

EVACUATION REDRESS

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I. WHY???. . . .

- \* RECOGNITION OF INJUSTICES PERPETRATED AGAINST JAPANESE AMERICA BY U.S.A.
- \* SHOW GREATNESS OF LEADERSHIP AND SPIRIT OF THE NIKKEI THROUGH J.A.C.L.
- \* WRITE PAGE IN JAPANESE AMERICAN HISTORY
- \* HEAL OLD WOUNDS AND ELIMINATE SOCIAL AMNESIA
- \* BRING TOGETHER JAPANESE AMERICA

## II. BACKGROUND - HISTORY

- \* EXECUTIVE ORDER 9066: FEBRUARY 19, 1942 - EXCLUSION OF ALL NIKKEI RESIDENTS  
FROM WEST COAST AND ALASKA
  
- \* CONGRESSIONAL APPROVAL OF EXCLUSION ORDER - MARCH 1942
  
- \* PASSAGE OF EVACUATION CLAIMS BILL (PROPERTY LOSS) THROUGH CONGRESS  
JUNE 1948, PUBLIC LAW 886 - FINAL CASE: 1965
  
- \* NATIONAL J.A.C.L. CONVENTIONS - RESOLUTIONS ON REDRESS:  
1970 - 1972 - 1974 - 1976 - 1978
  
- \* PRESIDENTIAL PROCLAMATION 4417 - FEBRUARY 19, 1976  
PRESIDENT GERALD FORD: "....EVACUATION WAS A MISTAKE....."

III. BASIC PHILOSOPHY AND RATIONALE

- \* REDRESS BASED ON EQUALITY OF ALL UNDER LAW
- \* COMPENSATION TO ALL INDIVIDUALS AFFECTED BY THE EVACUATION & INTERNMENT ORDERS
- \* PROMPT PAYMENT OF REDRESS ESSENTIAL:

ISSEI MOST SERIOUSLY HURT FINANCIALLY ARE RAPIDLY DYING

- \* USE THE RESOURCES & TALENT OF ALL NIKKEI TO SUPPORT REDRESS EFFORT
- \* MANAGEMENT OF FUNDS MUST INVOLVE FORMER VICTIMS
- \* REDRESS STRICTLY VOLUNTARY: PARTICIPATION & USE OF FUNDS BY RECIPIENTS

IV. THE CASE OF THE U.S.A. VS. JAPANESE-AMERICA, 1941-1952

- \* IMPRISONMENT WITHOUT DUE PROCESS OF LAW
- \* PERSONS OF JAPANESE ANCESTRY DEEMED NATIONAL SECURITY RISK
- \* DESTRUCTION OF ECONOMIC, FAMILY AND COMMUNITY LIFE
- \* GOVERNMENT POLICY OF CULTURAL & ETHNIC IDENTITY SUPPRESSION

LACK OF DUE PROCESS

\* TRIAL BY PRESS AND RADIO ONLY

\* NO CHARGES NOR INDICTMENTS FILED, NO TRIAL BY JURY, ETC.

\* MARTIAL LAW NEVER INVOKED

DOCUMENTED INNOCENCE

\* MUNSON REPORT:

NO EVIDENCE OF SABOTAGE

REPORT IN PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT'S HANDS

\* KOREMATSU AND ENDO CASES:

GOVERNMENT'S ADMISSION OF NO THREAT

DESTRUCTION OF ECONOMIC, FAMILY AND COMMUNITY LIFE

\* DESTRUCTION OF OUR HOMES

\* ISOLATION & IMPRISONMENT OF COMMUNITY LEADERS (ISSEI)

\* FORCED MOVEMENT & CONFINEMENT

\* INTERRUPTION/TERMINATION OF NORMAL EDUCATION PROCESS FOR  
CHILDREN AND YOUTH

\* COMPLETE DESTRUCTION OF FAMILY AND COMMUNITY ECONOMICS

\* PSYCHOLOGICAL DAMAGE & EMOTIONAL PROBLEMS

\* DAMAGE TO REPUTATION OF NIKKEI



GOVERNMENT POLICY OF CULTURAL & ETHNIC IDENTITY SUPPRESSION

\* JAPANESE COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS DISSOLVED DURING W.W. II &  
NOT PERMITTED TO START AFTER RETURN

\* JAPANESE MARTIAL ARTS SCHOOLS SHUT DOWN

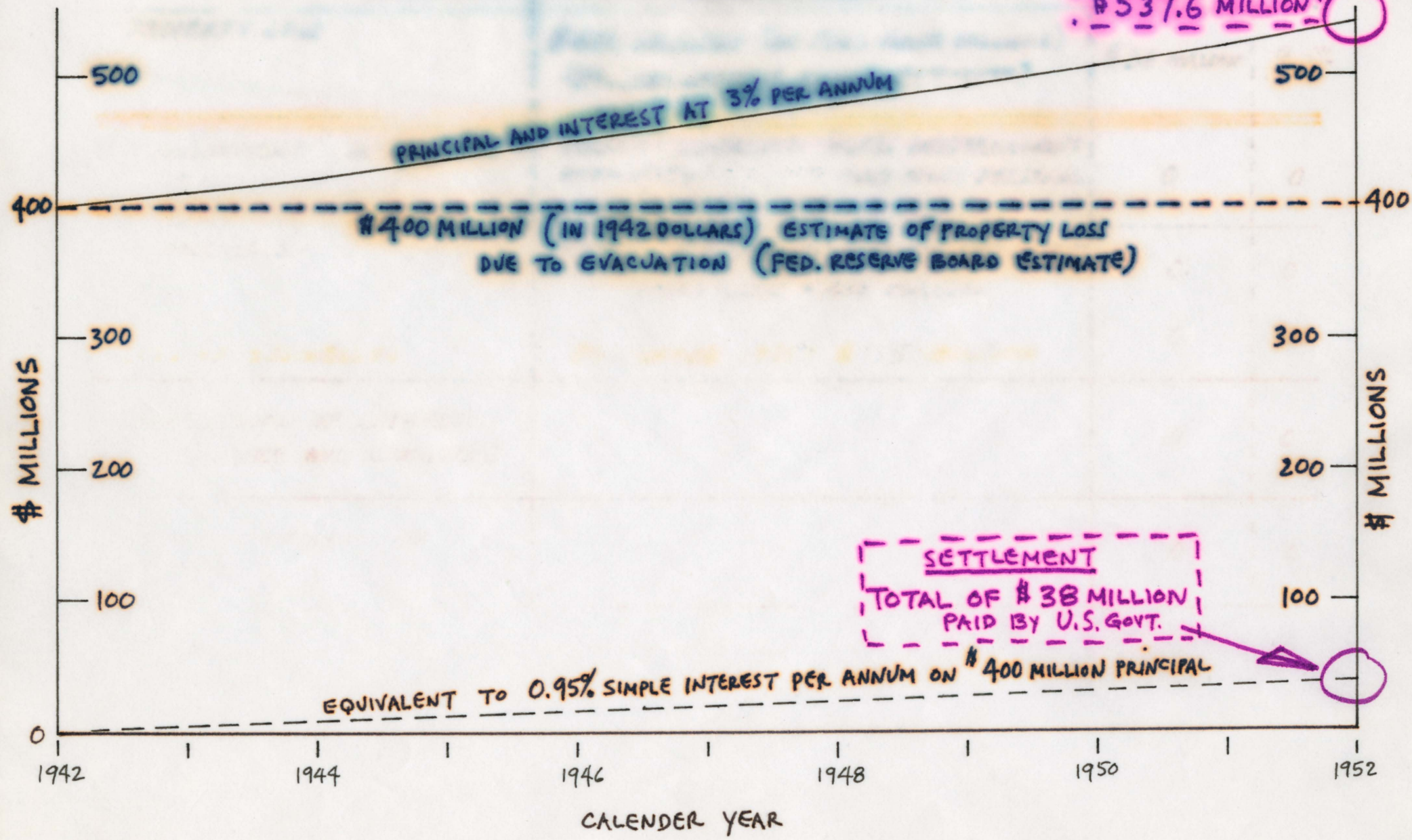
\* JAPANESE LANGUAGE SCHOOLS CLOSED

\* BANNING OF LANGUAGE IN CAMPS

IMPACT: GENERATION OF NISEI AND SANSEI HAVE LITTLE OR NO BACKGROUND IN  
JAPANESE LANGUAGE, CULTURE AND MARTIAL ARTS.

EVACUATION PROPERTY LOSS AND  
"CLAIM SETTLEMENT"

LOSS  
TOTAL VALUE  
\$537.6 MILLION



## SUMMARY OF LOSSES AND COMPENSATION

CATEGORY	LOSS DUE TO EVACUATION AND IMPRISONMENT	COMPENSATION PAID	% OF LOSS
<b>PROPERTY LOSS</b> SUFFERED BY EVACUEES AND THOSE AFFECTED BY THE WARTIME EXCLUSION ORDER	<b>\$400 MILLION (IN 1942 VALUE DOLLARS)</b> (FEDERAL RESERVE BOARD ESTIMATE)	<b>\$38 MILLION</b>	<b>9.5%</b>
<b>IMPRISONMENT WITHOUT DUE PROCESS OF LAW</b>	DOLLAR EQUIVALENT VALUE: INDETERMINANT ESTIMATED 375,000 MAN YEARS PERSONAL FREEDOM LOSS	0	0
<b>INCOME LOSS</b> - INABILITY TO PRACTICE PROFESSION AND SKILLS IN AN OPEN LABOR MKT.	ESTIMATED LOSS BASED ON PRE 1942 SALARIES MORE THAN \$280 MILLION	0	0
<b>LOSS OF BUSINESSES</b>	ESTIMATED LOSS: \$155 MILLION	0	0
<b>SUPPRESSION OF JAPANESE CULTURE AND LANGUAGE</b>	GENERATION OF NISEI AND SANSEI TOTALLY LACKING IN ETHNIC BACKGROUND, CULTURE AND LANGUAGE	0	0
<b>FORCED MOVEMENT OF FAMILIES</b>	FORCED RESETTLEMENT EXPENSES FOR MORE THAN 120 000 NIKKEI	0	0
<b>PSYCHOLOGICAL AND EMOTIONAL DAMAGE</b>	<b>MONETARY DAMAGE: NOT CALCULABLE</b> NUMBER OF SUICIDES, INSANITIES, AND MENTAL DISORDERS THAT WAS INITIATED BY THE EVACUATION, IMPRISONMENT, AND RELEASE TRAUMA	0	0

V. REDRESS PLAN

BASIS OF COMPENSATION

- \* LOSS OF PERSONAL FREEDOM AND CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS - TIME IN INTERNMENT AND FORCED IMPRISONMENT
- \* LOSS OF ECONOMIC WAY OF LIFE - LOSS OF NORMAL INCOME, SALARY AND BUSINESS
- \* SYSTEMATIC DEPRIVATION OF CULTURE AND IDENTITY
- \* REIMBURSEMENT FOR FORCED MOVEMENT OF FAMILIES AND INDIVIDUALS AND RESETTLEMENT EXPENSES

E L I G I B I L I T Y

- \* FORMER EVACUEES
  
- \* ALIEN DETENTION CENTER INTERNEES
  
- \* CHILDREN BORN DURING INTERNMENT
  
- \* PERSONS FORCED TO RESETTLE TO AVOID INTERNMENT
  
- \* PERSONS JAILED FOR REFUSING EVACUATION
  
- \* DIRECT HEIRS OF ALL AFFECTED ABOVE, IF PRINCIPAL DECEASED

REDRESS FINANCING

\* REDRESS COMPENSATION FUNDED BY FEDERAL INCOME TAX CHECK-OFF PAID BY  
THOSE PERSONS OF JAPANESE ANCESTRY (FROM 1980 - 1990)

\* I.R.S. SPECIAL TRUST FUND ESTABLISHED TO COLLECT TAX PAYMENTS AND  
TO DISBURSE CLAIMS FILED

\* DIRECT CONGRESSIONAL APPROPRIATIONS NOT REQUIRED FOR REDRESS FUNDING

\* ALL REDRESS TAX EXEMPT BY DEFINITION IN ENABLING LEGISLATION

CHOICE OF PARTICIPATION

\* INCOME TAX  
CHECK OFF

YES

CLAIM FILED

INDIVIDUAL  
RECIPIENT

PERSONAL USE

TAX RELIEF

MAYBE

DONATE TO  
NON-PROFIT

YES

NO CLAIM  
FILED

DONATE TO  
BLOCK GRANTS

MAYBE

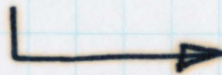
NO

AUTOMATIC  
FORFEITURE

NO

TAX FLOW CHART

JAPANESE-AMERICAN  
TAXPAYERS



TAX  
RETURN

YES



SPECIAL I.R.S.  
NIKKEI TRUST  
FUND



BENEFICIARIES

- \* EVACUEES
- \* RELOCATEES
- \* INTERNEES
- \* HEIRS

NO



REGULAR  
INCOME  
TAX



OPTIONS

- \* NIKKEI BLOCK GRANTS
- \* CHURCHES
- \* SCHOLARSHIPS
- \* LANGUAGE & CULTURAL SCHOOLS
- \* JUDO, KENDO, ETC.



CLAIMS PROCESSING

USE W.R.A. FILE FROM NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND INDEX DATA INTO COMPUTER:

W.C.C.A. NUMBERS, NAMES, BIRTH DATES, CAMPS, PRE-WAR ADDRESS, ASSEMBLY CENTER

CLAIMS VERIFICATION:

- \* FORMER INTERNEES: W.C.C.A. NUMBERS, NAMES, BIRTHDATES, TOTAL TIME OF INTERNMENT, AFFIDAVIT, LOCAL RECORDS, ETC.
- \* RESETTLEMENT CASES: W.C.C.A. NUMBERS, NAMES, LAST ADDRESS - NEW ADDRESS, AFFIDAVIT, ETC.
- \* PRIORITY: (1) THOSE 65 AND OLDER; (2) THOSE 50 AND OLDER AND DISABLED;  
(3) OTHER FORMER INTERNEES; (4) HEIRS OF DECEASED BENEFICIARIES.
- \* CLAIMS DISBURSEMENT: TO INDIVIDUALS, TO BLOCK GRANT FUND, PRIVATE CHARITIES, CHURCHES, LANGUAGE SCHOOLS, CULTURAL CLASSES, SCHOLARSHIPS, ETC.

MANAGEMENT OF CLAIMS PROGRAM

PREREQUISITES

- \* APPROVAL OF ENABLING LEGISLATION
- \* AUTHORIZATION OF I.R.S. SPECIAL TRUST FUND FOR NIKKEI
- \* INCOME TAX ALLOCATION AUTHORITY

CREATION OF REDRESS MANAGEMENT ORGANIZATION COMPOSED OF FORMER EVACUEES, INTERNEES  
AND OTHERS OF JAPANESE ANCESTRY

- \* I.R.S. FUND MANAGEMENT AND OPERATIONS NOT TO EXCEED 2%
- \* LEGISLATION TO PROVIDE FUNDS FOR EXPENSES IN PROCESSING CLAIMS
- \* PROVIDE ACCOUNTING TO I.R.S. FOR ALL FUNDS AND DISBURSEMENTS

ESTIMATE OF REDRESS FUND USE

		<u>INTENDED USE</u>	<u>OVERALL USE</u>
* INDIVIDUAL CLAIMS	1/3	TRAVEL	25%
FORMER EVACUEES, ETC.		HOME IMPROVEMENT	
		RETIREMENT	
DIRECT HIERS		OTHER PERSONAL USES	
	1/3	EDUCATION	25%
		SCHOLARSHIP	
ESTIMATED DISTRIBUTION →	75%		
	1/3	CHURCH, JAACL, OTHER	25%
		NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS	
* UNCLAIMED FUNDS AND	25%	QUALIFIED COMMUNITY,	25%
THOSE ALLOCATING CLAIM		SOCIAL SERVICE &	
		CULTURAL ORGANIZATIONS	
TO BLOCK GRANT TRUST FUNDS		NIKKEI LEGAL FUND	

TO WIN REDRESS

\* GENERATE J.A.C.L. & NIKKEI SUPPORT AT ALL LEVELS

NATIONAL - REGIONAL - LOCAL - COORDINATE WITH ALL ACTIVE GROUPS

\* SEEK INDIVIDUALS IN ALL REGIONS TO WORK AS COORDINATORS

\* DETERMINE LEGISLATIVE PROCESS AND IDENTIFY KEY PEOPLE; I.E., CHAIRMEN  
OF COMMITTEES, WHIPS, ETC.

\* GENERATE CONGRESSIONAL SUPPORT FOR LEGISLATION:

SPONSORING CONGRESSMEN, WIN SUPPORT OF OTHERS & URGE FOR TIMELY ACTION