Officers and men of the Japanese Forces:

War is a tough job even for soldiers who are well fed. It is of course still much harder on soldiers in your position - who have so far fought on in spite of the fact that you are in grievous need of everything, as you are cut off from reinforcements and supplies. We fully appreciate the power of endurance and the courage shown by you in this situation.

Along the jungle trails are found the corpses of many Japanese soldiers who did not die in battle, but were struck down by hunger and disease.

This state of things is contrary to reason and humanity (lit. "causes pain to the human heart"). Reinforcements and supplies do not come to fronts like these which strategically have already been given up by the High Command.

The English sentences in this leaflet have the following meaning:-

"The bearer of this leaflet is no longer an enemy. He should be treated well, in accordance with the principles of international law and is to be taken to the nearest commanding officer."

Make a wise decision. Show this to any Allied officer or soldier nearby. Needless to say you will be given medical care and sustenance and no humiliation in whatever way will be caused to you.

(ALLIED SEAL)

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辱を分と も規じの 的絲別あ 取せある り從人 扱うる。之 をる行を 司ひは 受動。最 令额: くはに寄り 官場 るも出版解 のに敵 合事な場合事な 許取に に扱非

あ日め数局のへし搭回る軍た多のでででいる も将戦あった闘補ある事 でし既事飢じのの軍門将 あては餓鬼下関は兵 う。補棄の魔物思では諸 左給と心ににかが 英たしいれ軍るき堪 久たたた将窓をつる。地は者兵林とる。

The bearer has ceased resistance. He should be treated well, in accordance with International Law. Take him to the nearest Commanding Officer.

C.-in-C., Allied Forces.

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