

# MILITARY COURTS FOR THE TRIAL OF WAR CRIMINALS

D.J.A.G's Case No. BM/JAG/65087

Name of Accused (including Rank, if any)	Arm or Former Arm of the Service	Age	Date and Place of Trial
Civilian Kiyoyoshi TAKAMINE	In the employ of the Imperial Japanese Army.		11 and 12 July 1946. KUALA LUMPUR
			Convened by
			GOC-in-C, Malaya Command.

## CHARGES

CHARGE. COMMITTING A WAR CRIME in that he at Kuala Lumpur and Port Swettenham, Malaya, between the 1st September 1943 and 30th September 1944, being in the services of the occupying power as a civilian Interpreter attached Kempeitai HQ at Kuala Lumpur aforesaid was, in violation of the laws and usages of war, concerned in the illtreatment of civilian residents of Malaya which illtreatment resulted in physical suffering to them and particularly to CHEE CHEONG KONG, KHOO BENG KEONG, KOH SI THIAM, LEE AH BEE, LEE BOON TING, PONG CHEE KEONG, LAW JOO CHIN, LIM HENG KIT, NG KA SING, S.A. KANAGARAYAR, TAN SEE BOO, CHONG YEW WEE, and GOH HAK LENG.

President and Members of the Court (except Legal Member)		Judge Advocate/Legal Member
Lt.Col. C.G.H. CULLEY. Major E.N. HEBDEN. Capt. E.H. DUNSFORD.	Solicitor. (Gen List). R.A. A.B.R.O.	N/A
Pleaded	Finding	
Not Guilty	Guilty	

## Sentence and Minute of Confirmation

5 years imprisonment.

Confirmed, GOC-in-C, Malaya Command,  
11 November 1946.

When and where Promulgated :—

15 November 1946.

Date of Receipt	To whom sent	Date sent	Purport

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Japanese Army., att Malaya  
Command Signals.

PLACE & DATE  
OF TRIAL Kuala Lumpur 11th and 12th  
July 1946.

COURT CONVENED BY G.O.C.-in-C. Malaya Command.

PRESIDENT Lt.Col. C.G.H.CULLEY. Solicitor. (Gen List).

MEMBERS Major.E.N.HEBDEN. R.A.  
Capt. E.H.DUNSFORD. A.B.R.O.

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CHEE KEONG, LAW JOO CHEN, LIM HENG KIT, NG  
KA SING, S.A.KANAGARAYAR, TAN SEE BOO, CHONG  
YEW WEE, and GOH HAK LENG.

PLEA Not Guilty.

FINDING Guilty.

SENTENCE 12 July 46. 5 years Imprisonment.

CONFIRMED 11 Nov 46. By C.O.C.-in-C. Malaya Command.

PROMULGATED 15 Nov 46.

REMARKS

DISPOSAL OF  
PROCEEDINGS To AG3 HQ ALFSEA...21 November 1946....  
JAG of the Forces.....

DJAG ALFSEA  
Case No.65087 JAG.



ABSTRACT OF EVIDENCE.

In the case of: **TAKAMINE Kiyoyoshi.**

On a day in June or September 1944, in the late afternoon **TAN KIM SIAH** and **GOH HAK LENG** were taken to the Kempeitai office at Port Swettenham and there they were questioned as to the whereabouts of **HO SEE BOO**. **GOH HAK LENG** was beaten severely about his body with a stick by **TAKAMINE** and another. The beating continued for about an hour. **GOH HAK LENG** still persisted in his ignorance of the whereabouts of **HO SEE BOO** and they lifted him up and put him in a bath-tub full of water, taking it in turns to push his head under the water. Under this torture he became unconscious, and when he came to, he was lying on the floor of the next room.

The day following this **TAN SEE BOO** and **CHONG YEW WEE** were taken from the Police Station to the Kempeitai office. During the questioning of these two men by **TAKAMINE** and one other they beat **TAN SEE BOO** with an iron rod and a long stick. They both beat at the same time for about one hour after which **TAN SEE BOO** became unconscious. He was revived and **OGASAHARA** and **TAKAMINE** carried him into an adjoining bathroom where they put him into a tub full of water, each grasped his shoulders and pushed his head under the water several times until he became unconscious.

The beating and water treatment was administered in the same order and the same manner to **CHONG YEW WEE** who also became unconscious as a result of it.

At the beginning of November 1943, **LAW JOO CHIN** was in custody at Kempeitai HQ High Street, Kuala Lumpur. He was ill-treated on several occasions and on one occasion he was taken out by **TOYOSHIMA** and both his hands were tied together by a rope which was slung over a hook in the centre of the ceiling. **TOYOSHIMA** and **TAKAMINE** then hauled on the other end of the rope and he was hoisted up until he was about 18" from the ground. Whilst in this position **TOYOSHIMA** and **TAKAMINE** took it in turns to beat him about his body with a cane.

**LIM HENG KIT** was also in custody at the same place and time and during the interrogation on one occasion **TOYOSHIMA** and **TAKAMINE** beat him with long sticks about 3 feet long and  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch thick simultaneously. This beating continued for about an hour after which he was taken back to the cell by **TOYOSHIMA**.

The accused has made a statement which will be produced in evidence.