behave it as if the cumulative effects of the Salt Lake City resolution, Shosuke's appeal for action, the Days of Remembrance, the signatures to the Open Letter to hayakawa, the press conferences in Chicago, xxx Los Angeles, San Francisco, and Seattle, the Xx Chicago/Seattle ad in the P.C., and the creations of the National Council, have resulted in raising enough questions to warrant intoduction of S1647.

In a meeting with Ron & Ikejiri, Ruthann &xx &Kurose on Lowry's staff was assured that the & JACL would not do anything to block Lowry's bill. I don't know what Ikejiri's word xx is worth, but we have that on record. And the events since August 2 appear to bear him out for the time being.

Now let me develop some facts  $\mathbf{k}$  about the campagin  $\dot{\mathbf{x}}$  we face in the House of Representatives. Here's where we've entered a new ballgame.

1. We met with & Lowry on Aug. 22. He allowed as how we hadn't really sat down togeliher and cracked skulls on the k shape of the bill he would introduce. Ruxunx Ruthann had earlier confided to me that the redress bill was the next are priority item on Lowry's calendar, and only the xxxxxx second Lowry would introduce in his entire Congressional career. His aide for last summer explained the draft she and two XD.C. "experts" had come up with. Shosuke andxxxxxx made speeches thanking Lowry for 1) being the fixexxxxxxxxxxxxxx only man in the House of Reps to support waxxxix a redress bill, 2) supporting the concept of individual payments, 3) adhering to the provision for the rights of inheritance. химимихнуминимимих непту made some background on how wa he and Shosuke had daxeenx developed the original draft through discussions with the community, and had worked out computer simulations on Nikkei income base flow. Shosuke then laid out nine points that needed restoration in the draft Lowry's aide xx prepared. Lowry listened, made notes, Shosuke's presence and knoweledge commanded the large for room. Lowry asked slowly, "Have we moved away from the original intent of redress (with this aide's MYHXXXXX draft)?" Hexx Henry said yes. Lowry looked to his aide and said what ha to the room and haff to her that "obviously there would be some revisions made in the language." REMÉRE Before he left for his 4:00 appointment, Lowry said he wanted to mkm make mone final comment, a pitch for two of the finest men whe knew in the House, Norm Mineta and Bob Matsui. They're xaw decent and honorable men, he said. Now Norm faces a tough election in his district next time around, he said, and now I don't know if that's true or not, but that's how he perceives it, Lowry added. And I want to make sure he knows that he has your support. That's my pitch, he said, and is

Lowry gave every signal that he's going to go ahead with the bill. He said he didn't work wik with timelines, but kink that after his staff makes revisions in further consultation with Shosuke, he anticipated he could mintroduce it sometime after Labor Day, how much is after left open. He mentioned no pressure or interference from meither Mineta/Matsui or from the JACL. He him with the law and a hint as he could without ordering us, kenkin that the key to the bill's success in the House lay in mending fence with Mineta/Matsui, at no practical cost to our program, at no inherent compromise to our program of winning redress for them camps. Where is earlier we want heard that Mineta/Matsui were having kink lunch with Lowry every other day and pressuring him to drop the thing, mexamination and worried that Lowry would drop it because me didn't want to cross Mineta and Matsui, we saw that now kink Lowry did not yield to pressure or influence, and that once Lowry introduced the bill, that the shoe kink kink would change feet, and it would be Mineta and Matsui was kink who

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would not want to cross Lowry.

- 2. Lowry's bill is our credibility. Our promises to the community conveyed through the info kit, the newsletter, even your anti-Inouye leaflet, will be fulfilled with Lowry's bill.
- 3. We are not infakkaxx infallible. We have won some and lost some. Should a the Presidential Commission become a reality, the National Council for Rixe Redress would become the spokesmen for the Japanese American community and the American civil liberties and church community. We'll have most of the significatn redress testimony on our side. The JACL will be an accessory, a friend of the court, and will kown bumble through the proceedings. The commission will discount JACL testimony, to show they're being at "objective." The National Council, with its proven knack for getting media coverage, will be the principle spokesmen for redress, including all the white spokesmen that we line upx to support us. The JACL will be a freend of the court, just like in Yasui/Hirabayashi in 1944. Just like with DeWitt in 1942. Just like whe March 3 and August 2, 1979. But don't get the impression I'm waiting around for the hearings. I'm showing how S1647, if it doesn't die under its own ammerkax superfluity, can bemma incorporated into our xx emmarkax battle xplans.
- 4. The newsletter is pulling in money every day, from 25. to 500 a day, HYXKKYMXXX The newsletter does not MKKMXXXXXXXXX knock the JACL. The newsletter behaves as if the JACL taxx never existed, except to get us into camp. The newsletter reached most homes after they d read about \$1647. They sent money to us anyway. Some may have sent checks kkn thinking they were supporting the commission bill. A larger segment wx responded on the basis h that xhauxxandxxx the newsletter communicated the tone on which xxxx this redress campaign would be based, on a spirit of cooperation and justice and even-handedness. You know from experience how much Nikkei shy away from x conflict, from contention, from a gight fight. HUKKNHWXMHHHXWNXKHEKMHWXXHHHAKKKHHKKKHHKKK ENHARKKKHAKKAKKAKKAKKAKKKKKAKK These Nikkei are sending money in response to f the fact that the Newsletter takes the redress campaign out of the Lettersto the Editor column in the P.C. where its been waged for xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx eight years now, THAXHWAKK and made to walk on its own, outside the JACL that wes never and will never be able to wage a redress campaign.
- 5. The National Council letters you've written to whites are based on the logic that redress will gain support by a attacking a lesser bill, S1547. Has that strategy gained the Nationals Council support to date?

We do need to get together for another conference,. We need unity like never begins before. Six Is there any chance you could add Sericker a Seattle kef leg to your ex September L.A. trip? By then we may be breaking each champaign over the final House Resolution number to our joint redress bux bill. And laying plans for its introduction into the Serick Senate. Wakker Senate bill unfavorably to a our Senate bill.