



MINISTER OF PENSIONS AND NATIONAL HEALTH

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CONFIDENTIAL

MEMORANDUM to --

Dr. Bryce M. Stewart, Deputy Minister of Labour:

- 1. A Committee of Cabinet was appointed to deal with questions of policy, consisting of Mr. Gardiner, Mr. Mitchell and myself.
- 2. No decisions on policy, made by your conference, should be made public until approved by our Committee.
- 3. I definitely disagree with paragraph 1 of your statement. 123, 141
- 4. My understanding, after participating in all the discussions in conference and in Council, was that all able-bodied, adult enemy aliens would have to be removed from protected areas.
- 5. My further understanding was also that all able-bodied Canadian nationals would have to be moved, but that first they should be given an opportunity to volunteer in the Civilian Corps.
- 6. There was no suggestion that they could remain indiscriminately in the protected areas.
- 7. Only those, either Japanese nationals or Canadian nationals could remain in protected areas, who would receive special permits from the R.C.M.P.
- 8. I do not know who Colonel Muallaley is. I never heard of him -- but he should be seen by the Cabinet Committee before being appointed.

- 9. I think if he is suitable, Colonel Macgregor Macintosh should be appointed as his assistant, resigning from the Standing Committee on Orientals.
- 10. I think that all policies agreed upon should be communicated to the British Columbia Federal Members not for endorsation but for information.
- 11. The Cabinet Committee should meet next Tuesday, and if Mr. Mitchell cannot be there, Dr. Stewart should take his place.

I.A.M.

(Dictated by Mr. Mackenzie, but not signed.)