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To our Friends, the Japanese American Students:

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August 19, 1942

To our Friends, the Japanese American Students:

We have kept you waiting so long without definite news of your possible placement that we feel we should send you a word of explanation.

Do not think we have forgotten you. As the opening of fall terms approaches we are as anxious as you to see results instead of merely continuing to hope. That it is possible to obtain transfers is evidenced by the actual placement of a few students in both eastern and midwestern colleges. That more of you have not yet been able to go is owing to the fact that every college and university which might enroll you must first be approved by five government agencies, two of which have their hands more than full fighting a war. That is why it has been so hard to translate into action the good will which does exist among these departments. Although nearly two hundred educational institutions have said that they would gladly accept you, and ninety or more have issued formal letters of acceptance to individual students, as yet only a small percentage of these colleges have been officially approved. Nevertheless additional ones are being cleared each week, and we are now hopeful of more speedy results. We are ready as soon as these approvals come through to recommend students to the colleges.

Because it is already so late, it is only fair to say that we dare not expect to secure transfers for more than a relatively small number of you in time for the fall term. Some of you will definitely be able to go, and as always in the assignment of scholarships those with the highest composite rating will, for the most part, be placed first.

But we are not going to stop working. As long as the service is needed, the Council will endeavor to secure placements for you. We want you to know, too, that the universities and high schools have been willing to furnish free transcripts and that many of our finest educators are deeply concerned with your welfare, using their vacations to work long hours as volunteers with this Council. No matter how discouraging your situation, we want to assure you that we shall continue to help you secure the education you need to make your rightful contribution to America. Although the war has turned the world upside down, all of us as fellow citizens share a great responsibility toward a free world.

Please do not hesitate to write to us. We shall try to answer as promptly as possible, if only by postcard. After September 1st mail should be addressed: National Student Relocation Council, Japanese Y.W.C.A. Building, 1830 Sutter Street, San Francisco, California,

Sincerely yours,

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