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Mr. Lawrence F. Miwa
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Dear Mr. Miwa:

Enclosed for your consideration is a letter which I today received from your sister. Another development is that Nakata has written the Office of Alien Property abandoning his claim. Thus we shall not be confronted with that issue.

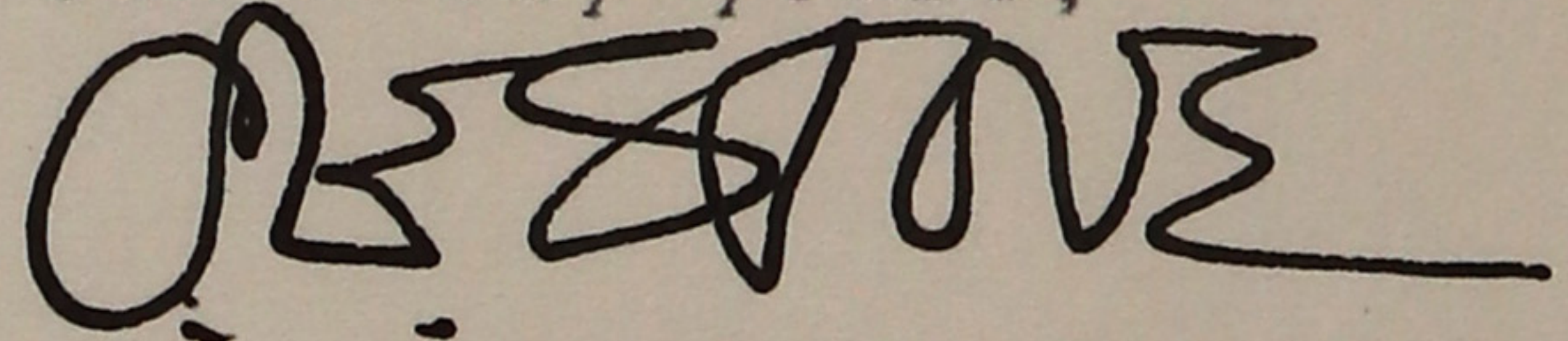
I have also learned that the information of the Government is that your sister returned to Japan in 1932, your brother in 1933 and you and your mother in 1934. This would seem to confirm, if true, the proposed stipulation that all of the rest of his family was in Japan when your father traveled to Japan in 1936. However, I have not agreed upon the stipulation to that effect until hearing specifically from you.

At the pre-hearing conference yesterday the Examiner stated that it was his preference that if you relied upon letters from your mother for your testimony, such letters and translations thereof should be introduced in evidence. The effect of this is to serve notice upon the attorney for the Claims Office that the latter might demand that this be done should it become apparent that the basis for your testimony is letters from your mother. Thus it might be well to have on hand at the hearing translations as well as the original letters or other documents. However, there is a possibility that this point may not come up and that your testimony will be allowed to stand without this documentation.

I have also obtained photostatic copies of some of the material to be introduced by the Claims Office, including a transcript of the examination of your father at the Lordsburg Camp in November, 1942. As may be expected, this material is not helpful to us. The same is true with respect to the administrative decisions by the Office of Alien Property in other cases having some similarities to yours. However, I shall review all of this with you on November 7th, and you may be sure that we shall present your case as effectively as possible.

With best wishes.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "O. E. Stone". The signature is stylized with a large initial "O" and a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

O. E. Stone

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Enclosure