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January 30, 1991,

Mr. Art Miki,  
President,  
National Association of Japanese Canadians  
782 Corydon Ave,  
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Dear Art,

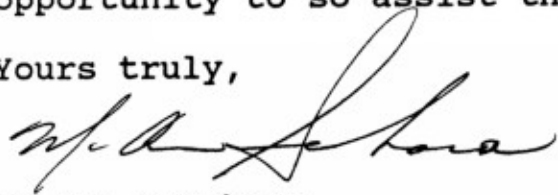
Re: Redress Advisory Committee

Further to our telephone conversation of January 29, 1991, I wish to officially inform you of my inability to continue as a nominee of the National Association of Japanese Canadians on the Redress Advisory Committee.

As I explained in that telephone call, I am now employed by the Department of Justice. In order to avoid any suggestion of any sort of conflict between my duties on that Committee and my employment as legal counsel, I must resign from that Committee.

I wish to take this opportunity to thank you and the executive of the NAJC for selecting me for this role and giving me the opportunity to so assist the redress process.

Yours truly,



M. Ann Sunahara

cc. Richard Clippingdale  
Chairman, Redress Advisory Committee

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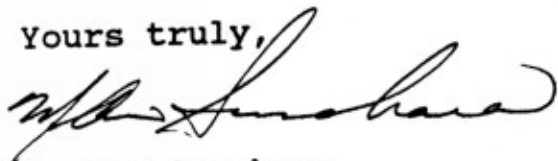
January 30, 1991

Richard Clippingdale,  
Chairman,  
Redress Advisory Committee,  
Japanese Canadian Redress Secretariat  
Ottawa, Ontario  
K1A 0M5

Re: Redress Advisory Committee

Enclosed please find a copy of my letter to Mr. Art Miki,  
President, National Association of Japanese Canadians, in which I  
resign from the above committee to avoid any conflict of interest  
that might arise because of my employment with the Department of  
Justice.

Yours truly,



M. Ann Sunahara.



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Date
November 28, 1990

MEMORANDUM/NOTE DE SERVICE

TO/À: Ann M. Sunahara  
Privy Council Office Section

FROM/DE: Assistant Deputy Minister, Corporate Management

SUBJECT/OBJET: Conflict of Interest

Comments/Remarques

This refers to a Confidential Report made by you pursuant to the Conflict of Interest and Post-Employment Code for the Public Service and dated September 7, 1990. The report indicates that you are a member of the Advisory Committee on Japanese Canadian Redress, that you sit on this Committee as a representative of the National Association of Japanese Canadians, and that you are Co-chair of the Legal Affairs Committee of the National Association.

Your report also indicates that you worked as a Consultant to the Canadian Judicial Centre in the development of a particular training program, that you have advised the Centre that you will not be available to coordinate the program, but that you would like to continue to assist in the development of the program.

The wide range of responsibilities imposed on the Minister of Justice and the Attorney General for Canada, and discharged by legal officers working in the Department of Justice, limit quite severely the permissible "outside activities" of legal officers. With this in mind, I question that it would be proper for you to continue with any of these activities, but if you have further points to raise in that regard perhaps you should discuss them with Walter S. Regan (957-4620).

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You will understand, I am sure, that the requirement that you refrain from these particular activities is in no way a comment on the worthiness and value of the work you have done for these organizations up to now, but it is rather an application of Department of Justice policy and the Code referred to above.



J.N. LaBarre





CANADA

PRIVY COUNCIL · CONSEIL PRIVE

P.C. 1988-9/2552  
October 31, 1988

(T.B. Rec. 809730)

WHEREAS, during and after World War II, persons of Japanese ancestry in Canada were subjected to, on a systematic basis, discriminatory actions taken by the Government of Canada under the War Measures Act, the National Emergency Transitional Powers Act, 1945 and other related transitional legislation solely because of their race;

AND WHEREAS the Government of Canada has offered \$21,000 to any person of Japanese ancestry who suffered from such actions.

THEREFORE, HER EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR GENERAL IN COUNCIL, on the recommendation of the Minister of State (Multiculturalism and Citizenship) and the Treasury Board, is pleased hereby to make the annexed Order respecting ex gratia payments to persons of Japanese ancestry.

CERTIFIED TO BE A TRUE COPY - COPIE CERTIFIEE CONFORME

CLERK OF THE PRIVY COUNCIL · LE GREFFIER DU CONSEIL PRIVE

ORDER RESPECTING EX GRATIA PAYMENTS TO  
PERSONS OF JAPANESE ANCESTRY

Short Title

1. This order may be cited as the Persons of Japanese Ancestry Ex Gratia Payments Order.

Interpretation

2. In this order,

"Minister" means the Minister of State (Multiculturalism and Citizenship); (ministre)

"person of Japanese ancestry" means a person wholly or partly of such ancestry. (personne d'ascendance japonaise)

Authorization

3. The Minister is hereby authorized, on the submission of an application in accordance with subsection 4(1), to make an ex gratia payment of \$21,000 to any person of Japanese ancestry who

(a) was a British subject, Canadian citizen or landed immigrant of Canada during the period beginning December 7, 1941 and ending March 31, 1949;

(b) was relocated or interned within Canada, deported or expelled from Canada, repatriated to Japan, deprived of property or of the full enjoyment of fundamental rights and freedoms by actions of the Government of Canada under the War Measures Act, or the National Emergency Transitional Powers Act, 1945 or other related transitional legislation, or any order or regulation made thereunder, solely because the person was of Japanese ancestry; and

(c) was alive on September 22, 1988.



Application

4.(1) Subject to subsection (2) where an application is made for a payment referred to in section 3, the application shall be submitted to the Minister before September 22, 1993 by the interested person or the heirs of that person and shall be in such form and supported by such evidence as the Minister deems necessary.

(2) Where an application referred to in subsection (1) is submitted after September 22, 1993, the application may be accepted by the Minister if the Minister is satisfied that the applicant was unable to submit the application before that date because of facts or circumstances beyond the control of the applicant.

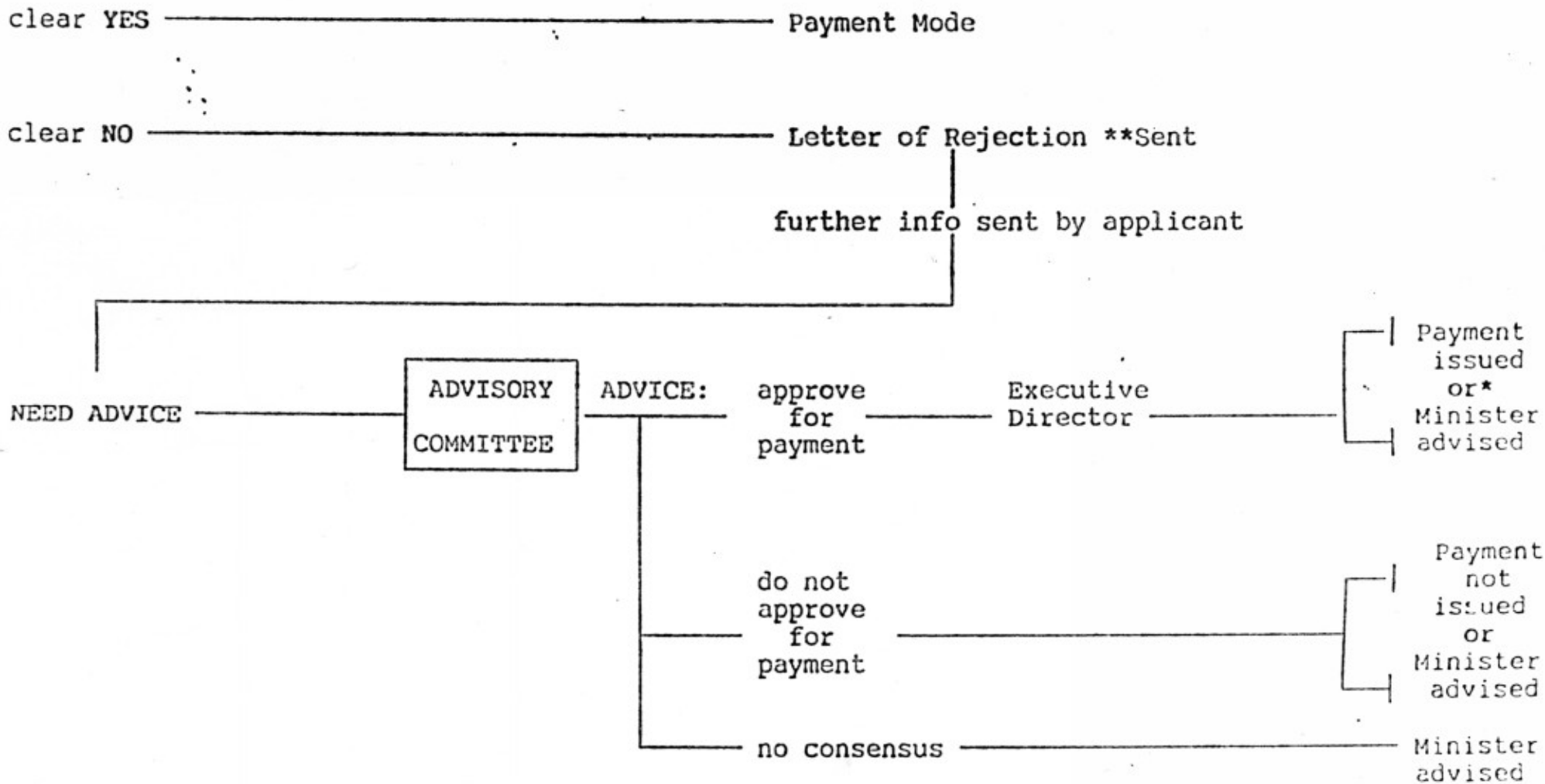
Payment

5. Each payment shall be a one-time lump sum.

No Crown Liability

6. Payments made under this Order shall not to be construed as an admission of liability on the part of the Crown.

Secretariat recommendation on file flow



\*\* Model letter attached

\* The reason for the alternatives is that the Executive Director may not always feel that she can agree with the Committee; Minister is ultimate arbiter.

*↳ No! → means the E.D. can overrule the Committee!*



## JAPANESE CANADIAN REDRESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Rick Clippingdale  
Assistant Under Secretary of State  
Corporate Policy and Public Affairs (Chair)

Lizzy Fraikin  
Director General, Programs Branch  
Multiculturalism Sector

Catherine Lane  
Director General  
Policy Coordination, Analysis, and  
Management Systems Branch  
Citizenship Sector  
(formerly Registrar of Canadian Citizenship)

Roy Miki  
Professor and author  
Simon Fraser University  
NAJC negotiating team/Council member/JCCA Redress Committee  
(representing the NAJC)

Ann Sunahara  
Lawyer, University lecturer, researcher and author  
(representing the NAJC)

### Resource Persons

Anne Scotton  
Executive Director  
Japanese Canadian Redress Secretariat  
(Secretary to the Committee)

Anne Daniel  
Lawyer, Department of Justice  
(Legal Advisor, JCRS)

Approved, Thursday  
March 23, 1989 by  
Japanese Canadian  
Redress Steering  
Committee

## REDRESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

### Establishment of Redress Advisory Committee

1. A Redress Advisory Committee will be established to make recommendations to the Executive Director in cases referred by the Executive Director.

### Members

2. The Committee shall consist of two representatives of the NAJC, chosen by their National Council to act in this capacity, two representatives of the Department of the Secretary of State, plus a chairperson.

### Chairperson

3. The chairperson shall be selected by the Secretary of State Department.

### Functions and Procedures

4. The Executive Director will present each case to the Committee and act as a resource person for all meetings. The Committee may draw on other resources as required.
5. The Committee shall examine each case referred to it as expeditiously as possible and provide its recommendation(s), including dissenting views, to the Executive Director.

### Meetings

6. The Review Committee shall meet when there is sufficient build-up of problem files to warrant such a meeting.
7. No substitutions are allowed at meetings, but three members constitute a quorum and one of the three must be from the NACJ.



Dear Anne

Our Symposium has been delayed till late May - which is not so good.

Will keep you posted when definite dates & times become available.

Rei Nakashima

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February 8, 1990

Art Miki, President  
National Association of Japanese Canadians,  
782 Corydon Place,  
Winnipeg, Man.,  
R3M 0Y1

Dear Art,

At the last National council meeting, Roy Miki, on behalf of the Redress Settlement Advisory Committee, stated that non-Japanese wives of Japanese Canadians interned with their husbands and children during the war were not expected to receive compensation.

In response to this position, the Quebec Chapter of the NAJC passed the following motion on January 11, 1990 at a Board meeting.

"Whereas the Redress Settlement represented a symbolic settlement of injustices committed against Canadians of Japanese origin; and

Whereas the settlement did not address actual losses incurred; and

Whereas the exclusion of Caucasian wives of Japanese Canadians is not in the spirit of the agreement;

be it resolved that the Quebec Chapter of the NAJC proposes that those Caucasian wives who chose to be incarcerated together with their spouses be included among those offered the symbolic compensation of \$21,000."

Any further information on this situation would be appreciated.

Yours sincerely,

*Rei Nakashima*  
Rei Nakashima  
Quebec Chapter, NAJC

cc: Roy Miki  
cc : Ann Sunahara

Will this be discussed at NAJC Council meeting on Apr 13 (Easter)





NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF JAPANESE CANADIANS

February 16, 1990

Mrs. Rei Nakashima  
Quebec Chapter, NAJC  
P.O. Box 865, Station B  
Montreal, Quebec  
H3B 3K5

Dear Rei:

Thank you for your letter dated February 8/90, stating the Quebec Chapter of the NAJC's concerns about Caucasian wives who chose to be incarcerated with their spouses and the Redress settlement.

I would like to take this opportunity to inform you that the Redress Agreement, reached with the Canadian Government, was very specific and only people of Japanese Canadian ancestry are eligible. This was done to ensure that inappropriate people could not apply and be eligible for the Redress settlement.

Any change from the Agreement would require another negotiation process which would have to be specific to Caucasian wives affected by the internment.

At this point in time, it does not seem practical to pursue the matter.

Further to this, if you want to discuss this matter with me, please feel free to contact me at (204) 488-8059.

Sincerely yours,

Art Miki  
President

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cc: Roy Miki  
Ann Sunahara



NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF JAPANESE CANADIANS

May 25, 1989

Ms. Ann Sunahara  
9809 91 Avenue  
Edmonton, Alberta  
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Dear Ann:

Congratulations on your appointment as the NAJC representative on the Redress Advisory Committee which has been established to review specific individual redress applications. Your, and Roy Miki's, appointments were endorsed by the NAJC National Council on May 20, 1989 at the Winnipeg meeting.

Some information regarding this committee, expressed in the enclosed letter, may be of help to you as to the process involved.

The first meeting of the committee will be called very shortly as there are several applications that need urgent review.

In advance, we thank you for your participation on this very important joint committee of the Government and the NAJC.

Sincerely yours,

Art Miki  
President

AM/cy

Encls.





Government of  
Canada

Gouvernement du  
Canada

Japanese Canadian  
Redress Secretariat

Secrétariat du redressement pour  
les Canadiens japonais

Ottawa, Canada  
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Mr. Art Miki  
President  
National Association of Japanese Canadians  
782 Corydon Avenue  
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R3M 0Y1

Dear Mr. Miki:

This is further to your letter of January 25, 1989 regarding the creation of an Advisory Committee which will provide advice in the resolution of problematic individual redress applications.

The general thrust of your letter captures the spirit of what we discussed in Vancouver the weekend of January 20-22, 1989. I would like to clarify a few points to ensure that we are of the same mind.

1. **Committee membership** -- the two NAJC representatives should be appointed by the NAJC Council (your letter does not mention how they would be appointed)
  - the Secretary of State representatives and the chair will not be the ADM, Multiculturalism, myself or any staff of the Redress Secretariat (I thought I should clarify your second point);
2. **Cases to be referred** -- the Committee will review and advise on all cases which the Executive Director refers to it, i.e. I will use my discretion as to when a case should be referred, and I can confirm that it will be on the basis that you describe. I will serve as the Secretary to the Committee;

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3. **Advice** -- If for any reason I am unable to follow the advice of the Advisory Committee or if the Committee has not reached a consensus on a file, the Minister will be asked to make a decision.
4. **Honoraria** -- we will pay the travel and accommodation expenses of the two Advisory Committee members appointed by the NAJC Council; as well, each NAJC member will be paid a pre-agreed daily fee to participate as a member of the Committee; the foregoing will be counted against the \$3 million allocated to NAJC liaison and implementation monies.

With respect to the eligibility of children born in Japan, this matter is now before the Minister. We will put aside all such applications until the Minister has had an opportunity to review the situation and provide us with a decision.

Please do not hesitate to give me a call if you want to discuss any of these matters.

Yours sincerely,



Anne Scotton  
Executive Director

NAJC NATIONAL COUNCIL MEETING - MOTIONS  
MAY 20, 21, & 22, 1989  
PLACE LOUIS RIEL HOTEL, WINNIPEG

MOTION #1

Moved that the agenda be adopted as amended.

Kamloops                              Winnipeg                              Carried unanimously.

MOTION #2

Moved that the minutes of the January meeting in Vancouver be adopted.

Lethbridge                              Vernon                              Carried unanimously.

MOTION #3

Moved that the NAJC pay the registration for two NAJC delegates to the Pan American Nikkei Association Convention.

Kelowna                              Vancouver                              Carried unanimously.

MOTION #4

Moved that the NAJC explore various avenues to have French and Japanese translations of Justice Our Time produced.

Montreal                              Ottawa                              Carried unanimously.

MOTION #5

Moved that the Redress Implementation Budget Report be accepted.

Toronto                              Kelowna                              Carried unanimously.

MOTION #6

Moved that the NAJC endorse Roy Inouye, Fred Yada, Henry Shimizu, Roger Obata and Fred Kamibayashi as directors of the NAJC Redress Foundation.

Thunder Bay                              Calgary                              Carried.  
Vancouver abstained.

MOTION #7

Moved that the Foundation Board be asked to propose guidelines regarding formulas for allocating funds equity for the NAJC and eligibility criteria which are to be brought back to the NAJC Council for further discussion and approval. These guidelines are to be distributed (by August 7th) two months prior to the next National Council meeting.

Kelowna                              Vancouver                              Carried.



MOTION #8

Moved that Roy Miki and Ann Sunahara be appointed to the Redress Advisory Committee.

Montreal Vancouver Carried.  
Toronto opposed.

MOTION #9

Moved that a sustaining fund for the NAJC be established.

Toronto Kamloops Carried unanimously.

MOTION #10

Moved that the National Executive Committee be responsible for setting up a plan of action with input from local centres.

Vancouver Island Toronto Carried unanimously.

MOTION #11

Moved that:

- a) The President's Committee be given the mandate in May, 1989 to analyze the present organizational structure and recommend a draft proposal that would enhance the present structure.
- b) The Committee meet at least 2 times:
  - 1) To review the present structure and make comparisons with structures of other national ethnic organizations.
  - 2) To draft a model and organize regional or national meetings for input.
  - 3) To prepare a final draft for presentation to the 1989 or 1990 Annual General Meeting.

Kelowna Vancouver Carried.

MOTION #12

Moved that the Hastings Park Foundation be requested to change its constitution and by-laws if necessary to provide that the members of the Hastings Park Foundation be the President, Vice-President and Treasurer of the NAJC plus two other members to be elected by the NAJC Council.

Vancouver Thunder Bay Carried.  
Toronto abstained.

MOTION #13

Moved that the financial statement be approved.

Vernon Hamilton Carried unanimously.



MOTION #14

Moved that:

"Whereas the NAJC and the Canadian Government have not resolved the eligibility of:

- a) children born in Japan before April 1, 1949 to parents who were exiled to Japan;
- b) those trapped in Japan on December 7, 1941, and unable to return to Canada until April 1, 1949;
- c) the children born in Japan before April 1, 1949 of those trapped in Japan on December 7, 1941 and unable to return to Canada until April 1, 1949,

BE IT RESOLVED that the NAJC request the Canadian Government to agree to postpone the trip to Japan until these eligibility issues are resolved to the satisfaction of the NAJC.

Vancouver                      Kamloops                      Carried as amended.

MOTION #15

Moved that the NAJC send on the trip to Japan, clerical assistants and an NAJC representative.

Vancouver                      Kelowna                      Carried.

MOTION #16

Moved that since this is an important appointment, the selection of the representative should be a decision of the Council.

Toronto                      Winnipeg                      Defeated.

MOTION #17

Moved that the selection of the NAJC representative on the trip to Japan be referred to SAC.

Vancouver                      Calgary                      Carried.  
Edmonton/Winnipeg      opposed.  
Toronto                      abstained.

MOTION #18

Moved that the NAJC send an NAJC representative to the Human Rights Summer College, that the NAJC apply for the bursary, and that the NAJC will be responsible for picking up the cost difference.

Kelowna                      Vancouver                      Carried.

MOTION #19

Moved that the NAJC support the Youth Forum and approve the report and accept the budget for forty delegates.

Kamloops                      Vancouver Island                      Carried unanimously.

MOTION #20

Moved that the NAJC support paying the out-of-pocket expenses of those who attended the 1984 meeting and who still have not been paid.

Winnipeg Hamilton Carried.

MOTION #21

Moved that the report of the Seniors' Conference Planning Meeting be accepted with the budget included.

Thunder Bay Vernon Carried unanimously.

MOTION #22

Moved that for the trip to Japan:

- 1) that the president Art Miki represent the NAJC on the trip for 2 weeks.
- 2) that if the president is unable to go for 2 weeks, that he go for one week and an alternate attend the second week.
- 3) and that if the president is unable to go at all, that an alternate represent the NAJC on behalf of the president with the choice of alternate being (in order) Audrey Kobayashi or Roy Miki.

Hamilton Calgary Carried unanimously.

Motion to adjourn.



NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF JAPANESE CANADIANS

TO: Council Members, NAJC

FROM: A. Kobayashi

RE: Canadian Foundation Against Racism

As requested during the weekend's meeting, I have summarized the position that we have put forward to the Federal Government in the following points:

1. The name of the foundation should be the Canadian Foundation Against Racism. We oppose the name Race Relations Foundation.

The rationale for this position is two-fold:

- a) To use the term "race" in the title implies a recognition that "race" exists. There is rapidly growing opinion, and supporting literature, disputing this concept on the grounds:

- i) that there is no scientific validation that physical attributes such as hair or skin colour provide legitimate criteria for differentiating human beings or, especially, for arguing that one group is superior to another on such grounds;

- ii) that "race" is therefore a socially constructed concept, that is, a concept that arises from racism, the social means by which one group claims superiority over another.

- b) "Race relations" is a euphemism for the more fundamental task of overcoming racism. We should not let the fact that this has become a public catch phrase influence us to accept it. Ten years from now it will have gone the way of other catch phrases, and we hope that this foundation will be established with a name that carries on into the future. ie. We need vision, not orthodoxy.

2. We have suggested that the objectives of the foundation should be as follows:

To contribute to the elimination of racism and racist discrimination in Canadian society by:

- a) upholding the principle that no group or individual shall be discriminated against on the basis of attributes that include national or ancestral origins, physical appearance or traits, cultural practices, social associations, or other visible or distinguishing features;





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- b) fostering research and education, discourse and the effective exchange of information on racism among community groups, researchers, institutions and policy makers;
- c) initiating, encouraging and supporting projects, programmes and activities that contribute to the objectives of the Foundation.
- d) undertaking any other activities in furtherance of its purposes.

To achieve these objectives the Foundation should:

- a) implement, finance and administer research, programmes and activities relevant to its purposes;
  - b) support the development of realistic and effective policies and programmes aimed at reducing racism and discrimination;
  - c) develop programmes to increase awareness on the part of public or private organizations, institutions, agencies, governments or individuals of issues raised during the course of its activities;
  - d) provide support, assistance, technical expertise, training programmes, advisory services and financial resources as required in response to requests related to its purposes emerging directly or indirectly from public or private organizations, institutions, agencies or governments as well as individuals as it sees fit;
  - e) sponsor, support and provide facilities for conferences, seminars and other meetings related to its purposes;
  - f) act as a resource centre and establish, maintain and operate information and data bases and facilities for research and other activities related to its purposes;
  - g) publish studies, reports and position papers prepared for the use of the Foundation and publish or otherwise disseminate scientific, technical or other information as it sees fit;
3. To achieve these purposes, the Foundation should be a non profit organization or, alternatively, be made up of both a charitable and a non-charitable (but non-profit) wing. This is to ensure that activities which may be construed as "political" would not be restricted for reasons of income-tax deductability.
4. The most important factor in the Foundation's ongoing success will be the quality, and qualifications of its Board of Directors. We have asked, therefore, that the NAJC and the Government work together in establishing the first Board.



# NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF JAPANESE CANADIANS NEWS

782 CORYDON AVENUE ♦ WINNIPEG, MANITOBA ♦ R3M 0Y1 ♦ PHONE (204) 474-2815 ♦ FAX (204) 474-5134

June 9, 1989

DON'T FORGET!!

1. The NATIONAL YOUTH FORUM is being held September 1-4/89 in Winnipeg. Make sure you register your centre's participants' early!
2. The SENIORS' CONFERENCE is being held October 5 & 6, 1989. This event will be hosted in Calgary. Watch for the application forms and fill one in!

PLEASE FIND ENCLOSED:

3. An update, from the president, about the meeting with Gerry Weiner regarding "children born in Japan".
4. Announcement of the postponement of the Redress trip to Japan.
5. Information on the Canadian Foundation Against Racism, from Audrey Kobayashi.
6. Motions from the May Council meeting held in Winnipeg.



NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF JAPANESE CANADIANS

MEMO TO: SAC Committee and National Council Members

FROM: Art Miki

DATE: June 7, 1989

RE: CHILDREN BORN IN JAPAN

A meeting was held in Ottawa, June 5, 1989 with Hon. Gerry Weiner and his staff to discuss NAJC's letter regarding the status of eligibility of "children born in Japan". He indicated that since the NAJC wanted a direct response immediately, he stated that "these children" were not eligible. He did indicate that he would discuss this matter further with his advisors. I suggested that he not make the final decision until the Redress Advisory Committee could discuss this matter. He then stated that this would not be acceptable because he could not support eligibility of individual redress for "children born in Japan". His answer was clearly a negative one.

These were some reasons he stated for not supporting our request.

- a) When I stressed the point that repatriated Japanese Canadians suffered more severely than those who remained in Canada and that their offspring born between 1942 and 1949 should be eligible because of this relationship, Mr. Weiner indicated that that fact was irrelevant. He stated that as a person born in Japan, they were not deprived of their rights by the Canadian Government as were the people born in Canada. Because of their indirect relationship, their case does not fall within the terms of the agreement.
- b) He also stated that if he did approve of our request, he would have to go back to the Treasury Board to seek more funds and also change the Order in Council. He said that he was not prepared to do this.

Mr. Weiner was firm in his position. I requested that he meet with the NAJC representatives when he visits Vancouver during the June 10th weekend. He indicated that he would make an effort to have his staff arrange the meeting.



## NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF JAPANESE CANADIANS

### REDRESS TRIP TO JAPAN POSTPONED

The Japanese Canadian Redress Secretariat postponed the Canadian Government delegation to Japan who were to assist those in Japan, eligible for individual redress until the Minister made his decision regarding eligibility of the "children born in Japan."

They did not want to go ahead until the status of children born in Japan was decided. At the meeting on June 5th between Hon. Gerry Weiner and Art Miki, President of NAJC, Mr. Weiner made a clear statement that "children born in Japan" were not eligible for redress.

Now that this decision is made, the Japanese Canadian Redress Secretariat will be re-scheduling the dates for the trip to Japan. This may occur in late July, early August or even in September. Once the dates have been established, people in Japan will be notified of the itinerary of the Canadian delegation which includes NAJC representatives.



9809 91 Avenue,  
Edmonton, Alta., T6E 2S9  
September 9, 1988

February 14, 1989,

Art Miki  
President, NAJC,  
735 Ash Street,  
Winnipeg, Manitoba,  
R3N 0R5

Dear Art,

In response to the suggestions of several representatives at the January, 1989 meeting of the National Association of Japanese Canadians, I write to submit my name as a candidate for the Committee designed to hear appeals of redress applications.

I qualify for this position for the following reasons:

(a) I have an intimate knowledge of the history of the time and the policies of the government of the day;

(b) I am legally trained and have examined many of the legal issues arising from the treatment of Japanese Canadians between 1940 and 1950;

(c) I have in my possession a great deal of evidence of the policies and actions of the government of the day which might be relevant to determining individual cases;

(d) I am moving to Ottawa in July, 1989 and will therefore be readily available both to serve on the review committee and to search out further evidence if it is needed.

Please find my resume enclosed.

Yours truly,

M. Ann Sunahara.

Encl.

TO: All Council Members & Alternates

FROM: Art Miki, NAJC President

DATE: March 30, 1989

RE: Applications for Positions on Redress Advisory Committee  
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As discussed at the NAJC Council meeting in Vancouver, January 22, 1989, the Government has invited the NAJC to participate on a Redress Advisory Committee which will make recommendations to the Minister on difficult cases of eligibility for individual redress payments.

#### **COMMITTEE COMPOSITION & DUTIES**

The following is the NAJC's understanding of the Committee's composition and duties:

- the Committee will be composed of two Secretary of State representatives, and two NAJC-appointed representatives with a government-appointed chairperson;
- the Government representatives and chairperson will not be otherwise involved in the processing of applications;
- the Committee's role is to review all cases that are not clearly excluded or included, and prepare a recommendation to the Minister who will make the decision on these cases; it is understood that the Minister may or may not follow the Committee's recommendation, as he decides;
- the Committee will try to achieve a consensus, in which case the chairperson will convey the Committee's view to the Minister;
- where there is a dissenting opinion, it will be forwarded to the Minister; the NAJC representatives may write their own opinions, if they wish;
- no formal "vote" will be taken;
- the Executive Director of the Redress Secretariat will present the case and all materials to the Committee, and the resources of the Redress Secretariat will be available to do further research if necessary;
- resource persons, such as a lawyer or historian, will be available to the Committee where necessary;
- the Committee will meet whenever there is an accumulation of cases for their consideration;

- NAJC-appointees on the Committee will be paid their expenses, and an honourarium of a magnitude to recognize the time and expertise involved in their participation;
- the Committee members will not be changed if at all possible to ensure continuity through the process;
- confidentiality concerning the cases under consideration will be strictly maintained by all Committee members;
- the Committee will otherwise determine its own procedure.

#### **APPLICATIONS**

Two NAJC representatives will be chosen by the NAJC Settlement Advisory Committee with consideration given to their complementary abilities. The successful candidates will have excellent oral and written skills of persuasion, and knowledge of the political history of Japanese Canadians including the redress negotiations. Applicants should be available to travel to Ottawa periodically over the next five years, and particularly in the next year and a half. The successful applicants will have to pass Government security clearance.

Interested persons should apply in writing with a letter outlining their abilities and skills, and a resume with the names, addresses and telephone numbers of three references to:

NAJC, 735 Ash St., Winnipeg, Manitoba R3N 0R5

Deadline: applications must be received by MAY 1, 1989





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First, thanks for your info regarding the missing cheques.

As you are probably aware, Anne Sunahara and Roy Miki are the NAJC members on the Redress Advisory Committee.

Anne Scotton advises me that tentative plans are to hold the first meeting at their offices in Hull Quebec on June 27/89. I have unsuccessfully attempted to contact Anne Sunahara to advise her. I understand she will be moving to Ottawa in the near future.

Would you please attempt to contact her and have her either phone Roy Miki or myself as soon as possible.

Thank you.

  
Tony Tamayose

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