

PROTOCOL

The Japanese Imperial Government, the Italian Government, the German Government, on the one side, and the Spanish Government, on the other, enter into an agreement through the undersigned plenipotentiaries as follows:

ARTICLE I

Spain will join in the pact against the Communist Internationale consisting of the Accord and the Supplementary Annexed Protocol of November 25, 1936, and the Protocol of November 6, 1937.

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ARTICLE II

The form which will facilitate, as provided in the above-mentioned Supplementary Protocol, the cooperation of the competent authorities of the participating states shall be decided by future agreement among the authorities concerned.

ARTICLE III

The texts of the Accord and of the Supplementary Protocol, of November 25, 1936, and also the text of the Protocol of November 6, 1937, are attached as appendices to this Protocol.

This Protocol is drawn up in Japanese, Italian, German and Spanish, each of which text shall be considered as authentic. This Protocol shall take effect from the day it is signed.

In witness whereof, the undersigned, duly authorized by their respective governments, have signed this Protocol and affixed their seals thereon.

Drawn up in quadruplicate in BURGOS on March 27, Showa 14, or 1939, corresponding to March 27 in the 17th year of the Fascist Era, March 27 of the 3rd year of victory of New Spain.

Makoto YANO (Seal)
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JORDAN (Seal)

ACCORD AGAINST THE COMMUNIST INTERNATIONALE

The IMPERIAL JAPANESE GOVERNMENT and the GERMAN GOVERNMENT, Recognizing that the aim of the Communist Internationale (so-called "Comintern") lies in the destruction and oppression of the existing states by all possible means, firmly believing that to overlook the interference of the Communist-Internationale in the domestic affairs of the various countries, would not only endanger the

domestic tranquility and the social well-being, but also threaten the general peace of the world, have, in their wish to cooperate with each other in defending themselves against the Communistic destruction, entered into the following Accord:

ARTICLE I

The High Contracting States promise to keep each other informed of the activities of the Communist Internationale, to consult each other in regard to necessary defense measures, and to achieve the foregoing measure through close cooperation.

ARTICLE II

The High Contracting States shall jointly invite third countries, whose tranquility is threatened by the destructive activities of the Communist Internationale, to adopt defense measures in accordance with the purport of this Accord or to participate in this Accord.

ARTICLE III

This Accord is written in the Japanese and German languages, both of which shall be considered as authentic. This Accord shall become effective from the day it is signed, and shall remain in force for a period of five years. At a suitable time before the expiration of this Accord the High Contracting States shall reach an agreement in regard to the form of cooperation thereafter.

In witness whereof the undersigned, dually authorized by their respective governments, have signed this Accord and affixed their seals thereon.

Drawn up in duplicate in Berlin, on the 25th of November, in the 11th year of Showa, corresponding to the 25th of November, 1936.

Viscount Kintomo MUSHAKOJI (Signed and sealed)
Envoy Extraordinary and Ambassador Plenipotentiary of the Imperial
Japanese Government.

Joachim von RIBBENTROP (Signed and sealed)
Envoy Extraordinary and Ambassador Plenipotentiary of the German
Government.

SUPPLEMENTARY PROTOCOL TO THE ACCORD AGAINST THE COMMUNIST INTERNATIONALE

In signing today the Accord against the Communist-Internationale, the undersigned plenipotentiaries have entered into an agreement as follows:

(a) The competent authorities of the Two High Contracting States shall closely cooperate with each other in regard to the exchanging of information on the activities of the Communist-Internationale, and in regard to measures

of enlightenment and defense against the Communist-Internationale.

(b) The competent authorities of the Two High Contracting States shall take strict measures within the scope of the existing law against those who at home or abroad, take service, directly or indirectly, under the Communist-Internationale, or assist its destructive activities.

(c) In order to facilitate the cooperation mentioned in (a) above between the competent authorities of the Two High Contracting States, a permanent commission shall be established. The commission shall study and discuss further measures necessary to prevent the destructive activities of the Communist-Internationale.

In Berlin, the 25th of November in the 11th year of Showa, corresponding to the 25th of November, 1936.

Viscount Kintomo MUSHAKOJI (signed and sealed)
Envoy Extraordinary and Ambassador Plenipotentiary of the Imperial
Japanese Government

Joachim von Ribbentrop (signed and sealed)
Envoy Extraordinary and Ambassador Plenipotentiary of the German
Government.

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The IMPERIAL JAPANESE GOVERNMENT, the ITALIAN GOVERNMENT, the GERMAN GOVERNMENT, Considering the fact that the Communist-Internationale constantly threatens the civilized world in the Occident and the Orient, disturbing and destroying its peace and order, firmly believing that only close cooperation among all the states who are interested in maintaining peace and order will be able to reduce and remove this peril, considering that Italy, which since the advent of the Fascist Regime has combatted with indomitable determination such peril and has driven out the Communist-Internationale from her territory, has decided to fight against this common enemy with Japan and Germany which adhere closely to the same will to defend themselves against the Communist-Internationale, have entered into the following agreement in accordance with the provisions of Article II of the Accord against the Communist-Internationale which was concluded on November 25, 1936 in Berlin between Japan and Germany.

ARTICLE I

Italy shall participate in the Accord and Supplementary Protocol which were concluded on 25 November 1936 in Berlin between Japan and Germany, the text of which Accord and Supplementary Protocol are attached as appendices to this Protocol.

ARTICLE II

The Three High Contracting States of this Protocol agree that Italy shall be considered as the original signer of the Accord and the Supplementary Protocol mentioned in the preceding Article, the signing of this Protocol being equivalent to the signing of the original text of the Accord and of the Supplementary Protocol.

ARTICLE III

This Protocol shall constitute an integral part of the above-mentioned Accord and Supplementary Protocol.

ARTICLE IV

This Protocol is written in Japanese, Italian and German languages, each of which text shall be considered as authentic. This Protocol shall become effective from the day it is signed.

In witness whereof, the undermentioned, duly authorized by their respective governments, have signed this Protocol and affixed their seals thereon.

Drawn up in triplicate in Rome, on the 6th of November in the 12th year of Showa, or 1937, corresponding to the 16th year of the Fascist Era.

Masaaki HOTA

CIANO

Joachim von RIBBENTROP

C E R T I F I C A T E

W.D.C. No. _____
I.P.S. No. 1452

Statement of Source and Authenticity

I, HAYASHI Kaoru, hereby certify that I am officially connected with the Japanese Government in the following capacity: Chief of Archives Section, Japanese Foreign Office, and that as such official I have custody of the document hereto attached consisting of _____ pages, dated _____, 19____ and described as follows: Agreement between Japan, Germany, Italy and Spain providing for the participation of Spain in the Anti-Comintern Pact signed 27 March 1939.

I further certify that the attached record and document is an official document of the Japanese Government, and that it is part of the official archives and files of the following named ministry or department (specifying also the file number or citation, if any, or any other official designation of the regular location of the document in the archives or files): Foreign Ministry.

Signed at Tokyo on this
22nd day of August, 1946

/s/ K. HAYASHI
Signature of Official
SEAL

Witness: /s/ Nagaharu Odo

Official Capacity

Statement of Official Procurement

I, Richard H. Larsh, hereby certify that I am associated with the General Headquarters of the Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers, and that the above described document was obtained by me from the above signed official of the Japanese Government in the conduct of my official business.

Signed at Tokyo on this
24 day of Aug., 1946

/s/ Richard H. Larsh
NAME

Witness: /s/ Edward P. Monaghan

Investigator IPS
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