

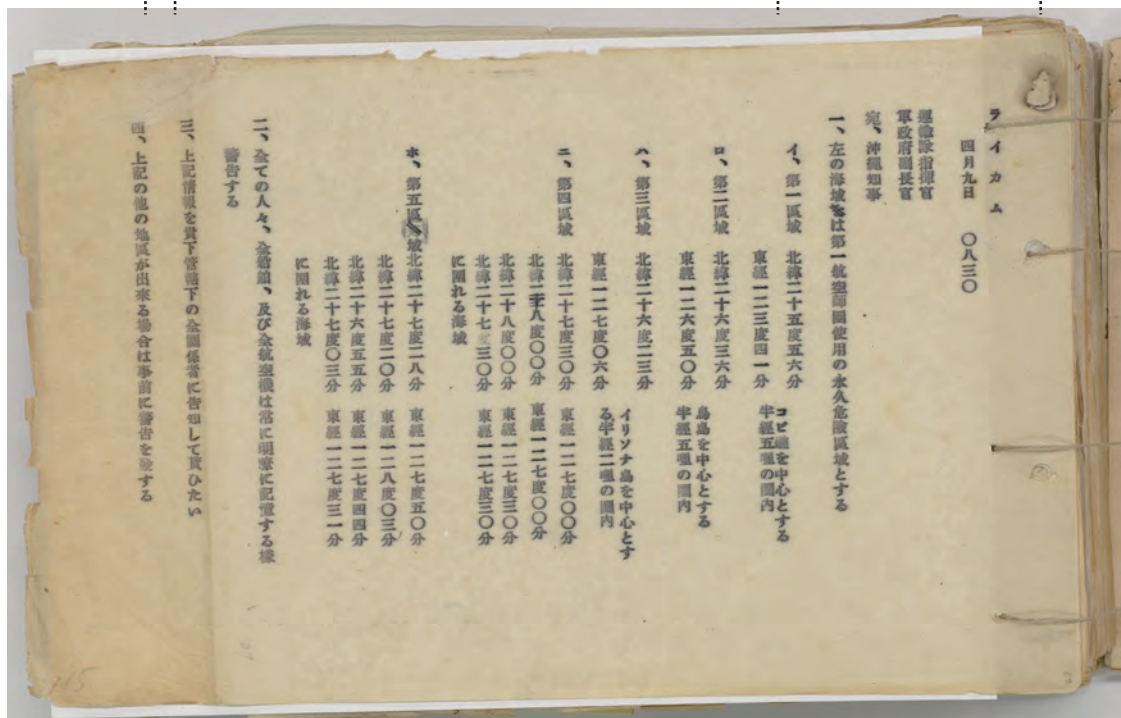
Period IV

(2) – i. Documents related to the designation of Kuba Island as a gunnery and bombing range

A document from the U.S. Forces instructing the Governor of the Okinawa Islands to announce the designation of Kuba Island as a gunnery and bombing range

No.51 [Designation of Permanent Danger Areas by U.S. Ryukyu Command Headquarters] April 9, 1948

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Overview

This was a notification given to the Governor of Okinawa (Gunto) from U.S. Ryukyu Command Headquarters, via the deputy commander of the Military Government, dated April 9, 1948. It states that five areas, including Kobi Sho (Kuba Island of Senkaku Islands), were designated as Permanent Danger Areas to be used by the 1st Air Division, and that this information should be disseminated to all interested personnel under the Governor's control. The administrative document file that records this notification also includes its English copy.

This notification was addressed to the Okinawa Gunto Governor, but its contents were also disseminated via various publications such as the "Rinji Hokubu Nansei Shoto Koho" (an Amami Islands bulletin) on May 25, the "Koho Shin-Miyako" (a Miyako Islands bulletin) on May 27, and the "Yaeyama Times" (a Yaeyama Islands newspaper) on November 1 of the same year.

Excerpt [English translation]

CG RYKOM (*1)
0830 9/April
Commanding Officer, Transportation Service
Deputy Commander, Military Government
To: Chiji (Governor) Okinawa Gunto

1. The following are permanent danger areas used by the 1st Air Division:
 - a. Range Number 1: 25° 56' N, 123° 41' E (Kobi Sho, 5 mile radius) (text omitted)
3. Request the above information be disseminated to all interested personnel under your control. (text omitted)

*1 Ryukyu Command

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