

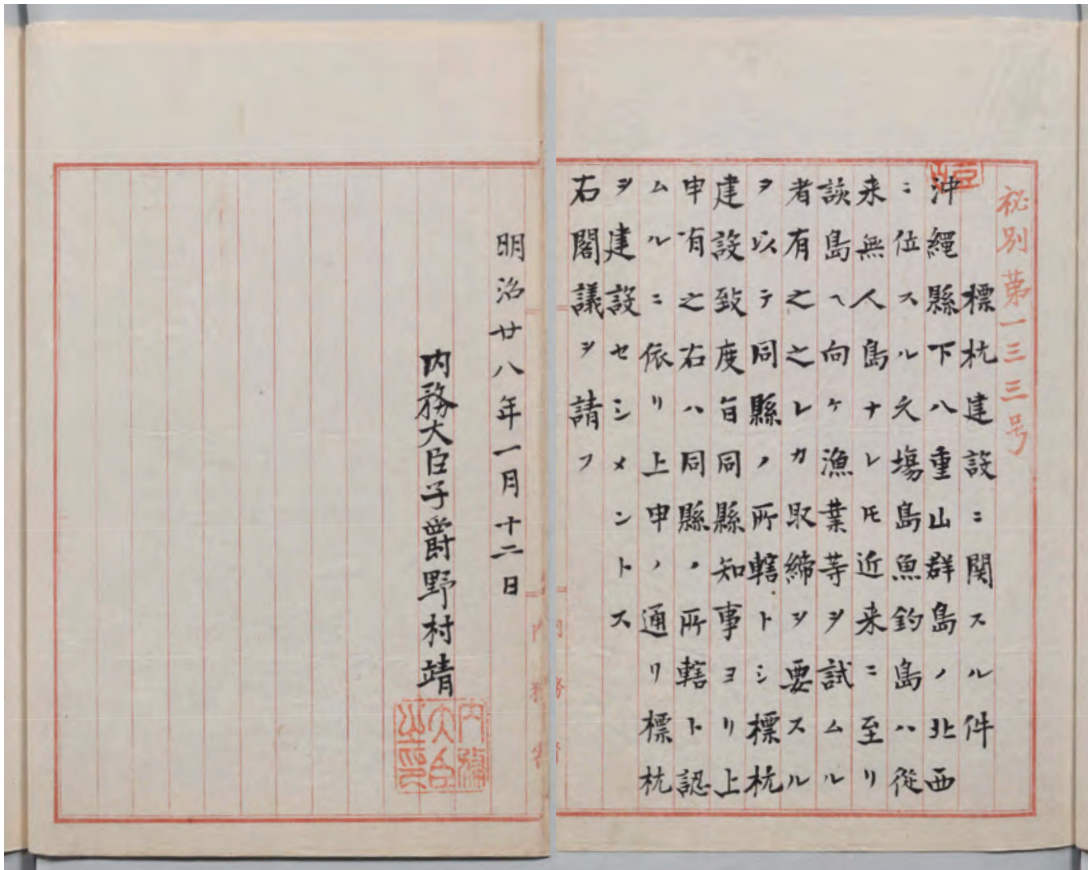
Period III

(1) – Documents related to the Cabinet decision to incorporate the Senkaku Islands as a part of Japanese territory (incorporation under the jurisdiction of Okinawa Prefecture)

Document from the Minister of Home Affairs to the Cabinet, on the request by Okinawa Prefecture

No. 19 Hibetsu No. 133: On the matter of erecting markers

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Overview

A document dated 12 January 1895 and prepared by the Minister of Home Affairs, requesting a consultation at a Cabinet meeting to approve a request by the Governor of Okinawa Prefecture. The Governor made a written request, dated 2 November 1893, in which the Okinawa Prefectural Government expressed its intention to place the Senkaku Islands under its jurisdiction as some people had begun engaging in fisheries activities around the uninhabited islands in recent years. Written on the lined paper of the Ministry of Home Affairs.

Excerpt [English translation]

Hibetsu No.133
 On the matter of erecting markers
 The Kuba and Uotsuri Islands, located to the northwest of the Yaeyama Islands in Okinawa Prefecture, were uninhabited islands, but, recently, people have been going to these islands to attempt fishery activities and other pursuits. Since such activities need to be controlled, the Governor of the Prefecture has reported that the Prefecture has an intention to make the islands part of its jurisdictional area and to erect markers [on the islands]. I would therefore like to have [the Prefecture] erect the markers in accordance with the report, in recognition that the islands belong to the Prefecture.
 I request a Cabinet meeting on the above.

January 12, 1895
 Viscount Yasushi NOMURA, Minister of Home Affairs (Seal)

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