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## MEMORANDUM

TO: MDC Chapter Presidents  
MDC Redress Representatives

DATE: December 8, 1981

FROM: Bill Yoshino *BW*

SUBJ: Redress Update

The district fundraising goal has nearly been met. As you know, last week I forwarded a check to national crediting the MDC for \$28,068 of its \$30,000 goal.

The breakdown by chapters is as follows:

	<u>Revised Alloc.</u>	<u>Amt. rec./interest</u>	<u>%</u>
Chicago	\$12,543	\$12,543.00	100
Cincinnati	2,262	722.34	32
Cleveland	2,673	2,721.54	102
Dayton	2,056	2,103.39	102
Detroit	2,879	2,982.82	104
Hoosier	1,439	1,968.67	137
Milwaukee	1,727	1,920.93	111
St. Louis	2,056	705.00	34
Twin Cities	2,365	2,400.15	102
	<u>\$30,000</u>	<u>\$28,067.84</u>	<u>94</u>

The actual hearing process has been completed even though the commission will make one more stop in Boston. A legal conference has been scheduled for Boston on December 9. Two panels will be convened with commissioners present to discuss remedial measures for correcting the injustice of the evacuation and for determining measures to prevent a recurrence of the evacuation.

Also, an extension of the reporting date of the commission report to Congress is being sought through congressional action. A bill seeking this extension has been introduced and reported out of a subcommittee of the House Judiciary. I have no further knowledge as to timelines on the bill or action required, thus it appears that beyond a monitoring of the bill, no chapter action is necessary.

At the national level, redress programs and strategies are in development and will be made available in the near future.

Finally, your chapter lists should be revised to reflect the new chapter presidents thus far elected in MDC.

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As you elect your new boards and officers, I would appreciate your forwarding this information to my office.

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Finally, an overdue thanks on <sup>my</sup>~~my~~ part to Kaz Mayeda for his service as MDC Governor during the last two years. I was able to attend each of the National Board meetings in which Kaz represented the interests of this district and at the same time the interests of the national organization. It would not be an exaggeration to say that Kaz was among the most influential and respected members of the board. His manner and style enabled him to gain acceptance of a majority of the proposals he presented.

Thanks, Kaz.

My observation of John Tani at the last national board meeting leads to the conclusion that the strong tradition of leadership by the MDC at National Board meetings will not be diminished in the least.