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1. The Japanese Ambassador KEN HARADA, accredited to the Quirinale gave a dinner in honor of the American Ambassador Clair Booth LUCE at 2030 hours, 21 February 1954. Among the guests were the following:
- The Japanese Minister to the Holy See and Mrs. INOUE TARAJIRO;
  - American Minister Embridge DURROW and Mrs. DURROW;
  - American Consul Geoff W. GRAY and Mrs. GRAY;
  - American Cultural Attache, Daniel L. Mc CARTHY and Mrs. Mc CARTHY;
  - The Japanese First Secretary and Mrs. GORO HATTORI;
2. Ambassador KEN HARADA and his wife departed for Sicily on 7 March 1954 accompanied by the Attache SHUICHI NOMIYAMA. They returned to Rome on 13 March 1954.
3. The Japanese Ambassador had contact with the following individuals:
- ODA MIKIO, Japanese, bearing diplomatic passport No. 13006 issued 26 February 1954 at Tokyo, arriving Rome, 19 March 1954;
  - MATSUMOTO SHUNJI, Japanese, bearing diplomatic passport No. 13033 issued 6 March 1953 at Tokyo, arriving Rome 19 March 1954;
  - On 2 May 1954 the Japanese Ambassador received the following Japanese diplomats who lodged at the Hotel Plaza:
    - SAITI AKIRA;
5. KANAKURA YOSHICAZU or YOSHICAZU, Second Secretary of the Japanese Embassy accredited to the Quirinale, arrived 12 February at Ciampino accompanied by his wife to take over his responsibilities. It was not possible to know his passport number.
6. SHOICHI IRAHARA, new First Secretary, arrived 26 March 1954 at Rome accompanied by his wife. He will replace GORO HATTORI who has departed for Japan.
7. HARUKI IORI, Counselor of Embassy, accompanied by his wife, departed 21 April 1954 for Northern Italy. They will reportedly visit Milan and Turin, an expected absence of six days.

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8. GORO HATTORI, First Secretary, ceased his responsibilities 7 April 54.
9. MITSUGI YAMASHITA, First Secretary, has taken lodging at 47 Via Paisiello, telephone 811.118.
10. KYOSHI SHIMOMURA, Attache, on 20 January 1954 departed by air from Ciampino for Japan.
11. SHOICHI KAJIWARA, First Secretary, arrived Rome coming from Tokyo on 22 March 1954. He is in possession of diplomatic passport No. 13052 issued at Tokyo on 5 January 1954. He has taken temporary lodging at the Pension Paisiello. He observes punctual office hours: 0830 to 1300 hours and from 1600 to 2100 hours. Subject has replaced GORO HATTORI, assigned for the Japanese Legation in Madrid, who will depart on 29 March for his new post.
12. FAKENAKA KENZOU, Minister Plenipotentiary, bearing diplomatic passport No. 10404 issued 30 April 1952 at Kanagawa Ken, arrived at Rome and took lodgings at the Hotel Regina on 4 August 1954.
13. FURUSAWA KAZUHIKO, Third Secretary, bearing diplomatic passport No. 13617 issued 16 July 1954 at Tokyo, arrived by air in Rome coming from Tokyo, 30 July 1954, accompanied by his wife.
14. SHUICHI ICHIMURA, Attache, departed by air from Ciampino for Tokyo on 1 August 1954.
15. ARAO ONTA, Third Secretary, departed for a long trip in all the capitals of Europe on 20 May 1954. According to source, the diplomat will fulfill a confidential mission, the nature of which he was not able to discover. On 16 June 1954, Subject departed for Tokyo by air accompanied by his wife and two children for definitive repatriation.
16. UCHIDA SONO or UCHIDA S. or SONO UCHIDA, new attache, bearing diplomatic passport No. 13309 issued 19 May 1954 at Tokyo, arrived in Rome 11 June 1954, coming from Japan by air. He was accompanied by his wife and they took lodgings at the Pension Paisiello. Subject was also reported as arriving on 22 June 1954.