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Dear Mr. Shigeoka:

War Department plans for loyal Japanese Americans in the Army of the United States do not extend as yet beyond the recently organized combat team. I understand that the medical personnel for the combat team has been procured to a large extent through calling Japanese American Medical Corps reserve officers to active duty. Consequently, until a change in policy develops, it does not appear to me that you will advance your medical training by volunteering for the Army. Nor does your present medical experience appear to qualify you for a commission.

Needless to say, the War Department appreciates your desire to be of service. Pending further developments, it appears to me that you can render valuable service to your country by continuing your work at the project hospital.

Sincerely,

(Signed)

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