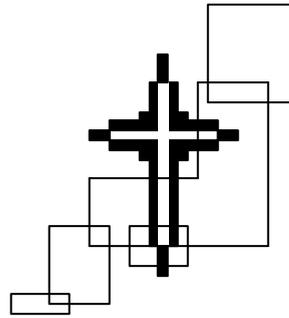


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## Is there a statute of limitation for war responsibilities?

-On Women's International War Crimes Tribunal-

John H. Minagawa

*"Moreover I saw here under the sun that, where justice ought to be, there was wickedness, and where righteousness ought to be, there was wickedness. I said to myself, 'God will judge the just man and the wicked equally; every activity and every purpose has its proper time.'"*

*Ecclesiastes 3:16~17*

So called "The Women's International War Crimes Tribunal" was held for six days from December 7th to 12th at the Kudan-Kaikan in Tokyo.

Why such criminal court was held now, 55 years after the war, more than 54 years after the International Military Tribunal for the Far East (so called the Tokyo Tribunal) was held? I questioned the motives behind this court proceedings and gathered information from the organizer and the critics alike. Below are my findings.

Sequel to the Tokyo Tribunal

The party who is responsible for opening this court stated clearly that since the Tokyo Tribunal of 1946 did not prosecute against the Showa Emperor and Japan's Military Sexual Slavery, they instead will prosecute these crimes now. By practices of sex slaves by the Japanese military forces, they mean military comfort women. Usually, "military" was omitted and simply referred to as the "comfort women," but since the publication, "Military Comfort Women" by Kanatsu Senda, it began to be called as such. So, in this report, I shall note it simply as the "comfort women."

The International Military Tribunal in Tokyo was a trial by the allied forces that won the war against Japan. In those days, it was called the "civilized court to judge Japan who waged a savage war of aggression" or the "righteous trial," but in reality it was a trial of retribution by the victor against the vanquished. Therefore, it can be seen this Women's International War Crimes Tribunal was intrinsically a kind of trial of retribution and the extension of the previous tribunal. And the verdict of December 12<sup>th</sup> declared that the "Showa Emperor committed the crimes against humanity that consisted of rapes and sex slavery." However, the formal sentencing will be declared on March 8<sup>th</sup>, the International Women's Day."

### Who is the organizer?

Strangely enough, one of organizers of this movement was a Japanese woman, Yayori Matsui, former reporter of the Asahi Shimbun. Talking about the Asahi Shimbun, Takashi Uyemura, reporter who belongs to the city desk of the paper, scooped the news about the Korean military comfort women in the August 11<sup>th</sup>, 1991's morning edition. The article was based on the story of a Korean comfort woman, Kim Hak Sun, who stated that she was recruited as a member of the "Women's Volunteer Corps", taken to the front lines and was forced to serve as a prostitute for the Japanese forces. In spite of her recantation of earlier testimony later in Japan, the Asahi Shimbun used the article as a catalyst to wage a big campaign for the comfort women to this day. For example, a false testimony of Seiji Yoshida who claimed that women were hunted for the recruitment of comfort women on Cheju Island, was reported as the true story. Also, because they carried a false editorial that stated, "the number of comfort women who were recruited under the pretext of the volunteer corps were anywhere from 80,000 to 200,000," when Prime Minister Miyazawa was about to visit Korea, he ended up apologizing for it. Later, Chief Cabinet Secretary Kohno confirmed this apology in his official conversations. These apologies of two high-ranking officials lead Ms. Radhika Coomaraswamy (Sri Lanka) to conclude in the "Report Regarding the Problems of Japan's Military Sexual Slavery System" that the Japanese government admitted her crimes.

Furthermore, Ms. Yayori Matsui, former Asahi Shimbun reporter, cooperated with Ms. Youn Jung-Suk, a Korean women's leader. Ms. Youn is former professor of Ewha Women's University in Seoul, though she was in the age group as comfort women she managed to stay out of even the mobilized factory work duty during the war, due to her well connected

parents. This guilt lead her to the Save the Comfort Women Movement.

Another principal organizer is Ms. Indai Sajor (Leader of ASCENT: Asian Center for Women's Human Rights) but we have little information about her.

These three are central architects for the International Organizing Committee that lead to the Women's Tribunal.

### Progress of the World Women's Movement

Let us trace this movement to see how it developed to the extent that they enabled them to open the Women's International Tribunal. The First International Women's Congress was held in 1975 in Mexico, the year of the "International Women's Year"; the Second Congress was held in Copenhagen in 1985; the Third Congress was held in Nairobi; the Fourth Congress was held in Beijing in 1995, where the Platform for Action until 2000 was adopted. In the Platform, "Violence Against Women" is included. With this heightened awareness of the international women's movement as the backdrop, the International Organizing Committee was set up and the unheard of "International Women's War Crimes Tribunal" was convened at last.

### Absentee Trial

This trial lacks important elements.

(1) Attendants

Judges: 5

Prosecuting Attorneys: 40

Witnesses, Victims: 72 (each country)

Witnesses, Assailants: 2 (former soldiers)

Defendants: None (the late Showa Emperor and already deceased high government officials)

Defense Attorneys: None

The trial without a defendant and a defense attorney can hardly be called a fair trial.

(2) Chief Justice Ms. Gabrielle Kirk McDonald, U.S. citizen, was also Chief Justice at the International Criminal Court for the former Yugoslavia. Chief Prosecutor, Ms. Patricia Viseru-Sellers is a US citizen, too, and also served as legal advisor for the Office of Prosecutor for the International Criminal Court for the former Yugoslavia. This court determined that the Serbs and Milosevic who opted to an independent path without depending on aids from the U.K. and U.S.A. and servitude to them as villain and guilty of crimes of ethnic cleansing to force them to kneel before the U.K. and U.S. In a similar way, one took position of Chief Justice and the other took position of Chief Prosecutor to declare Japan as villain.

(3) This court, having ignored the accepted international law and without proper legal procedures, is attempting to try under the name of humanity and legitimize the international humanity law. In order to accomplish this goal, they are voicing their bold self-righteous opinions. This is the same argument that the U.S. used to rationalize the bombing of Yugoslavia in the name of humanity.

(4) For this purpose, they listen to the one sided accusation of the victims. They do not specify the proof of the witnesses. They do not listen to the explanations or opposing statements of the accused. They do not give an opportunity for a defense attorney to rebut. It can be seen that the court was held only to judge Japan.

### Effect of Making an Example?

One of the organizers, Ms. Youn Jung-Suk, says, “those who are still living in the victimized countries who are victims of the Japan’s Military Comfort Women System and taking into considerations of their feelings of all victims who either committed suicide or perished in the foreign land and according to their last will and testament that they want the guilty parties punished, I believe that it is historically meaningful to hold the war crimes tribunal. This court will make it clear who did

what, so that we can ask those who were directly involved in the comfort women system with decision-making power the weight of their responsibilities. I believe that it is too late hold this court 50 years after the war in year 2000. Even today the systematic violence against women are carried out during military conflicts, but if Japan received after the World War II the through judgment, we may not have a systematic sexual violence against women today....”

This logic is a long way off the mark. If you use this logic, all systematic sexual violence in the world is the result of not harshly punishing Japan. When you commit murder called war, the evil act, which is justified under the names of justice, humanity, national interest, and happiness of the human beings, all kinds of crimes are bound to take place during the war. No matter how disciplined the military force is, who know what would happen under the extreme situations. No matter how severely Japan was punished, these acts cannot be prevented. The existence of the comfort women has been an old necessary evil along with the human’s history of the wars. It can be seen in the British, U.S., Russian, and German military forces. There some questions whether Japan systematically enslaved these women as sex slave as this court accuses. But, we do not have sufficient space to discuss if on this issue.

### Statute of Limitation is Necessary

Next, I would like to take the question of “Is there a statute of limitation for war crimes?” This question arises from the article 6, “Non application of the statute of limitation” of the Charters of the Women’s Tribunal that states “the *Crimes* that this court tries the statute of limitation does not apply.”

From the viewpoint of the “International Law” that has been accepted by the international society, Japan’s war responsibilities were settled by the Tokyo Tribunal and by the San Francisco Peace Treaty.

Reparation has been paid in full. When each participant country settles the war responsibilities and the amount of reparation, any additional demand for reparation by its citizens must be addressed by that country and an individual has no right to demand reparation from the other country. That is because the nation is the community of people bound together by common fate, and each nation is an independent personal entity.

Also, a question of the statute of limitation is important. There are various terms for the statute of limitation, but the longest is 20 years. Since most of the lawsuits were brought more than 20 years after the crimes had been committed, they should be invalid under the current legal system.

“Then, why don’t we get rid of the statute of limitation?” was the opinion of the people who convened this court. But, there is no such unlawful statement that shows no fear of God.

“Why do we have the statute of limitation?”  
Let us list some reasons here.

- (1) Man dies eventually. Those who judges and being judged all die.. If one dies he cannot bring a suit against anyone or judge anyone. Also, no one can judge the dead.
- (2) As time passes, evidences are being lost, so that it becomes more difficult to conduct a trial that is based on legitimate evidences.
- (3) There are many mistakes made in the trial by human beings. Even so, since human is likely to commit crimes forever, the law must be created to prosecute and prevent crimes to maintain the order of the national society. So, if there is no statute of limitation, the national society will be burdened with all unsettled punishment and the police function will be paralyzed, weakened in every respect, and finally broken down. And, the “earth citizen’s society,” that seek the

trial without the statute of limitation will self destruct with its self righteous judgment and condemnation.

### There is God’s Court

When the proper trial was not held in this world for those who were injured and killed from unjustified persecution, God’s court will be convened in the heaven.

For example, the blood of Abel who was murdered by Cain, the older brother, cried out from the ground, the God dispensed the just punishment (Genesis 4:16).

\* “I send you therefore prophets, sages, and teachers; some of them you will kill and crucify, others you will flog in your synagogues and hound from city to city. And so, on you will fall the guilt of all the innocent blood split on ground, from innocent Abel to Zechariah son of Berachiah, whom you murdered between the sanctuary and the altar. Believe me, this generation will bear the guilt of it all.” Said the Lord Jesus.  
Matthew 23:34~36

These are God’s judgment within the history. In the final moment, the judgment of the end of history will be passed on at last.

\* “Then I saw a great white throne, and the One who sat upon it; from his presence earth and heaven vanished away, and no place was left for them. I could see the dead, great and small, standing before the throne; and books were opened. Then another book was opened, the roll of the living. From what was written in these books the dead are judged upon the record of their deeds. The sea gave up its dead, and Death and Hades gave up the dead in keeping; they were judged, each man on the record of his deeds. Then Death and Hades were flung into the lake of fire. This lake of fire is the second death; and into it were flung any whose names were not to be found in the roll of the living.

Revelation 20: 11~15

According to the above testament of the Bible, all evil acts of people in this world will be tried in the God’s court, and punishments and

sentences will be dispensed in this history. Also, in the final moment of the history, the Last Judgment will be handed out by Christ, even the souls of those who are already dead will not be able to avoid it.

That is why we, human beings, should avoid the wild idea of seeking endlessly to try the crimes of the people and/or nation on this earth; instead, we should know it is best and respectful to rely upon the just judgment of God, who is the Lord of all creations.

### Conclusion

Based upon the above reasons, I would like to conclude that the statute of limitation is necessary for those trials by human beings in this history.

Of course, we believe that the unjustified abuse and suffering those comfort women received during the war were more than we can imagine. We cannot but to sympathize the victims, and at the same, we pray that God's

mercy and reward will be amply bestowed upon them.

Furthermore, some of those who are seeking Japan's war responsibilities are Japanese. This is a part of the anti-establishment movement, and they find the "comfort women problem" as a convenient material in denouncing the Japanese nation and started to use it. The logic of the Tokyo Tribunal states that a handful of the ruling class, the imperial militarists, are responsible for the war, and the majority of the people are their victims. Those, who believe that it is the mission of the anti-establishment activists, goodies, to punish forever the ruling class, baddies, without the statute of limitation, keep indicting the Japanese nation from inside. We would like to cope with the problems of war responsibilities without being misled by these anti-establishment activists but with wise discernment.

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## Focus of our Prayer for April 2001

### (1) Pending Subjects for Prayer

1. Let's pray that the ambition of the Souka Gakkai (Daisaku Ikeda) to control Japanese politics be crashed. Also, that Daisaku Ikeda repents before the Lord and is saved. Those Souka Gakkai members who are entrenched in the government bureaucracies will believe in Christ and be saved.

[Editorial]

\*Why the Souka Gakkai and the Koumeito Party must be swept away from the Japanese political world? It is because they are powerful cult group that is lead by the boss, Daisaku Ikeda, and they obey absolutely to the boss. We cannot permit Japanese politics to be subservient to a single boss dictator.

2. Let's pray that the Emperor will be saved and blessed by the Lord Jesus Christ and the blessings will spread over the entire Japanese people. Also, pray that the Emperor's presence among the peoples of the world will be used as the foundation of blessings. And pray that the Japanese people understand and respect the Emperor as the leader and work toward the world peace.

[Editorial]

\*The great Jewish philosopher, Jean Jacques Rousseau, who had a large philosophical impact on the French Revolution, once said, "If someone asks me to choose my mother country at will, I will choose a country where no conflict of interest exists between the king and the people. My ultimate idea is the co-governance by the king and the people, but it is highly unlikely for such country exists on this earth. Therefore, I choose democracy for lack of the better system." (A part of Rousseau's "the Social Contract.") We believe that Japan's emperor system is the system of co-governance by the king and the people that has no comparison in history.

3. Let's pray that the Christian Church and the Jews, Catholics, Protestants, Pentecostals, and various denominations and churches that criticize and feud against each other repent and reconcile with one another.

[Editorial]

\*If everyone admits that he has only a part of the truth, one would be a little more humble in his opinion.

4. That the works of the Markorsh Mission will progress. That the subscribers of the Revival Shimbun that started as a separate company will increase from 2,600 to 5,000.

5. That the journalists who engage in TV, radio, newspaper, and magazine will cease arrogant and prejudiced reporting and news gatherings; and they will fear God and return to fair reporting of the news. Let's pray that those who are aware of such problems will raise their voice in protest and ask for retraction, and for them to play a role of the watchdog.

[Editorial]

\*An example of one sided reporting of the mass media: They broadcast only the news of Israeli soldiers shooting the PLO children. The intifada of PLO use the whole family including children

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who throw stones as their shield, but the mass media report it as the atrocity of Israeli soldiers.

6. Let's pray that the tendency to have a smaller number of children, that will destroy the country, to stop, and the policy that will encourage having a larger number of children according to the will of God will be practiced with blessings of the entire society.

"God blessed them and said to them, 'Be fruitful and increase, fill the earth and subdue it.'"

Genesis 1:28

7. Since it appears that the Education Reform Plan, which is scheduled to be implemented in the 14<sup>th</sup> year of Heisei (2,002 AD) contains the plan that will markedly lower the educational level of the youth and other dangerous ideas, let's pray that its content will improve reflecting criticisms of the entire nation.

[Editorial]

\*Though we have the urgent need to focus on the Japanese language education in our country, we are afraid that children's Japanese language ability will further deteriorate, if we start teaching English in the elementary schools.

## (2) Timely Prayer Subjects

1. That the Mori cabinet, in fear of God, will not set the wrong course for Japan, they will govern in such way that will contribute to the world peace while they securely maintain the Japanese independence.

[Editorial]

\*Let us pray that the Chinese government abandon the practice of anti-Japanese education of their children and switch to that of co-existence and co-prosperity.

2. Let's pray for the great revival of repentance to take place in Japan.

[Editorial]

\* The revival will take place not from the festival like commotion but from deep repentance. May the Holy Spirit throw the love of repentance and the flame that consumes all on us.

3. "Holy Spirit Renewal Congress" (Rev. Masaaki Tezuka, Executive Director) was established within the United Church of Japan would help others to correctly understand the charismatic movement within the Church.

[Editorial]

\*The Holy Spirit Renewal Congress will hold the National Conference next July at the Takasago Christ Church. Rev. Toshiaki Ko will attend the conference as a Taiwan Holy Spirit Renewal Congress delegate.

4. That one more committee member that have the strong sense of calling to be added to the Intercessors for Japan.

5. That the domestic violence and murder are increasing. The crime, in which father or mother kills a
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child, is repeatedly taking place. Let's pray that the salvation of Jesus Christ will be welcomed at the Japanese homes.

6. Frequent medical mistakes and medical accidents are taking place. That medical ethics will be established and practiced.
7. That the welfare policy that encourages the self-reliance of the aged will be established. Also, the activities for the aged will rise out of churches. That the aged will not be too critical of the young. Also, the young to understand the aged.

[Editorial]

\*There are some places where the aged formed the "helping band" as home helpers or volunteers to repair and maintain the house.

8. That the regimented education at Japanese middle and high schools with a lot of rules and regulations be fundamentally reformed into the character education where the character of the youth is developed and good traits are encouraged. Also, that the enough teachers to implement the character education be provided.

[Editorial]

\*At T high school in Sapporo, the school principal who was transferred to the position three years ago implemented severely controlled education; as the result, out of 404 students who entered the high school only 341 graduated on March 1 this year. He produced 64 students who voluntarily dropped out. The most of the students who left the school because teachers ill-treated them.

9. That the Japanese economy quickly recover from recession and transform into the healthy and solid one.

[Editorial]

\*Many people including Shintaro Ishihara are proposing the plan to exit from the recession, but in order to accomplish this feats, We need politicians who have strong leadership.

10. For the peace of Israel. Psalm 125:5

[Editorial]

\*That the Jews be saved by believing in Jesus, the Messiah.

\*That the PLO stop the intifada and sit at the negotiation table.

\*That all countries in the world including the PLO to admit that "Jerusalem is the capital of Israel."

\*That the Jews be protected from the persecution of anti-Semitism.

\*That the PLO cease educating their children with the anti-Semitism and teach them peaceful coexistence.

## 《FINANCIAL REPORT》 (JAN. 1~FEB. 28, 2001)

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INCOME	AMOUNT	EXPENSES	AMOUNT
Offering	70,880	Travel	20,000
		Printing	3,423
		Materials	26,245
		Postage	24,710
		Office Expenses	0
		Bank Charge	540
		Telephone	10,537
SUB TOTAL	70,880	SUB TOTAL	85,455
Brought Forward	141,124	Balance Carried Forward	126,549
National Activities Fund, Income	0	National Activities Fund, Expense	0
B.F.	15,700	C.F.	15,700
International Conference Fund	0	International Conference Fund	0
B.F.	35,474	C.F.	35,474
TOTAL	263,178	TOTAL	263,178

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## 【Editor's Note】

\* We deliver the April issue of the Newsletter. The feature article is the report that Editor Minagawa wrote in response to the request to write a report about the "Women's International War Crimes Tribunal."

\* What surprised me most is that about the half of 298 Japanese organizations that support the women's tribunal were various Christian organizations. More than half of them were Catholic churches. Many monasteries of different denominations were represented almost nationwide, and Cardinal Shiroyanagi coordinated the effort from the top. The demand that "in the problems of humanity or human rights, in spite of the statute of limitation or insufficient evidence, the Japanese government must compensate those women who claim to be the victims as they ask. And punish those who were responsible even with insufficient evidences," is vigorously presented by the Catholic Church, Protestant Churches, and the people who are engaged in human rights and are socially active such as the Japanese Bar Association. We cannot help but express the situation as "chaotic" at best. We would like to hope that they will wake up and reconsider the meaning of a

sovereign nation.

\* Under the guise of beautiful names of humanity and human rights, the U.S., who is the self appointed police of the world, sent many bombs and missiles into Iraq and Yugoslavia violating their sovereignty and cleared the arms inventory. We pray that this kind of thinking originated in the U.S., that proclaims "humanism and human rights supersede the sovereignty of nations," will not become contagious disease of the "earth society" as called by the human rightist as the hegemony, which is not fearful of God.

\* "Many will fall from their faith; they will betray one another and hate one another. Many false prophets will arise, and will mislead many; and as lawlessness spreads, men's love for one another grow cold. But the man who holds out to the end will be saved."

Matthew 24: 10~13, Amen.

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