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**MEMORANDUM FOR THE WAR COMMITTEE**

**Re: Japanese work camps on the Blue  
River highway.**

In accordance with the decision of the War Committee on July the 1st, the Ministers and representatives of the Departments of Mines and Resources, National Defence, Labour and Justice have discussed the situation in the Japanese work camps along the Blue River highway, B.C.

It is their recommendation that:

1. The Japanese be moved from the vicinity of the railway. Plans for this movement have already been made by the Department of Labour which expects that it will be completed in approximately two months.
2. The Department of Labour be urged to accelerate the movement in every possible way.
3. The Minister of Labour and the Minister of Justice and officials of their respective departments confer regarding any additional protective measures which need to be taken in the camps, or in their vicinity during the period which must elapse before the movement is completed.

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Acting Secretary.