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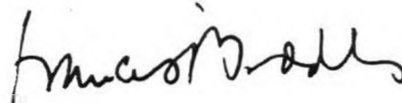
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By WBD NARS, Date 9/23/95

Dear Jack:

You will be interested in the enclosed memorandum from Mr. Hoover, dated February 27, with reference to evacuation of alien Japanese from the Western Defense Command.

Sincerely yours,



Honorable John J. McCloy
Assistant Secretary of War
Washington, D. C.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

RE: EVACUATION OF ALIEN JAPANESE FROM THE
WESTERN DEFENSE COMMAND

The Seattle Field Division of this Bureau has secured confidential information to the effect that Seattle Japanese aliens are prepared to evacuate. The local Japanese American Citizens' League, upon publication of the evacuation order, will urge all Japanese, both citizens and aliens, to evacuate. Fearing, however, that evacuation to Eastern Washington will be one step in many, finally resulting evacuation to the Middle West, the Japanese American Citizens' League, through the Mary Knoll Mission, is attempting to secure facilities and employment for a Seattle Japanese community in St. Louis, Missouri.

Any further development in this situation will be brought to your attention immediately.

Respectfully,

/s/ J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

*Read to Mr. Bendison -
March 2, 1942
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