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New Mobilization Committee to End the War in Vietnam Room 900, 1029 Vermont Avenue, N.W. Washington D.C. 20005 U. S. A.

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Dear friends,

You must be proud of the ever growing strength of the American anti-war movement which was clearly demonstrated recently through nationwide peaceful actions full of imagination. All of us are deeply impressed by the effectiveness of the massive, peaceful, and orderly demonstration. We respect all efforts of coordination which must have been made through the New Mobilization Committee.

In Japan, as listed up in the document enclosed herewith, a long series of anti-war actions are now going on, although these actions are not so well coordinated as in the U.S., and the movement will be greatest just before the visit of Prime Minister Sato to the U.S. (Nov. 17-24).

In order to show our solidarity with the American peace movement in our common struggle to put an end to the war in Vietnam, to end the Japan-U.S. Security Treaty and to demand immediate return of Okinawa to Japan, the Japan Congress Against A and H Bombs have decided to send two representatives on and around the November 13 - 15 demonstration and the visit of our Prime Minister to the U.S.

The two representatives are:

Mr. Toru OOHARA

Diet Member Chairman, Socialist Party's Special Committee on the problems of A-Bomb survivors Member of the Presidium of Hiroshima Prefecture Council Against A and H Bombs

To: New Mobilization Committee

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Mr. Seiryo AZUMA

General Secretary of the Okinawa Prefecture Council Against A and H Bombs

We are now making their itinerary. Probably, they will arrive at San Francisco toward November 8 and will spend some days in San Francisco and Los Angeles area before coming to Washington towards Nov. 12. In Washington, it would be the greatest priviledge and pleasure for them, if they are able to see and participate, as representative of the Japanese peace movement, in the historically important demonstration of the American anti-war forces which will be held in an unprecedented scale. We are sure that their participation in the series of events with American friends would prove extremely helpful to develop our efforts for peace in Japan.

At the same time, Mr. Oohara and Mr. Azuma will be grateful for opportunities to participate in all kinds of local activities, group meetings, mass rallies which will be held on and around Nov. 15. We should be most happy if you could help and encourage them in their mission.

After Washington, they will visit New York to spend some days there before coming back to Tokyo toward Nov. 23-24. We shall be able to inform you of their arrival flight to Washington within a week.

We want to thank you in advance for your interest in this mission, and all kinds of help from your part would be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Ichiro Moritaki Member of the Presidium

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P.S. We have the problem of interpreter. Unfortunately, because of financial reason, we are not able to send an interpreter with them. So, we should be most grateful to you if you could provide an interpreter for them while they are in Washington. We are writing also to Mr. Raymond Wilson, Friends Committee on National Legislation to the same effect, and to ask him to arrange loding for our emissaries.