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Name - Sam Satomi Honda
address - 5201 Fall Ave ^{Richmond, California} Apt 2A
date of birth - July 7, 1925
place of birth - San Jose, California
Renunciation place - Lake Lake City.

Sent in with HONDA, KIKUNO

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Date

Oct. 25, 1945

Honorable Tom C. Clark
Attorney General of the United States
Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Sir;

On October 19, 1945, I was requested by Mr. Ivan Williams, Officer in Charge, Immigration and Naturalization Service, Department of Justice, to appear before their officer to register under the provisions of the Alien Registration Act.

Although I appeared before your office to comply with the provisions of the Alien Registration Act, I wish to state that said registration form was signed by myself under protest.

I am an American citizen. Although within the non-repatriation form it indicated in Question No. 2 that my nationality was Japanese, I hereby wish to protest said designation as I am not a citizen or a national of Japan, but a citizen and a national of the United States.

Therefore I shall appreciate your accepting this letter as a documentary evidence that my signature affixed on said Alien Registration form and informations furnished in Question No. 2 of the non-repatriation form was done so under protest, as I am an American Citizen.

Yours very truly,

Tom Honda

Block 374-10
Tule Lake Center
Newell, California

October 25, 1945

Honorable Tom C. Clark
Attorney General of the United States
Department of Justice Building
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

On February 1945, I signed an application for renunciation of United States nationality form at the W. R. A. Segregation Center situated at Tule Lake, Modoc County, California, at a perfunctory appearance before a government official, and I have received a letter dated April 24 1945, from Mr. Herbert Wechsler, Assistant Attorney General, approving the same.

I hereby repudiate, withdraw, retract, and revoke the said renunciation upon the following grounds and for the following reasons:

(1) The circumstances under which said renunciation form was signed by me did not constitute a fair and impartial hearing and was a denial of my constitutional guaranty of due process of law and of the equal protection of the laws;

(2) I was not a free agent at the time when and the place where said renunciation form was signed but was then and there held in duress and was the victim of fraud, menace and undue influence and mistake of fact and law;

(3) I then and there was and continuously from May 8 1942, had been detained in the said W. R. A. Segregation Center by official authority and was deprived of substantially all my constitutional rights, liberties, privileges and immunities as an American citizen by birth and by choice and was thusly discriminated against solely by reason of the Japanese nationality of my ancestors;

(4) I was intimidated, coerced, and compelled to sign the said renunciation form by displays of force and intimidation made by a pressure group in said camp and by members thereof, and I was in constant fear, as was my family that said threats would be carried into execution if I refused to sign it. I was acting under the menace and fraud of said group and its members and the undue influence exerted by them upon me and I signed said renunciation form under duress.

Because of the foregoing reasons the said renunciation and approval thereof were, and each of them is, invalid, null and void.

I am not a citizen or subject of Japan and I do not and never have owed or given that country or nation any allegiance. I am not an alien enemy. I am a native American by birth and also by choice. I recognize as my sovereign the United States of America and I give and ever have given the United States my undivided

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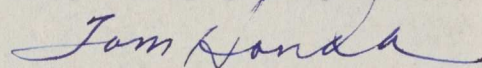
loyalty and allegiance. I have no dual citizenship.

Therefore I demand that you withdraw, recall, cancel, and revoke your approval of said renunciation form

I am ready and willing to have this matter re-opened and a hearing be granted to me in order to prove that said renunciation form was signed when I was not a free agent in any sense of the words but was acting under duress and under menace fraud and undue influence and mistake of law.

I respectfully request your immediate consideration of this urgent matter.

Very truly yours,



Tom Satoru Honda

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Tule Lake Center

Hewell, California

CONFIDENTIAL

Committee No. 1159

(For Use Only of My Attorney)

Atty. No. _____

Name (type or print) Tom Satoru Honda

Block No. 3714 D

Sex: Male X Female _____

Age: 20 years Date of Birth: Month: July Day: 7 Year: 1925

Place of Birth: (City) San Jose (County) Santa Clara State) California

Permanent residence address at time of evacuation: _____

1896 Bayshore Blvd. Palo Alto, California

Occupation at time of evacuation: Student

Have you "dual citizenship"? No

Did you ever have "dual citizenship"? No

If you have or have had dual citizenship, who registered you as
a dual citizen: _____ When: _____

Where: _____

Did you ever take any steps to cancel dual citizenship? _____

When: _____ Where: _____

What steps were taken to cancel it? _____

On what date did you sign a form renouncing your U. S. citizenship:

Month: February Day: _____ Year: 1945

Were you under 21 years of age at the time you signed that
renunciation form? Yes

Was there a hearing officer present when you signed? Yes

What was his name? Do not know

Did you have a hearing on the matter at that time? Yes

Did anyone represent you at that appearance or hearing? No

If so, who? _____

Did you attend that hearing alone? Yes If not, who went with
you? _____

Have you received a letter approving your renunciation? Yes

If you have, what date does it bear? April 24, 1945

On what date did you receive the letter of approval? August 17, 1945

Who signed that letter of approval? Herbert Wechsler, Assistant
Attorney General (Attach the letter of approval and the envelope.)

Did you write a letter revoking your renunciation before you received
a letter approving your renunciation? No

If you did, what date did you send that letter in the U. S. mail? _____

Have you a copy of that letter? _____

(If you have, annex it to this form)

Since receiving a letter from the Attorney General's office approving your renunciation, have you sent a letter to that office or to the Attorney General revoking your renunciation? Yes

What date did you send that letter revoking your renunciation of U. S. citizenship? 1. End of August, 1945 to Mr. Ennis
2. October 25, 1945 to Honorable Tom Clark

(If you have a copy of that letter revoking your renunciation, annex it to this form.)

Have you served in our military forces? No

If so, what date did you enroll? _____ When were you discharged or released from military service? _____

What type of discharge did you receive? _____

What was your last draft classification? 4C

Did you refuse to be drafted? No

Are you or have you ever been a member of the Hoshi Dan, the Hokoku Dan, Seinen Dan or similar organizations while in camp, either becoming such by intimidation, coercion, or otherwise? No

Are your parents U. S. citizens? Father: Japan Citizen
Mother: U.S. Citizen (Renuncsee)

What are their names: Yoshitomo Honda: Father
Helen Kikuno Honda: Mother

Have they been released from detention? Father free to relocate
Mother: detained

Have they been relocated? No

What members of your family, if any, are serving or have served in the military forces of the U. S.? Pvt. (Brother) Henry Honda now stationed at Camp Fanning, Texas.

Have you registered as an "alien" under the Alien Registration Act of 1940? Yes When: October 19, 1945

Where: Tule Lake Center Who was present with you at that time, if anyone? No one Were you represented by anyone at that time? No

Was any hearing given to you at that time? No

Who registered you, if you know? Do not know

Did you protest registering as an alien? Yes

Did you write your protest on the form? Yes

Did you file a letter of protest with the registering officer?

Yes (If so, annex a copy of the letter to this form.)

Have you signed non-repatriation form asking to stay in U.S.? Not as of this date

Have you filled out a Department of Justice Repatriation form asking to be sent to Japan? No If you did, when? _____

Where: _____ Before whom did you appear to sign that repatriation form? _____

Did anyone represent you at that time or were you alone? _____

_____ Were you given a hearing by anyone on the question of signing the repatriation form? _____

If so, by whom? _____

Did you protest signing that Repatriation form? _____

Did you write the protest on the form? _____

Did you file a letter of protest with the registering officer at the time you signed it? _____

What was the name of the officer present when you signed, if you know? _____

When, if ever, did you fill out a repatriation form for W. R. A.

Social Welfare? September 15, 1945

When did you send a letter cancelling that request? October 5, 1945

Do you own any agricultural land, a home, or commercial property in the U. S.? No If so, where? _____

The following space is for any remarks you care to write:

Marital Status: Single

Renunces in Family: (Brother) Jimmie Hiromu Honda, Age: 18

(Mother) Helen Kikuno Honda, Age: 40

My father (Age: 48), brothers (Hack Honda, Age: 14 --- Fred Honda, Age: 7) sisters, (June Honda, Age: 13 --- Beatrice Honda, Age: 5) are all free to relocate and wish to remain in this country permanently., but cannot do so as they are dependant on my mother, brother and I for a living.

Date: October 25, 1945

Tom Satoru Honda

Tom Satoru Honda

(Name)