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Memorandum Concerning the Status of Japanese
Properties in the Ryukyu Islands at the Time of
Coming into Force of the Treaty of Peace in
Connection with the Settlement of Claims Concerning
Micronesia

A vesting order (Proclamation No. Seven of April 1, 1945) was issued, vesting Japanese properties in the Nansei Shoto. Thereafter, until the coming into force of the peace treaty, the United States authorities in the Ryukyu Islands, through various directives, regulations, and letters, either released the vested Japanese properties to Japanese nationals, or treated the title of the vested Japanese public properties as remaining in Japan.

The Government of the United States wishes to assure the Government of Japan that, since then, it has not invoked or relied upon, and that it will not invoke or rely upon Proclamation No. Seven of April 1, 1945 to deprive Japan and Japanese nationals of any of the property rights which were restored to Japanese nationals or to dispose of property where title was treated as remaining in Japan.