

IMMEDIATE ACTION  
**CONFIDENTIAL**WAR DEPARTMENT  
Washington 25, D. C.RG 107-183  
Box 51  
Folder 4  
Item 1  
Page 6

AG 291.2 (6 Oct 43)OB-S-SPMG-M

KLS/hak - 2B-939 Pentagon

IMMEDIATE ACTION

.7 October 1943.

SUBJECT: Employment of Persons of Japanese Ancestry in Army Posts and Establishments.

DECLASSIFIED  
Authority 64074062  
By [Signature] NARA Date 4/12/96

The Commanding Generals,  
Army Ground Forces;  
Army Air Forces;  
Army Service Forces;  
Defense Commands;  
Service Commands;  
Departments;  
Military District of Washington;  
Commandant, Command and General Staff School;  
Superintendent, United States Military Academy.

1. Letter, this office, AG 291.2 (3 May 43)OB-S-F-M, 3 May 1943, subject: Employment of American Citizens of Japanese Ancestry in Army Posts and Establishments, is rescinded and the following substituted therefor:

2. Previous instructions regarding employment of persons of Japanese ancestry are amended to permit employment of such individuals, except with respect to prohibited zones within the military areas now or hereafter established by the Western Defense Command. Insofar as the prohibited zones within the military areas now or hereafter established by the Western Defense Command are concerned, letter, AG 291.2 (7 Feb 42)MSC-M, 9 February 1942, subject: Civilian Employees of Japanese Ancestry, shall remain in full force and effect.

3. The employment of civilian employees of Japanese ancestry in your establishments, including departmental and field service employees, is hereby authorized under the following conditions.

a. The applicant may be either an alien or an American citizen.

b. Prior to employment, the Commanding Officer of any post or establishment seeking to employ persons of Japanese ancestry will submit in quadruplicate a questionnaire, FMGO-ID Form 58 for citizens of Japanese ancestry or FMGO Form 301 for Japanese aliens or nationals, to the Personnel Security Division, Provost Marshal General's Office, Washington, D.C. The Provost Marshal General's Office will initiate the appropriate check of the records of the Military Intelligence Service, the Office of Naval

**CONFIDENTIAL**  
**IMMEDIATE ACTION**CONFIDENTIAL

7 October 1943.

RG 107-183  
Box 51  
Folder 4  
Item 1  
Page 2

Intelligence, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and the War Relocation Authority. Where it appears necessary, The Provost Marshal General will request an investigation from the appropriate Defense or Service Command, or the Military District of Washington.

c. The Provost Marshal General will transmit the results of all record checks and investigations to the Japanese-American Joint Board.

d. After consideration, the Joint Board will:

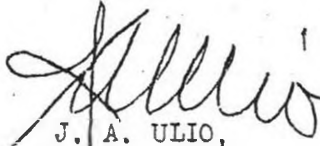
(1) transmit the investigation report, if any, and a copy of the questionnaire to the Commanding Officer of the Post or establishment seeking to employ the applicant, and

(2) state whether it has any objection to the employment of the applicant in posts or establishments of the War Department, and will also state whether applicant's employment may be unrestricted or limited as to type and classification of work.

4. The provisions of this letter shall not apply to persons of Japanese ancestry presently employed by you in specialized services.

5. It is directed that copies of this letter be furnished by your office to all interested agencies within your command.

By order of the Secretary of War:

  
J. A. ULLO,  
Major General,  
The Adjutant General.

COPIES FURNISHED:

Office of the Assistant Secretary of War (5);  
The Provost Marshal General (80);  
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2, WDGS (1);  
Office of Naval Intelligence (1);  
Federal Bureau of Investigation (1);  
War Relocation Authority (1);  
Director of Administration, ASF (1);  
Deputy Chief of Staff for Service Commands, ASF (1).

