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HEADQUARTERS HAWAIIAN DEPARTMENT, Fort Shafter, T. H., 3 May 1943.  
To: The Adjutant General, War Department, Washington, D. C.

1. For your information a copy of a recent joint policy governing transportation of civilians to the Hawaiian area from the mainland is attached. This policy does not differentiate between citizens of Japanese extraction and others.
2. While the return to the Territory of bona fide residents is approved providing there is no military reason to the contrary, the transportation limitations have been such that very few have actually secured passage. At the present time it is understood that approximately 900 residents of the Territory have been approved for return and are awaiting transportation.
3. Applicants for permission to return to Hawaii should submit their applications to the Office of the Military Governor, Honolulu, Hawaii. If investigation by military intelligence personnel does not reveal anything adverse their return will be approved subject to availability of transportation.
4. It should be understood, however, that those persons evacuated to the mainland by military authorities for internment or resettlement in relocation centers will not be permitted to return under this policy.

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(1 Added: Copy of Joint  
Policy Governing Transp.  
of Civ. to the Hawn. Area.)



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JOINT POLICY GOVERNING TRANSPORTATION OF CIVILIANS TO THE  
HAWAIIAN AREA FROM THE MAINLAND (Revised)

## PRIORITY NO. 1: Essential War Transportation

- (a) Personnel of the armed services; and ) Not requiring  
male war workers under contract. ) CMG approval.
- (b) Male government employees, including civil service employees,
  - (1) being transferred to Hawaii in essential government business, or
  - (2) on the mainland for essential government business.
- (c) Nurses and other female medical technicians, being transferred to Hawaii for essential purposes by recognized and established agencies.

PRIORITY NO. 2: After completing passage requirements for all available  
Priority No. 1 applicants.

- (a) Business men and women, with established business in the Territory, who have received approval from the Office of the Military Governor to make a round trip for essential war business; and  
  
other employable males who have contracts or definite promise of essential war employment in the Territory.
- (b) Single female civil service or Territorial or qualified employees, who are brought to Hawaii by Federal or Territorial or established private agencies for essential war activity; and  
  
married civil service or Territorial or qualified employees, whose husbands are civil service or Territorial employees or Island residents, located in the Territory, and who are being brought to Hawaii, for essential war activity.

PRIORITY NO. 3: After completing passage requirements for all available  
Priority 1 and 2 applicants.

- (a) Other male island residents who have jobs in the Territory or who are definitely employable and who left the Territory prior to December 1941 (students, etc.)
- (b) Other employable female island residents who have contracts or definite promise of essential war employment.

PRIORITY NO. 4: To be permitted passage only after all other priority groups  
have been given passage.

- (a) Able bodied wives and other dependents of island residents, with or without children.
- (b) Other island residents or dependents of island residents.

SPECIAL

Due to the necessity for utilizing all available space between the mainland and Hawaii for naval and military purposes, all bona fide residents leaving Hawaii are informed that on other than evident emergencies, no priority will be given by naval authorities to return.

However, for persons leaving the Territory with intention to return, for urgent personal or business reasons not required by governmental or military functions, the Office of the Military Governor will have no objection to the return to the Territory, if application is made, but cannot assign priority. Such persons must depend upon transportation facilities being available at the time of return and then only when other available priorities are exhausted.

EXCLUSIONS: (Unless altered by specific direction)

1. None of the above priorities shall include wives or other dependents of:-
- (a) Service personnel,
  - (b) War workers in the Territory under limited contract to contractors of the War or Navy Departments, or
  - (c) Temporary war service (civil service) appointees hired for specific work in the Territory for a limited period,

except bona-fide residents of the Territory. Dependents claiming return by reason of being bona-fide residents of the Hawaiian area will be carefully investigated by competent authority before return is authorized. Dependents will be considered to be bona-fide residents of the Hawaiian area if it is conclusively proven that they were regularly domiciled in the Hawaiian area.

2. None of the above priorities except 3B and 4 shall include children.

PROCEDURE:

1. All applications for transportation to the Islands shall be submitted to the Military Governor, except those which concern actual employees or dependents of the Navy, or persons with whom representatives of the Navy are engaged in bona-fide negotiations for their employment. In the case of such persons their applications shall be acted upon by the Commandant, 14th Naval District, in accordance with the priorities herein set forth, and the Military Governor shall be kept informed of any action taken thereon.

2. All applications concerning civilian island residents will be submitted to the Governor of Hawaii by the Office of the Military Governor for concurrence, after approval by the Military Governor.

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