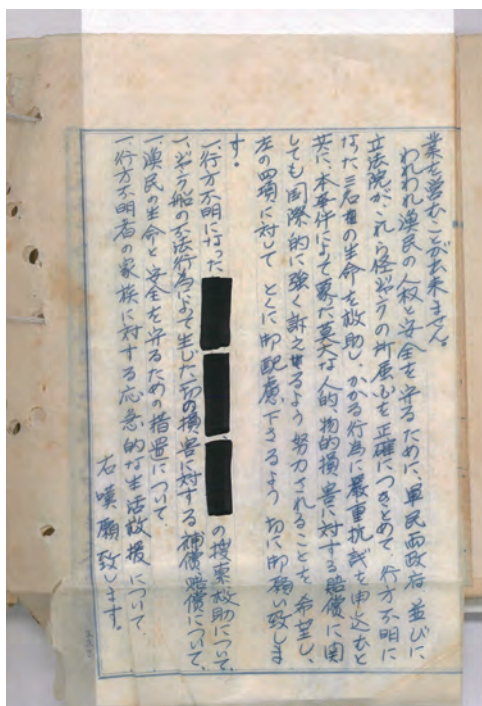
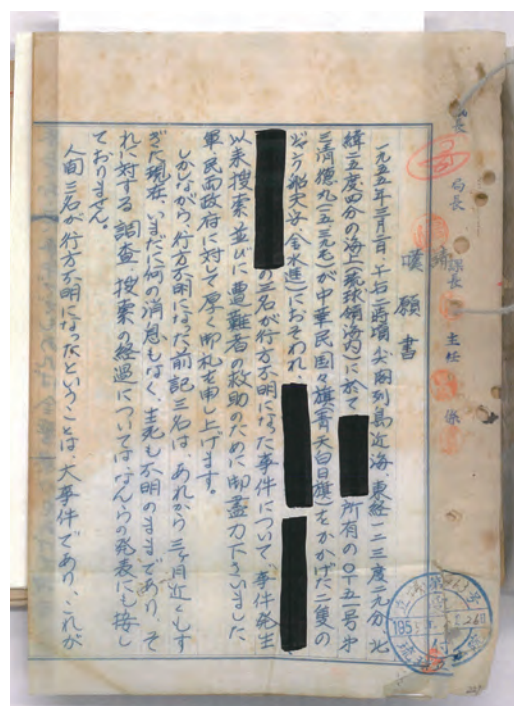


Period IV (3) – Documents related to the Daisan Seitoku Maru incident

Petition from the families of the victims and other relevant parties to the Legislature of the Government of the Ryukyu Islands

No.55 Petition [May 1955]

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Overview

This is a petition to the Legislature of the Government of the Ryukyu Islands from the families of the crew members who went missing following the Daisan Seitoku Maru incident (received on May 26, 1955).

Nearly three months have passed since the incident, and the families are requesting a search for the missing crew members and relief measures for the daily lives of the families.

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Excerpt [English translation]

(Seal) [LGRJ Receipt No. 463 Received on May 26, 1955
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Petition

At approximately two o'clock in the afternoon of March 2, 1955, at the coordinates 25° 4' N, 123° 29' E in the territorial waters of the Ryukyu Islands, the Daisan Seitoku-maru (Ship code: OT-51, weight 15.39 t), owned by [the owner's name is undisclosed], was attacked by two junk ships Dà ān (大安) and Jīn shuǐ jīn (金水進), with flags of the Republic of China, "Qingtian-bairi-mandihongqi (sun-in-the-blue-sky)." Regarding this incident, in which three people, [the victims' names are undisclosed], went missing, we would like to thank both the Military Government and the Civilian Administration for their efforts to search for and rescue these missing crew members after the incident.
(text omitted)

To protect our human rights and safety, as fishermen, we strongly request that the Military Government, Civilian Administration and the Legislature make efforts to consider the following four initiatives:

- (1) Find the country of the two mysterious junk ships, (2) Rescue the three missing crew members, (3) Lodge a strong protest against such acts, and (4) Make efforts to strongly appeal to the international community to compensate for the personal and property damages caused by this incident.
(text omitted)