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Block 7315-F  
Tule Lake Segregation Camp  
Newell, California  
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Mr. Raymond L. Best  
Project Director of Tule Lake Segregation Camp  
Newell, California

Mr. Raymond L. Best:

I am writing to you in regards to my detained brother, YOSHIO TAKAOKA.

Through various sources, I heard that my brother was suspected and questioned regarding an incident which happened in the stockade. Therefore, I am worried about his safety.

To this date, I have been only looking forward to his release. I have utmost confidence that the Army will release the innocent so regardless of all the lonely hours. I have been spending at home always with aged father I know it will not have been in vain.

While in my childhood I lost my mother, so you can understand what my father has meant to me for the past ten years, we have met with many hardship always and have fought and shared alike. To me he has been my only hope and guidance. I can assure you that I have complete confidence and faith in him and have treasured him as a brother.

Since my English is very limited it has been very hard to express my feeling as desired. Please believe me in my sincere saying and reconsider his case so that he may be released very soon.

I will be praying for his release.

I feel that some adjustment should be made by you, and I am sure that you agree with me.

I shall be glad to hear from you at your earliest convenience in regard to this request.

Respectfully submitted,

*Aiko Takaoka*  
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