

## Behind the History of the Proclamation

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### Admiral Tadashi Maeda's Residence



The text of the **Proclamation of Indonesian Independence** which was read by Ir Soekarno on August 17, 1945, at 10:00 at the house of Faradj bin Said Awad Marta on Jalan Pegangsaan Timur Number 56 and then the house officially became the **property of the Indonesian Nation**, it turned out that the text was formulated at the **residence** of the Japanese Navy Admiral, Tadashi Maeda known as **Admiral Maeda**.

Bondan said that when the **atomic bombs** fell on **Hiroshima** on **August 6, 1945** and on **Nagasaki** on **August 9, 1945**, Emperor Hiroto declared submission to the allies, **especially America** on **August 11, 1945**.

Since then, Japan no longer has **formal power over Indonesia**, and they are already in a position to **support Indonesia**

Then, how was the **history behind the formulation** of **the text of the Proclamation of Indonesian Independence** carried out at the house of **Admiral Maeda**?

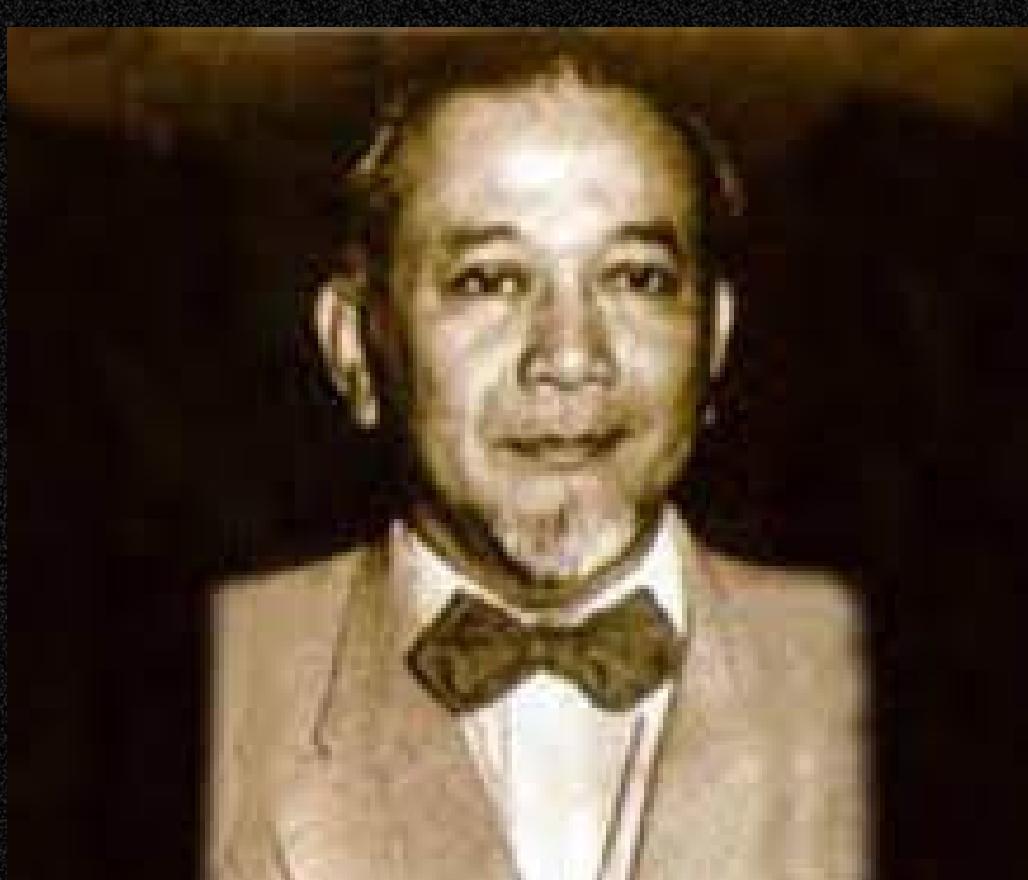


In that case Bondan conveyed the attitude of **Japan's support for Indonesian independence** shown by the Japanese Navy.

According to him, the territory of **Indonesia** is divided into **two regions**. First, the areas of Java, Sumatra, Bali and Kalimantan were controlled by the **Japanese army**. Both Sulawesi and Eastern Indonesia are controlled by the **Japanese navy**, where their representative office is in **Jakarta**



"**Admiral Maeda** became the liaison officer for the **navy** and **army (Japan)** and he also supported **Indonesian** efforts for **Independence**," explained Bondan.



Ahmad Soebardjo brought 2 important people namely **Soekarno** and **Hatta** from **Rengasdengklok** to the residence of **Maeda**. The house was considered safe, to formulate the **Proclamation of Indonesian Independence**. **August 17, 1945** at **03.00 WIB**, the text of the **proclamation** was composed by **Soekarno**, **Hatta** and **Soebardjo** in the dining room **Maeda**.

**The text of the proclamation** was submitted to **Sayuti Melik** to be typed. Before long, **Sayuti Melik** accompanied by **BM Diah** typed the text of the proclamation. After that, the **manuscript** was handed back to **Soekarno** to be **signed**.



The reading of **the text of the Proclamation of Indonesian Independence** was read on the front porch of **Soekarno's house**.