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Summary:

A report on the talk between the Prime Minister of Japan, Nobusuke Kishi, and the President of the Philippines, Carlos P. Garcia.

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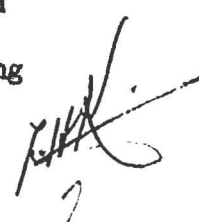
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The Prime Minister of Japan, Mr. Nobusuke Kishi, visited the Philippines from December 6 to December 7, at the invitation of the Philippine Government:

In the course of his visit the Prime Minister had talks with the President of the Philippines, Mr. Carlos P. Garcia.

1. The talks were characterized by a cordial and frank exchange of views on the general international situation and on the problems of common interest to the Philippines and Japan.
2. The President and the Prime Minister agreed that Japan and the Philippines, both as free democratic nations should work for the establishment of peace and justice of the world in accordance with the principles and aims of the Charter of the United Nations.
3. The President and the Prime Minister discussed the problem of disarmament and expressed the hope that general disarmament would be realized through the cooperative efforts of all nations. They also hoped that greater international cooperation would be achieved for the promotion of peaceful uses of atomic energy.
4. The President and the Prime Minister, recognizing the desirability of further promoting the trade relations between Japan and the Philippines for the mutual benefit of both countries, exchanged frank opinions on this matter and expressed the hope for an early conclusion of commerce and navigation treaty.
5. The Prime Minister assured that the Reparations Agreement concluded between Japan and the Philippines would continue to be implemented smoothly and in good faith. The President expressed appreciation for the assurance.
6. The Prime Minister outlined to the President the basic features of the proposed Asian Economic Development Fund plan. The President told the Prime Minister that full study would be made of the plan.
7. The President and the Prime Minister agreed upon the desirability of promoting the cultural relations between Japan and the Philippines with a view of developing better understanding between the two countries.
8. The President and the Prime Minister expressed the mutual belief that the visit of the Prime Minister had contributed to the promotion of mutual trust and good-will between the peoples of Japan and the Philippines.
Concretely:
 - a) The Prime Minister expressed favorable consideration in cooperating with the President's proposal for the construction of the multi-purpose Marikina project; the rice industry development project to bolster his program of self-sufficiency in foodstuffs for the Filipino people; and the acquisition of ocean-going bottoms. The Prime Minister agreed to the proposal of the President to explore the possibility of undertaking


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these projects within the framework of the Reparations Agreement.

b) The President, on the other hand, indicated his favorable consideration in gradually easing the restrictions placed on the number and period of stay of allowable Japanese nationals in the Philippines; the sending of a good-sized delegation to the Third Asian Games to be held in Japan to further improve the friendly and cultural exchange between the two countries; and to assist in every possible way in the recovery of the remains of Japanese war dead wherever they may be located on Philippine soil.