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Amounts cited your paragraph 2A, B and C include some questionable items such as losses from detours to fishing areas and compensation for boat which Japanese Government has bought and retained for own purposes. Difficult legal questions involved since we do not (repeat not) wish create precedents which will later be used against us in other instances of claims for compensation. In addition thinking here on basis earlier information from Tokyo had focused on approximately \$150,000 - \$300,000 as first estimate direct damages.

This will be impossible give you authorization requested by May 31. Suggest you discuss problem again with Okasaki and tell him you will take it up in Washington upon your return. Hop any discussions of figure does not (repeat not) go much if any above \$500,000, since on basis information available here will be difficult present justification Congress for direct damages above that amount.

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