

JAPANESE ATTENDING THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN SAN
FRANCISCO, CAL.

LETTER

FROM

THE SECRETARY OF COMMERCE AND LABOR,

WITH RESPECT TO

THE SENATE RESOLUTION CALLING FOR COPIES OF ALL OFFICIAL LETTERS, ETC., IN CONNECTION WITH THE INVESTIGATION OF THE MATTER OF JAPANESE ATTENDING THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN THE CITY OF SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR,
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY,
Washington, December 6, 1906.

SIR: I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the following resolution of the Senate of the United States, adopted December 5, 1906:

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Department of Commerce and Labor be, and he is hereby, directed to furnish the Senate copies of all official letters, telegrams, reports, etc., filed in the Department of Commerce and Labor in connection with the investigation of the matter of Japanese attending the public schools in the city of San Francisco, Cal., if not incompatible with the public interests.

In response to this resolution, I beg to inform the Senate that my recent mission to the city of San Francisco, State of California, for the purpose of investigating, among other things, the matter of Japanese attending the public schools of the city named was undertaken by the authority and as the representative of the President and not in my capacity as Secretary of the Department of Commerce and Labor, and that the report submitted by me, together with all official letters, telegrams, and other documents appertaining thereto has been made to the President and is no longer either within my custody or control. It is therefore neither within my power to comply with the requirements of the resolution nor to determine whether compliance therewith would or would not be compatible with the public interests. I have the honor to add that I have forwarded the resolution of the Senate to the President for his information.

Very respectfully,

V. H. METCALF,
Secretary.

The PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE.

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