

With regard to political provisions, the removal from office of militarists and dissolution of ultra-nationalistic societies was approved, and the opinion was expressed that steps should be taken to prevent their return. The peace treaty should provide for recognition and enforcement of fundamental human rights and freedom of association. The delegates paid particular attention to the development and protection of trade-unions as an essential element in encouraging democracy in Japan. Delegates noted with approval the principles underlying the new Japanese Constitution.

With regard to economic and financial provisions, it was felt that key war industries such as armament and aircraft manufacture and the production of strategic materials of an uneconomic character should be prohibited. Production and capacity in key industries which could form part of war potential should be limited to defined levels. These restrictions in the interests of security should be supplemented by control of Japanese imports. Any restrictions imposed on the Japanese economy should not go beyond what is demanded by considerations of military security.

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