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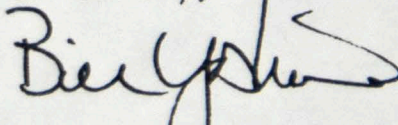
Dear Senator Mitchell:

With the conclusion of the Chicago hearing, I wish to extend my appreciation to you and your fellow commissioners for designating Chicago as a hearing site.

The geographic dispersion of Japanese Americans following their detention certainly justified a Midwest hearing. Further, because many of these individuals did not return to the east coast following the war, their perspective and character may have differed from their counterparts on the west coast. Irrespective of this, however, they share the commonality of experience for which the commission was established.

It is my hope that the proceedings in Chicago provided information of benefit in the investigatory process of the commission.

Sincerely,


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