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From: Chief of Naval Operations
(Director of Naval Intelligence)

To : Commandant, Navy Yard, Washington, D.C.;
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Commandant, Fourth Naval District;
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Commandant, Sixth Naval District;
Commandant, Seventh Naval District;
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Commandant, Ninth Naval District;
Commandant, Tenth Naval District;
Commandant, Eleventh Naval District;
Commandant, Twelfth Naval District;
Commandant, Thirteenth Naval District;
Commandant, Fourteenth Naval District;
Commandant, Fifteenth Naval District;

Subject: Japanese Intelligence Organization for the
United States.

Reference: (a) CNO Conf. Letter Op-16-B, (SC) A8-5/EF37
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Enclosure: (A) Schematic Diagram of the Japanese
Intelligence Organization for the
United States (Plan No. B-7-1-J)

1. Enclosure (A) is a general picture of the Japanese Naval Intelligence setup in the United States. It does not portray units engaged in certain kinds of propaganda and "enlightenment work", although it is realized that it is difficult to separate the latter from espionage elements. In many cases their objectives are the same. Units mentioned in this diagram are known to be, or have been, active in collecting intelligence information for Japanese naval authorities. There are undoubtedly other elements engaged in this work. It is hoped that the District Intelligence Officers will ferret out them. Furthermore, the Ministry of Marine has now under consideration a policy of

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attaching Japanese naval officers to the various Japanese Consulates in the United States in the very near future. These officers will pose as clerks in order to cover up their real activities.

2. It is desired that each District Intelligence Officer draw up without unnecessary delay a detailed schematic diagram of the Japanese intelligence activities within his district with the units of enclosure (A) which are within his respective area as base from which to start. In other words, expand the present diagram. Each district organization should include:

- (a) Names and addresses of undercover agents, paymasters, postoffices.
- (b) Names of subversive units or elements with their respective leaders, location of each.
- (c) Names and addresses of agents and subversive elements with their respective leaders in contiguous foreign territory, such as Mexico and Canada.

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3. Quasi-official Japanese organizations should include such organizations as Japan Tourist Bureau, Railway Bureau, South Manchurian Railway, Finance Bureau, Trade Bureau, Cotton Spinners and Growers Association, Nippon Yusen Kaisha (NYK), etc.; location and leaders.

Japanese Associations and Clubs should include Japanese Chambers of Commerce, business men's clubs such as Nippon Club, Cultural Institutions and Societies, Central Japanese and United Japanese Societies, Pan Pacific Union, etc.

Japanese language schools, religious institutions, and fishing associations because of their known extensive activities are purposely classified under separate units. They should be expanded in detail, giving names, leaders and location.

4. Four copies of each detailed schematic district diagram should be forwarded to the Office of Naval Intelligence.

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Dictated by Commander Davis
Dictated Nov. 20, 1940
Typed by R. Blalock

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By direction.