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NO. WESTERN DEFENSE COMMAND  
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SUBJECT: Conditions Existing at Japanese Evacuation Center, Puyallup,  
Washington.

TO: Assistant Chief of Staff G-2, (CIB), Western Defense Command and  
Fourth Army, Presidio of San Francisco, California. Attention:  
Major Pash.

1. This letter is to bring you up to date on the situation in the Evacuation Center at Puyallup, Washington.
2. The removal of HOSOKAWA, ITO, SUYETANI, and MASUDA to different relocation centers has had a very good effect at the Camp. Not only has it removed these four subversive characters to separate locations, but it has indicated to the persons remaining at the Camp that disciplinary action may be the result of un-American agitation.
3. It is recommended by this office that the following individuals, in addition, should be moved to separate relocation centers: S. HOSOKAWA, KENJI OKUDA, WILLIAM MIMBU, and FRANK Y. KINOMOTO. Those four individuals are considered subversive for the following reasons.
4. S. HOSOKAWA is the father of WILLIAM HOSOKAWA and was largely instrumental in encouraging THOMAS MASUDA to be active in the Japanese Association, and further was associated with MASUDA in the Japanese Prefectural Club.
5. KENJI OKUDA is the son of HENRY OKUDA, recently and unfortunately released by parole board from internment and now residing in Spokane. The father, HENRY OKUDA was considered by the local Japanese Issei to be the No. 1 Japanese propagandist in this territory. KENJI OKUDA, in addition to being the son of HENRY OKUDA, is dangerous on his own part for the reason that he is active in the publication of the Pacific Cable, a publication of the American Friends Service Committee and the Seattle Youth Fellowship of Reconciliation. KENJI OKUDA is further reliably reported to have stated before the War, "I'll be damn'd if I'll serve Uncle Sam."
6. WILLIAM MIMBU is the past President of the Seattle Junior Japanese Association, a very pro-Japanese organization, and his wife was formerly the executive secretary of the Japan Society and a sister of THOMAS MASUDA. MIMBU's wife, MERRIE, is likewise active in the publication of the Pacific Cable.

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7. FRANK KINOMOTO, a Kibei, was known as one of the staunch supporters of THOMAS MASUDA and labeled his No. 1 stooge. He was also active in the Junior Japanese Association.

8. It is sincerely felt by this office that if these four additional persons were sent to separate relocation centers, it would likewise have a salutary effect on all concerned.

9. It should be mentioned in passing that the Pacific Cable is a new publication which is receiving considerable attention from this office. An example of their editorial policy is their attempt to make a martyr of GORDON HIRABAYASHI, conscientious objector, and challenger of the constitutional right of Japanese evacuation, and now backed by the Civil Liberties Union.

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