



## U.S. Department of Justice

Civil Rights Division

Office of Redress Administration

Office of the Administrator

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Dear Community Leader:

I would like to take this opportunity to update you on the recent activities of the Office of Redress Administration (ORA).

Later this month, ORA plans to send out approximately 100 payments to those claimants who were recently found eligible. Claimants will be notified directly of the exact date of payment.

There has been a scheduling change in Mochizuki, et al. v. United States No. 97-294 C (United States Court of Federal Claims). On June 11, 1998, the Court of Federal Claims preliminarily approved a proposed settlement in Mochizuki v. United States, involving the claims of Latin American Japanese former internees. The Court scheduled a hearing to determine the reasonableness, adequacy and fairness of the proposed settlement for November 17, 1998. On November 10, 1998, at the request of the plaintiffs, the Court Federal Claims changed the date of the hearing to **January 7, 1998, at 2:00 EST**. The hearing will be held at the Court of Federal Claims in Washington, D.C. Once the settlement is finalized, ORA will be able to determine the payment cycle for the Japanese Latin American claims.

The sunset date of the Redress program was August 10, 1998. However, the Civil Liberties Act of 1988 provides 180 days for ORA to issue remaining payments and finalize existing cases. Therefore, our office will close on February 5, 1999, and ORA staff will continue to process claims and make payments until this closing date.

Total Cases Paid: 82,077 (includes current payment group)
Total Ineligible Cases: 1561
Total Unknown Cases: 1475

Thank you for your continued support of ORA. I will continue to provide you with any updates regarding redress activities in these final months. Feel free to contact me or ORA staff if you have any questions. My best wishes to you for a wonderful holiday season and a happy and healthy New Year!

Sincerely,

DeDe Greene  
Administrator for Redress