

**Description**

John Brannon, defense counsel for the accused Shigetaro Shimada, reads an affidavit in which Shimada claims to have no knowledge of Pearl Harbor plans and atrocities by naval personnel under his command. Shimada was one of the 26 alleged major Japanese war criminals on trial at the International Military Tribunal for Far East at the War Ministry Building in Tokyo, Japan. Others in the background are unidentified.

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