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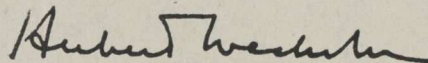
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NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF RENUNCIATION OF UNITED STATES NATIONALITY

To: Hisashi Kaneko  
(born Feb. 10, 1908, Berkeley, California)  
5112-E-F  
Tule Lake Center  
Newell, California

You are hereby notified that, pursuant to Section 401(i) of the Nationality Act of 1940, as Amended, and the regulations issued pursuant thereto, your renunciation of United States nationality has been approved by the Attorney General as not contrary to the interests of national defense. Accordingly you are no longer a citizen of the United States of America nor are you entitled to any of the rights and privileges of such citizenship.

Date: March 22, 1945



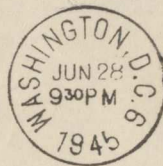
Herbert Wechsler  
Assistant Attorney General  
War Division



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Hisashi Kaneko  
5112-E-F  
Tule Lake Center  
Newell, California

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
Immigration and Naturalization Service  
Tule Lake W.R.A., California

OCT 6 1945

TO: Hisashi KANEKO

ADDRESS: 5112-EF

You are hereby notified that in accordance with General Order of August 31, 1945, you have been ordered interned at the Tule Lake Segregation Center by the Attorney General of the United States.

You will be notified by your block manager as to the date and time when you are to be at the Registration Office of the Immigration and Naturalization Service.

Ivan Williams  
Officer in Charge



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION SERVICE

Tule Lake California

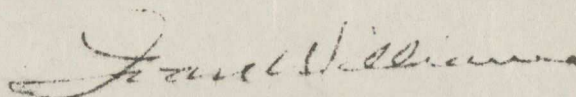
TO: All Japanese Renunciates, Tule Lake Center

This is to advise that since you have renounced your United States citizenship, you are now considered to be aliens. Under the terms of the Alien Registration Act of 1940, it now becomes necessary you register as an alien. This applies to all persons of alien nationalities, 14 years of age or over.

In addition to the above, you have indicated your desire to be repatriated to Japan. It will be necessary, therefore, that the Department of Justice Repatriation Form be completed for submission to the proper authorities.

We have prepared a form for your use and request you complete it fully prior to coming to the Department of Justice Registration Office.

As those of you to whom the above applies live throughout the colony, we will begin this program by taking one block at a time. The Block Managers will be notified far enough in advance so as to advise you when to be present for registration. Your cooperation in this program is expected.



Ivan Williams  
Officer in Charge



HONORABLE TOM CLARK  
Attorney General of the United States  
Department of Justice Building  
Washington, D. C.

October 13, 1945

Dear Sir:

On March 22, 1945, I signed an application for renunciation of U.S. 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 March 22, 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 underwhich 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 July 13, 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 reasons of the Japanese nationality of my ancestors;

(4) I was intimidated and compelled to sign the said renunciation form by display of force and intimidation to myself and members of my family made by the Hoshi Dan, a pressure group of aliens 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 I give and ever have given the United States my undivided loyalty and allegiance. I have no dual citizenship through any act or acceptance upon my individual part.



Therefore, I demand that you withdraw and set aside the said renunciation form which is repudiated, withdrawn and revoked by me, and I recall, withdraw, 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 word but was acting under duress and under menace, fraud and undue influence and mistake of fact and law.

I respectfully request your immediate consideration of this urgent matter.

Very truly yours,

*Nisashi Kaneko*  
5112-EF



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3404-B  
Newell, California  
October 23, 1945

Dear Sir:

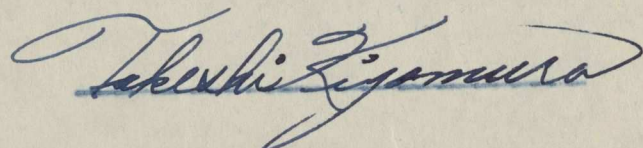
On October 18, 1945, I was requested by Mr Ivan Williams, Officer in Charge, Immigration and Naturalization Service, Department of Justice, to appear before their officer to register under the provisions of the Alien Registration Act.

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,





CONFIDENTIAL

Committee No. 115

(For Use Only of My Attorney)

Atty. No. \_\_\_\_\_

Name (type or print) Hisashi Kaneko

Block No. 5112-EF Tule Lake Center, Newell, California

Sex: Male X Female \_\_\_\_\_

Age: 37 years Date of Birth: Month: Feb. Day: 10 Year: 1908

Place of Birth: (City) Berkeley (County) Alameda State) Calif.

Permanent residence address at time of evacuation: \_\_\_\_\_

R.F.D. Box 166 Newcastle, Calif.

Occupation at time of evacuation: Farm labor

Have you "dual citizenship"? Yes

Did you ever have "dual citizenship"? Yes

If you have or have had dual citizenship, who registered you as

a dual citizen: Parents When: February 10, 1908

Where: Berkeley, California

Did you ever take any steps to cancel dual citizenship? No

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? No

Was there a hearing officer present when you signed? Yes

What was his name? Not known

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? March 22, 1945

On what date did you receive the letter of approval? July 3, 1945

Who signed that letter of approval? Herbert Wechsler

\_\_\_\_\_. (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? October 13, 1945

(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? 4A

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? No

What are their names: Mr. Inokichi Kaneko Mrs. Tome Kaneko

Have they been released from detention? Yes

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.? Brother-in-law - George Matsui volunteered from the Tule Lake Center in or about February 1943.

Have you registered as an "alien" under the Alien Registration Act of 1940? Yes When: About December 1941

Where: Berkeley, California Who was present with you at that time, if anyone? mother 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? In Feb. 1942, I hired the services of Mr. Frank V. Cornish, Attorney Berkely, California, to protest.

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

NO (If so, annex a copy of the letter to this form.)



Have you signed non-repatriation form asking to stay in U.S.? No ~~yes~~  
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.

Committee 115.

I am married. My wife and four children are free to relocate.  
I am the only renouncee in the family and I have to support them.  
I wish to remain in this country to educate my children democratic  
way. My mother, 57years old, is relocating near future. I want to  
join her.

Hisashi Kaneko

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Name)



Have you signed non-repatriation form asking to stay in U.S.? No ~~yes~~

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? \_\_\_\_\_ January 25, 1944 (about that date)

When did you send a letter cancelling that request? October 13, 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:

Because at the time of Alien Registration in or about Dec. 1941 I was unable to ~~establish my place and date of birth in the United States, I was compelled to register as an alien. Immediately in Feb. 1942, I asked the assistance of Mr. Frank V. Cornish, Attorney, at Berkeley, California to establish my birth. My birth has been established being recorded at the Health Department, Berkeley, California, date of filing being March 23, 1942. I never received the Certificate of Identification which aliens receive, but I did receive the Alien Registration Receipt Card No. 3702974.~~

Date: October 20, 1945

Hisashi Kaneko

Hisashi Kaneko

(Name)



DATA SHEET

Name: KANEKO, Hisashi (Geo.)

Judgment: 3/10/58 Doc. U.S.  
(Date & kind)

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Card: \_\_\_\_\_

Folder: ✓

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Parents: Inobuchi Kaneko  
Jome Kaneko

Address Information:  
(Phone bk., C/D, etc.)

2025 Lincoln St.  
Berkeley, Calif.

Id to mother **1 D AUG 8 '60**

Mrs Jome Kaneko

2025 Lincoln St ph/bk  
Berkeley, Calif 7/26/60

Letters, contact, judgment  
order, etc.:

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Payment information, billing:

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Cross reference:

Bro-in-law: George Matsui

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appar conn: Hiroshi Kaneko FJ  
" brother



WAYNE M. COLLINS  
Attorney at Law  
Mills Tower, 220 Bush Street  
San Francisco 4, California

Garfield 1-5827

August 8, 1960

Mrs. Tome Kaneko  
2025 Lincoln St.  
Berkeley, Calif.

Dear Mrs. Kaneko:

I would thank you to let me know the present address  
of Mr. Hisashi Geo. Kaneko ✓  
Mr. Hiroshi Kaneko  
Mrs. Kimiko Kaneko

so that final papers concerning their citizenship status  
may be transmitted to them. Please use the enclosed  
cards and self-addressed envelope for your reply to me.

Very truly yours,

*W. M. Collins*



WAYNE M. COLLINS  
Attorney At Law  
Mills Tower, 220 Bush Street  
SAN FRANCISCO 4, CALIFORNIA  

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GARfield 1-5827

August 25, 1960

Mr. Hisashi George Kaneko  
c/o Mrs. Tome Kaneko  
2025 Lincoln St.  
Berkeley, Calif.

Dear Mr. Kaneko:

If you wish to receive your individual certified copy of the "Final Judgment" of the Court that cancels your wartime renunciation of citizenship and that declares you to be a U.S. citizen, you can obtain it from me by sending to me the \$ 200.00 balance due on your account. Sometime in the future you may need this document to prove your citizenship, to obtain a passport, to establish your right to vote, in applying for employment, Social Security benefits, various licenses, loyalty checkup, etc. If it presses you too much to pay your balance in a lump sum, you can let me know and arrangements can be made for you to pay the balance by installments. I am enclosing a stamped envelope for your reply.

Very truly yours,

*W.M. Collins*

Enc.



F.J. 3-10-58

✓ KANEKO, Hisashi George

Mr. Hisashi George Kaneko

2025 Lincoln St.

Berkeley, Calif.

6616 Telegraph Ave. P.O.

✓ 11/2/62

C/o Mrs. Jane Kaneko

1135 Addison

Berkeley, Calif.

Date  
7-15-59

Paid  
\$100.00

Balance  
\$200.00



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MAR 1 1963

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JUL 1 1963

SEP 1 1963

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NOV 1 1964

DEC 1 1964



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MILLS TOWER, 220 BUSH STREET  
SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA 94104



*Now Reseased*

Mr. Hisashi George Kaneko  
1135 Addison  
Berkeley, California

*not here*

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TO  
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*Refused at address M63*



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MILLS TOWER, 220 BUSH STREET  
SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA 94104  
GARFIELD 1-5827

Feb. 1, 1965

┌  
Mr. Hisashi George Kaneko  
1135 Addison  
Berkeley, California

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1135 Addison  
Berkeley  
2/11/63*

*Int. House  
Berkeley Calif*

Mr. Hisashi George Kaneko  
6616 Telegraph Ave.  
Oakland, Calif.

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