

Print the complete address in plain block letters in the panel below, and your return address in the space provided. Use typewriter, dark ink, or pencil. Write plainly. Very small writing is not suitable.

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(CENSOR'S STAMP)

T/Sgt. Yoshito Shibata, 39008994

G.H.Q.A.P.O. 500

c/o Postmaster

San Francisco, California

Y. Domoto

(Sender's name)

6F5C

(Sender's address)

Amache, Colo.

July 4, 1943

(Date)

Dear Yoshito:

The Declaration of Independence! With the dust blowing skyhigh and ground deep, we could be cynical but somehow I can not. After more than one year in the Centers, I am convinced that only a very few Caucasians will ever understand the pain of evacuation. But, there are many who are fighting for the rights of all Americans and it is a challenge to all of us <sup>in, with, and for these ancestors</sup> to fight too — with our hearts, minds, and hands.

<sup>Every so often</sup> ~~This~~ <sup>not</sup> ~~does~~ sound like a platform speech. <sup>meaning passage comes out of me. maybe I'm sentimental</sup> But, Yoshito, I'm still <sup>it sounds better "prepared."</sup> <sup>→ you have to listen</sup> glad to be here in this country U.S. <sup>It was so good to hear from you from "acq."</sup> Father could hardly believe that you were <sup>keeping company with the Kagawa</sup> in Australia when I told him. <sup>the week in</sup> Your V-mail to Kan was the #1 hit <sup>to the week in</sup> the Domoto household.

<sup>she</sup> ~~Had~~ <sup>she</sup> Kan is there is something to celebrate today. Kan was had an heir for almost 48 hours. <sup>Pass the cigars please.</sup> "Pass the cigars please."

This V-Mail sort of cramps me into a 2 x 2 luxury corner — <sup>no km</sup> ~~am~~ planning an "Expansion" note ~~am~~.  
Sincerely

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~~sansei~~ ~~missei~~

FOLD SIDES OVER AND THEN FOLD BOTTOM UP AND SEAL  
NO OTHER ENVELOPE SHOULD BE USED

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V...— MAIL

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POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT PERMIT NO. 1

- (1) Write the entire message plainly on the other side within marginal lines.
- (2) PRINT the name and address in the two panels provided. Addresses to members of the Armed Forces should include rank or rating of the addressee, unit to which attached, and APO or Naval address.
- (3) Fold, seal, and deposit in any post office letter drop or street letter box.
- (4) Enclosures must not be placed in this envelope and a separate V-Mail letter must be sent if you desire to write more than one sheet.
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