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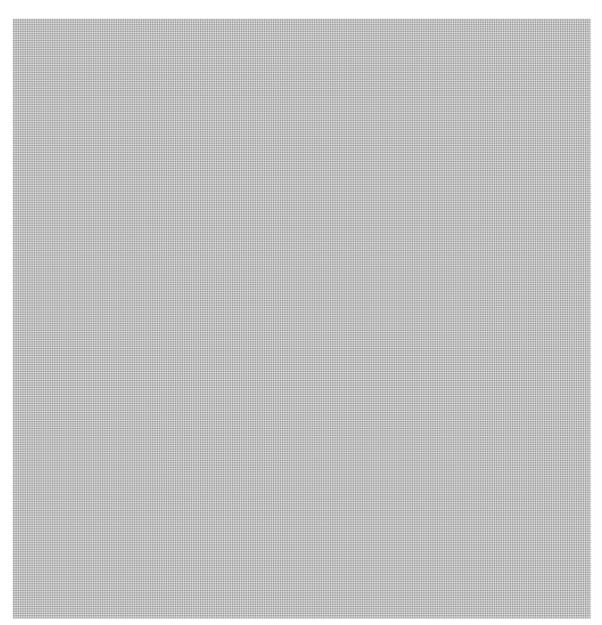
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F.P. Varcoe, Esq., K.C., Deputy Minister of Justice, OTTAWA.

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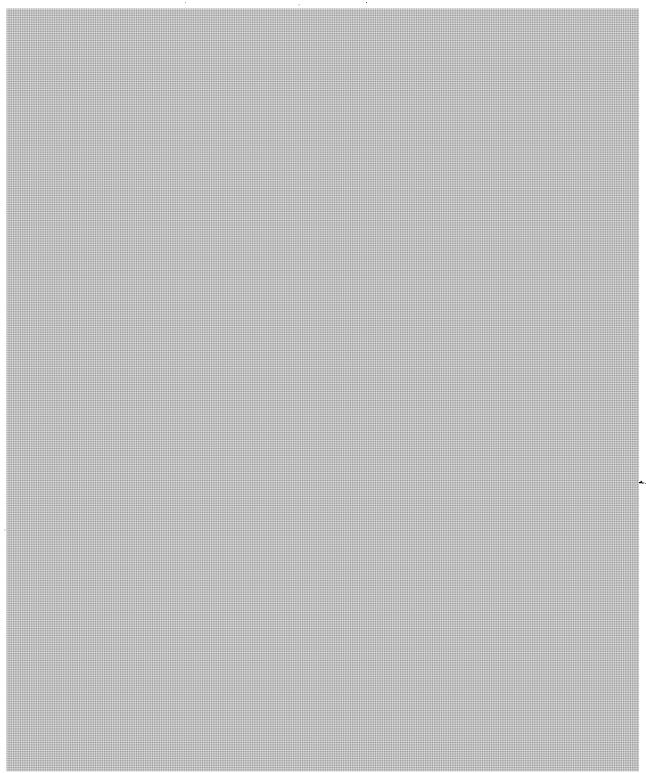
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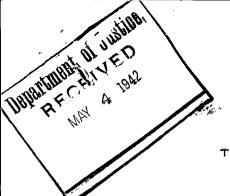
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May 4, 1942.

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Dear Mr. Varcoe,-

Japanese Lands - Pacific Coast Defence Area.

your early attention will be greatly appreciated.

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OTTAWA, May 1, 1942.

Memorandum to Council:

In connection with the evacuation of Japanese from
the protected area of the Province of British Columbia on the
Pacific Coast, several hundred Japanese farmers will be compelled
to abandon their land holdings. It is believed for the most part
these holdings have been developed along specialized lines such
as the production of small fruits, vegetables and poultry products.
It is further believed that the disposition of these lands should
be brought under Federal control.

by P.O. 1665 lacks authority to deal with these properties, and the Official Custodian has no authority in the matter unless and until they have been actually abandoned, the practical result being that the Japanese are endeavouring to sell or lease these properties and often at sacrifice prices - all of which results in a situation which, even under the exigencies of a state of war, is not in line with the principles of equity and justice.

In order to bring this situation under proper control the undersigned respectfully submits the attached Order for favourable consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

Minister of Mines and Resources.

Minister of Pensions and National Health.

The Committee of the Privy Council have had before them a report dated May 1st, 1942, from the Honourable the Minister of Mines and Resources and the Honourable the Minister of Pensions and National Health, stating that:

- (1) In pursuance of operations carried out or to be carried out by the British Columbia Security Commission under the authority of P.C. 1665 and the War Measures Act, Japanese engaged in various types of agriculture in the Pacific Coast Defence Area of British Columbia will be removed;
- (2) Unless suitable measures are taken to control the disposition of their lands the Japanese concerned may be exposed to undue exploitation;
- (3) It is in the public interest to bring the disposition of these lands under Federal control.

THEREFORE His Excellency the Governor in Council on the recommendation of the Minister of Mines and Resources and the Minister of Pensions and National Health and under and pursuant to the powers conferred by the War Measures Act, Chapter 206 of the Revised Statutes of Canada 1927, is pleased to make the following Order and it is hereby made and established accordingly:

1. In this Order unless the context otherwise requires -

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"Land" means real or immovable property including messuages, lands, tenements, and hereditaments of any tenure of a Japanese or Japanese Corporation, used for agricultural purposes, situate within the

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from time to time be defined, but not within the boundaries of any incorporated city or town in that area, and real rights, easements, and servitudes, streams, water courses, waters, roads and ways, and all rights or interests in, or over, or arising out of, and all charges upon any such property.

The Director shall couse to be carried out by his staff an inspection and appraisal of all land as defined by this Order for the purpose of ascertaining the fair present day value thereof, and an inquiry and determination of the interest, whether legal or equitable, of the Japanese concerned and shall report thereon to the Minister.

The Director and his staff, nominated by him for this purpose, shall have the right to enter upon the land of any Japanese or other person, for the purpose of carrying out the inspection and appraisal above ordered and any such Japanese or other person having an interest in the land shall furnish the Director with all information which the Director may require in a form satisfactory to him in order accurately to determine the interest of any such Japanese or other person.

Every person obstructing entry on the land by one nominated as aforesaid for the purposes of this Order, or refusing to furnish the information hereby ordered, shall be liable, upon summary conviction, to a fine of \$100.00.

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