

4. The Demise of the Protest Movement, and Afterwards

(5) 〈The Weapons Testing Range Today〉 (June 1956- March 1957)

After the three years of additional usage had passed, on June 13th, 1956, the federal government and the Village authorities drafted and circulated a memorandum regarding the cessation of testing range operations and the reparations to be paid by the American military. On December 5th, the American military issued a declaration that all weapons testing would be finished within the year, and on January 12th, 1957, they withdrew from the sand dunes. Then, on March 30st, the Uchinada Dunes were officially returned to Ishikawa prefecture, and at last regained their serene stillness once more.