B'nai B'rith Anti-Defamation League Issues Strong Resolution in Favor of JA Reparations

SAN FRANCISCO.—The Anti-Defamation League of the B'nai B'rith Oct. 24 passed resolutions involving the internment of Japanese Americans during World War II, the California Board of Prison term's proposal to parole Sirhan Sirhan, and the federal Administration's intention to abolish the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms.

The ADL's National Executive Committee, its policymaking body, met Oct. 22-25 at the Fairmont Hotel.

At a session of the meeting Oct. 24, ADL leaders gathered from all sections of the country approved policy "fully supporting the provision of just compensation and the establishment of educational programs and suitable remembrances of the relocation and internment during World War II to ensure that such injuries shall

never be repeated."

An ADL filmstrip on the Japanese American experience was premiered at a separate session of the meeting. Entitled "The Fukuyama Family," the filmstrip traces the story of how Japanese Americans overcame prejudice and the trauma of World War II internment through three generations of the Fukuyama family. The filmstrip is one of a 12-part ADL filmstrip series on the Americanization of various ethnic groups.

The resolution on Sirhan urged the California Board of Prison Terms "to rescind its decision" to parole on Sept. 1, 1984, the murderer of Sen. Robert F. Kennedy. The resolution, according to Maxwell E. Greenberg, ADL's national chairman, stated that because "political assassination is totally destructive of the

democratic process," the perpetrator of such terrorism should receive the most severe treatment.

The League's policy on the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, the Treasury Department agency responsible for investigation of violent extremist groups, including the search for illicit firearms and explosives and the apprehension of persons possessing them, urged the government not to abolish the Bureau.

Greenberg said that an increase of extremist activity and violent incidents in the U.S. "require not a reduction but the reinforcement and strengthening of law enforcement agencies whose responsibilities include the investigation and acrest of persons involved in such activities."