**Prime Minister Zenko Suzuki** (k) and **Dr. James K. Tsuji**, National JACL President, exchange views of international events as they affect the Japanese Americans during a courtesy visit in April by the JACL leader.

*Full report on Page 4 in the "President's Corner."*

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The resolution was forwarded to the office of Mayor Diane Feinstein, who is expected to sign the resolution.

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Testimony and Data Process

In the April 11 memorandum to chapter presidents and redress representatives, the JACL Headquarters urged: 

"Keep your records. We have been able to identify an additional 200 witnesses, biographical data (form below) and written testimony for pre-trial work on the Commission on War Relocation Authority and Internment of Civilians (CWRIC). Following completion of the workshops, progress on the funding of data sheets and testimony, which are forwarded to the CWRIC.

STEP ONE: LOG ENTRY

When data sheets (papers) are received, the names of witnesses or persons from whom testimony is submitted as well as other remarks are logged, whether they are in written or oral testimony, or both, and brief description of the content.

STEP TWO: ACCESS INFORMATION

Letters acknowledging receipt of data sheet and testimony are sent to persons who submitted the information.

STEP THREE: FORWARDING TO CWRIC

Papers remain in the hands of the JACL redress staff only briefly; copies are scheduled for CWRIC, Washington D.C. The JACL redress staff makes no judgment or screen the material.

While the process of recording biographical data and maintaining the files of written testimony is time-consuming for the HQ redress staff, this important project must continue and be completed in a manner effective with the CWRIC. Washington staff as well as assist individuals with their written statements.

Therefore, it is requested that prepared oral statements and written testimony be channeled through the redress staff coordinator at JACL Headquarters.

Early 42 role of certain JACL leaders found shocking

TOHOKA, Ge.-"All the national offices of the JACL in 1968-91 have conducted many workshops on the theme of the "Redress Movement in the Era of the Cold War" in cooperation with federal investigative agencies-the FBI, military intelligence and naval intelligence. Certain leaders of the Redress Movement characterize most of these top contacts," wrote JACL's Tom Tanaka in an unpublished manuscript, according to an LCLC researcher in history, Yujii Ichikawa, speaking to a group of more than 100 former internees, some of whom are among those who are alive today, who are housed in the area of America and second for our our selves.

Reaction from the audience, which included many JACL leaders from the Pacific Southwest area, ranged from disbelief to affirmation. Many in the audience expressed that the presentation was inappropriate.

Others reacted positively to Ichikawa's presentation, although some said that it had little to do with the theme of the program. It that certain JACL leaders passed on information about many facts, they and some fellow Nisei to American intelligence agents in the late 1940s. Ichikawa had made the statements ever since.

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AADP offers community workshops

LOS ANGELES—The Asian American Drug Abuse Program, Inc., with support of the Los Angeles County Drug Abuse Task Force, will host a series of five community seminar workshops on the interpersonal experiences of legally incarcerated persons and the role of Japanese American communities in current issues and concerns.

The workshops, conducted by a Doctorate in Social Welfare, and Paul Chiba, a licensed social worker, will facilitate the series, which will run for five consecutive Wednesdays, July 8, 15, 22, and Aug. 5, from 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., at the American Center for the Asian Pacific. For info call Bill Watanabe (213) 688-3792 or Patrick Ogawa 230-6284.

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Redress Reports

District redress updates reveal wide span of effort

San Francisco—Following reports by members of the National Committee for Redress of Affairs that thus far initiated in their district have been filed with the redress coordinator at JACL Headquarters:

Pacific Northwest—George Harada

There have been 17 recent special events in the Seattle area for the CWRIC hearings with witness training sessions and a successful mock hearing in May, which drew an audience of over 200. There was another special event held in June in which Min Yasui, Gordon Hironaka and Commission Dr. Arthur Fujimura participated.

It was indicated that surveys have been sent to Nisei in the VWW and that far exceeds by 15% in the surveys. Through the survey, the district has been able to identify an additional 30 potential witnesses.

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In addition to the many local JACL chapter and community events, which either of the district redress co-chairs have participated, they have conducted two district redress meetings to discuss preparations for the hearings anticipated in San Francisco.

All but a few of the DC chapters were represented by presidents or chapter representatives.

There has been a concerted effort to support the national JACL redress program through contributions from the DC chapters. Since October 1980, chapter contributions total approximately $25,000, the district hopes to reach its quota of $30,000. To this end, there will be a district-sponsored fund-raising dinner Aug. 15, which will feature as its main speaker the first Nisei astronaut, Ellison Onizuka.

On June 14, the district sponsored a mock hearing at Laney College, Oakland, where approximately 200 attended. As hearing coordinators for the mock, we had DC, Berkeley chancellor Michael Heyman and Emily Award-winning documentary filmmaker and also chairman of the Thousand, Inc. Witnesses were heard in the morning. After lunch, Bread conducted a meeting on the mock hearing.

Other district events are in the planning stages.

Chapters throughout are busy soliciting witnesses for the hearings, working with them on their oral and written testimony. This has been an ongoing project within the district.

Southwest—Harry Kaawahara

Two meetings have been held this month for chapter representatives who have actively sought potential witnesses for the Los Angeles hearings. These meetings were successful and the first workshop for these witnesses was held June 10 at Little Tokyo Towers, and a second was held June 18 at Little Tokyo Towers, with help from attorneys of the Japanese American Bar Association.

At the June 10 mock-a hearing press conference was held with the video. Assisting JACLers with their questions to participants were Frank Kawan, producer at KNHC, (BC), reporters Nancy Yashiba and Lila Aso,

A testimony preparation workshop for witnesses is planned for June 26 at Sunset Boulevard Cafe. The mock hearing planning for tonight (June 26) will be postponed to a date between the CWRIC hearings in Washington, D.C.

A multi-media presentation is being prepared by a team of professionals to tell the story of the LA hearings as well as the experiences of other interested organizations and individuals. After the initial showing, the presentation will be put on film and used for educational purposes.

Japanese American leaders actively support the CWRIC hearings and the redress process throughout the country. The Los Angeles chapter, of which 10,000 is forwarded to JACL Headquarters.

Central California—Tom Shimasaki

A district which only two years ago was reluctant to support the redress program has provided almost 100% participation in fund-raising efforts. The district chapters have been learning how to meet the chapter allocations and in some cases have exceeded their quotas. The local chapter has been moving forward in anticipation of the CWRIC hearings.

There have been some 20 witnesses thus far identified for the hearings. It remains to be seen whether they will testify at a hearing or not.

Intermountain—John Tameno

Because of the nature of the InterMountain district, there has been some difficulty in securing witnesses, especially in view of the fact that this year will likely not be a hearing in the district area. However, six individual cases have been identified and their biographical data sheets and testimony will be forwarded to the CWRIC.

The district continues to solicit witnesses for the hearings. There is currently underway an effort to raise funds for the National redress committee through the chapters. An attempt to solicit contributions from businesses will also be made.

Midwest—Henry Tanaka

The Midwest redress program is moving forward in anticipation of the Chicago hearings in early September. In the area of fund-raising, the district has passed the half-way mark of its $30,000 goal with contributions totaling $15,097.

A major area of concern is identification of potential witnesses. Although the process is just getting underway, the MID chapters have been in contact with the witnesses and have conveyed the expectation that the witness ID program will be completed well before the hearings.

The Cleveland chapter recently held a workshop outlining points regarding what to expect at a hearing and the preparations workshops for preparation of oral and written testimony with use of videotaping equipment.

Public relations through media contacts remain a vital part of the overall MID program, but contacts with major press sources haven't been established in the Midwest areas for future articles on the incarceral and redress issues.

Eastern—Cherry Tsutsumida

Because of the particular nature of the hearings in Washington, D.C., preparations in the local areas have focused on working closely with the JACL LA office, and the Washington, D.C., office has been involved with coordinating witness roles of the local JACLers for the Washington hearings (Chiy H. H., Senior senator Inouye) from its long-time position and the redress center in San Francisco.

In addition, the Washington chapter is planning a reception July 13 at the International Club as a fund-raiser towards the national JACL campaign.

The New York chapter conducted a mock hearing in May which brought together persons from the community as participants and observers. Organized by Ruby Shae and featuring Min Yasui, the event proved to be extremely successful. New York is actively seeking witnesses who might possibly appear at the openings in Washington.

The New England chapter has been involved in securing constitutional scholars who would be willing to submit testimony to CWRIC, and partic-ipates in the seminars. The chapter has also sponsored a symposium to be conducted by the commission later this year. Many significant events are planned, and the theme of the program.

Note: Because Min Yasui serves a dual role as JACL redress committee chair and Mountain Hints District representative, there is no report filed on his activities with the Mountain Hints community, to show here—JACL

Yasu to appear on TV show

LOS ANGELES—Min Yasui, JACL National Redress Committee

Chair, will be interviewed on KNX-TV's "2 With You" program on June 28, 11 a.m., as part of the station's "First Amendment Month" series. Also appearing on the program will be John Saito, JACL PSWDC Regional Director, and Michiko Machida, another member of the inter-fine of the little-known Arpoka assembly center, Tule Lake and Amache. Just last week that was to be debated Lillian Baker—the show will actually be a discussion on the redress issue.

BIOMETRIC DATA OF WITNESS

Commission on War Relocation and Internment of Civilians

(1) Name: ____________________________
(2) Phone: ____________________________
(3) Place of birth: ____________________________
(4) Date of birth: ____________________________
(5) U.S. Citizen: Yes [ ] No [ ]
(6) Permit: Resident: Yes [ ] No [ ]
(7) Naturalized Citizen: Yes [ ] No [ ]
(8) Generation: I [ ], II [ ], III [ ], IV [ ], V [ ], Non-citizen [ ]
(9) Race: [ ] White, [ ] Black, [ ] Other
(10) Residence before internment: [ ] Yes [ ] No [ ]
(11) Occupation before internment: [ ] Yes [ ] No [ ]
(12) WARTIME INTERROGATION: [ ] Yes [ ] No [ ]
(13) Number of family members: [ ] Male [ ] Female [ ]
(14) Nature of the testimony you would like to present, (indicating whether it will be written, oral or both) [ ]
(15) Can you suggest others who may wish to testify? [ ]

This form may be given to the chapter president or sent immediately to National JACL Headquarters, 1765 Stutter St., San Francisco, Ca. 94115, (415) 921-5225.
Koreatown upset

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...the entire community in a very bad light....

According to the Times' report, the LAPD keeps abreast of what's happening in Koreatown and other communi ties through its Asian Task Force, and the report on Koreatown is Officer Paul Kim, 30, who has been with the force for four years. But Suhr believes that both Gates and Kim apparently don't know the community well enough.

Suhr also noted that most Kor ean are by nature, very individualistic and for this reason it is unlikely that so many, as the Times reported, would follow one man.

'If there are 10,000 Kor ean (getting together) there are 11 organizations and 12 communities (formed from them), Suhr said jokingly. Regarding the suspected syndi cate leader who allegedly has 40 to 50 followers, Suhr just commented, 'If there's a guy in Koreatown who can command that kind of respect, maybe we should have that kind of leader here.'

Community Police

On the national coverage of the story, Suhr noted, 'There are a lot of sources available that the Times can check, such as the three Korean language newspapers that are very competitive and usually have their finger on the pulse of the community.... I don't think they did their homework.'

David Hwang, chairman of the Japanese Village Plaza, called the Times' article 'false.' He also said that if such a crime organization exists in Koreatown, he certainly isn't aware of it.

Hyon Hwang, who is willing to donate his time to help form a committee to investigate the possible existence of such a crime ring and to find out how much truth is in the Times' article.

Hwang, who is planning to develop a village plaza in Koreatown, said that he doesn't think the report will affect his project.

Pet bill killed by Assembly committee

SACRAMENTO-The bill that would prohibit the killing of domesticated dogs and cats for food was defeated by the Water, Parks and Wildlife Committee of the California State Assembly by a 7-3 vote June 3.

SB 49, introduced by Sen. Mark Garcia (D-Mendocino), would have required more study until the fall, it was decided, for the Pet bill killed by Assembly committee.

According to Suhr, there is a 'criminal group' that Gates referred to as a 'syndicate leader' that Gates refers to, but he doesn't believe that this could happen. He believes that such an organization—because no one would follow.

Called Fictional 'B.S.'

Ahn said that the police and the press are giving judgmental minority groups by their own standards, and called the Times' story a 'white man's fictional story made out of the small, defunct community.' He also recalled the 'yellow peril' stories, which were read in the early part of the century.

Ahn's observation seems to coincide with a quote by Gates in the Times article: 'Go back into the history of the U.S. Whenever we've had a large number of immigrants who are culturally unfamiliar and trying to assimilate them into this new culture (there was) this kind of organized crime emerging.'

Suhr made an observation similar to Ahn's. 'The story reads well—like the ones about the film or the book. It's good copy—but it's exaggerated. You take away the word 'Korean' and substitute any other minority group—say, Aryan' father-like story.'

Ahn also wonders why the Korean language press had not previously reported any stories about this crime ring. He too admits that there is a crime problem in Koreatown but that Koreatown is the "last ethnic group" in this country that would get involved in organized crime, because there would be "too many chiefs and no Indians.'

Ahn also wonders why he did not think that such a syndicate existed. Having worked with a lot of dogs and cats, there was no indication of such activity. Also, in Koreatown, every body is busy making their own living at this point, no one would be interested in organizing such a criminal group. Additionally, most of the Koreans are handicapped in English, noted Ahn, which would make it difficult for them to organize.

Outsiders Wouldn't Know

The Times' report claimed that crimes occur in small communities like Koreatown because of stress and language difficulties. The lawbreakers in these cases need help—but articles such as the Times' report don't help and Au harmonize to the newspaper. He added that persons outside the community cannot report a story accurately, commenting: "In the early part of this century—the earliest targets were the Japanese and the Chinese. Now it's easy to make criminals' out of the Koreans and the Vietnamese.'

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Meeting a figure of great prestige and power has a profound effect, particularly if that person possesses qualities that generate genuine respect.

Such a meeting took place on April 14, 1981, just such a person was Prime Minister Zenko Suzuki of Japan.

As JACL's representative, I was accorded the honor of a courtesy visit with the Prime Minister at his official residence, an event unparalleled and unprecedented in the history of Japanese Americans and our relations with Japan.

I was met by Mr. Tami Amami, Director General of the Public Information and Cultural Affairs Bureau, whom I had the pleasure of meeting on an earlier occasion. Mr. Amami showed me to the reception room where (as I noted as I signed the guest book) many heads-of-states are routinely received.

Had it not been for Prime Minister Suzuki's friendly, beaming smile, I might have been a bit put off by his cold expediency. His personable manner immediately dissipated any reservations and constraints of rigid formality.

His awareness and knowledge of the impact of U.S.-Japan relations upon the Japanese Americans were readily apparent. And his sincere concern for the Nisseis, sub­jected to rejections of backslid, was indicative of the sensitivity of a great man. Consequently, I felt no desire to gage these injustices, that Japan would do everything possible to maintain peace and harmony with the United States.

In the wake of the disastrous collision of the U.S. and the Japanese freighter, we discussed the necessity of communication between our two nations. When asked my reaction to the tragic incident, I replied that a statement by the U.S. was indicated and that immediate remedial steps should be taken, the sooner the better", for to delay just for the purpose of expediency would be to risk misunderstanding and suspicion. (When nations and people fail to communicate, weeds of distrust and dissatisfaction crop up and, left untreated, can choke out a once harmonious relationship.

Thereupon the Prime Minister expressed his belief that a national organization such as JACL could be an important vehicle of representation and possibly play a vital role toward promoting goodwill and peace between the peoples of our two nations, a matter which we agreed was of utmost importance.

As we shook hands, we grasped the intricacy of our foreign policy ties and the inevitable intertwining of our mutually contingent futures.

The privilege of meeting other leaders of Japan heigh­tened the honorary status accorded to JACL. In a round of courtesy calls, I met with Mr. Susumu Nakido, an in­fluential and powerful member of the Liberal Democratic Party. Other visits were arranged with members of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs: Mr. Shinsuke Asao, Director General of the Americas Affairs Bureau; Mr. Takeji Ushida and Mr. F. Togo, Special Advisors and former ambassadors to the U.S.; and Mr. Moritha Aoki, Director of the Consular Division (of whom I still hold fond memories. Mr. Aoki very graciously met with me despite a conflicting meeting with the 1988 Olympic planning committee, assuring me that discussing matters regarding JACL with an authority, matters which were discussed at some length.)

I was impressed by their familiarity with the problems being encountered by Japanese American leaders and I was grateful for their concern and expressed desire to assist and ameliorate the situation. Continued open communica­tion with JACL, they felt, would serve toward that end. It was expected that such meetings would serve to enhance that JACL has much to contribute towards promoting better relations between our two countries.

These were meetings that moved the soul and motivated the spirit. What remains is to translate it into action.

The great leaders of Japan have expressed confidence in

Salt Lake City
She was the perfect Nisei lady. Dignified, even gracefully, she fulfilled her pa­rents' expectations and more. It was not enough to achieve. She excelled at everything she touched. There were no fail­ures on her perfect academic record. Failure had no place among great expectations. A familiar onus placed on children of immi­igrants.

My earliest recollection of Lily Havey is of her perform­ance on a local program. She was then studying to become a pianist. The lessons had begun at the age of seven and con­tinued for twenty years. This in­cluded advanced study at the prestigious New England Con­servatory. Today, she states simply that she was bitten by the con­cert recital virus in one of her music classes.

Drinan's current associa­tions include, among others, membership in the National Advisory Council of the American Civil Liberties Union and vice president of the Americans for Democratic Action.

Drinan has been the chair­man for several legal affilia­tions, including: Advisory Committee for JACL, University of Mass­achusetts, Committee on Civil Rights and Liberties 1967-68; Committee on the Administration of Justice, National Council of Churches, Section on Family Law, American Bar Assn., 1966-67; Committee on Family Law, Boston Bar Assn., 1969-70.

He has been the vice pres­ident of the Massachusetts Bar Association, 1961-64 and a member of: Executive Committee, Association of American Law Schools, 1960-69; and the National Execu­tive Committee, American Advo­cate Society, 1962-64.

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If this were the typical Nisei success story, it would end here. I probably wouldn't have written this piece. My curios­ity was provoked by the transla­tion of pianist to artist. It would seem that most people are destined to remain in a chosen field, particularly if one excelled at it. Lily Havey would have been safe in the security of happiness. Nine years ago, she enrolled in a craft class for stained glass. By the end of the last week, "I knew I could do better than the instructor.

This was the beginning of the change in Lily Havey's life.

The expectations are still there, but they are now more subtle. She explained. Then, as an afterthought, "Did you know that in the last two years I have learned to ride a bike and drive a car?" She sounded equally delighted with both accomplishments.

25 Years as JACL
June 25, 1946
June 17—Secretary Hicks sus­pects several Niseis for appropriation for theft of export from New York City.
June 20—L.A. Superior court judge orphans war family home because of racial covenants upheld by state supreme court.
June 26—Final report of Field Artillery Nisei related home sale, "fighting men's homes with fighting men's families.
June 27—Loyalty is still a "lame" question. Peru offers to repatriate aliens, "war "veterans." "Nuisance aliens," they are called. The repatriation service in Peru and de­tailed in the U.S. (Crystal City, Tex., and Chaco Park near San Fran­cisco) since 1944. Nearly 400,000 Niseis are not allowed to return to Peru, and released May 9. "Return to any country that will admit them," says Asst. Secretary of State.
12,000 More

Attorney Lorrie Inagaki has been a staff person at the JACL National Headquarters since October 1977. She graduated with distinction at the top five percent of her class at the University of Hawaii with a degree in Political Science. Her law degree was from Univ. of San Francisco.

She began as an administrative aide and research assistant to the National Director, then rapidly expanded her role to become research director. In 1978 she was named to the staff of the JACL at the age of 22, making her one of the youngest persons ever taken on the responsibilities of the Associate Director position.

Having been closely associated with and aided by her work over the past three years, I can well appreciate her contributions to JACL. In her quiet but extremely efficient manner her output was staggering. Her legal research on legislative bills, employment discrimination, and various JACL programs were invaluable to us. She also played a major role in redefining the JACL national constitution and bylaws in conformance with the new California nonprofit regulations.

What was both unique and most gratifying was her willingness and intensity with which she tackled each major assignment made of her. This most remarkable achievement was typical of her. Her husband, David, was also a familiar face at the National HQ where he helped during various functions in which Lorrie was involved.

May 31st was Lorrie’s last day as a JACL employee. She plans to go into another field of work. She will not, however, be difficult to replace but she will be sorely missed by all those she so willingly and generously helps. The National JACL is proud to have the services of a young, enthusiastic professional like Lorrie. She has made an indelible mark on the history of the JACL and all of us who have worked with her.

Lorrie Inagaki

CLIFF’S CORNER: by Dr. Clifford Uyeda

The U.S.-Asia Institute Committee recently invited me to give a presentation on the socio-psychological aspects of the Japanese American experience. Unfortunately, the rules include a strict racial twist; eligibility is limited to persons “with at least one parent of Japanese ancestry.”

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ation of personal experiences which reflect the life styles, character and attitudes of a very special group of people.” Ultimately, the objective is to publish the interviews… Incidentally, June 15 was the deadline for submitting entries for the American Japanese National Literary Award which offers a $1,000 prize provided by James Claywell, author of “Shogun” and various other books. The entries must be original, previously unpublished and no more than 3,000 words, which are some aspect of the Japanese American experience. Unfortunately the rules include a strict racial twist; eligibility is limited to persons “with at least one parent of Japanese ancestry.”

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Bank funds program for problem school. HONOLULU—The bank of Hawaii, the state’s largest banking institution, has provided $476,000 for a three-year plan of student activities for a problem-ridden intermediate school.

The money will be used to help keep students of the King Intermediate school in Kanohe, out of trouble. The plan calls for extracurricular activities, such as a campus newspaper, dance, concerts and world trips. King Intermediate had a notorious reputation in 1976 for problems such as fighting and drug abuse.

The program will be the first privately funded one in Hawaii, and the state’s Department of Education officials want to establish state funding for continuation and expansion of the program, depending on the success of this program.

Fishing group named after Canadian Nisei
VANCOUVER, B.C.—A non-profit conservation society has been named after the late Dr. Shosuke Takazawa, a Canadian Nisei union golfer and a foremost conservationist, it was announced last month by the United Fishermen and Allied Workers Union here.

The Suzuki Foundation will work to prevent the destruction of the British Columbia salmon habitats by increased environmental threats.

Takazawa, who died in 1977 of a lengthy illness, was acknowledged as an outstanding authority on the Fraser River estuary and its total movements and was one of the first to raise the question of industrial pollution of the river in the 1930s and 1940s.

The Canadian Nisei was also one of the first to recognize the need for unity among the working class in order to combat racial division, especially during WW2. Shosuke was a founding member of the Japanese Canadian Citizens Association, a group established to fight racial discrimination and obtain a fishing franchise for Japanese Canadians, a goal ultimately fulfilled shortly after WW2.

JACC Receives Grant from Santa Ana
LOS ANGELES—The Santa Ana Foundation has made a $15,000 grant to the Japanese American Cultural and Community Center (JACC).

The fund is the first of its kind, and will be used to increase program activities for the fourth year in a row, and their contributions now total $11,000, it was announced by George J. Doi, JACC executive director. The latest grant was from funds earned during the charity day game at the Los Angeles Park during the 1980 season.

The Japanese American Community Center, a Japanese-language weekly newspaper published in Los Angeles, has contributed $1,500 to JACC, it was acknowledged by Doi. Established in April 1917, JACC now has a circulation of over 25,000, according to its publisher, Toshiba Morimoto.

The publication recently sponsored a lecture by popular Japanese author Ken-ya Kati and added to the proceeds from the lecture to make the donation to the JACC.

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February 7, 1981 was officially designated as the first Northern Territories Day by the Japanese Government; in commemoration of the Russo-Japanese Treaty of Commerce, Navigation and Delimitation that was signed on Feb. 7, 1858. That old treaty definitively marked the border between Russia and Japan as the waters separating the Etorofu and the Uruppu islands.

Untopp and the island chain to its north were called the Kurils, and was Russian territory until the end of the Russo-Japanese War of 1905, when these and the southern half of Sakhalin were ceded to Japan.

In World War II, with the Four Powers having agreed that Japan would be limited to her four main islands, Okinawa was taken over by the United States, while the Soviets took back what Russia had lost in 1905 at Port Arthur, as well as the Northern Territories, which were basically Japanese lands as attested in 1858.

The Soviet Government of 1935 did concede that Japan had territorial rights over Habomai and Shikotan, two of the four islands in question. Moreover, Japan continued to maintain her rights over both Kunashiri and Etorofu.

Shortly after Japan regained sovereignty on April 28, 1952, the leftists in Japan staged a series of demonstrations in order to have Okinawa reverted back to Japan. In fact, the demonstrations reached high tempo in the latter part of 1960s, over 2,400 square kilometers of land (7,800 sq.m.), comprising the Ryukyu.

In June 1968, the United States returned the Bonin, the Volcano (Iwojima) and Marcus Islands. Then, on May 15, 1972, Okinawa and the Ryukyu were reverted to Japan, with the U.S. retaining rights for military bases there. Meanwhile, in spite of the continual Japanese request for the return of the northern territories, the USSR has persistently refused to consider formal discussion for their return. In recent years, the USSR also stationed a division of troops on Etorofu for reasons unknown.

The Japanese desire to regain these islands are obvious, since they are from 2 to 15 miles off the coast of Hokkaido and have been used by Soviets to disrupt Japanese fishing within their own 12-mile coastal waters.

Why does the USSR, which already controls one sixth of the world's land, want to retain these islands? The current intentions of the USSR in this matter is far from satisfactory.

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