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18 August 1945

Mr. Teiko Ichida
Acting National Secretary
Japanese-American Citizens League
1860 Washington Street
San Francisco 9, California

Dear Mr. Ichida:

Mr. McGloy has asked me to inform you of the action that has been taken in response to your letter of May 9, 1945, suggesting use of Japanese-American veterans on the West Coast.

The War Department has given this proposal serious consideration and study. However, in view of the Japanese surrender and the fact that the 442nd Regimental Combat Team has been assigned a relatively low priority for return to this country, it has been determined that no decision can be made on your proposal at the present time. When the 442nd has returned, the matter will again be reviewed and a decision will be made in the light of the circumstances prevailing at that time, which cannot be adequately foreseen at present.

Sincerely,

SIGNED

DAVIDSON SOMMERS
Major, Air Corps
Assistant Executive

Carbon copy to Colonel Ernest B. Jones, G-1
Room 2C 914, Pentagon Bldg.

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(West Coast)

13 June 1945

Mr. Seizo Ichida
Acting National Secretary
Japanese American Citizens League
413-415 Beacon Building
Salt Lake City 1, Utah

Dear Mr. Ichida:

Thank you for your letter of May 31st. I have recently been revisiting the question of the use of Japanese-American troops, and I am glad to have your suggestion, which will be given the fullest consideration. I have asked our staff people to look into it carefully.

Sincerely,
(SIGNED) JOHN J. McCLOY

JOHN J. McCLOY,
Assistant Secretary of War.

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