHING FURTHER THOUGHT IT WOULD BE BEST TO WAIT UNTIL JAPAN DEL HEARD FURTHER FROM TOKYO.

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SUBJ: SENKAKU ISLANDS

SUMMARY: FONMIN FUKUDA HAS REITERATED IN DIET MARCH 8 GOJ POSITION
THAT THERE NO DOUBT THAT SENKAKUS ARE JAPANESE TERRITORY
AND FONOFF HAS RELEASED OFFICIAL STATEMENT SETTING FORTH BASIS FOR
JAPANESE POSITION. END SUMMARY.

1. AT MEETING OF LOWER HOUSE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON OKINAWA AND
NORTHERN TERRITORIES MARCH 8, LDP DIETMAN FROM OKINAWA, KOKUBA,
ASKED GOVERNMENT ABOUT STATUS OF SENKAKUS. FONMIN REPLIED THAT
THERE NO DOUBT THAT SENKAKUS ARE JAPANESE TERRITORY.
AS BASIS FOR THIS HE CITED FOLLOWING: (A) JANUARY 1895 CABINET
DECISION INCORPORATING SENKAKUS INTO JAPAN, (B) SENKAKUS WERE NOT
INCLUDED AS PART OF TAIWAN WHEN JAPAN TOOK OVER TAIWAN FROM CHINA
UNDER TREATY OF SHIMONOSEKI IN MAY 1895, (C) AS A RESULT, UNDER
SAN FRANCISCO PEACE TREATY, SENKAKUS WERE NOT INCLUDED IN AREAS
RENDUNCED BY JAPAN UNDER ARTICLE 2, BUT WERE INCLUDED IN AREAS
TO BE ADMINISTERED BY US UNDER ARTICLE 3 WHICH AREAS NOW BEING
RETURNED TO JAPAN UNDER REVERSION AGREEMENT, (D) CHINA DID NOT
PROTEST THIS TREATMENT OF SENKAKUS UNDER SAN FRANCISCO TREATY, (E) IT
WAS ONLY AFTER OIL RESOURCES DISCOVERED IN EAST CHINA SEA THAT ROC
AND PRC BEGAN TO PRESS THEIR CLAIMS TO SENKAKUS. FUKUDA ALSO
NOTED THAT IT WOULD BE USEFUL IF FONOFF PUBLISHED STATEMENT ON

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TERRITORIAL STATUS OF SENKAKUS.

2. LATER MARCH 8, FONOFF INFO BUREAU DIRGEN WADA OFFICIALLY RELEASED STATEMENT (TEXT BY SEPTEL) SETTING FORTH THESE ARGUMENTS AND ADDING THAT CHINESE CLAIMS TO SENKAKUS HAD NO VALID BASIS IN INTERNATIONAL LAW. SIMULTANEOUSLY, WADA QTE UNOFFICIALLY UNQTE MADE AVAILABLE FOR PRESS SCRUTINY VARIOUS INFORMATION CONCERNING JAPANESE POSITION. THIS INCLUDED FOLLOWING NATIONALIST AND COMMUNIST CHINESE MAPS ON WHICH SENKAKUS ARE INCLUDED IN JAPANESE TERRITORY: (A) MAP PUBLISHED IN OCTOBER 1965 BY GRC NATIONAL DEFENSE RESEARCH INSTITUTE AND CHINESE GEOGRAPHICAL RESEARCH INSTITUTE ENTITLED QTE WORLD MAP SERIES, VOL. 1, EAST ASIAN COUNTRIES UNQTE, (B) MAP IN VOLUME 4 OF OFFICIAL GRC MIDDLE SCHOOL GEOGRAPHY TEXTBOOK PUBLISHED IN JANUARY 1970, AND (C) MAP ISSUED BY MAP PUBLISHING SOCIETY IN PEKING IN NOVEMBER 1958 AS PART OF ITS QTE WORLD MAP SERIES UNQTE.

3. ACCORDING TO PRESS ACCOUNTS WADA INDICATED THAT IN LIGHT OF RECENT EVENTS GOJ FELT IT APPROPRIATE TIME TO STATE ITS POSITION CLEARLY. PRESS SAID THESE EVENTS INCLUDED (A) GRC ORDINANCE IN FEBRUARY 1972 INCLUDING SENKAKUS WITHIN ILAN COUNTY OF TAIWAN PROVINCE, (B) PRC STATEMENT IN UN SEABED COMMITTEE MARCH 3 SETTING FORTH ITS CLAIM TO SENKAKUS AND (C) MOVES BY PRO-PEKING JAPAN INTERNATIONAL TRADE PROMOTION ASSOCIATION TO START A PROPAGANDA CAMPAIGN IN JAPAN SUPPORTING PRC CLAIM TO SENKAKUS. FIRST NORTH AMERICAN AFFAIRS DIV (SATD) TOLD EMBOFF MARCH 9 THAT GOJ BELIEVED QTE SYMPATHETIC UNQTE QUESTION IN DIET COMMITTEE OFFERED GOOD OPPORTUNITY TO PUT ITS POSITION ON RECORD IN GREATER DETAIL THAN IT HAD PREVIOUSLY.

4. COMMENT: IT APPEARS THAT RECENT MOVES BY GRC AND PRC TO REITERATE THEIR CLAIMS TO SENKAKUS LED GOJ TO CONCLUSION THAT IT COULD NOT BUT PUBLICLY PRESENT BASIS FOR ITS POSITION THAT SENKAKUS PART OF JAPAN. IT SEEMS CLEAR THAT GOJ ARRANGED FOR MATTER TO BE RAISED IN DIET COMMITTEE THUS PRESENTING IT WITH OPPORTUNITY TO PLACE ITS POSITION FORMALLY ON DIET RECORD AND TO RELEASE OFFICIAL FONOFF STATEMENT. THIS TACTIC PERMITTED GOJ TO ACHIEVE MAXIMUM PUBLICITY IN CONTROLLED ENVIRONMENT AND AVOID NECESSITY FOR IMMEDIATE REBUTTAL TO COUNTERCLAIMS AS WOULD BE CASE AT UN.

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China and Taiwan Challenge Japan's Claim to Senkakus

Special to The New York Times

TOKYO, March 12—The Japanese Government is at odds with both Peking and Taipei over ownership of eight uninhabited islets in the East China Sea. The dispute flared because a United Nations geological team said the surrounding waters held good prospects for oil.

The island string, known to the Chinese as the Tiao Yu Tai Islands and to the Japanese as the Senkakus, is under the United States administration of the Ryukyu Island chain, under provisions of the Japanese peace treaty of 1951. The islands are scheduled to be re-



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turned to Japan, which administered them until late in World War II, along with Okinawa on May 15.

Last month, however, Taipei ordered new geography textbooks to show the islands as part of the province of Taiwan. In August, 1970, the Chinese Nationalists licensed an American company for offshore oil exploration in the area, but Japanese protests forestalled any activity.

Peking Sees Collusion

At the United Nations Peking said recently that the United States "had colluded with the Japanese reactionaries and used the fraud of the reversion of Okinawa in an attempt to include into Japan's territory the Tiao Yu and other islands pertaining to China's Taiwan Province.

The Chinese delegate, An Chih-yuan, addressing the General Assembly's Committee on Peaceful Uses of the Seabed and Ocean Floor, accused the United States, Japan and the Chinese Nationalists in Taiwan of collaborating to plunder Chinese coastal seabed resources.

The claim to the islands was reasserted in a letter by Huang Hua, the chief Chinese delegate to the United Nations, in a letter to the Committee on Decolonization that was made public last Friday.

In this regard, high Japanese officials are pointing to the desirability of agreement between Japan, China, Taiwan and North and South Korea on national boundaries on the continental shelf of the shallow East China and Yellow Seas and other waters to permit offshore oil exploration.

Isle Used as Firing Range

The disputed islands are situated about 100 miles northeast of the port of Keelung on Taiwan and 200 miles west of Okinawa. The main island of the Senkakus has been used by United States forces on Okinawa as a firing range.

American officials say there is no question of title since the Senkakus are included in a geographical area identified by longitudinal and latitudinal marks that was put under American administration by the San Francisco peace treaty. All islands in this area are being returned to Japan.

However, the Peking regime did not sign the peace treaty with Japan.

Last week the Japanese Government formally rebutted both Peking's and Taiwan's territorial claims in a Foreign Ministry document and asserted that it had no intention of discussing jurisdiction over the islands with any country.

The document states that the Senkakus were incorporated into Japanese territory in 1895 after it had been ascertained that they were uninhabited and that the rule of the Chinese Ching Dynasty of the day did not extend there.

SATO SEES CHINA LIMITING HANOI AID

Premier, in Interview, Says Nixon's Visit to Peking Reduced Tensions

By C. L. SULZBERGER

Special to The New York Times

TOKYO, March 9 — Premier Eisaku Sato of Japan predicted today that China would voluntarily limit her support of the Vietnamese Communists because of President Nixon's discussions in Peking.

Although briefed last week at Mr. Nixon's request by Assistant Secretary of State Marshall Green, Mr. Sato did not pretend to have any information on the point.

But he declared in an interview that Mr. Nixon's visit to China was a "great and significant event" that had been "very effective in reducing tensions in Asia."

New Talks Expected

Obviously expressing his personal interpretation of the new Far Eastern situation, the Premier said:

"I think the Chinese Communist regime itself will now draw a line, perhaps as expected by the United States, and will voluntarily limit its support of the Vietnamese Communists."

"Of course, I'm not in a position to know all that was talked about. It is apparent that right now the United States is intensifying its bombings in Vietnam. But, personally, I expect that new talks on Indochina peace will start soon and that they will be

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based on the United States proposal."

He went on:

"I can't know about all details. I did have a briefing from Marshall Green and his aide about the China talks. But we don't know if there is more to these, in addition to what has been made public."

"We highly appreciated the President's thoughtfulness in sending Marshall Green to Japan so promptly after his conversations with the Chinese in order that we should know about their substance. But in these circumstances, Marshall Green had to be very careful. There are many points which are clearly exceptionally delicate. On those, perhaps Marshall Green couldn't actually tell us everything; or perhaps he himself didn't know all the details of what was discussed on some matters."

"In drafting a communiqué with a Communist country. There should be an agreed definition on each paragraph. Therefore, I fully understand if something very delicate was discussed, something that goes even beyond the points on which I was briefed."

Visit by Nixon Urged

The interview took place in the Premier's official residence, a squat, somber structure in the heart of Tokyo that also includes his office. He chatted about personal things in English but switched to Japanese for the "business" conversation. Ambassador Hideki Masaki of the Foreign Ministry interpreted.

Mr. Sato said that Japan was eager to have President Nixon pay an official visit while in office. He declined to be quoted directly but said he thought it would be more suitable for Emperor Hirohito, the ceremonial chief of state, to make an official visit to the United States first. "This is what would accord with our sense of propriety and decorum," Mr. Sato said.

The Premier said that his views had been conveyed to Washington.

Mr. Sato said that the open involvement of the superpowers in the recent war on the Indian subcontinent—with the Soviet Union backing India and the United States and China backing Pakistan—had distressed Japan.

Nevertheless, he said he did



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Premier Eisaku Sato

not believe the balance of power in Asia had been altered and for that reason Japan has quickly recognized an independent Bangladesh.

"To us outsiders, situated around the Indian subcontinent," he said, "it looked rather extraordinary to have the situation that prevailed; it seemed rather unnatural that peoples should be grouped together in a country only on the basis of religion, only because they had the same religion."

On Japan's relations with the Soviet Union, Mr. Sato said that talks on a peace treaty formally ending World War II for the two countries were to begin before the end of the year. He indicated, however, that there was not yet any agreement on the basic territorial issue, although Moscow has apparently modified its insistence that no territorial questions could be discussed. Japan claims the return of four islands in the southern Kurile group seized by the Soviet Union at the end of World War II.

U.S. Treaty Discussed

Mr. Sato implied that the United States should limit its base facilities in Japan to positions required to help protect that country under the security treaty rather than to support American commitments in Taiwan and Korea and elsewhere in Asia.

"I do not wish in any way to imply a desire to revise the treaty," he declared. "But there will be a misunderstanding if United States officials do not explain themselves more precisely, stressing that the real purpose of the treaty is the defense of Japan and the safe-

guarding of peace in the Far East."

Nevertheless, he stressed that an American military presence was necessary to ward off Soviet threats, adding: "Certainly Soviet planes fly around here, near our territorial limits, and often scramble with United States and Japanese aircraft. Also there are Soviet submarines in the seas near here."

Peking's Stand Welcomed

Other points made by Mr. Sato in the exchange, which lasted more than an hour and three-quarters, included these:

¶Japan was pleased to learn, through Mr. Nixon's visit to China, "that China itself stated that it had no intention of becoming a superpower."

¶Despite Japan's great interest in participating in the exploitation of fuel resources in Soviet Siberia, it would be "prudent" to investigate the prospects and also to insure that they do not involve Japan in Chinese-Soviet quarrels.

¶Japan's claim to the Senkaku Islands near Okinawa is valid. The uninhabited islands, along with others in the Ryukyu chain, are being returned to Tokyo's sovereignty in May by the United States, but both Peking and Taiwan have talked of their own "sovereignty." The islands are especially important because of their position on the offshore continental shelf in an area considered to contain potential oil wealth.

¶The United States had never suggested that Japan embark on nuclear armament although it supported Japanese desires to strengthen conventional defensive capabilities. Washington has often been reported, on the last two decades, to have urged Japan to assume greater responsibility for security in Asia.

¶Tokyo would look with favor on a nonaggression pact between the Soviet Union, China, the United States and Japan—but only if it included a clause providing for sanctions against violation.

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SUBJ: JDA VICE MINISTER REQUEST SENKAKUS OVERFLIGHT (S)
1. (S) AT MEETING WITH HICOM ON 11 MARCH 72, GOJ AMBASSADOR
TAKASE SAID HE WISHED TO CONVEY IN STRICTEST CONFIDENCE JDA
PARLIAMENTARY VICE MINISTER NORD'S DESIRE TO MAKE OVERFLIGHT
OF SENKAKUS DURING VISIT TO OKINAWA SCHEDULED 21-25 MARCH.
NORD HAD PERSONALLY ASKED HIM TO RAISE MATTER WITH HICOM AND
TO ASSURE HICOM THAT NORD WOULD TELL NO ONE ABOUT SENKAKU
OVERFLIGHT. NORD HAD ASKED TAKASE TO EXPLAIN THAT GOJ HAD
REQUESTED HIM TO MAKE PERSONAL SURVEY OF SENKAKUS BUT THAT
NORD INTENDED KEEP OVERFLIGHT SECRET IN VIEW OF CURRENT
POLITICAL AND INTERNATIONAL SITUATION. FURTHER, THAT OVERFLIGHT
ALSO DESIRED IN CONNECTION WITH STUDY OF POST-REVERSION JOINT
USE OF U.S. GUNNERY RANGE IN SENKAKUS. HICOM AND POLAD,
WHO WAS ALSO PRESENT, UNDERSTOOD AMBASSADOR TAKASE TO SAY THAT
NORD WANTED TO BE IN POSITION TO PRESENT IMAGE OF VIGOROUS
JDA. AMBASSADOR SAID NORD WAS THINKING IN TERMS OF MAKING
SENKAKUS OVERFLIGHT IN COURSE OF VISIT TO MIYAKO. AMBASSADOR
MENTIONED POSSIBILITY OF MAKING OVERFLIGHT IN U.S. PLANE BUT
DID NOT SPECIFICALLY REQUEST U.S. TRANSPORTATION.
2. (S) HICOM ASSURED AMBASSADOR THAT NORD'S REQUEST WOULD BE
DEPT IN STRICTEST CONFIDENCE BUT THAT HE WOULD HAVE TO REFER
MATTER TO WASHINGTON BEFORE HE COULD GIVE ANY REPLY.
3. (S) SENKAKUS FALLS WITHIN TAIWAN AIR DEFENSE IDENTIFICA-

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TION ZONE (ADIZ) AND 313TH AIR DIVISION ADVISES THAT FLIGHT PLAN SHOULD BE COMMUNICATED TO TAIWAN ADCC, AND HENCE ACCESSIBLE TO CRC, REGARDLESS OF WHETHER FLIGHT PLAN FILED WITH 5TH AIR FORCE IN JAPAN OR WITH OKINAWA ADCC HERE. EXISTING PROCEDURES DO NOT HOWEVER REQUIRE TRANSMISSION OF PLANE MANIFEST TO TAIWAN ADCC EXCEPT IN CASE OF ACCIDENT OR OTHER EXCEPTIONAL CIRCUMSTANCES.

4. (S) SO FAR AS WE HAVE BEEN ABLE TO DETERMINE, THERE HAVE BEEN NO JAPANESE OVERFLIGHTS OF SENKAKUS ORIGINATING OR TERMINATING IN OKINAWA. THERE HAS BEEN AT LEAST ONE INSTANCE, DETAILS NOT PRESENTLY AVAILABLE, OF A JAPANESE FILING OF FLIGHT PLAN WHICH INCLUDED SENKAKU OVERFLIGHT FROM AMAMIS BUT WHETHER OVERFLIGHT WAS ACTUALLY ACCOMPLISHED IS NOT KNOWN.

5. (S) WE UNDERSTAND THAT THERE HAS BEEN SOME DISCUSSION WITH JSDF RE JSDF USE OF KOKI-SHO AND SEKIBI-SHO GUNNERY RANGES IN SENKAKUS AFTER REFERSION ON AN AS REQUESTED AND IF AVAILABLE

6. (S) RECOMMEND THAT I BE AUTHORIZED TO INFORM AMBASSADOR TAKASE THAT HICOMRY IS NOT ABLE TO ARRANGE U.S. MILITARY AIR TRANSPORTATION OR OTHERWISE FACILITATE NORO OVERFLIGHT OF SENKAKUS. IF ANY FURTHER EXPLANATION SEEMED INDICATED AFTER CITING ADMINISTRATIVE/LOGISTIC PROBLEMS INVOLVED IN PROVIDING U.S. AIRCRAFT, I PROPOSE TO POINT OUT THAT PUBLIC DISCLOSURE OF NORO OVERFLIGHT AT SOME POINT BETWEEN NOW AND REVERSION CANNOT BE ENTIRELY PRECLUDED AND TO SAY THAT U.S. ADMINISTERING AUTHORITY DOES NOT CONSIDER IT ADVISABLE TO TAKE ACTION WHICH MIGHT FURTHER COMPLICATE INTERNATIONAL POLITICAL SENSITIVITY OF SENKAKUS PROBLEM TO WHICH AMBASSADOR REFERRED AT TIME OF REQUEST.

7. (S) APPRECIATE RECEIVING ASAP AUTHORITY REQUESTED ABOVE AND/OR GUIDANCE. GOJ PREPCOM MINISTER YASHIOKA LATE AFTERNOON 14 MARCH ADVISED THAT, CURRENT DIET DEBATE ON JSDF BEDDOWN NOTWITHSTANDING, NORO PRESENTLY THINKING OF ARRIVING OKINAWA AS EARLY AS 22 MARCH.

8. (S) ADDRESSEES SHOULD NOTE POSSIBILITY THAT NORO MAY SEEK NOW OR AT SOME LATER DATE TO MAKE SENKAKU OVERFLIGHT DIRECTLY FROM JAPAN, WHICH WOULD NOT REQUIRE HICOMRY INVOLVEMENT OR ASSISTANCE.

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- A. HICOMRY, DTG 210835Z MAR 72 (C)
- B. STATE 046145, DTG 172041Z MAR 72 (C)
- C. HICOMRY, DTG 150300Z MAR 72 (S)
- D. EMBASSY TOKYO 3000, DTG 231005Z MAR 72 (C)

1. USFJ HAS INFORMALLY ADVISED US THAT JDA PARLIAMENTARY VICE MINISTER NORO IS NOW TENTATIVELY PLANNING TO VISIT OKINAWA ON 10 APRIL, SUBJECT TO APPROVAL BY NATIONAL DEFENSE COUNCIL.
2. AT LUNCHEON WITH AMBASSADOR TAKASE ON 24 MARCH, HICOM NOTED THAT AMBASSADOR ON 11 MARCH HAS RAISED SUBJECT OF NORO'S DESIRE TO MAKE SENKAKUS OVERFLIGHT (REF C). HICOM TOLD AMBASSADOR THAT, AS HE HAD EXPECTED, WASHINGTON REACTION WAS THAT NORO'S OVERFLIGHT WOULD BE VERY DIFFICULT AND WE WOULD NOT RECOMMEND IT. HICOM POINTED OUT THAT IT WOULD BE DIFFICULT TO AVOID PUBLICITY AND THAT PUBLICITY COULD BE EMBARRASSING TO BOTH GOVERNMENTS.
3. AS HICOM WAS MAKING THESE COMMENTS, AMBASSADOR REPEATEDLY REMARKED THAT HE UNDERSTOOD AND SAID THAT HE HAD NOT ANTICIPATED FAVORABLE RESPONSE. AMBASSADOR MADE NO FURTHER COMMENT AND GAVE NO INDICATION THAT HE ATTACHED ANY SPECIAL SIGNIFICANCE TO NORO'S REQUEST AND HICOM REPLY.
4. IN VIEW OF AMBASSADOR'S IMMEDIATE EXPRESSIONS OF FULL UNDERSTANDING AND IN VIEW OF LATEST SENKAKU DEVELOPMENTS REPORTED

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REF D, HICOM DID NOT PURSUE SUBJECT AND DID NOT REFER SPECIFICALLY TO 7.S, MILITARY TRANSPORTATION OR JAPANESE AIRCRAFT, UN SEABEDS COMMITTEE DEBATE OR JOINT USE OF U.S. GUNNERY RANGES IN SENKAKUS (REF B).

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SUBJECT : Senkaku Islands

REF : TOKYO 2452 and TOKYO 2453

Following Foreign Minister Takeo FUKUDA's Statement of the Japanese position on the Senkaku Islands in the Diet (reftels) March 8, the Foreign Ministry released an official statement (enclosure one) and informally provided the press with certain other information on the islands (enclosures two and three). This airgram encloses Embassy translations of these documents.

In providing these documents, the Foreign Ministry asked that we consider the maps restricted information and that we not make them available to other foreigners or to non-official Americans. The Ministry explained that they had not officially released the maps but merely made them available for scrutiny by the Japanese press. However, it should be noted that at least one Japanese paper printed small photocopies of three of the maps.

- Enclosures: *att EP* MEYER *LS*
1. Official Foreign Ministry statement
 2. Information on location and ownership of the Senkaku Islands
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Official Foreign Ministry Statement, March 8, 1972

From 1885 onward, the Government of Japan conducted several inspections of the Senkaku Islands, using such agencies as the Okinawa Prefectural authorities. Having carefully confirmed not only that these islands were uninhabited but also that there was no evidence that the Chinese Ching Dynasty's rule extended there, the Government of Japan made a Cabinet decision on January 14, 1895 to construct a marker on the islands and formally incorporated them into the territory of Japan.

Historically since that time, the Senkaku Islands have consistently formed a part of the Nansei Islands, which are Japanese territory, and were not included in Taiwan and the Pescadores Islands which Japan received from the Chinese Ching Dynasty under Article II of the Treaty of Shimonoseki which went into effect in May 1895.

Accordingly, in the San Francisco Peace Treaty also, the Senkaku Islands were not included in the territory which Japan renounced under Article 2 of that treaty. Rather they were placed under the administration of the U.S. as a part of the Nansei Islands in accordance with Article 3 of the treaty and are included in the area the administrative rights over which are being returned to Japan by the Japan-U.S. agreement concerning the Ryukyu and Daito Islands (Okinawa Reversion Agreement) signed June 17, 1971. The above facts show most clearly the status of the Senkaku Islands as Japanese territory.

Moreover, the fact that China did not consider the Senkaku Islands to be a part of Taiwan is clear from the fact that China did not in the past make any protest against the Senkaku Islands being included in the area placed under U.S. administration in accordance with Article 3 of the San Francisco Peace Treaty. Both in the case of the Government of the ROC and the Government of the PRC, the territorial rights over the Senkaku Islands became an issue for the first time only after moves to develop oil resources on the continental shelf of the East China Sea surfaced in the latter half of 1970.

Furthermore, it cannot be said that any of the points presented by the Government of the ROC and the Government of the PRC as so-called historical, geographical and geological proof comprise evidence having validity under international law that would suffice to support a Chinese claim to territorial rights over the Senkaku Islands.

Information on Location and Ownership of the Senkaku Islands
On the Senkaku Islands

1. The Senkaku Islands ^{is} ~~are~~ the collective name for Uotsuri Island, ~~Kuba~~ Kuba Island (Kio Island), Kitakojima Island, ^MMinamikojima Island and Taisho Island (Akao Island), and Oki-no-Kita-Iwa Reef, Oki-no-Mi^Nami-Iwa Reef and Tobise Reef, scattered about in the area from 25°40' to 26° North Latitude and from 123°30' to ~~124°~~ 124°40' East Longitude. The total area of the Senkaku Islands is 6.32 square kilometers.

The ~~Senkaku~~ Senkaku Islands are situated about 150 kilometers north of the Yaeyama Islands.

2. Following the Cabinet decision in January, ~~1895~~ 1895, the said Islands were incorporated into Yaeyama Gun, Okinawa Prefecture, since ~~1896~~ 1896, and at the present time, ^{They are} ~~is~~ a part of Ishigaki City. According to the land register of Ishigaki City, the land number, land classification, land size and owners of the Senkaku Islands are as follows:

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Name of Island	Address	Classifi- cation	Land Size	Name of Owner
Minami-Kojima	#2390, Aza-Tonogi, Ishigaki City	Field	cho;tan;se;bu 32 7 3 10	1-46 Miebashicho, Naha City Zenji KOGA
Kita-Kojima	#2391, the same	"	26 1 0 0	"
Utsuri Island (Yokon Is.)	#2392, the same	"	367 2 3 10	"
Kuba Island (Kio)	#2392, the same	"	88 1 3 10	"
Taisho Island (Akao)	#2394, the same	"	4 1 7 0.4	Government-owned

Oki-no-Kita Reef)
Oki-no-Minami Reef) No address
~~Utsuri~~ Tobise Reef)

(Note) The names given in parenthesis under Utsuri Island, Kuba Island and Taisho Island, do not appear in the land register.

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Information on Maps of Senkaku Islands

In the World Atlas, Volume 1, East Asia Nations, (1st edition published in October, 1965), published by the National Defense Research Academy and the China Geological Research Institute of Taiwan, and in the People's Middle School Geography Text-Book (first edition published in January, 1970), which is the Republic of China's state-prescribed text-book, the Senkaku Islands are clearly treated as territory of our country. (The above-mentioned World Atlas and textbook have been recalled since last year, and a revised edition, which treats the Senkaku Islands as territory of the Republic of China, has been issued.)

The "World Atlas" (published in November, 1958), published by the Map Publishing Company of Peking, also treated the Senkaku Islands as a Japanese territory.

List of Attached Maps

- Map #1 World Atlas, Vol. 1. East Asian Nations. 1st edition published in Republic of China in 1965.
- Map #2 National Middle School Geography Textbook, Vol. 4. Edited by National Compilation and Translation Office; 1st edition published in Republic of China, January 1970.
- Map #3 National Middle School Geography Textbook, Vol. 4. Edited by National Compilation and Translation Office. Revised edition published in Republic of China, January 1971.
- Map #4 World Atlas: Japan. Published by Editorial Section, Map Publishing Company, Peking, November 1958.

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SUBJ: SENKAKUS OVERFLIGHT BY JAPANESE PARLIAMENTARY VICE
MINISTER NORD

JOINT STATE/DEFENSE MESSAGE

1. WASHINGTON CONCURS, IN GENERAL, WITH RESPONSE
RECOMMENDED PARA 6, REF A. MORE SPECIFICALLY, HOWEVER,
HICOM SHOULD INFORM TAKASE THAT WE BELIEVE ANY PUBLICITY
RESULTING FROM PROPOSED OVERFLIGHT COULD BE EMBARRASSING
TO BOTH GOVERNMENTS IN VIEW OF CURRENT PRESS INTEREST IN
SENKAKUS ISSUE CAUSED BY RECENT HEATED DEBATE IN UN
SEABEDS COMITE OVER CONFLICTING CLAIMS TO SENKAKUS.
ALTHOUGH US HAS NO BASIS FOR OBJECTING TO OVERFLIGHT
BY PROPERLY CLEARED JAPANESE AIRCRAFT, US WILL NOT BE
ABLE TO ARRANGE US MILITARY TRANSPORTATION.

2. HICOM SHOULD ALSO INFORM TAKASE THAT WE FEEL IT WOULD
BE MOST UNHELPFUL IF GOJ OR NORD WERE PUBLICLY TO JUSTIFY
OVERFLIGHT IN TERMS OF CONNECTION WITH POST-REVERSION

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JOINT USE OF US GUNNERY RANGE IN SENKAKUS" (PARA 1, REF A).
FYI: US POSTREVERSION RETENTION OF GUNNERY RANGES IN
SENKAKUS HAS BEEN CITED FREQUENTLY BY JAPANESE AND CHINESE
PRESS AS EVIDENCE OF US SUPPORT FOR GOJ POSITION IN
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SUBJ: JDA VICE MINISTER REQUEST FOR SENKAKUS OVERFLIGHT (C)
REF A. HICOMRY, DTG 150300Z MAR 72 (S)
B. SECSTATE 046145, DTG 172041Z MAR 72 (C)

1. (FOUO) APPRECIATED PROMPT AND HELPFUL REPLY TO OUR REQUEST FOR GUIDANCE.
2. (FOUO) GOJ PREPCOM HAS INFORMED US THAT JDA PARLIAMENTARY VICE MINISTER NORO HAS INDEFINITELY POSTPONED VISIT TO OKINAWA IN LIGHT OF CURRINT DIET DEBATE ON JSDF DEPLOYMENT TO OKINAWA.
3. (C) NORO HAS BEEN FREQUENT VISITOR TO OKINAWA AND IS LIKELY TO RESCHEDULE VISIT FOR SOME TIME IN NEAR FUTURE. I PLAN TO SEE AMBASSADOR TAKASE LATER THIS WEEK AND WILL AT THAT TIME INFORM HIM OF OUR POSITION ON NORO REQUEST FOR OVERFLIGHT AS INSTRUCTED REF B.

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SUBJ: SATO AND SENKAKUS

SUMMARY: PRIMIN SATO WOULD LIKE USG TO UNDERWRITE
GOJ'S CLAIM TO SOVEREIGNTY OVER SENKAKUS,
PARTICULARLY SINCE IT CAN BECOME MAJOR BONE
OF CONTENTION WITH PRC. USG NON-INVOLVEMENT
POSITION WAS REITERATED TO PRIMIN.

1. DURING MY FAREWELL CALL MARCH 21, SATO RAISED
PROBLEM OF SENKAKU ISLANDS, EXPRESSING HOPE THAT USG
WOULD MAKE CLEAR THEY JAPANESE TERRITORY. HE NOTED
THAT SO LONG AS TAIWAN WAS ONLY OTHER CLAIMANT, PROBLEM
MIGHT HAVE BEEN MANAGEABLE VIA DIRECT NEGOTIATIONS.
HOWEVER, FACT THAT PRC IS VOICING STRONG CLAIM INCREASES
COMPLICATIONS TREMENDOUSLY.

2. COMPOUNDING THAT PROBLEM, OF COURSE, IS LIKELIHOOD
OF OIL RESERVES IN SENKAKU AREA. TAIWAN HAS GRANTED
CONCESSIONS, SUCH AS THAT TO CLINTON OIL CO., WHOSE
ROBERT ANDERSON HAS DISCUSSED SUBJECT SEVERAL TIMES
WITH SATO (WITH A VIEW TO WORKING OUT SOME SORT OF
BILATERAL AGREEMENT ON COMMERCIAL LEVEL). MEAN-
WHILE, JAPANESE FIRMS HAVE FILED APPLICATIONS TO GOJ
FOR CONCESSION AREAS OVERLAPPING TAIPEI-GRANTED
CONCESSIONS.

3. I SET FORTH TO SATO CLEAR USG POSITION THAT IN
RETURNING GEOGRAPHICALLY DEFINED AREAS VIA OKINAWA
REVERSION AGREEMENT WE MERELY RETURNING CUSTODY TO

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AUTHORITIES ADMINISTERING THEM WHEN WE TOOK THEM
OVER, BUT WITHOUT PREJUDICE TO UNDERLYING CLAIMS TO
SOVEREIGNTY THAT OTHERS MIGHT HAVE. CLEARLY USG HAS
NO DESIRE TO GET IN MIDDLE OF DISPUTANTS. EVEN
THOUGH HE MIGHT HAVE WISHED OTHERWISE, SAID ACKNOW-
LEDGED USG POSITION IS QTE LOGICAL UNQTE AND
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1. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF SENKAKUS Q AND A PORTION OF MARCH 24 NOON PRESS BRIEFING AT DEPARTMENT. EMBASSY SHOULD NOTE THAT WORDING OF ANSWERS BY DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN DEPART SLIGHTLY FROM PRESS GUIDANCE TRANSMITTED REFTEL. IN RESPONDING TO PRESS INQUIRIES, EMBASSY SHOULD ADHERE CLOSELY TO WORDING OF LATTER.
2. "Q. THE JAPANESE FOREIGN MINISTER ON TUESDAY EXPRESSED MISGIVINGS ABOUT THE AMERICAN POSITION ON THE SENKAKUS. TWO QUESTIONS: COULD YOU TELL US WHAT THE AMERICAN POSITION IS, AND HAS THERE BEEN ANY DISCUSSION BETWEEN THIS GOVERNMENT AND JAPAN ON SOVEREIGNTY OF THOSE ISLANDS?
A. WELL, IT SEEMS TO ME THAT THIS MATTER WAS DISCUSSED AT SOME LENGTH AS PART OF A RANGE OF ISSUES OF THIS KIND LAST APRIL, AND YOU MIGHT WANT TO LOOK AT THE TRANSCRIPT THERE TO REFRESH YOUR MEMORY. THE ESSENCE OF OUR POSITION IN THIS MATTER IS THAT IN THE EVENT THAT A SITUATION

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SHOULD ARISE IN WHICH THERE ARE CONFLICTING CLAIMS, THOSE CLAIMS, IN EFFECT, PREDATE OUR CONNECTION WITH THE RYUKYUS AND SHOULD BE SETTLED BY THE PARTIES CONCERNED.

3. Q. ARE YOU TAKING THE POSITION, THEN, THAT SOVEREIGNTY OVER SENKAKUS IS A MATTER OF INTERNATIONAL CONSIDERATION, THE POSITION TAKEN REGARDING TAIWAN SOME TIME AGO?

A. (ASIDE), AS I RECALL, LET ME LEAVE IT THAT WE ACQUIRED ADMINISTRATIVE RIGHTS TO THE SENKAKUS UNDER THE PEACE TREATY. WE ARE RETURNING ADMINISTRATIVE RIGHTS TO THE GOVERNMENT OF JAPAN AS PART OF THE OKINAWA REVERSION.

4. Q. BUT I'M TALKING ABOUT SOVEREIGNTY.

A. THAT IS AS FAR AS I INTEND TO EXPRESS MYSELF ON THIS SUBJECT.

5. Q. WE HAVE NO POSITION, THEN, ON SOVEREIGNTY?

A. I HAVE SAID THAT OUR POSITION WITH RESPECT TO CLAIMS IN CONFLICT SHOULD BE SETTLED BY THOSE CONCERNED -- WHICH SEEMS TO ME TO EXPRESS A POSITION."

6. NOTE: PARA 6 OF PRESS GUIDANCE TRANSMITTED REFTEL REFERS TO REVERSION AS TAKING PLACE ON MAY 16, 1972. THIS SHOULD BE CORRECTED TO READ MAY 15, 1972. IRWIN

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SUBJ: PRC-JAPAN: SENKAKU DISPUTE

SUMMARY: PEKING HAS STRONGLY REBUTTED RECENT JAPANESE
STATEMENTS CLAIMING SOVEREIGNTY OVER THE SENKAKU (TIAUYU)
ISLANDS AND EXPRESSED ALARM OVER REPORTS OF JAPANESE PLANS
TO PATROL THE AREA. NO DIRECT COUNTER ACTION, HOWEVER, IS
THREATENED. END SUMMARY

1. NCNA (MARCH 30) SHARPLY DENOUNCED RECENT JAPANESE
STATEMENTS CLAIMING SOVEREIGNTY OVER THE SENKAKU (TIAUYU)
ISLANDS. TAKING UP SPECIFIC POINTS OF THE JAPANESE OFFICIAL
STATEMENT ISSUED ON MARCH 8, NCNA CHARGED THAT THE 1885
JAPANESE SURVEY OF THE AREA CAME AFTER "SEVERAL CENTURIES"
OF CHINESE JURISDICTION OF THE AREA AND THE "INCORPORATION"
OF THE ISLANDS AS JAPANESE TERRITORY WAS IMPOSED UPON THE
WEAKENED CHING DYNASTY SHORTLY BEFORE THE TREATY OF
SHIMONOSEKI IN 1895. NCNA CHARGED THAT AFTER WORLD WAR II
THE US HAD "UNILATERALLY DECLARED" THAT IT ENJOYED "ADMINISTRATIVE
RIGHTS" OVER THE ISLANDS AND THAT THE TRANSFER OF THESE RIGHTS TO
JAPAN UNDER THE "OKINAWA REVISION FRAUD" IS LIKEWISE "ILLCIT."
2. COMMENTING ON A JAPANESE PRESS REPORT, NCNA SAYS THAT
IF JAPAN DARED TO PATROL THE WATERS AROUND THE ISLANDS OR
TO HOIST THE JAPANESE FLAG, IT WOULD BE OPPOSED BY THE
CHINESE AND JAPANESE PEOPLE.

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3. COMMENT: THE STATEMENT OF INTENTION TO RECOVER THE ISLANDS AGAIN FOLLOWS REASSERTION OF DETERMINATION TO EVENTUALLY LIBERATE TAIWAN. THE WARNING RAISED AGAINST "PATROLLING" DOES NOT IMPLY THAT DIRECT COUNTER ACTION WOULD BE TAKEN. ALTHOUGH STRONGLY WORDED, THE ARTICLE, UNLIKE THE GOVERNMENT STATEMENT, DOES NOT BRING IN THE THEME OF JAPANESE "MILITARISM." GP-4

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SUBJ: SENKAKUS

A. TAIPEI 140937Z

1. GRI POLICE REPORT THAT THEIR POLICE PATROL VESSEL "CHITOSE" MADE ROUTINE PARTORL OF SENKAKU WATERS 11-12 APR 72. IT ARRIVED AT MINAMI KOJIMA 1630 HOURS, 11 APR, LANDED A PARTY AND FOUND NO EVIDENCE OF INTRUSION. THE CHITOSE THEN SAILED TO KITA KOJIMA, ARRIVING AT 1730 HOURS, AND FOUND ONE TAIWANESE VESSEL FISHING NEAR SHORE. THE GRI POLICE NOTIFIED THE FISHERMEN THAT THEY WERE INTRUDING INTO RYUKYUAN WATERS AND REQUESTED THEM TO LEAVE. THE TAIWANESE VESSEL DEPARTED WITHOUT INCIDENT.

2. THE PATROL VESSEL ANCHORED AT KITA KOJIMA FOR THE NIGHT AND DEPARTED AT DAYLIGHT, 12 APR FOR UOTSURI JIMA. IT LANDED A PARTY ON THE SOUTH SHORE ABOUT 0615 HOURS, AND FOUND NO EVIDENCE OF RECENT INTURSION. THE PATROL BOAT THEN SAILED TO THE NORTH SIDE OF UOTSURI WHERE IT FOUND FIVE TAIWANESE VESSELS FISHING 500 TO 1000 METERS OFF SHORE. THE GRI POLICE NOTIFIED THE FISHERMEN THAT THEY HAD INTRUDED INTO RYUKYUAN WATERS AND REQUESTED THEM TO LEAVE. ALL OF THE TAIWANESE VESSELS DEPARTED WITHOUT INCIDENT, AND THE POLICE PATROL VESSEL RETURNED TO ISHIGAKI PORT.

3. GRI POLICE REPORT THAT THROUGHOUT THE PERIOD THE WEATHER WAS CLEAR, WINDS FROM THE SE AT 4 TO 6 KNOTS.

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Senkaku Islands

TOKYO, March 22.—Foreign Minister Fukuda expressed his satisfaction at what he considered an uncertain attitude of the U.S. government toward the question of sovereignty of the disputed Senkaku island group.

Fukuda said that Japan might look for a stern protest with the U.S. government, depending upon the content of a statement the United States was understood to be considering on the island question.

Last April the U.S. State Department said that since the territorial rights over the islands had become an international dispute in

connected with oil re-
serves in the area, the islands had been
claimed by China and also that
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FM AMEMBASSY TAIPEI
TO RUEHC/SECSTATE WASHDC 5370
INFO RUMJDH/AMCONSUL HONG KONG 2562
RUEIKU/AMEMBASSY TOKYO 2559
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SUBJECT: SENKAKUS

REF: HICOMRY 180100Z APR 72

EMBOFF PASSED INFORMATION REFTEL TO MOFA (CHIEN), WHO
THANKED US. CHIEN ADDED THAT GRC HAD
HEARD NOTHING FROM FISHING VESSELS AND HE IMAGINED
THAT INCIDENT HAD BEEN INFLATED BY JAPANESE PRESS.
EMBOFF SAID THAT HE HOPED FURTHER INCIDENTS COULD BE
AVOIDED. GP-3

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FM HICOM OKINAWA RYIS//HCRI//

TO RUEADWD/DA//DUSA (IA), DAMO-IA, DAIO//

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SSSTATE FOR ERICSON

SUBJ: SENKAKUS: HICOM DISCUSSION WITH GOJ AMBASSADOR TAKASE,

28 APRIL 1972

A. MSG FJN-0296, 29 APR (NOTAL)

1. (C) DURING LUNCHEON WITH HICOM AT WHICH POLAD ALSO PRESENT, GOJ AMBASSADOR TAKASE RAISED SUBJECT OF SENKAKUS, AMBASSADOR SAID FOREIGN MINISTRY IN TOKYO HAD BEEN INFORMED BY JAPANESE POLICE THAT THEY HAD INFORMATION THAT RIGHTEST PATRIOTIC ELEMENTS IN JAPAN AND HERE ON OKINAWA MIGHT TRY AND MAKE "SOME MOVE" TO LAND ON THE SENKAKU ISLANDS. AMBASSADOR ASKED HICOM IF HE WOULD GIVE HIS PERSONAL ATTENTION TO THIS MATTER AND HAVE THE GRI POLICE MAKE NECESSARY PREPARATIONS. GOJ WISHED KEEP SITUATION OF SENKAKU ISLANDS QUIET UNTIL REVERSION AND HE WISHED TO ASK HICOM COOPERATION. SPECIFIC NEED WAS TO PREVENT ANY PERSONS HAVING SUCH A PLAN FROM HIRING A BOAT. IN RESPONSE, HICOM SAID THAT, THROUGH USCAR PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENT, WE WOULD HAVE CONFIDENTIAL DISCUSSIONS WITH GRI POLICE TO REDUCE THIS POSSIBILITY.

2. (C) USCAR PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENT HAS REQUESTED GRI POLICE TO TAKE ALL POSSIBLE ACTIONS TO PRECLUDE RIGHTEST INSPIRED INCIDENTS IN SENKAKUS PRIOR TO REVERSION. GRI POLICE, FULLY BRIEFED ON POTENTIAL PROBLEM, ARE MAINTAINING CLOSE SURVEILLANCE OF TWO MAN ADVANCE PARTY CURRENTLY IN OKINAWA (REF A), AND ARE COORDINATING CLOSELY WITH GOJ NATIONAL POLICE AGENCY TO MONITOR ENTIRE SITUATION. GRI POLICE PLAN TO TAKE INTO PROTECTIVE CUSTODY ANYONE ATTEMPTING TO LAND ON SENKAKUS DURING PRE-REVERSION PERIOD. EVEN IF NO LANDING ON SENKAKUS DETECTED, POLICE PLAN FINAL PRECAUTIONARY SWEEP OF AREA

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C O N F I D E N T I A L TAIPEI 2125

SUBJECT: SENKAKUS
REF : HICOMRY 300211Z APR 1972
WE BELIEVE THAT IF WE INFORM MOFA OF PRECAUTIONARY
MEASURES MENTIONED PARA 2 REFTEL, CHANCE OF UNAUTHORIZED
VISIT BY ROC FISHING VESSELS TO SENKAKUS WATER PRIOR TO
REVERSION MIGHT BE SUBSTANTIALLY REDUCED. REQUEST
AUTHORIZATION TO PASS ON THIS INFORMATION. CP-3.
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REF A IS HICOM OKINAWA 300211Z APR 72 DAMO

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STATE FOR ERICSON

SUBJ: SENKAKUS (U)

A. HICOMRY 300211Z APR 72

B. AMEMB TAIPEI 2125

(C) NO OBJECTION TO INFORMING MOFA THAT GRI POLICE WILL BE PATROLLING SNKAKUS DURING PRE-REVERSION PERIOD AND WILL TAKE INTO PROTECTIVE CUSTODY ANYONE ATTEMPTING TO LAND. EMBASSY MAY WISH REQUEST GRC NOT TO MAKE PUBLIC MENTION OF POSSIBLE ATTEMPTS TO LAND ON SENKAKUS BY JAPANESE RIGHTISTS, IF EMBASSY CONSIDERS THIS MIGHT ENCOURAGE SIMILAR ATTEMPTS BY PRIVATE GROUPS OF NATIONALIST CHINESE. GP-3

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RUEIKD/AMEMBASSY TOKYO 2581
RUMJDH/AMCONSUL HONG KONG 2590
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SUBJECT: SNEKAKUS (U)

REFS A) HICOM OKINAWA RYIS/HCRI-LN 020500Z MAY 72

B) HICOMRY 300211Z APR 72

C) TAIPEI 2125

1. EMBASSY INFORMED MOFA (CHIEN) THAT DUE TO POSSIBLE ATTEMPT BY JAPANESE RIGHTISTS TO LAND ON SENKAKUS PRIOR TO REVERSION GRI POLICE WILL PATROL CLOSELY SENKAKUS DURING REVERSION PERIOD AND WILL MAKE SWEEP MAY 14. EMBOFF EXPLAINED THAT ABOVE INFORMATION WAS CLASSIFIED, AND WE PARTICULARLY WANTED TO AVOID PUBLICITY WHICH COULD BE PLAYED UP BY PRESS BOTH IN TOKYO AND TAIPEI.
2. CHEN SAID THAT HE APPRECIATED BEING INFORMED OF PATROLS AND THAT HE UNDERSTOOD REASONS FOR AVOIDING PUBLICITY. HE ADDED THAT JAPANESE COUNSELOR ITO HAD CALLED ON HIM MAY 1 TO INFORM HIM THAT GOJ HAD REPORTS THAT GROUP FROM TAIWAN MIGHT ATTEMPT LANDING MAY 15. ITO ALSO MENTIONED POSSIBLE LANDING BY JAPANESE RIGHTIST EXTREMISTS IN TERMS SIMILAR TO THOSE REF B.
3. CHIEN SAID THAT GRC/KMT HAD HELD HIGH LEVEL MEETING APRIL 29 ON POSSIBLE STUDENT DEMONSTRATIONS OVER SENKAKUS REVERSION. CHIEN, WHO ATTENDED MEETING, SAID THAT GRC INTELLIGENCE SERVICES AND KMT SECCEN CHANG PAD-SHU WERE SERIOUSLY CONCERNED ABOUT POSSIBILITY OF DISTURBANCES. OTHERS ATTENDING MEETING, HOWEVER, SAID THERE WAS NO EVIDENCE OF SUTDENT INTEREST IN

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SENKAKUS QUESTION LIKE THAT LAST YEAR.
4. COMMENT: WE HAVE SEEN NO EVIDENCE IN TAIWAN OF INTENT TO LAND ON SENKAKUS OR DEMONSTRATE OVER REVERSION. SOME OFFICIALS REMAIN NERVOUS ABOUT STUDENTS BUT OTHERS, INCLUDING SOME POLICE AND UNIVERSITY FACULTY MEMBERS, DOUBT THAT DEMONSTRATIONS WILL OCCUR. IN ANY CASE, GRC SECURITY SERVICES ARE ALERT TO POSSIBILITY. GP-3,
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