

REPORT OF INTERVIEW WITH JAPANESE PRISONERS, MARCH 19, 1942

Reference (a) Report of Interview with Japanese Prisoners, dated March 16, 1942.

(b) Report of Interview with Japanese Prisoners, dated March 17, 1942.

(c) Report of Interview with Japanese Prisoners, dated March 18, 1942.

Place: Non-Commissioned Officers Day Room, Marine Barracks, Pearl Harbor.

Time: Dressings began 1:35 PM and ended at 2:15 PM, March 19, 1942.

"The Agent made it his sole purpose on this visit to instill more and greater confidence in the three other agents (B-53, E-62, and W-29), who are now working as Social Workers (Reference (b) and (c)). It was also repeated at this time that great effort was made by the Agent in order to arrange that visitors be allowed to interview them. However egotistic this may sound, it was repeated in order to create a feeling of gratitude among the prisoners towards the Agent.

INTERVIEW WITH PRISONER #1

Agent: "How are you?"

Prisoner: "Thank you very much I have developed a new interest in life since your last visit."

The prisoner thanked the Agent profusely for having made possible the visits of the Social Workers.

Agent: "Did the Social Workers bring you anything that you liked?"

Prisoner: "Yes. They brought us some very nice candies and we enjoyed them immensely."

Agent: "Attempt was made to have the Social Workers bring in larger quantities of various articles in comfort bags, but this was denied them. However, permission was obtained to bring in small quantities. In order to circumvent this arrangement we have obtained permission for the workers to visit you daily and bring you whatever they are permitted. Is there anything else that you would like to have?"

Prisoner: "I would like to get a shave and a haircut, if that could be arranged.