

MILITARY COURT FOR THE TRIAL OF WAR CRIMINALS

ACCUSED

Sgt. Maj. JOTANI Kitaichi, of the
Imperial Japanese Army, att.
Singapore Ammunition Depot.

PLACE AND
DATE OF TRIAL

Singapore. 25,26,27,28 & 31st March '47.

COURT CONVENED BY

G.O.C. Singapore District.

PRESIDENT

Lt-Col. H.E.R. SMITH. R.A.

MEMBERS

Lt-Col. C. MONOD de FROIDEVILLE. R.N.E.I.A.
Major. E.N. HEBDEN. R.A.
Major. A.H. VAN ZELLER. Northhamptons.
Capt. E.H. DUNSFORD. A.B.R.O.

CHARGE

COMMITTING A WAR CRIME in that he on board the
s.s. HOFUKU MARU on a voyage between Singapore
and Japan, between the 4th July 1944 and the
21st September 1944, when in charge of a draft
of British and Dutch Prisoners of War, was in
violation of the laws and usages of war, con-
cerned in the illtreatment of the said P.O.W.,
resulting in the death of about ninety eight
of them and in physical sufferings to many
others.

PLEA

Not Guilty.

FINDING

Guilty.

SENTENCE

31 Mar, '47. Death by Hanging.

CONFIRMED

20 May, '47. By offg. Commander Singapore Dist.

PROMULGATED

27 May, '47.

REMARKS

28 May, '47. The sentence of death by Hanging
imposed on Sgt. Maj. JOTANI Kitaichi
was put into execution at Changi
Jail.

DISPOSAL OF
PROCEEDINGS

To AGS GHQ SEALF 2nd June, 1947.

JAG of the Forces 8th June 1947

DJAG SEALF
Case No. 65197 JAG.

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CHARGE SHEET

The accused :-

Sergeant Major JOTANI KITAICHI

of the Imperial Japanese Army
attached to *Singapore Ammunition Depot.*
is charged with

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the 21st September 1944, when in charge of a draft
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in the illtreatment of the said P.O.W., resulting
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physical sufferings to many others.

6/3 1947

E.R. Rhoads.
Offg: o.o. Capt.
Commanding *Singapore Ammunition Depot.*

To be tried by Military Court.

22nd Mar 1947

H. H. Cor.
Major-General,
Commanding Singapore District.

W. C. Smith
W. Col
President
N.º 1 War Crimes Court