Inouye Receives Letter of Apology

Honolulu

Senator Daniel Inouye (Dem-Hawaii) said yesterday that Watergate attorney John Wilson has sent him a letter apologiz-

ing for referring to Inou-ye as "that little Jap."
Wilson's remarks, made
Wednesday following a ses-sion of the Watergate hearings in Washington, touched off angry reaction in Washington and Hawaii.

Inouye told a news conference on his arrival in Honolulu that Wilson wrote in his letter he did not intend the

remark to be a racial slur.
Wilson noted that he is of Irish ancestry, Inouye said,

and that he is often called "the little Irishman."

Inouye said Wilson felt it is traditional in America that persons are referred to by their ancestral background. Wilson also noted that his clients — former White House staffers H. R. Haldeman and John D. Ehrlichman — have been frequently called "The Germans."

Inouve arrived Washington for a weekend visit to attend a testimonial dinner given in his honor. He did not attend yester-day's hearing in Washington.

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