

## **Another Secret Document: Matsumuro's Memorandum**

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In September 1936, a report allegedly submitted by Major General Takayoshi Matsumuro to the Kwantung Army Conference was published in *The China Weekly Review* and then in *Pravda* the following year, and was cited by Zhu De and Mao Zedong after 1938. This document, which argued for the importance of northern China with a view to Manchuria and Mongolia, was positioned as a mysterious document “Tanaka Memorial” that showed “Japan's policy” and was used for propaganda. This paper is based on a part written in *History of Spies During the Japanese Invasion* published in 1938.