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3. Japan's Aircraft Fuel Position:

The Joint Far East Oil Committee (composed of representatives of ONI, A-2* and MIS) has prepared a statistical survey of Japan's aircraft fuel position, which is summarized in TAB A. Although the survey reflects all available evidence, it necessarily rests on estimates of production and consumption over a period of years, and is therefore subject to the possibility of cumulative error. There is, however, a large amount of information from Ultra sources (also summarized in the TAB) to support the Committee's conclusion that Japan's shortage of aircraft fuel is becoming acute.

*A-2 (Joint Target Group) has limited its participation to compiling the estimates of wartime consumption used by the Committee.

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