EXHIBIT NO. 91



EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

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Tokyo, December 15, 1941.

SUBJECT: DESTRUCTION OF CODES, CIPHERS AND CIPHER DEVICES.

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The Honorable

The Secretary of State,

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sir:

I have the honor to enclose herewith for the Division of Communications and Records a list of the codes, diphers and dipher devices which were burned or destroyed under standing instructions on December 8, 1941 on the outbreak of war between the United States and Japan. This list comprises all the

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codes, ciphers, cipher devices and other material pertaining to codes in possession of the Embassy.

As provided by regulation, this statement is signed by the two officers in whose presence they were burned. The true readings of all telegrams in confidential codes were likewise burned on December 8, 1941 in the presence of the same two officers.

Respectfully yours,

Joseph C. Grew.

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No. 6013

Tokyo, February 18, 1840

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The Honorable

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Washington

Sir:-

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Respectfully jours

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EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA Tokyo, March 25, 1942.

SUBJECT: DESTRUCTION OF STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL FILES.

The Honorable

The Secretary of State, Washington.

Sir:

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I have the honor to enclose a list of the strictly confidential material in the files of the Embassy which was burned in accordance with Section 7 of the Department's undated "Instructions to americ in Diplomatic and Consular Officers in Japanese Occupied Territories and other Regions of the Far East" received in January 1942 through the Swiss Legation in Tokyo.

In addition to the strictly confidential material listed on the enclosure to this despatch, all true readings of telegrams in confidential code were burned on December 8, 1941, as reported in my unnumbered despatch dated December 15, 1941.

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In conformity with the Department's instruction, non-confidential bound and current correspondence was not in general destroyed, but was stored in the Embassy vault for safe keeping in custody of the Swiss representative, and only such material contained therein which might have proved compromising to any individuals in areas under Japanese control was removed and burned.

Respectfully yours

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Enclosure:

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