

OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES

Washington, D. C.

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SUBJECT: Holding of American-born Japanese troops now at Camp Shelby, Miss. pending further investigation.

TO : Joint Chiefs of Staff (Attention: Captain Loftin, USN)
19th & Constitution Ave. NW, Room 251
Washington, D. C.

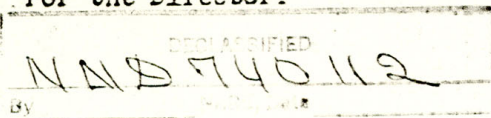
1. Request is made that the enlisted men listed on the attached sheet be segregated at Camp Shelby, Mississippi while a further investigation is made of their security.

2. These men were interviewed recently by a representative of OSS after his visit to Camp Shelby had been cleared through the office of the Joint Chief of Staff, and concurred in by the Army Ground Forces, G-1 and the Deputy Chief of Staff OPD. The attached list represents desirable personnel if all phases of security can be satisfactorily determined. This will necessitate some delay. It is believed that the best way of handling this situation so that curiosity will not be aroused during the investigating period, that these men be held at Camp Shelby either in their present units or in a specially segregated part of the camp. It is this office's understanding that the authorities at Camp Shelby were willing to undertake this segregation if such action was approved by Army Ground Forces and OPD.

3. In order to insure this service of getting these men, the only other alternative is to ask for orders transferring them to OSS, assuming the responsibility of shipping them to some isolated and protected point, guarding them enroute, etc, since the security check will undoubtedly prove that certain of these enlisted men are unfit for the contemplated duty. This latter method is deemed inadvisable.

4. If the office of the Joint Chief of Staff agrees with the recommendation of OSS, it is believed that its approval will greatly facilitate a decision on the part of Army Ground Forces and OPD.

For the Director:



(Signed)

E. F. CONNELLY
Colonel, FA
Chief, Personnel Procurement Branch

Incl: List of EM

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NAME	SERIAL NO.	RANK	COMPANY
Arashiro, Matsuki	30103637	Sgt.	B
Fukushima, Katsumi	30103028	Pvt.	G
Hamaishi, Clarence Y.	30104850	T/5	F
Ishida, Bill K.	39035931	1st Sgt.	Hq & Hq Co
Kawahara, Harry T.	39913676	Pvt.	A
Kido, Fumio	30105801	Pvt.	Hq Co 2nd Bn
Kishinami, Wilbert H.	30104406	Pvt.	Med Det
Kobayashi, George	39020002	S/Sgt.	G
Kurahashi, Shoichi	30104394	T/5	Hq Co 3rd Bn
Maeda, Masaichi G.	30103065	Pvt.	G
Miura, Tommy T.	39917460	Pvt.	B
Miyazaki, Robert Y.	30104442	Pvt.	C
Nagaki, Tadashi T.	37036806	Pvt.	Hq Co 2nd Bn
Nakata, Joe H.	39162934	Sgt.	F
Nishioku, Masaru	30105707	Pvt.	Hq Co 2nd Bn
Sasai, Samuel Y.	30104879	Cpl.	Hq Co 3rd Bn
Sato, Seiji S.	19082620	Pvt.	A
Sugimoto, Sadao J.	39012607	Pfc.	B
Suzukawa, Henry H.	19053006	S/Sgt.	Hq Co 2nd Bn
Suzuki, Arthur A.	39465654	Pvt.	Cannon Co.
Tobari, Joseph M.	39913607	Pfc.	D
Yanagi, Pius K.	39914778	Pvt.	D
Yoshida, Joe	19081265	Pvt.	Cannon Co.
Yoshimura, Harry H.	37704574	Pvt.	AT Co
Yuhashi, Francis S.	39161744	Cpl.	Hq Co 1st Bn
Watanabe, Kazuo	30105316	Pfc.	A
Watanabe, Howard T.	30105094	Pvt.	Hq Co 2nd Bn
Hamada, Dick	30104933	Cpl.	Hq Co 3rd Bn
Eakesako, Mitsuru	3013870	Pvt.	Co H 442nd
Baba, Thomas T.	39232935	T/4	
Tottori, Calvin A.	30104631	Cpl	
Akamine, Tsutomu M.	30104727	Cpl	
Nakamura, Charles M.	39914147	Pvt	
Kotomori, Albert A.	39001425	Pfc	
Kurimoto, Takumi F.	39078644	Pfc	
Watanabe, James I.	30106042	Pvt	
Nobori, Robert M.	30105533	Pvt	
Fujikawa, Kuichi	30100865	Pvt	
Shimatsu, Kenichi (NMI)	39154373	Cpl	
Matsumoto, Charles K.	30104342	Pfc	
Furutani, Kimio (NMI)	39077328	T/5	
Baba, Takashi (NMI)	39157874	Sgt.	
Kazahaya, Susumu E.	39161935	S/Sgt.	
Takaki, James I.	30102835	T/5	
Kawanishi, Isamu Sam	39157157	S/Sgt.	
Kawafuchi, Kazumi (NMI)	39003476	T/5	
Fukushima, Katsumi (NMI)	30103028	Pvt	
Ikari, Samiru (NMI)	39915477	Pvt	
Matsunaga, Joseph J.	30105523	Pvt	
Mizuta, Yoshito (NMI)	39914203	Pvt	

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