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Immigration and Naturalization Service
St. Louis, Missouri

Gentlemen:

Professor Melvin Cohn of the Washington University School of Medicine has written me advising of his interest in the status of Mr. Kengo Horibata. I am not personally acquainted with Mr. Horibata but I do know Dr. Cohn very well and he felt that I might be able to add to your appreciation of the situation.

The work that Professor Cohn is doing with Mr. Horibata's assistance is of the highest order as a piece of scientific research and is work that is a credit to the United States when measured by any possible standard. Dr. Cohn informs me that Mr. Horibata's assistance is crucial for the development of this work. I know Dr. Cohn to be a person of high integrity and careful judgment and I would place absolute reliance on his representations on a matter of this kind.

Yours very sincerely,

Joshua Lederberg
Professor of Medical Genetics

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