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RE: A. ID 2847

B. DIR 277 (OUT, 75010)

1. RE PRESENT EXISTENCE BLACK DRAGON SOCIETY. ACCORDING

ODOPAL B-3 REPORT OF 6 JULY 1954 GREAT JAPAN PRODUCTION PARTY REORGANIZED 28 JUNE 1954, BLACK DRAGON SOCIETY TO BE REORGANIZED AS ITS COVERT BRANCH. ODOPAL B-6 REPORT 13 JAN 1955 STATES YOSHIDA MASUZO (2679/3944/4135/0105) HAS LEFT GREAT JAPAN PRODUCTION PARTY AND TRYING RE-ESTABLISH BLACK DRAGON UNDER NEW NAME. ODIBEX 25 MAY ESTIMATE HIS EFFORTS WILL BE UNSUCCESSFUL, STATES HAS BEEN JUST TALK SO FAR. NO EVIDENCE FROM JAMI SOURCES THAT BLACK DRAGON SOCIETY OR GENYOSHA NOW ACTIVE.

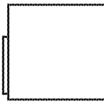
2. RE OGATA TAKETORA RECENT ULTRANATIONALIST CONNECTIONS. SEE [ZJJ] 113, [ZJJ] 221, [FJJ] 209, [FJJ] 268 AND PARTICULARLY [ZJJ] 185. ALSO INTSUM 3716, 11 NOV 1952, WHICH REPORTS HIM AMONG PRIME SUPPORTERS WEST JAPAN NATIONAL CONSTRUCTION LEAGUE (NISHI NIPPON KENSETSU KOKUMIN RENMEI), WHICH ALLEGEDLY ORGANIZED TO FORM

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POLITICAL BASE FOR HIM. INTSUM ALSO LINKS OGATA WITH GREAT HARMONY PARTY (DAIMA TO), ASIA YOUTHS PEACE SOCIETY (ASIA SEINEN HEIWA KAI), COOPERATION AND HARMONY PARTY (KYOWA TO) (WHICH STEMS FROM EAST ASIA LEAGUE). IN 4 DECEMBER 1953 OCPAL REPORT, B-2, OGATA IS LISTED AS ONE OF PROMOTERS OF TOYAMA SOCIETY, TO BE ESTABLISHED ON TENTH ANNIVERSARY DEATH OF TOYAMA MITSURU. ANOTHER OCPAL INFORMANT STATED SAME, 23 DEC 1953, F-3. OCPAL REPORTS (2 OCT 1953, B-2) FORMATION OGATA YOUTH CORPS, FUKUOKA, TO ASSIST OGATA ACCOMPLISH HIS POLITICAL MISSION AND TO CULTIVATE POLITICAL CONSCIOUSNESS AS MEANS CONTRIBUTE TO RECONSTRUCTION OF FATHERLAND. 29 DEC 1954 OCPAL REPORT, B-3, STATED CORPS HAD EIGHTY MEMBERS, WAS IN EFFECT COMBINED WITH TAKETORA SOCIETY AT SAME ADDRESS FUKUOKA. POSSIBLY INCORRECT REFER TO THIS AS ULTRANATIONALIST, BUT INDICATES ADHERENCE "LEADER" PRINCIPLE. TOKYO METROPOLITAN POLICE INFORMANT TOLD JANI LIAISON 28 AUG 1954 THAT OGATA AND OTHER FAVOR REVIVAL BUTOKUKAI (MARTIAL ARTS SOCIETY) TO STRENGTHEN THE CONSERVATIVES.

3. RE OGATA ANTI-WESTERN VIEWS. SUGGEST OBTAIN PHILIP J. CROCKETT OPINION THIS TOPIC. KUCAGE-II HAS HAD NO OPPORTUNITY QUERY POGRID BUT BELIEVE HE WOULD NOT CONFIRM THIS OR HARMFUL ULTRANATIONALIST CONNECTIONS ANYWAY. CONSENSUS OPINION THOSE

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IN JAMI WITH ANY DEALINGS WITH OGATA IS ANTI-WESTERN ALLEGATION FALSE. IN FACT MOST RECENT REPORT, JAMI LIAISON FROM MATSUYAMA SECRETARY, 21 APR 1955, STATES CONSIDERABLE TAINI ATTACHED OGATA BECAUSE HIS FRIENDLY FEELINGS FOR US. COMMON TALK IN POLITICAL WORLD THAT OGATA TIED UP WITH US AND BECAUSE FREQUENT VISITS HIS OFFICIAL RESIDENCE BY AMERICAN PERSONNEL MANY PEOPLE FELT HE GETTING MUCH OF HIS SUPPORT FROM AMERICANS. (FYI, 15 MAR SHUSO REFERS OGATA AS HAVING STRONG CONNECTION WITH KUBARK.) ONLY ITEM LOCATED CRITICAL U.S. IS OGATA ARTICLE 25 APR 1952 SALGYO KEIZAI, SAYING ALTHOUGH SCAP OFFERED JAPANESE GOVT ARREST TOJO, OTHERS AS WAR CRIMINALS, FROM JAPANESE VIEWPOINT THESE MEN IMPORTANT PEOPLE WHOM EMPEROR HAD TRUSTED. AFTER OCT 1945 SCAP PURGE HOME MINISTER YAMAZAKI IMAO, OGATA SAID IN CABINET MEETING, IF THIS SORT THING TO HAPPEN WE SHOULD ALL RESIGN EN BLOC AS PROTEST. PRIME MINISTER HIGASHIKUNI APPROVED, PRESENTED RESIGNATIONS TO EMPEROR. OGATA CONTINUES, HAD SUCCEEDING CABINETS FOLLOWED EXAMPLE, WE MIGHT HAVE DONE WITHOUT A U.S.-MADE CONSTITUTION.

4. MAY BE ABLE OBTAIN FURTHER INFO AGENT, LIAISON SOURCES WITHIN TEN DAYS.

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