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REPATRIATION ANNOUNCEMENT MADE

The following notifications have been received by R. R. Best, project director, from Ivah Williams, officer in charge of the Tule Lake detail, Immigration and Naturalization Service, Department of Justice:

Dear Mr. Best:

You are advised repatriations to Japan will commence at an early date, possibly as soon as Nov. 15, 1945.

It will be appreciated if you will have the following announcement released to the Japanese concerned, who are now residing in the Japanese colony in the Tule Lake Center. Following are the classes of Japanese residents of Tule Lake who will either be required to repatriate or accepted as voluntary repatriates:

1. All persons whose applications to renounce their United States citizenship have been approved by the Attorney General of the United States, will be repatriated to Japan, together with members of their families, whether citizens or aliens, who desire to accompany them. It will, therefore, be necessary for all renunciates to file an application for repatriation in the prescribed manner, regardless of whether or not they have previously filed such application.
2. All alien residents of the center who are segregated parolees under alien enemy proceedings will be required to fill out the application for repatriation form, whether or not they desire repatriation to Japan. This must be done in order that the Immigration and Naturalization Service may have the names and addresses of their relatives who may desire to accompany them in the event they are required to depart. Alien enemy parolees who do not desire repatriation to Japan and desire a hearing on the question of involuntary repatriation, should clearly so indicate on the application for repatriation form by stating: "I do not desire repatriation and request a hearing." This notation can be stated under paragraph nine (Paragraph 9) of such form.
3. All alien residents of the center who are under orders of deportation under the immigration laws, must file applications for repatriation, whether or not they desire to depart, in order that they may bring to the attention of the Immigration and Naturalization Service the names and addresses of their relatives who may desire to accompany them in the event their deportation is effected. If such persons wish to oppose deportation, they should clearly indicate the fact as instructed in paragraph two (Paragraph 2) above.
4. Any United States citizen resident of the center may file an application for repatriation if he or she is a qualified relative of a repatriate. The term "relative" will include spouses, children, parents, grand-parents, grand-children, brothers, sisters, and other persons who are bona fide dependent members of families eligible for repatriation. (誠意あり)
5. All alien residents of the center are eligible for repatriation at Government expense in their own right. Those desiring voluntary repatriation must completely fill out the application for repatriation form, stating therein the names and addresses of their relatives whom they desire to accompany them.
6. All persons 14 years of age or over, named by their relatives as persons whom

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they desire to have repatriated with him or her, must file individual applications signifying their own desires. This form will be fully completed in each case of persons coming under this age group.

THE FOLLOWING PROCEDURE IS TO BE FOLLOWED BY ALL PERSONS WHO ARE REQUIRED TO FILE APPLICATIONS FOR REPATRIATION.

- A. All residents of the center, 14 years of age or over, falling within the above categories, will be required to completely fill out the application for repatriation form.
- B. All persons coming under the categories hereinbefore described, who are involuntary repatriates, may change the caption of the form from "APPLICATION FOR REPATRIATION" to "APPLICATION FOR NONREPATRIATION." Persons making this change on the form may leave paragraph seven (Paragraph 7) blank and state their position or explanation under paragraph nine (Paragraph 9).
- C. In the event you have family members living outside the Tule Lake Center, with whom you wish to communicate regarding repatriation, or if you wish to secure counseling service from War Relocation staff members, additional time will be granted. However, such additional time will terminate 5 p.m. Nov. 8, 1945. Immediately upon receiving a reply from your family members living outside the center, you should inform the immigration officials of such family members desire. The letter received from your family member, written in the English language, should set forth his or her desire, duly signed by the individual concerned, will be acceptable.
- D. All application for repatriation forms must be completed and returned to the Immigration and Naturalization Office by 4 p.m., Nov. 2, 1945.
- E. In the event any of you who term yourselves involuntary repatriates, refuse to file application for repatriation within the prescribed period of time, your name will be placed on the list for repatriation and no consideration will be given to the repatriation of members of your family.

Very truly yours,

For the Commissioner
Immigration and Naturalization Service

By: Ivan Williams
Officer in Charge

INSTRUCTIONS FOR SUBMITTING APPLICATION FOR REPATRIATION FORMS AS RELEASED BY IVAN WILLIAMS, OFFICER IN CHARGE, IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION SERVICE.

1. Forms are to be submitted as a complete unit by each family group. One member of each family group should be selected to bring his own application for repatriation form, together with the forms of all other members of the family group, to be submitted to officers of the Immigration and Naturalization Service at the Alien Registration Office in the Processing Building. In any case where the application form of any one individual, named as relative by the other members of a family group, is not included together with the application forms of the other members of the family group, such forms will not be accepted.
2. Those applications which show the names of relatives living outside of this center will not be accepted unless accompanied by letters, duly signed by all such relatives and indicating their desires regarding repatriation in the English language. For this reason, it is suggested that such relatives living outside of the center be contacted immediately by wire and informed of this ruling.
3. Applications may be submitted to officers of the Immigration Service in the Registration Office beginning at 8 a.m. on Monday, Oct. 29, and closing at 4 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 2, 1945.

No applications will be accepted after the above closing date in the cases of any family groups who have not previously secured permission for an extension of time.

Please remember that applications must be submitted as soon after 8 a.m. on Monday, Oct. 29, as they can possibly be completed in order that officials in the Registration Office may have sufficient time, prior to the closing date, to accept the applications of all who desire to submit them.