Study Guide

Richard Samuels, "Rich Nation Strong Army": National Security and the Technological Transformation of Japan (Ithaca: Cornell Univ. Press, 1994)

Read Chapter 2, "The Ideological Basis of Japanese Technonationalism." Based on your reading of pp. 33-56 (reading pp. 57-78 is not required, but welcome), be ready to comment on the following:

- 1) Did you like the reading? Why or why not?
- 2) What is the author's main argument in the chapter?
- 3) According to the author, what are the three stages of technological transformation which he refers to as "the three-note chord"?
- 4) Define each of the following terms in a paragraph or so.
- "technonationalism"
- fukoku kyōhei
- shokusan kōgyō
- kokusanka