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Nip Reply To Allied Demands Is Awaited In Switzerland

By Associated Press

The Tokyo radio said today "it is learned that an Imperial message accepting the Potsdam proclamations will be forthcoming soon" and later announced that the Japanese Government's answer to the four A lied powers was on its way to Switzerland.

However, the Swiss Political Depar ment (Foreign Office) said officially at 5:15 P. M. (11:15 A. M. Eastern War Time), more than nine hours after the original Tokyo announcement, that no Japanese communication concerning surrender had been received.

At 12:08 P. M. Eastern War Time, the Domei News Agency once more asserted that the message was en route.

The Swiss communique cast doubt of the basis for a Swiss radio broadcast four hours there which asserted that "Japan has accepted the capitulation offer."

A Paris broadcast, originating with the French news agency, said the Japanese communication was quite long. The time re-uired for decoding and translating a lengthy message might account for any time lating the capital of Switzerland—go between government for the Allies and the Japanese

If indeed the message was lengthy, the possibility emerged that the Japanese might be specifying interpretations of the Potsdam Declaration point by point.

The confusion of the delay was brought to a new head when the Swiss legation in Washington received this message from Bern:

"Very urgent 760—Japanese legation reports that coded cables it received this morning do not contain the answer awaited by the whole world."

A Domei broadcast, recorded by the Federal Communications Commission said "The Imperial decision was granted." At the same time the Tokyo raido pictured a mass of the Japanese people prostrating themselves before Emperor Hirohito's palace under dark clouds saying: "Forgive us, Emperor, our efforts were not enough."

In an earlier broadcast, at 1:50 A. M. Eastern War Time, Domei said that Japanese acceptance of the Potsdam proclamation was forthcoming. It referred only to the terms proclaimed by the United States, Russia, Great Britain and China at Potsdam and made no mention of the Allied note transmittee Saturday from Washington defining the terms by which the Japanese Emperor might r main on his throne.

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