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December 10, 1947

Charles M. Rothstein, Esq.,
Alien Enemy Control Unit,
Department of Justice,
Washington 25, D.C.

Dear Mr. Rothstein:

When last I telephoned you I informed you that I would give you the citation of a recent case which seems to have some bearing, at least by analogy, on the question whether the Alien Enemy Act is still in force and effect. The case I wish to direct to your attention is In re Blaney, 30 AC. 648 at 661 wherein the following is to be found:

"The actual existence of the emergency and not the limitation of the law to a prescribed period gives validity to the exercise of police power, and when the emergency ceases, the valid operation of the statute ends if it can be supported only by reason of the emergency."

Very truly yours,

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July 22, 1947

Frank J. Hennessy, Esq.,
United States Attorney,
San Francisco 1, Calif.

Tule Lake Cases, Nos. 25294-5-6-7

Dear Sir:

Recently we advised you that a number of the plaintiffs in the above cases had been released from internment upon evidence found in Japan that they were not Japanese citizens. On July 18, 1947, release orders were signed in the cases of six additional renunciants, as follows:

HIROSHI ENDO	146-54-406	YASUNORI KAWAHARA	146-54-1404
MASASHI KAMIGAWACHI	357	YOSHINORI KAWAHARA	1404
TETSUICHI KATO	454	TERUO OTA	3806

Will you please bring these additional releases to the attention of the Court at such time and in such manner as you may deem appropriate. I assume that you will keep me advised as to all further developments in this matter.

Respectfully,
For the Attorney General,

PEYTON FORD,
Assistant Attorney General.

May 4, 1948

Charles M. Rothstein, Esq.,
Alien Enemy Control Unit,
Department of Justice,
Washington 25, D.C.

Dear Mr. Rothstein:

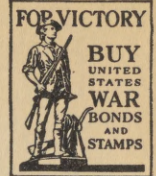
Enclosed find copy of editorial which
appeared in the San Francisco Chronicle
concerning the renunciation case which you
and Mr. Ellison may find interesting.

Very truly yours,

WMC:cw

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ADDRESS REPLY TO
"THE ATTORNEY GENERAL"
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UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

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146-54-012

June 23, 1948

Wayne M. Collins, Esquire
Attorney at Law
Mills Tower
220 Bush Street
San Francisco 4, California

Re: Abo v. Clark, No. 25294-G
Furuya v. Clark, No. 25295-G; District Court of the United
States for the Northern District of California, Southern
Division.

Dear Mr. Collins:

Your letter of June 8, 1948, relative to the above-entitled cases, addressed to the Attorney General of the United States, has been referred to me for reply.

You first request the Department of Justice to supply you with a list of the names of persons of Japanese ancestry who renounced their American citizenship and who, as of June 8, 1948, had not instituted a suit in order to recover their citizenship. You suggest that if such a list of names were forwarded to you such persons could be included in the above-entitled cases and thereby become subject to the terms of the interlocutory decree entered by Judge Goodman on April 29, 1948.

It is the view of this Department that the names of prospective litigants should not be furnished to private counsel. This policy has been consistently followed and I am authorized to say, we see no sufficient justification for departing from it in this instance. Moreover, the Department would be unable to consent to the addition of plaintiffs to the existing cases in any event, for the reason that such addition would greatly complicate and delay the investigations now in progress as a consequence of the interlocutory decision; would make future proceedings in the cases much more complex and burdensome; and would correspondingly delay the final disposition of this matter.

By your letter of June 8, 1948, you suggested, that in the event the Department is unable to agree to the addition of parties plaintiff to the instant cases, they should be included in a new joint action to be brought and submitted to the Court upon identical

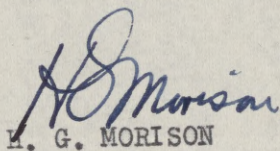
grounds and the record made in the instant cases, and be disposed of in a similar manner. The bringing of a new joint action is, of course, a matter for your judgment. However, it is the view of this office that the decision of Judge Goodman makes it necessary to ascertain the particular circumstances surrounding the act of renunciation of each individual plaintiff in order to determine whether the act of renunciation was voluntary or involuntary. If this is correct, it appears that there is no common question of fact affecting the several rights of persons who seek cancellation of their renunciation of citizenship and it is doubtful therefore, whether or not a joint action properly lies in this instance.

Moreover, it is the present view of this Department that, until there has been a final determination of the cases presently pending in the District Court, it is not in a position to agree to enter into any stipulation with respect to venue, cause of action or record evidence in any new case that you may decide to file. It is probable that, if you file such a new action, a stipulation could be entered holding it in statu quo until the cases presently pending are finally disposed of. It would appear that such a course of action would adequately protect the interests of the parties to the new action and would not in any way prejudice the pending cases. Presumably the final decision in the pending cases would dictate the course of action to be followed in disposing of any case hereafter filed.

I trust that this reply adequately answers your inquiries of June 8, and clearly conveys to you the position of this Department concerning the disposition of the renunciation cases.

Sincerely yours,

For the Attorney General,


H. G. MORISON

Assistant Attorney General

CC: Frank J. Hennessy, United States Attorney,
San Francisco 1, California.

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June 8, 1948

Honorable Tom C. Clark,
Attorney General of the U.S.,
Department of Justice,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Attorney General:

In re: Abo v. Clark, No. 25294-G
Furuya v. Clark, No. 25295-G;
USDC, San Francisco.

It is likely that your office has directed your attention to the fact that on April 29, 1948, U.S. District Judge Louis E. Goodman handed down his written Opinion in the Nisei renunciation cases ordering the plaintiffs' renunciations of U.S. nationality set aside and their citizenship restored.

That Opinion excludes from recovery of nationality those among the first 60 renunciants who were removed to Japan and there committed specific acts of expatriation under 8 USCA, sec. 801. It reserves to you the right, for 90 days, to designate any of the plaintiffs against whom you may wish to present additional evidence through the medium of special hearings. The burden of proof in any such designated cases, however, is laid upon the Government to demonstrate the renunciations of any such designated persons were not affected by the duress in which they were held but were wholly voluntary upon their part. I believe you will agree that it is an impossible burden for the Government to sustain and that the judgment could not be reversed either on questions of fact or of law.

It has been reported that a total of 5,371 Nisei renounced their citizenship as a result of the duress in which they were held. In excess of 3,000 of them are plaintiffs in the aforesaid suits. Approximately 1000 requests have reached me from other renunciants seeking to be included therein and it is likely that substantially all renunciants not now in the case, with few exception, in due course will request inclusion. Each mail brings in like requests. A great number of these requests are from young men and women who, heretofore, for diverse reasons, were fearful of joining suits which they had been informed were brought against the Government and which, therefore, might place them in danger. The fear was real to them. Only time will allay the fears of a number of them

when the nightmare of their long imprisonment has faded away.

The consolidated class suits in equity were brought, as recited in the pleadings, for the benefit of the named plaintiffs, those who thereafter might be joined therein by name and also for the benefit of all similarly situated renunciants. It would seem, therefore, that it would be for the best interest of the courts and of counsel as well as for the parties that all Nisei renunciants not already protected by suit be included in the mass action by consent. In this manner all the affected persons would receive the minimum legal benefit that is their due. I believe you will agree that they are entitled to that measure of protection especially in view of the fact the government was responsible for their plight.

In consequence, to save the time and expense of the parties and the time and work that otherwise would fall upon your Department and upon the courts I suggest that a list of the names of the renunciants not yet protected by suit be supplied for inclusion in the mass actions. I am willing to bear the expense of preparation of such a list. To supply such a list of names would not violate any rule of law or regulation of your Department. The name of a renunciant is not a matter of a private or confidential nature any more than is the name of a person who becomes a citizen by a naturalization judgment. On the contrary, such names are matters of public record and interest.

If you will authorize your office to supply me with such a list at my expense those persons will be joined in the pending suit to receive the initial minimum legal protection of their fundamental rights. Thereafter I shall refrain from having an interlocutory decree entered in the consolidated cases until your office has had ample opportunity to review the files of all the plaintiffs and to designate any among them against whom it might decide to present additional evidence. Thereafter, any of those so designated for special hearing would have the opportunity to be represented by such attorneys as they might select to represent them at their special hearings.

If the foregoing proposal does not meet with your approval or consent and you decide to oppose the inclusion of additional parties plaintiff in the pending consolidated cases I solicit your consent to their inclusion in a new mass class action to be brought in the same court upon identical grounds for the protection of those who have asked my aid and for those who yet may do so. In such an event I request your consent and a stipulation that the record in such a case may be identical, except for names, with the record in Action No. 25294, now pending, or that said record be incorporated in the new case by reference or through the medium of copies. Submission of the cause for decision by the court can be deferred for a reasonable period of time, to be mutually agreed upon, for the purpose of enabling your office to designate such of the plaintiffs therein against whom you might wish to present additional evidence and designate

Hon. Tom C. Clark

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for special individual hearings in like manner as has occurred in Action No. 25294, now pending.

I would be grateful were you to favor me with a prompt reply to these proposals.

Very truly yours,

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Copy to: H. Graham Morrison, Esq.
Peyton Ford, Esq.
Enoch Ellison, Esq.

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July 1, 1948

Charles M. Rothstein, Esq.,
Alien Enemy Control Unit,
Department of Justice,
Washington 25, California.

Dear Mr. Rothstein:

In reply to your telegram of June 29th,
please be informed as follows:

Name:	Birthdate:	Birthplace:
Yamamoto, Hiroshi,	May 1, 1921,	Sacramento, Cal.
Yamamoto, Kazuo,	Feb. 13, 1919,	Webb Tract, Cal.
Yamamoto, Shigeru,	July 11, 1911,	Gardena, Cal.
Yamamoto, Shigeru,	Dec. 18, 1920,	San Dimas, Cal.
Yamamoto, Shigeru,	April 21, 1918,	Sacramento, Cal.

Very truly yours,

WMC:cw

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CHARLES M ROTHSTEIN DIRECTOR DJ WASHINGTON DC.

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October 27, 1949

Charles M. Rothstein, Esq.
Director, Alien Enemy Control Unit
Department of Justice
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Rothstein:

In re: ABO vs. CLARK and FURUYA vs.
CLARK - Cons. No. 25294-G

Enclosed find carbon copy of alphabetic list of all plaintiffs in the above-entitled actions, each and all of whom were affected by the final order, judgment and decree heretofore entered in said proceeding.

Very truly yours,

June 14, 1949

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

Dear Mr. Clark:

During 1945 each of the persons whose name appears on the attached list of names signed an application for renunciation of United States nationality at the Tule Lake Center, Newell, Modoc County, California.

Each of said persons so listed, by the undersigned as their duly constituted attorney, hereby repudiates, withdraws, retracts, rescinds, cancels and revokes the said renunciation upon the following grounds and for the following reasons;

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

(2) None was a free agent at the time when and the place where said renunciation form was signed but then and there was held in duress by the U. S. government and was the victim of fraud, menace, coercion, intimidation, undue influence and mistake of fact and law;

(3) Each then and there was and for a period of time prior thereto had been detained in said Tule Lake Center by official authority and was deprived of substantially all his or her constitutional rights, liberties, privileges and immunities as a U. S. citizen and was treated as though he or she were an alien enemy and thus was discriminated against solely by reason of the Japanese nationality of his or her ancestors;

(4) Each was intimidated, coerced and compelled to sign said renunciation application by reason of the duress in which each then and there was held by the government and the duress, coercion, intimidation, fraud, menace and undue influence of groups and individuals within said Center, against which the government failed to protect each of them.

Because of the foregoing reasons each of the said renunciations was fictitious and was and is invalid and void.

None of said persons is a citizen or subject of Japan and none of them have at any time owed or given that country or nation any allegiance. None of them is an alien enemy. Each of them is a natural born U. S. citizen by birth and by choice. None of them has dual citizenship through any act or acceptance upon his or her individual part.

Each of the said persons named on said list demands that you withdraw, set aside and cancel the said renunciation application and the approval thereof if any approval thereof was given.

Very truly yours,

SECOND SUIT - JOINED JUNE 16, 1949 -- RENUNCIANTS IN U.S.

AKIYAMA, Tom	411 "N" St. Sacramento, Calif.
ESHITA, Frank Masayoshi	3610 Mont Clair Los Angeles 16, Calif.
FUJII, Masashi	Route 2, Box 595-B Morgan Hill, Calif.
FUJII, Yasuko Tsuchida	1492 Ellis St. San Francisco, Calif.
FUJIMOTO, Akiyoshi	R. F. D. Box 338-A Encinitas, Calif.
FUJIMOTO, Masao	117 No. San Pedro St. Los Angeles, Calif.
FUJITA, Shizuko nee Akada	105 - 14th Ave. Seattle, Wash.
FUKUMITSU, Kiyoshi George	2623 Gleason Ave. Los Angeles, Calif.
FURUKAWA, Yoshio	300-19th Ave. Seattle 22, Wash.
GOTO, Jiro	Box 75 Penryn, Calif.
GOTO, Yoshiko	Box 75 Penryn, Calif.
HIROKANE, Masao	Route 1, Box 115 Lodi, Calif.
HIROTA, Tadao	62 W. Elm St. Chicago 10, Illinois
HORI, Keiji	3017 East Eagle St. Los Angeles 33, Calif.
HORI, Minoru Donald	P. O. Box 5 Ryde, Calif.
HORIUCHI, Hanako nee Uyemura	Route 1, Box 77-A Penryn, California
HORIUCHI, Martha Haruko	506 No. Evergreen Ave. Los Angeles 33, Calif.
ISHII, Fusaye nee Hatanaka	346 Harbor Rd., Sect. K, Bldg. 8, Ridge Point, San Francisco, Calif.
KIDO, Teiko nee Kiya	5401 Fall Ave., Apt. 2 A Richmond, Calif.
KIYONO, Kazuo	Route 1, Box 914 Turlock, Calif.

KOYAMA, Tsuyako nee Shiotsu	1345 W. Lomita Blvd. Harbor City, Calif.
KUROYE, Kenneth	4056 N. California Ave. Chicago 18, Illinois
KUWADA, Hiro Henry	5319 Gordon Ave. (1-B) Richmond, Calif.
MATSUMURA, Yoshiko nee Fujii	Route 1, Box 494 Cupertino, Calif.
MURAI, Yukichi	913 Clairmount Detroit, Mich.
MURAMOTO, Rio George	P. O. Box 321 Courtland, Calif.
NAKAMURA, Kimiyo	Rt. 2, Box 2128 Elk Grove, Calif.
NAKAO, Kimiko	1440 West 12th St. Oakland, Calif.
NARASAKI, Tadashi	5300 Victor Ave. (Apt. 2-F) Richmond, Calif.
OBANA, Susumu	P. O. Box 147 Chatsworth, Calif.
ONO, Arthur Toshio	1528 Octavia St. San Francisco, Calif.
SAKATANI, Satoshi	P. O. Box 404 Newcastle, Calif.
SAKURAI, Hiroshi Frank	P. O. Box 76 Hood, Calif.
SAKURAI, Kaoru George	P. O. Box 76 Hood, Calif.
SASAKI, Etsuko nee Hashima	2602 East Aloha St. Seattle 2, Wash.
SHIMADA, Meriko nee Nakama	416 - 16th Ave. So. Seattle 44, Wash.
SUMIDA, Sadako	233 $\frac{1}{2}$ E. First St. Los Angeles 12, Calif.
SUZUKI, Harry Isamu	1720 Sutter St. San Francisco, Calif.
SUZUKI, Joan Tamaye	1720 Sutter St. San Francisco, Calif.
TENNA, Ruth Noriye	R.F.D. Box 287 Auburn, Calif.
TOKUNAGA, Hideko	2616 E. 3rd St. Los Angeles 33, Calif.
TSUCHII, Kiyoko	1210 W. 8th St. Los Angeles 14, Calif.
TSUCHII, Mitsuko	1210 W. 8th St. Los Angeles 14, Calif.

UYEMARUKO, Kenji

1153 F. St.
Fresno, Calif.

UYEMARUKO, Sanichi

1153 F St.
Fresno 1, Calif.

YAMADA, Kimiko (Fujihara)

204 N. Saratoga St.
Los Angeles, Calif.

YOKOME, Asako nee Sakatani

P. O. Box 404
Newcastle, Calif.

YOKOME, Yoshio

P. O. Box 404
Newcastle, Calif.

*Joined Second Unit June 16, 1949*TO BE JOINED -- PERSONS IN JAPAN

AKATA, Henry Sukuu	425 Mure, Mitaka Machi Musashinoshi, Tokyo, Japan
ANDO, Aiko (Miss)	c/o Senkichi Ando, #139 Higashi Tamagawa, Setagaya-ku, Tokyo, Japan
AOKI, Yoshio	57 Aoki-dori, Yokohama, Japan
FUKUNAGA, Manji	c/o Kotobuki Gumi, Nanbahi Nakanoseki Bofu-shi Yamaguchi, Prefecture, Japan
HAMAMOTO, Tohru	No. 63 Fueigutaku, Shimaizumi Takawaski Mura, Minami Kawachi Gun Osaka, Japan
HARA, Tadao	Nakasugi Furuichimachi Asagun, Hiroshima-ken, Japan
HASHIMOTO, Akira Dick	Aki Okimura-Mura, Oshimagun Yamaguchi, Honshu, Japan
HATA, Hiromi (George)	Kodo Kameyama Mura, Asagun Hiroshima, Japan
INOKUCHI, Itsuyo	Hiroshima-Ken, Saiki-Gun Miyauchi-Mura, Azana-Komot, Japan
INOKUCHI, Takeshi George	Hiroshima-Ken, Saiki-Gun Miyauchi-Mura, Azana-Komoto, Japan
KAGAWA, Yoshiharu	94 Kabecho, Asagun Hiroshima-ken, Japan
KANEGAWA, Hatsuyo nee Hara	Fukukimura, Asagun Hiroshima-Ken, Japan
KANEGAWA, Takano	Nukushima Mura, Aki-gun Hiroshima-ken, Japan
KAWAHARA, Mary Haruyo (Mayeda) <i>see MAYEDA</i>	95 Nishi Naka Sange Okayama City, Japan
KAWAI, Yukio	Kokura Shi, Yugawa Fukuoka Ken, Japan
KUBOTA, Jack Gunji Kubota	414 Takigashira tho-Iwase Isogo-ku, Yokohama, Japan
KUBOTA, Sawako	414 Takigashira tho-Iwase Isogo-ku, Yokohama, Japan
KUNIMURA, Jitsushi	c/o Mr. Yoshitaka Izumi, 89 2-chome, Kitazawa, Setagaya-ku, Tokyo, Japan
KUNITAKE, Takashi	Nippon, Fukuoka-ken, Ukiha-gun Funagoshi-mura, Imaizumi, Japan
KUSUNOKI, Isamu Sam	Shinjo-son, Kugagun, Yamaguchi Ken Japan

MARUMOTO, Koichi	No. 70, Minami-2-chome, Kamifukushima Fukushima-ku, Osaka, Japan
MATSUMURA, Hideo	Yamaguchi Ken, Ooshimagun Gamanomura, Japan
MATSUMURA, Yoshiko Akimoto nee Akimoto	Yamaguchi Ken, Ooshimagun Gamanomura, Japan
MATSUNO, Jimmy Iwao	Kobe Base Officers' Club APO 317, Kobe, Japan
MIYAGISHIMA, James Kazuichi	451 Komachi, Kamakura shi Kanagawa Ken, Japan
MIYAGISHIMA, Kimiye	#1-5-Banchi, 3-chome Ginza, Tokyo, Japan
MIZUHARA, Hachiro	4-Giyonin-Zuka-Obe Kawanishi-Cho, Kawabe-Gun Hiyogo-Ken, Japan
MORIOKA, Yone nee Kubo	1244-2 Shimono Mura, Kamo Gun Hiroshima Ken, Japan
MORIOKA, Hisao	1244-2 Shimono Mura, Kamogun Hiroshima Ken, Japan
MORISHITA, Fumiyo	Wakayama shi, Koya 386 Wakayama, Honshu, Japan
MORISHITA, Toshio	Matsuya, Okison, Asa-Gun, Yamaguchiken Yokohama, Japan
MORISHITA, Yoshiko (nee Takaoka)	Matsuya, Okison, Asa-Gun Yamaguchiken, Yokohama, Japan
MURA, Shizuko nee Miyahara	Nawa-Mura, Saihakugun Tottori Ken, Japan
MURAKAWA, Masaru	c/o Miss Asayo Kawamoto Kojiro Mura, Kuga Gun Yamaguchi Ken, Japan
NAGATO, Misako Mary	c/o Lt. Harold M. Kane 13-21, Sakuraicho, Kumamoto, Japan
NAKASHIMA, George Masayoshi	Usa Machi, 2 Chome, Kokura Fukuoka, Japan
NOMURA, Haruo	Kuka-machi, Oshima-gun Yamaguchi-ken, Japan
NORISUYE, Akira	Furuichi machi, Asa Gun Hiroshima Ken, Japan
OBAYASHI, Toshiyuki	Tsuru, Bairinson Tamanagun Kumamoto-ken Kyushu, Japan
OKABEPPU, Hayato	Fukushima, Higashikokubu-mura Aira-gun, Kagoshima-ken, Japan
OKADA, Hiroshi	Nakamida cho, Suzukashi Micken, Japan
OKAMOTO, Takeo Jim	Shushanai, Dai 1 go, Ozuki, Senrigogun Komosha, Oki, san, Oza Matseuya Yamaguchi ken, Asa gun, Japan

ORIGUCHI, Fumiko	155 Nozaki, Kawanabe-cho Kagoshima Pref., Japan
OSHIMA, Tsuneko	c/o Major T. F. Presley Hq. 24th Inf. Div. APO 24 c/o PM San Francisco, Calif. Yukuhashi machi, Ada Tamachi, Japan
OTA, Toshimitsu	c/o The Tokyo Trading Co., Ltd. 2-1 Chome Ginza, Chuo-Ku Tokyo, Japan
SANO, Akiko	Ryato Fushimi, Hakimachi 20, Japan
SANO, Sumiko	Ryato Fushimi, Hakimachi 20, Japan
SASAGUCHI, Yoshikazu	2450 Nishi-hon-Machi, Koi, Hiroshima-City, Japan
SATO, Saburo	c/o Mr. Kunio Daicho, Keyago, Osa Mura Chikushi-gun, Fukuoka-Ken, Kyushu, Japan
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SHIMASAKI, Yuriko (nee Watanabe)	724 Shimasaki, Shimasaki-machi Kumamoto-shi, Kyushu, Japan
SHIMIZU, Hideo	Nishi Kasuga-cho, Oita-shi, Mutsumi Apt. Oita-Ken, Japan
SHIMIZU, Masaye (Mrs.)	Nishi Kasuga-cho, Oita-shi Mutsumi Apt. Oita-ken, Japan
SHIMONISHI, Mildred Satoru nee Kubota	177 Takasu, Furuta Machi Hiroshima Shi, Japan
SHIMONISHI, Toshio	177 Takasu, Furuta Machi Hiroshima Shi, Japan
SHIROYAMA, Hatsuge (Hatsuye) nee Minato	Shihozaka, Futamatagawa-cho Hodogaya-ku, Yokohama, Japan
SHIROYAMA, Kiyoshi Dick	Shihozaka, Futamatagawa-cho, Hodogaya-ku, Yokohama, Japan
SUGITA, Yutaka	Yawata, Mura, Saiki, Gun Hiroshima, Japan
TAKAMORI, Zuye	71 Yoka machi, Toyama-shi, Toyama-ken Honshu, Japan
TAKANO, Kanegawa	Koide, Nukushinamura, Aki-gun Hiroshima-ken, Japan
TAKEHANA, AliceoNuiko	164 Kiyomizu-Machi, Shimura, Itabashi-ku, Tokyo to, Japan
TANIGUCHI, Masatsu	c/o Osaka Hotel, No. 1, 2-Chome Uchisaiwaicho, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo, Japan
TANIGUCHI, Yaye (Yaeko Takao)	c/o Lt. Col. N. D. Perez House No. - ON - 107, Hygo Pref. Nigawa Honshu, Japan c/o Ota Chiyo, Kumamoto Ken, Shimomashiki Gun, Sugiae Mura, O-Machi, Japan

TOSHIMITSU, Suzuko Mrs.	Mieken Wakamatsu, Suzukashi 639, Japan
UMEKUBO, Kiyoharu	c/o Mr. Sutegoro Iimura, 1-30 Honcho, Tsurumi Ku, Yokohama, Japan
WAKAYAMA, Ernest Kiuzo	Fukagawa, Kikuchimura, Kikuchigun Kumamoto Ken, Japan
WATANABE, Kimie	804, 4- Chome, Mizuhocho, Tsurajima-cho Asakuchi-gun, Okayama, Japan
YAMANE, Hiroichi	Mori no Mura, Wasa, Oshimagun Yamaguchiken, Japan
YAMANE, Kikuyo	Mori no Mura, Wasa, Oshimagun Yamaguchiken, Japan
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MAYEDA, Mary Haruye nee Kawahara	95 Nishi Naka Sange Okayama City, Japan
MORITA, Toshio	Mukai Gumi, Mitsu Machi, Akitsucho, Kamo-gun, Hiroshima Ken, Japan
SAKAMOTO, Sanji	127 Oishi Machi Kurume Shi, Fukuoka Ken, Japan
TAKEDA, Fred Yasue	c/o Miss Frances Tazuko Takeda Dac. Atis G.H.W. FEC, APO 500, c/o PM, San Francisco, Calif.
SAKURAI, Takeshi	Azemachi Kamisaigo-mura Munakata-gun, Fukuoka Ken, Japan

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UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.



June 17, 1949

Wayne M. Collins, Esquire
Mills Tower, 220 Bush Street
San Francisco 4, California

Dear Mr. Collins:

Your letter of June 14th., to the Attorney General, transmitting a list of 125 names of persons whom you state signed applications to renounce United States nationality while at Tule Lake and who now request that they be restored their United States citizenship, has been referred to my attention.

Of the 125 names listed, I have found it possible to identify only 122, as persons whose renunciation of citizenship was approved by the Attorney General. With respect to this group, you are advised that it is this Department's position that neither the Attorney General nor any other executive officer of the Government has the power to restore citizenship once renunciation has been approved.

The three persons whom I have been unable to identify are as follows:

Akiyama, Tom
Sano, Sumiko
Takano, Kanegawa

Incidentally, in checking our files, I find that Hashimoto, Akira Dick and Miyagashima, Kimiye (now Mrs. Kimye Shinoyama) whose names appear on the above list, are parties plaintiff in the ABO suit.

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Sincerely,

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