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DRAFT TREATY ON THE DISARMAMENT AND DEMILITARIZATION OF JAPAN

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On April 29, 1946 in Paris the Secretary of State released to the press the text of the United States Draft Treaty for the Disarmament and Demilitarization of Germany. He also announced at that time that a similar draft prepared by the United States with respect to Japan had been circulated to interested Governments. The Draft Treaty for Japan, which has been circulated to the Governments of China, the Soviet Union, and the United Kingdom, is released for publication herewith:

Draft Treaty on the Disarmament and Demilitarization of Japan

Preamble

The Governments of the United Kingdom, China, the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics and the United States have declared their intention to effect the total disarmament and demilitarization of Japan. This intention was expressed in the Potsdam Declaration of July 26, 1945. In substantial measure, it has already been fulfilled. Nothing shall prevent or delay the completion of the process. It remains to ensure that the total disarmament and demilitarization of Japan will be enforced as long as the peace and security of the world may require. Only this assurance will permit the nations of Asia and the world to return singlemindedly to the habits of peace. To achieve this objective, the governments of the United Kingdom, the Republic of China, the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, and the United States agree to engage in the common undertaking defined in this treaty.

Article I

The High Contracting Parties agree that they shall take steps jointly to ensure that:

- (a) All Japanese armed forces, including land, air anti-aircraft and naval forces, all para-military forces, such as the Gendarmerie (Kempei Tai), the Garde Mobile (Keipei Tei) and the Special Police (Tokka Ka), and all organizations auxiliary to the foregoing shall be and shall remain completely disarmed, demobilized and disbanded.
- (b) The Japanese Imperial General Headquarters, the staffs of the Army and the Navy, and the staffs of any para-military organizations shall be and shall remain disbanded.
- (c) No Japanese military or para-military organizations in any form or guise shall be permitted in Japan.
- (d) The manufacture, production, or importation of military equipment in Japan shall be prevented. In particular, the High Contracting Parties shall prevent the manufacture, production, or importation of:
 - (1) All arms, ammunition, explosives, military equipment, military stores and supplies and other implements of war of all kinds;
 - (2) All fissionable materials for any purpose, except under conditions approved by the high contracting parties;
 - (3) All naval vessels of all classes, both surface and submarine, and auxiliary naval-craft;

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