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March 2.

Mr. E. F. Key,  
President of the Canadian Legion,  
MISSION CITY, B. C.

Dear Mr. Key:

With further reference to your telegram of February 18, please be advised that the Province of British Columbia has no authority to suspend automobile licences, except on instructions from the Federal authorities, or on a court order. As a result of representations, however, the Dominion Government has taken steps along the line suggested by you, having ordered that cars owned by Japanese aliens be confiscated.

Yours faithfully,



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Commissioner T.W.S. Parsons,  
B. C. Police,  
BUILDINGS.

Dear Mr. Commissioner:

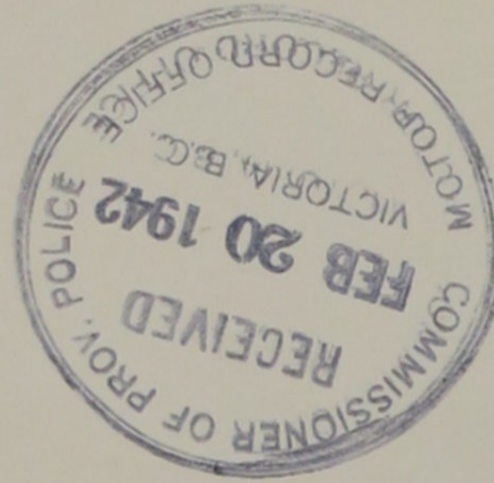
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Yours sincerely,

Secretary.

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CANADIAN PACIFIC TELEGRAM

Mission, B. C.,  
Feb. 18, 1942.

PREMIER JOHN HART,  
VICTORIA, B. C.

CANADIAN LEGION MISSION CITY URGES IMMEDIATE SUSPENSION  
ALL MOTOR VEHICLE LICENSES HELD BY JAPANESE AND ENEMY  
ALIENS (STOP) CONSIDER SERIOUS SITUATION WARRANTS PROMPT  
ACTION.

E. F. KEY,  
PRESIDENT.



Howard M. Levey,  
City Clerk



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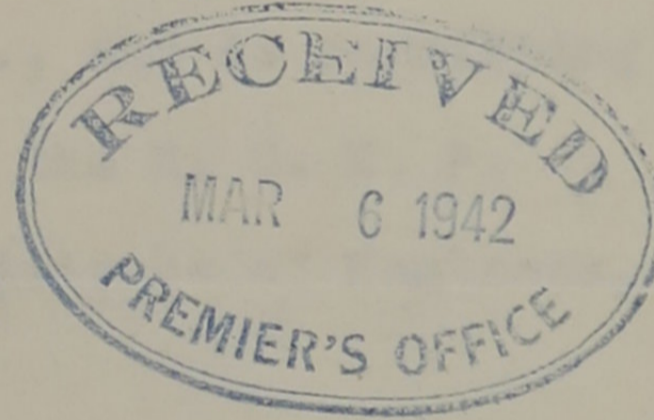
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The Honourable John Hart,  
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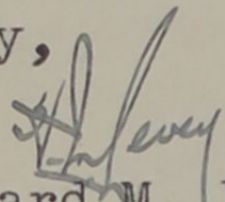


Dear Sir,-

I am directed by His Worship, Mayor G. R. Williams to bring to your attention the attached resolution regarding Japanese residents of British Columbia, which was adopted by a well-attended mass meeting of the citizens of the City of Kamloops, held on Tuesday evening, March 3rd.

The meeting was called by resolution of the Municipal Council, and the Mayor and Aldermen desire to commend the enclosed resolution to your earnest consideration.

Yours truly,

  
Howard M. Levey,  
City Clerk.

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WHEREAS there are resident in British Columbia a large number of Japanese, mainly in the Coast Area, which area has been declared vulnerable;

AND WHEREAS THE Dominion Government has ordered the removal of these Japanese from the Coast area to other parts of the country, including the interior of B.C., and is permitting them to buy land if they obtain a permit from the R. C. M. P.

NOW THEREFORE this meeting of the citizens of Kamloops, B.C., goes on record as follows:-

1. That the settling of persons of Japanese origin on land in the interior of B.C. or elsewhere in Canada will merely shift the Japanese problem from the coast area to some other area.
2. That no person of Japanese origin be permitted to buy lease or rent or otherwise acquire land or business in any part of Canada, as from the declaration of war on Japan by the Dominion of Canada.
3. That, pending the unavoidable lapse of time in making arrangements for the removal of Japanese from the coast area, the Dominion Government requisition all suitable buildings located in the vulnerable area of B.C. and elsewhere, and place the Japanese under guard therein.
4. And that, when final disposition of the Japanese is made, they be put in Dominion Government work camps or internment camps, under armed guard.



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March 16

Captain M. C. Robinson,  
National Director,  
Western Division,  
Canadian National Institute for the Blind,  
Portage and Sherburn,  
Winnipeg, Man.

Dear Captain Robinson:

I am enclosing herewith letters  
of introduction to the Premiers of Manitoba, Saskat-  
chewan, and Alberta, as requested by you through  
Major Austin C. Taylor, Chairman of the Securities  
Commission.

With kindest regards,

Yours faithfully,



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The Honourable William J. Patterson,  
Premier of Saskatchewan,  
Parliament Buildings,  
Regina, Saskatchewan.

Dear Mr. Premier:

This letter will serve to introduce to you Captain M. C. Robinson, National Director of the Western Division, Canadian National Institute for the Blind. Captain Robinson recently was appointed a member of the Securities Commission set up to handle the transfer of Japanese from vulnerable coast areas. He would very much like to secure an interview with you in connection with this matter. I believe it is his intention to discuss the question of placing these Japanese on farms, thus speeding up their transfer from danger points.

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C. F. Day, Esq.,  
President, Southern League,  
WASH DC, D. C.

Dear Mr. Day:

I am acknowledging receipt of your  
telegram of February 18 in the absence of the President.

Please be advised that I have taken  
this matter up with Commissioner T. V. S. Parsons of the  
D. C. Police, who assures me that your representations  
will be given every consideration. You as usual should  
keep from his during the course of the next few days.

Yours sincerely,

Secretary.





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