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FROM: DECEMBER/44

TO: DECEMBER 145

136 Oak Park Avenue, Toronto, Ontario.

December 31, 1945.

The Minister of Labour, Parliament Buildings, Ottawa.



Respected Sir:

On July 17, 1945, a R.C.M.P. officer came to Toronto to find out all Japanese in Toronto who wished to go back to Japan after the war. I told the officer that I did not wish to go back to Japan. He said that I had applied for repatriation before. I was surprised to hear that because I had already cancelled my application when I was in the internment camp, but he said that if I don't wish to go back to Japan, I could write to the Commissioner of Japanese placement, 360 Homer Street, Vancouver, B.C., to cancel my application at once. Therefore, I wrote the same day and asked that my repatriation be cancelled as per attached copy.

On August 6, 1945, I received a reply from the R.C.M.P. Officer Commanding E. Division in Vancouver, B.C., as per attached copy.

As I stated in my previous letter, I was interned on December 7, 1941. Since my internment I was not feeling very well. Moreover, my wife has been sick since August 1937, on account of first stage of cancer, though she has got well under treatment of Dr. Caple in Vancouver, but she is very nervous and worried about me. So I wish to be released from internment camp.

When I was in Petawawa Internment Camp, a R.C.M.P. officer and an officer of B.C. Security Commission, came to Camp to see the internees (mostly Canadian-born boys) as to whether they would work on sugar beets farms, and if so they would be released. No one accepted this offer, but I thought Canada needed sugar very badly, and if I was released I would be willing to work on beets farms, so I told the officer I would work on sugar beets farm, but the officer said he had no instruction to see my group, and I was disappointed very much. For that reason I applied for repatriation, even though I did not wish to return to Japan.

Sometime in July 1942, I was ordered to look after books, etc., in the canteen at Angora Camp. While there I enquired whether there was a possibility of my release from the internement camp. The officer told me that my record was good, and my case was investigated and was satisfactory, and that I

had a good chance for release. I was advised to cancel my application for repatriation, which I did through the Camp Commander. Then I petitioned to be released from camp. I obtained my release from camp in November 1942. For this reason I understood that my repatriation application had been already cancelled.

In view of above explanations, I respectfully ask that my application for repatriation to Japan be now cancelled.

I also wish to state that I have 7 children, ages from 27 to 14 years. My eldest son, 27 years, was brought to Canada at 9 months. All the other children were born and brought up in Canada together with my eldest son. As they have all been educated in Canada, they have no desire to go to Japan for Japan means nothing to them. So that if my wife and I were returned to Japan we would be divided from our family for ever, which would be a great tragedy to us. Therefore, I ask that you would have compassion on us and grant my request that we be allowed to remain in Canada.

Yours respectfully,

Shushi Sasaki

Shuichi Sasaki. Reg. No. 00925.

P.S. my first letter could not explain fully my situation because I was hurry. Therefore I explained more detail in this letter.

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Fovember 12th, 1945.

The Commissioner of Capanese
Placement.
360 Homer Street.
VANCOUVER, B. C.

# REF: MR. SHUICHI SASAKI

Gentlemen:

The above named Japanese National has been employed with our company for the past two years. His services and attendance to his duties have been of the highest order. We have also, during school shut-down periods, employed his daughter to the same satisfaction.

We would recommend Mr. Sasaki very highly and trust that everything be done which will allow his continued residence in Canada. His application for Canadian Citizenship has been sent in.

he have, during the past three years, hired four Japanese, and we have found that in each case they have overcome the resentment shown by some of the employees in its entirety, and we have still another Japanese in our employ, other than Mr. Sasaki.

It perhaps will be of interest to you to know that Mr. Sasaki has contributed very faithfully to the purchase of Victory Bonds and War Savings Stamps from his weekly earnings on the payroll plan.

Trusting that this letter will be of help in making it possible for the continued residence in Canada of Mr. Sasaki. we remain.

Yours very truly.

A. E. Long and Co.. LIMITED

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B. F. Beer Superintendent. Copy letter sent to Commissioner of Japanese Placement. Vancouver B. C.

July 17th 1)45.

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The Commissioner of Japanese Placement, 360 Homer Street, Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sirs:

I was interned unexpectedly on December 7. 1941 at Vancouver. B. C. On June, 1941 I was informed by a representative of the I. C. Security Commission and the R. C. M. P. that I could not be released from internment. For this reason, even when I did not wish to go to Japan. I signed a repatriation form.

Sometime later. I was informed by the officer at the internment camp that the investigation of my case was very satisfactory and that I had a very good chance of being released. Immediately. I sent a letter to the Minister of Justice requesting cancellation of my repatriation papers. This was during September, 1)42.

Since I was released on November 10. 1942 from internment camp. I thought that y request for cancellation had been accepted.

I have been living in Canada since 1907, and evacuated with my family to Toronto on June 19th, 1943. Always, I had tried to be a good Canadian and tried to help the Canadian war effort to the best of my ability.

If you still have my repatriation application, would you please cancel it as I have no desire to return to Japan.

Yours truly, Shuichi. Sasaki Reg # 00925

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ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE
JAPANSE REGTISTRATION
E DIVISION

Vanouver, B. C. August 6.1945

In reply please quute Div file no.00925

Mr. Shuichi. Sasaki Reg #00925 Toronto, Ont.

Dear Sir:

With rerence to your letter of July 17, asking that your request for repatrition be cancelled. We wish to advise you that this has been placed on your file, and you will be notified in due course of what action will be taken.

Yours truly.

J. Fripps. Supt.

Officer Commanding E Division.

136 Oak Park Ave., Toronto, Ontario, November 22, 1945.

The Royal Canadian Mounted Police, Japanese Registration, "E" Division, Vancouver, B.C.,

Dear Sir:-

I beg to inform you that I and my wife. Midori Sasaki. Reg. # 00933. applied for Canadian Citizenship through the City of Toronto. Ontario. on November 14th. 255

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Metropolitan Church, 51 Bond Street, TORONTO, Ontario.

December 28, 1945.

The Hon. Humphrey Mitchell, Minister of Labour, OTTAWA, Canada.

Dear Sir:

Department of Labour,
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Secretary to Minister.

Re:

Michiyoshi Yamamoto
Fusako Yamamoto

J.R. 02537 J.R. 02949

I am writing in behalf of Mr. Michiyoshi Yamamoto and his wife Mrs. Fusako Yamamoto who through misunderstanding and fear of losing their means of livelihood signed the repatriation forms and immediately afterward regretted their act and made application to have their request for repatriation cancelled.

Having lived in Vancouver and worked among the Japanese Canadians from August 1922 till July 1941 I know that Mr. and Mrs. Yamamoto have long thought of Canada as their home country. They have a good record as industrious law abiding citizens. They brought up their two children to love Canada and they gave them a good education to help them to become useful citizens. The daughter, Nana, now married to Mr. George Tamaki, legal advisor to a law publishing firm, is continuing to serve as a head nurse in Western Hospital, Toronto. The son holds a position with the Steri Cloth Co. in Brantford, Ontario.

Mr. and Mrs. Yamamoto, like many others in Canada, were not naturalized because many Japanese had been refused the privilege of naturalization and the prevalent idea held by the Japanese Canadians was that naturalization was granted only for special reasons.

In spite of this, thirty-nine years of good citizenship in this country, surely indicates that Mr. Yamamoto belongs to Canada and not to Japan. His wife, who came with her family at the age of twelve years scarcely remembers Japan at all.

Because Mr. and Mrs. Yamamoto are nationals and may be deported according to P.C. 7355, December 15, 1945, they are exceedingly anxious lest they be sent to Japan where in manner of life they will be aliens with no friends and no means of subsistence.

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Mitchell. Ottawa, December 28, 1945.

In view of their long residence in this country, their good record as citizens and the fact that their children are here, eager to care for their parents and capable of doing so, I urgently request that Mr. and Mrs. Yamamoto be permitted to remain in Canada.

Yours respectfully,

Florence A Bird.

Florence Bird. Missionary to Japanese Canadians. Woman's Missionary Society of the United Church of Canada.

Copy sent to: Dorr. T. B. Pickies gill, Commissioner Japanese Blacement Japanese Blacement January 2, 1946

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Honourable Mr. Humphrey Mitchell, Minister of Labour Ottawa, Canada.

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At this most joyous festive season, I wish to express my sincere good wishes to you. As a secret admirer and partisan of the liberal party, I look up to you as one of the great bulwarks of our Canada—the very staff for the people. And in this great nation of ours, we, the Kurita family lived in the midst of happiness and appreciation, being an atom of this united Canada.

However, when the war broke out with Japan, like a tornado, fear swept over us all. My father, Matsuji Kurita, (62) who had come to Canada about 1907 and worked as a printer all his life had to leave for road camp in March 1942. My mother, Hatsu Kurita, (51) was left at home with five of us in Vancouver:

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Peter Osamu 15
(all Canadian Born)

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Dear Mr. Mitchell, will you kindly look into the matter and please continue to give the true light of life that you have been giving them during all these years. Our whole family yearns to be integrated into the Canadian community sharing and putting forth the energy for Canada.

Every day and every night I am praying to God and to you, Mr. Mitchell, and to Mr. King that you will save my parents from this doom. My mother had long been suffering from heart trouble and I cannot bear to watch her being taken away.

My father and mother are members of the United Church of Canada and are loyal and law-abiding people.

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In closing, Mr. Mitchell, I salute to your immeasurable service to Canada, and I sincerely wish you continued success in the New Year.

Very truly yours,

Margaret Y. Kurita

TO: CENTRAL REGISTRY,
Room 7, Conf. Bldg.

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Cauld you please give me an answer to this letter? Thank you.

Yours Truly,
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Secretary to Minister.

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The Hon. Humphrey Mitchell, Minister of Labour, Ottawa, Canada.

Dear Sir: Re Michiyoshi Yamamoto - JR/02537 Fusako Yamamoto - JR/02949.

I am writing on behalf of Mr. Michiyoshi Yamamoto, at present of Slocan, B.C., and formerly of Vancouver, B.C., and his wife, Mrs. Fusako Yamamoto, of the same place, who through my recent marriage to their daughter, Nana, this summer, are my father-in-law and mother-in-law respectively.

I am informed that during the R.C.M.P. survey this summer, the above named Mr.& Mrs. Yamamoto indicated that they wished to be repatriated to Japan at the conclusion of the war. Immediately thereafter, they requested the local representative of the Dominion of Canada, Department of Labour, Japanese Division, for the immediate cancellation of the application, and for the transm ssion of same to the proper authorities. Then on April 28, 1945, two days after they had applied for repatriation, they wrote to Mr. Pickersgill at Vancouver with the same request. Since then they have been writing to Mr. Pickersgill and the R.C.M.P. for cancellation. In view of the fact that they are Japanese nationals, and according to P.C. 7355 of December 15, 1945, you are empowered to order their deportation, I am addressing this appeal to you in support of the cancellation and to lay the whole matter frankly before you.

Mr. & Mrs. Yamamoto at first indicated their desire for repatriation through a grave misapprehension of their position and the fear that they would lose their means of livelihood as a result of a possible cancellation of Mr. Yamamoto's employment at the Slocan Community Hospital, a government project. At this time, there was a government notice urging the evacuees on government projects to accept jobs east of the Rock es or be held as not co-operating with the government, and this caused a great deal of confusion in Mr. Yamamoto's mind. Mr. & Mrs. Yamamoto were in desperation because of the rumour that in spite of the notice urging evacuees to accept employment in the east, Japanese nationals would not be permitted to move east. This created the impression in the mind of Mr. Yamamoto that the only way to safeguard his employment at the hospital was to ask for repatriation. Hence, he induced Mrs. Yamamoto against her will to sign together for repatriation, in the desperate hope that

by so doing their immediate troubles would be alleviated. Immediately upon so doing he realized his mistake and applied for cancellation of their application.

Mr. & Mrs. Yamamoto's only children, Nana in Toronto, and Hugo in Brantford, Ontario, are now residing in Eastern Canada, and they of course intend to remain here. They are both gainfully employed and would be the only ones they could count on in times of need or domestic emergency. Mr. Yamamoto's health is not very good, and in case of serious illness, Mrs. Yamamoto would be alone. Mrs. Yamamoto's only remaining relatives, her mother Mrs. Taki Takenaka, now at New Denver, B.C., her brother Mr. Tokujiro Takenaka and his family also now at New Denver, and Mrs. Shigeko Matsubayashi and her family, now at Guelph, Ontario, as well as the children of Mr.& Mrs. Yamamoto, have signified no intention of going to Japan.

Mr. Yamamoto is 55, and Mrs. Yamamoto is 46 years of age. It appears that one of the misapprehensions in their minds was that they did not wish to become a possible burden on their children in their later years. But to return to Japan would only aggravate the suffering as they have no friends in Japan, and the only people who could and would be in a position to help are their children who would be in Canada. If they are permitted to stay in Canada, the children and myself will guarantee to look after them and will guarantee that they will not be a burden on the government. Because of worry and anxiety over this matter Mr. Yamamoto took ill almost to the point of having a nervous breakdown.

I do not wish to see all this suffering and anxiety faced by Mr. & Mrs. Yamamoto or their children. I am sure that their original declaration of intention was not arrived at through a reasoned consideration of all the factors involved, but through anxiety, fear, and desperation, and under the belief that they could cancel their application at any time. They have lived long in Canada as law abiding citizens and belong here rather than elsewhere. Mr. Yamamoto came to Canada in 1906, and Mrs. Yamamoto came to Canada when she was only 12 years old. They have raised and educated their two children entirely in Canada. One of them is a "egistered Nurse, now a head nurse at Toronto Western Hospital, the other has been gainfully employed and is still employed at Brantford, Ontario, at Steri-Cloth Co. Ltd. It is true that Mr.& Mrs. Yamamoto are not naturalized British subjects, but had it not been for the common report for many years that it was practically impossible for Japanese to become naturalized since the 1920's, I am sure that they would have been naturalized before. making this appeal and prayer in the hope that this

failure to naturalize shall not be held against them as they did their best in attempting to cancel their application immediately after their request for repatriation.

I realize that it was a very serious thing for them to request repatriation, but in their case I make this appeal to you to take into consideration the desperation that they faced, the fact that all their family will be in Canada, Mr. Yamamoto's health, the fact that Mrs. Yamamoto was induced against her will to make the application, their long residence in Canada with good behaviour, and particularly the fact that they sent in their cancellation two days after they made their request for cancellation, all as indicated above in this appeal. Above all, will you please consider their children's happiness and my own for if they are deported to Japan, it would for us be a personal tragedy almost as painful as death itself.

I apologize to you for taking this matter so directly to you when you have many matters that are of national interest to attend to. However, if you could give this matter your favourable attention and inform us that Mr.& Mrs. Yamamoto will not be subject to deportation and that their revocation has been accepted we would be forever grateful. If there are any further relevant facts that you may desire, I will be only too glad to comply. If some guarantee on my part or on the children's part should be required, we shall also be glad to comply.

Yours very respectfully,

George T. Tamaki.

I am the wife of the above George T. Tamaki, and daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Yamamoto in question, and I join with my husband in making this appeal on behalf of my father and mother.

Yours very respectfully,

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Nana Tamaki.

Copy sent to: mr. T. B. Pickerogill, Commissioner of Japenese Blacement. January 2, 1946,



TO: CENTRAL REGISTRY,
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Ottawa, Docember 28, 1945

Ronourable T. C. Dougles, Premier, Province of Saskatchovan, Rogina, Sask.

Dear Br. Douglas:

The Ronourable Mr. Glen, Minister of Mines and Ronources, has referred to me your letter of Docember 22 concerning Kuichi Masuda of Moose Jaw, Saskatchowan, who signed up early this year for repatriation and now has expressed the desire to remain in Canada.

Masuda is a Japaneso National of 55 years of age with no family in this country. As he is a Japanese National, it is not considered advisable to permit him to revoke his application for repatriation.

Yours sincerely,

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Ottava, December 28, 1945.

Ur. Kazuo Makino, c/o Cavosco Club (Wostinghouse), 163 Jackson Street West, Hamilton, Ontario.

Door Sir:

The Honourable Mr. Mitchell has asked no to reply to your letter of December 20 concerning those in your family who signed for repatriation and now wish to cancel those Declarations. If your parents have not already applied in writing for cancellation, they may do so to the Commissioner of Japanese Placement, Department of Labour, 360 Homer Street, Vancouver, B.C.

Yours very truly,

A. Uachanara.

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Nr. T. B. Pickersgill, Commissioner of Japanese Placement, Department of Labour, 360 Homer Street, Vancouver, B. C.

Door Mr. Pickersgill:

VI enclose a letter received from Miss Shizue Kanatsuka #05189 of Tashme, B.C., a Canadian born Japanese who expressed a desire to remain in this country in order to marry.

Nould you please reply to Miss Kanatsuka's letter advising that her request will be granted. I am not acknowledging her letter.

Yours very truly,

A. MacNamaro.

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#### MEMORANDUM

### Minister of Justice

Ottawa, December 26, 1945.

Referred to: George G. Greene, Esq.,
Private Secretary to the
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## Attention: Japanese Section.

Enclosed herewith will be found copies of a letter addressed to the Minister of Justice by a member of the Canadian Army requesting consideration for the cancellation of repatriation declarations signed by his mother and father. The original letter is being forwarded for the attention of our Japanese Records office in Vancouver.

Encl.

The Deputy Minister,
Department of Labour,
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A. W. Parsons), S/Inspector, for Officer in Charge

Special Section.

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## DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENCE

ARMY.

Winnipeg, Manitoba, 17th December 1945.

The Honourable, Minister of Justice, Ottawa, Canada.

## B. 123201 - A/V.O.11 MATSUI, ROY

Find herewith letter from the marginally named, dated 1st December 1945, which is forwarded for your consideration.

(sgd) C.F. Howard Capt.

for (R.O.G. Morton), Brigadier, District Officer Commanding, Nilitary District No. 10.

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Headquarters Staff, Internment Camp 101, Angler, Ontario, December 1, 1945.

The Honourable, Minister of Justice, Ottawa, Canada.

Honourable Sir:

I wish to appeal to you on befalf of my parents, Toragoro Matsui, my father, (Reg. #01391) and Toku Matsui, my Mother, (reg. #01392) both resident in Lemon Creek, Slocan, B. C. Both are Japanese nationals.

When the repatriation questionnaire was presented to them they had two choices: Sign for repatriation and remain in Lemon Creek, or sign to remain in Canada and face an uncertain future east of the Rockes. They signed for this "voluntary" repatriation.

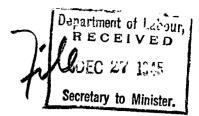
I could not call them to Toronto to join my sisters, for Toronto was a closed city to Japanese. Being an aged man of 72 years, my father decided to remain where he was for his security.

Now they are faced with repatriation. I wish to appeal on their behalf and request the cancellation of the said document. The Minister of Labour has stated that all cases of Canadian-born who have signed for repatriation will be reviewed, if so desired. How can the naturalized and nationals be denied this consideration? They have committed no act of disloyalty. Does the signing of the repatriation document to protect their security prove them disloyal? I am serving in the Canadian Armed Forces to uphold the democratic way of living. My borther has served four years in the United States Army.

Could just consideration be given this case please? My parents are anxious to have this cancellation effected and join their daughters in Toronto if and when regulations permit.

Respectfully,

(sgd) Roy Matsui A/WO 11 A/WO 11 Roy Matsui. The Honourable Humphrey Mitchell, Minister of Labour, House of Commons, Ottawa, Ont.



Sir:

In view of recent events relative to our case for the cancellation of repatriation, we Japanese Netionals are compelled to appeal to you, Sir. This appeal, we feel, will have your consideration for it is not only fair but also just.

Inasmuch as we ask you further to consider the worthiness of our cause at this time, we must not overlook the occasion to express to you our sincere appreciation for the numerous major and menial social helps expended, the manifold courtesies extended through the kindness of the various officials and assistants of your Department, especially here at Greenwood.

But, in reviewing the information in point, we believe there has come from your Department a statement in which we Japanese Nationals, by the fact that we signed for repatriation, are considered disloyal to Canada. This appelation attached to us at this hour has indeed had the effect of making our case seemingly hopeless. In spite of this we trust it is not too late to address you. First of all we want to make it clear that when we signed the application for repatriation, it certainly was not because we do not like Canada. Rather was it that there arose in us a queer fear and a moral uncertainty because we were at a loss to understand the reasons for incidents like or growing out of the following:

- 1. The sale of our property, without our consent, although the returns are kept for us by the Custodian.
- 2. The restriction placed by the Government and municipal bodies upon persons of Japanese origin regarding ownership of property and business enterprise and the means of our livelihood.
- 3. The interruption in our family obligations, -- the responsibility for the maintenance of young children and infirm persons and parents.
- 4. The experience of many friends in failing to secure a livelihood and residence in the East.
- 5. The offer of work in the East for which we were unfitted, and the lack of such work as we were fitted and equipped to do.
- 6. Insufficient economic security for our families, and the absence of any hope of reestablishment in the East, at the time we were required to go East.
- 7. No assurance for the education of school age children in the East in case of re-locating there.

We feel confident, Honourable Sir, that our appeal will not pass unnoticed by you, if you will take into account the record of our loyalty, obedience and readiness to cooperate with the Dominion regulations during the national emergency, and that from the very first days of hostilities to the present time there has not been a single act of sabotage on record against us.

At this crucial moment we are eager to clear up a point of long standing difference between us and our Canadian brethren. It is alleged that we nationals have, as it were, created for ourselves the convenient situation of a dual allegiance. Under such coverage we were accused of seeking naturalization rights. This, we assert, is only another of the many complications which, it seems, developed as a logical sequence to the Dominion Act of 1923, which denied us the right to seek citizenship. Satisfactory reasons for the passage of this act were never proffered us on the Coast.

We would like to make clear that on our part we have consistently sought after and were eager of acquiring these coveted rights so that we might have a common economic assurance of laboring side by side with other working class immigrants of Canada.

We come then to the reasons why we changed our original decision:

1. Upon entering Canada positive indications were given us as Japanese Nationals that in time we would be able to acquire the status of Canadian citizens. Since then, we believe we, on our part, have given indisputable evidence of our desire to qualify our children for citizenship here through the ordinary channels of public education.

Our children, as a result, naturally feel that Canada is their mother country, and they wish to remain here.

And, because of our innate family interest and our dutiful concern for their future, is it not only natural to suppose that these our children should be taken with their parents if and when deported?

Yet, what an unfair challenge to our children who have both a moral and legal right to the country of their birth?

And, on the other hand, how cruel it would be to see the future of these children completely upset by being repatriated along with their parents.

- 2. To the parents it would be unbearable to see their children left in Canada and their families thus split up for a long time, in fact probably forever.
- 3. Having given to Canada the greater part of our lives, during which we have contributed incontestable help to the opening up and development of the various basic industries of British Columbia, it is self evident and quite apparent to any thinking man, that Japan now is a strange country to us.

In the light of the facts aforementioned, and for the feasons we have endeavoured to set forth, we hereby humbly and earnestly ask that we be permitted to remain in Canada with the privilege of continuing to make a useful contribution to its growth and development.

Your petitioners,

Dated at Greenwood, B. C. this 12th day of December, 1945.

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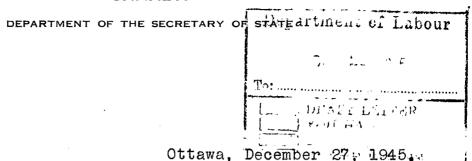
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#### CANADA



Dear Sir,

I am enclosing the following communications addressed to this department:

Mr. Frank F. Sekine,

Mrs. Mary Sekine,

Mr. Abe. Ikusaburo.

The writers have been informed that the communications have been forwarded to your depart-

ment.

Yours truly.

E. H. Coleman Under Secretary of State.

The Deputy Minister of Labour,

Ottawa.



CANADA

MINISTER OF

MINES AND RESOURCES

Ottawa, December 26th, 1945

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Secretary to Minister.

Dear Mr. Greene,

I am attaching a letter addressed to my Minister by the Honourable T.C.Douglas, Premier of Saskatchewan, in reference to Knichi Masuda (Japanese), Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan, who wishes to reverse his decision to return to Japan and now requests permission to remain in Canada. Also attached is a letter written to Mr. Douglas by Masuda.

As this matter is one with which your Department is concerned I am referring this correspondence to you. Premier Douglas's letter has not been acknowledged.

W.J.F. Pratt,

Private Secretary

G.G.Greene, Esq.,
Private Secretary to the
Minister of Labour,
Ottawa

Enclosures - 2



### PREMIER'S OFFICE



Regina, December 22, 1945.

Honorable J.A. Glen, Minister of Mines & Resources, Ottawa, Canada.

Dear Mr. Glen:

Re: Knichi Masuda, Moose Jaw, Sask.

I am enclosing a letter from the above-named Japanese who, last year, requested to be returned to Japan. He now states that he does not wish to go back there, and has asked that he be allowed to remain in Canada. I have advised him that this matter would be referred to you, and I would appreciate anything you could do for him.

Yours sincerely,

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T.C. Douglas

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

JAPANESE DIVISION

360 Homer Street, Vancouver, B. C. December 21st 1945

A. MacNamara Esq., Deputy Minister of Labour, Ottawa, Ont.

Attention Mr H. T. Pammett

Dear Sir,

Re Miss Mary KADOWAKI #10445 Slocan City.

In reply to your recent letter regarding the application of the above party for a permit to travel to eastern Canada for the purpose of marrying her fiance, Mr Y. Tanino, of Hamilton, this office has not received any request from this girl and we are contacting our Supervisor at Slocan City asking him to interview her, and if the facts are as stated in your letter she will have no difficulty in securing a permit.

Yours truly,

J. N. LISTER
General Manager.

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#### DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

Ottawa, December 18, 1945.

Dear Sir.

I am enclosing the following communications addressed to this department:-

> Mr. Shoichiro Nishikawa was end Mr. H. Terashita

The writers have been informed that the communications have been forwarded to your department.

Yours truly,

- H. G.So~

E. H. Coleman Under Secretary of State.

The Deputy Minister of Labour,

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The Deputy Minister,
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Ottawa. December 15, 1945.

Mr. T. B. Pickersgill. Commissioner of Japanese Placement. Department of Labour. 360 Homer Street. Vancouver, B.C.

We are enclosing herewith copy of correspondence with Mr. Robertson of the Prime Minister's Office which is self-explanatory. are also enclosing the material which he forwarded.

You will note particularly the allegations from Lemon Creek.

I should think it might be a good idea to have on the record a sworn declaration from Corporal Davidson and other members of the detachment and if this would be of value, a similar statement from the pervisor of I

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Militarities Supervisor of Lemon Creek on this issue.

A. H. Brown.

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Ottavo, December 15, 1945.

Hr. R. G. Robertson, Secretary, Office of the Prime Minister, O t t s v n.

Door Mr. Robertson:

We have your letter of December 13th with enclosures for which we are oblined.

We may say with respect to the charge made in the document dated Movember 28th at Lemon Creek, B.C., to the effect that the R.C.M.P. Officer advised these people that they would be free to change their decision later, we have an record copies of a series of written questions sent forward to Mr. Pickersgill by the Committee at Lemon Creek prior to signing, raising a number of points in connection with the repatriation including the query as to whether they would be free to revoke at a later date and also copy of Mr. Pickersgill's replies in which he advised them very specifically that he could give them no assurance on that point and that the signing of the application for repatriation was a very serious step and that they should be careful in making their decision as to what they wished to do.

We are, however, forwarding the allegations for consideration and report by Mr. Pickersgill.

Yours very truly.

A. Ucchomoro.

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Ottawa, 13th December, 1945.

Arthur MacNamara, Esq., Deputy Minister of Labour, Ottawa.

Dear Mr. MacNamara:

I am enclosing herewith a voluminous document which has been received from the Secretary of the Civil Rights Defence Committee, embodying 2010 signatures from persons of Japanese origin wishing to revoke requests for repatriation to Japan. I assume that you will wish to have this for your files.

You will note that there is included an unsigned affidavit to the effect that a certain Corporal Davidson of the R.C.M.P. indicated to one of the signatories of a request for repatriation that his request could be revoked at a later date. A similar charge is made in paragraph two of the document dated November 28th at Lemon Creek, B.C.

In view of the explicit charge in the affidavit and the general charge in the other paragraph, you may think it worth while to have these allegations investigated.

Yours sincerely.

(R.G.Robertson)

Secretary.

OTTAWA, December 11, 1965.

Ur. Tye Sakaguchi, 57 St. George St., London, Ontario.

Dear Siri

I wish to acknowledge your letter of December 6, to the Honourable Ar. Hitchell with reference to your family in British Columbia who applied for repatriation,

I am sending your letter to Ur. Pickersgill, Commissioner of Japanese Placement at Vancouver, and asking him to give a considered reply, as he has on record the full particulars of such cases.

Yours very truly,

A. MacNegora.

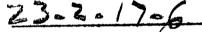
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cc to Mr. Pickersgill also original letter from Sakaguchi,



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Ottama, December 11, 1945.

Cr. A. Rocugi, 51 Einrado Avo., HALLITON, Ontorio.

Dear Sire-

The Henourable Fr. Fitchell has asked to to asked your letter of been ber 7, concerning the possibility of your cister and her husband concelling their application for reputriation.

All correspondence on this subject should be addressed to the Cor insience of Japanese Placement, Department of Lubeur, 350 Lear Street, Vencouver, d.C., who will have the full perticulars on record.

Yours very truly,

A. Enclocara.

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51 Kinzade ave. Hamilton

Mr. H. mitchell Dept. of Labour. Dear sir:

Dec Department of Labour,
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Secretary to

I wish to enquire, for my sister and her husband, Koshiro any possibility of them being able to cancel the papers they signed for repatriation to Japan. at the time of signing they were more or less forced to do so. He being a Japanese national. He has been living in Canada for the pash eighteen years and she is a Canadian-born. To be shipped to Japan would cause untold difficulties for my sister and her son born and educated the Canadian ways.

They realized their mistake too late and have applied for cancellation. Sor my sister it was either to sign or be separated from her husband so there was no choice. I would be very grateful if you would inform me on my enquirey.

y ours truly. a. Kosugi 5/ Kinrade ave Hamilton Ontario

#### DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR



DEPUTY MINISTER'S OFFICE

OTTAWA December 10

MEMORANDUM to Mr. H. T. Pammett.

I would not suppose there would be any more consideration given to a request from children in Eastern Canada than there would be to a request from the parents themselves.

I think they should be simply forwarded to Vancouver for a mere acknowledgement from Vancouver and placed on the repatriate's file. I have no idea at the moment whether cases of that kind will be considered by the Loyalty Commission.

In reference to your last paragraph, who is raising this issue?

I would leave this entirely in the hands of Mr. Pickersgill.

A. H. Brown

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Comm. Wood

442 Talbot Avenue, Winnipeg, Manitoba, December 10th, 1945.

Hon. L. S. St. Laurent, Minister of Justice, Parliament Buildings, Ottawa, Canada.

Dear Sir:

We wish to submit for your inspection the enclosed petitions containing 2010 signatures from persons of Japanese ancestry who signed documents requesting repatriation, and later asked for cancellation. It does not cover all of the people who applied for cancellation, but does cover a large section.

The signatures include those of Japanese nationals, naturalized Canadian citizens, and Canadian-born. We believe the proportion is about equal between the Canadian citizens and the Japanese nationals. It should be noted, however, that majority of the children under sixteen (whose names are not included in the petitions) involved in the deportation, are attached to Japanese nationals and naturalized Canadians.

These petitions are in a form of a declaration of sincerity. The petitioners declare they did not sign the repatriation forms willingly, but clearly under protest, and from a sincere belief that signing those forms was an alternative to facing what they regarded as a very uncertain and anxietyfilled future. We also wish to point out that these people were under extraordinary psychological pressure ever since the first days of evacuation, and signatures taken under those conditions have not the value as where they had been able to act under no pressure, or belief of pressure, and under settled conditions.

We respectfully ask that a review be arranged for all of these cases, so that disloyalty, if it existed, can be established before deportation is allowed to proceed.

Respectfully yours,

The Civil Rights Defence Committee,

P.S. For your reference we enclose a copy of the protest letter sent on April 16 to the Minister of Labor, as well as a copy of an affidavit forwarded to us from Lemon Creek. These, however, cannot be said to reflect conditions as it existed in all centres from which these petitions emanated.

for benver, B. C., April 16th, 1945.

The undersigned Japanese Completees of Sleen Valley District, embracing all persons of Japanese Racial Origin residing in that area as their members, may their respects to

The Contrable Minister of Lawer, and The Monorable Minister Hum hrey Mitchell, Pag.,

and with The Renorable Misister's leave, subsit for exemination, and request registration of this Note of Protest,

upon the Detice, deted at Ottown, 18th day of February, 1945, made public on the Authority of The Honorable Minister, to All Persons of Japanese Racial Grigin, on matters pertaining to The Application for Repatriation, and

upon the Notice, as of the seme date, made oublic by the Commissioner of Japanese lacement, T. B. Pickersgill, Eng., on matters alternative to the above, namely lacement of Ja anese Conadians East of Rockies, and also

upon the printed Forms and ready for the Application for Repatriation to Japan.

The co-ordinated examinations of above mentioned documents and thier contents, clearly define a course of procedure case, entirely on the voluntary declaration of intentions on the wort of Japanese persons affected thereby.

This is made especially apparent in the phraseology of forms for Application for Repatriation, the term "voluntarily" being inserted to Qualify the set of affixing signature, and recognition of responsibilities thereby attached.

Thereas, the declaration eignified in above mentioned documents are requests for the voluntary empressions of intentions on relative matters by the persons affected, the ensuing terms and conditions set forth therein and exemplified by The Officials of Canadian Covernment, regrettably meint to element of inducement, or to the future of uncertainty and doubt. Such terms and conditions are influencing the decisions of normals of placed, whereby the term "voluntarily contained in the forms for application for hepatriation loss itsmeaning. Herein lay the reasons for registering this protest.

That, the terms and conditions as act forth in the said Detices proclude any choice other than signing The Application For Repatriation to Ja on, and facing an uncertain future of deep anniety East of Rockies.

That, for summery reasons stated in this Note, the term "voluntary" inserted in the Forms for The Application for Repatriation is not true statement of expression of unaffected free will.

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This is copy of an affidavit taken at the request of Mev. Howard Rorman of Vancouver, B. C., and forwarded to him in verification of certain communications between him and us relative to the conding repatriation of Japanese to Japane.

PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA
TO HIT:

In the matter of the pending repatriation of Japanese to Japan And in the matter of Japanese who signed forms consenting to repatriation.

I,

of Lenon Creek, Province

of British Columbia,

make oath and say:

- (1) That I become a Naturalized British Subject in April 1914, at Vancouver.
- (2) That on the 20th day of April 1945, in the presence of Corporal Davidson and Constable Asher of the Royal Canadian Hounted police, I signed four copies of a form consenting to repatriation to Japan.
- (3) That erior to signing these four forms Corcoral Davidson informed me that I was free to change my decision later.
- (4) That I was informed by Cornoral Davidson that one of the forms I signed would be returned to me in about a month or a month and a half's time and that I could then write on the back of the form cancelling my decision to return to Japan.
- (5) That I have not yet received this form and that I do not wish to be repatriated to Japan.

And I make this solean declaration conscientiously believing it to be true and knowing it is of the same force and effect as if made under eath and by virtue of THE CANAL' EVIDENCE ACT.

Declared before me at Lemon Creek, Province of British Columbia, this 29th day of Hovember A.D. 1945.

A Notary Pulbic in & for the rovince of British Columbia.

To the Honourable L. S. St. Laurent, Minister of Justice, Ottawa, Canada.

#### Honourable Sir:

We, the undersigned, who have already made application individually to cancel our request for repatriation, do hereby severally renounce the said declaration for repatriation and make this joint Petition. We do so for the reasons outlined in the following statement in which we attempt to make clear the basis of our appeal, and with the ardent request that our pleas shall receive careful consideration.

- (1) Written into the form which we signed was a phrase "I voluntarily affix my signature." This however did not make the act of signing altogether voluntary. The signing was not "voluntarily" done. Before signing the form, we had sent a letter to the Department of Labour calling attention to this fact, and adding an expression of our desire to remain in Canada. A copy of the said letter is attached herewith.
- (2) The factor which really tipped the scales, making us sign was this. -- On the day before we were to make our decision, the Mounted Policeman in charge of the whole matter here called the Japanese Committee into his office where in the course of the interview, he assured the members of the committee that they would be free to change their decision later, even if they signed for repatriation now. The Committee announced this assurance at a general meeting of the residents of this community. As a result of this announcement many did not take the matter seriously and signed their names without realizing the full implication of their action, while in their hearts they had no intention of going to Japan to live.
- (3) Certain clauses of the document, for example, "those who do not ask for 'repatriation' are expected to resettle as soon as possible east of the Rocky mountains; those who do not do so will be considered as non co-operative with the Canadian Government," overawed us. This clasue, we felt, placed us in the difficult dilemma of having to decide to remove east immediately or to apply for "repatriation" to Japan. This dilemma proved the more inescapable when we discovered that no one would be allowed to engage in any new employment in the Province of B. C. unless and until he had signed a request for repatriation, and that all persons employed by the Commission would be struck off the pay-roll unless they requested repatriation.

For the reasons outlined below, we felt unable to immediately relocate in the East and as a result filed application

for repatriation, even though we had no desire to go to Japan to live. Following are the factors which prevented us from deciding in favour of immediate relocation east of the Rockies.

- A Scarceness of suitable jobs in the eastern provinces.
- B Lack of funds to resettle east of the Rockies and the consequent fear of being unable to re-establish ourselves permanently.
- C Uncertain future due to the uncertainty of maintainance if unemployed or incapacitated.
- D Restrictions placed by provincial governments and municipal bodies upon us as to ownership of property and the carrying on of business enterprises.
- E Fear of being moved again after the war if the province in question demanded it of the Federal Government.
- (4) Following are the reasons for desiring to remain in Canada from the standpoints of the three categories of people of Japanese origin now resident in Lemon Creek and desiring to remain in Canada.

# A - Standpoint of Canadian-Born Japanese

- 1. We have been brought up and educated as Canadian citizens and are equipped to live in Canada, but have no confidence in being able to make our living in an unknown country.
- 2. If deported we would be in danger of having no nationality status in any country in the world.

# B - Standpoint of Naturalized Canadians of Japanese Origin

1. When we applied for naturalization, the same was granted to us after we had solemnly declared our intention of making Canada our permanent home.

We were assured that in return for fulfilling our duties as Canadians, we would be granted the full civil rights of Canadians.

# C - Standpoint of Japanese Nationals

- 1. We, being Japanese Nationals, firmly believed that we were being permitted to enter Canada as permanent residents. It was our aim to bring up our children as good Canadian citizens that they might fulfil their duties as good citizens of Canada. Our children, therefore, naturally feel that Canada is their country, and wish to remain here. What will happen to these children if their parents are deported? They will have no alternative but to go with their parents. It is very disconcerting to see the future of these children completely overturned by their parents' repatriation.
- 2. If we are deported leaving grown-up sons or daughters in Canada, our families will be split up forever, a condition which would be unbearable to us.
- 3. We have spent most of our lives in Canada helping in the building and opening up of various industries in B. C., and most of us have been in Canada for the last 30 years or more. Accordingly, Japan has become to us a strange country.

Therefore we do hereby earnestly petition that we be permitted to remain in Canada to the end that we may be able to make a useful contribution to its growth and development.

Signed this 28th day of November, 1945 at Lemon Creek, British Columbia.

Reflector 05078

M. Hashimoto 08891

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#### DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR

OTTAWA.

Dec.8, 1945.

### MEMORANDUM To: Mr. Brown

The attached indicate that we will be getting soon a number of appeals from Canadian-born Japanese in Eastern Canada who wish to have repealed the applications of their Japanese National and Naturalized Canadian parents(plus minor brothers and sisters in the Interior Projects), in order that these relatives can come east and live with them.

Will such cases be considered by the Loyalty Tribunal to be established, in view of compassionate circumstances, or shall we simply reply that nothing can be done in such cases? In some cases the parents who signed are quite aged and could not make a living by themselves in Japan.

The secondary problem arises of children who want to stay in Canada desiring to see their parents and other relatives who are to be repatriated? Are they to be allowed to go out to British Columbia for this purpose before the shipments begin?

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H.T. Pammett.

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# JAP FAMILY GOING TO EXILE DAUGHTER, BRIDE, APPEALS

"I am the only one in a family of seven who did not sign an application to be returned to Japan," said Mrs. Daniel Washimoto, Hayden St., a bride of four months, today. She said that as a result of the "subtle duress" employed by the authorities in can-

ployed by the authorities in canvassing Japs regarding their wishes of remaining in Canada or being returned to the land of their ancestors, many families may be broken. Grown children may lose by exile their aged parents and children may be parted unless their original application is cancelled, as they earnestly desire, she added. "My parents and my three brothers and a sister signed the application against their better judgment," she said. "My father signed first. He was afraid he would lose his job in Tashme, relocation centre in British Columbia. He then persuaded, others to sign. But I was engaged to be married in Toronto and I quit my teaching job in Tashme to come here."

Her family, she said, is appealing for reconsideration of their case.

Her family, she said, is appealing for reconsideration of their case. If that fails, they will be sent to Japan, but Amy is sure she will never go back for any reason.

She was only three when she came to Vancouver from Japan.

Her brothers and her sister were born here. The young members speak no Japanese, and consider themselves Canadians. All but she are still in Tashme.
"I almost weep at their letters.

They beg me to do what I can to help them stay in this country," she said. "The Christmas parcels I am sending them may be the last they'll receive."

Mrs. Washimoto worked for two warrs in the sattlement as a taseher.

years in the settlement as a teacher in the fourth grade. The curri-culum was the same as that under the provincial board of education. She received \$40 a month.

"My brothers earn 25 cents an hour working on a truck. My sister works in the camp hospital at \$40 a month. They can't save, for it takes all their little earnings to live," she declared. "If my family is to be exiled, I would like to bid them a last farewell. Is that reason enough for the R.C.M.P. to permit me to travel outside Ontario? Travelling for us is restricted, you



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THE COMMUSSIONER.
R. C. A. OLICE.
OTTAWA

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OTTAWA, November 22, 1945.

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May 2, 1945.

The Officer Commanding, R.C.M. Police, "E" Division, VANCOUVER, B.C.

Re: Repatriation of Japanese in Canada.

Will you please refer to paragraph 7 of my letter of March 20th last which set out the procedure to be followed on the receipt of requests for cancellation of declarations for repatriation. The instructions contained in the paragraph in point were draughted to cover the contents of paragraphs 12 and 13 of a memorandum dated December 11, 1944, captioned "Conference re Voluntary Applications for Repatriation to Japan", a copy of which is attached.

- In the course of a conference held here yesterday, attended by Department of Labour Officials, the Commissioner of Japanese Placement and myself, the instructions in point were discussed and it was decided to discard them entirely in view of the possibility that their effect might be the means of prompting wide spread cancellations.
- 3. In future when a Japanese requests the cancellation of a declaration for repatriation made prior to the adoption of the new forms or requests cancellation subsequent to the completion of the new forms, he is to be instructed that he should submit his request in writing and it will be referred to the competent authori-The letter should be addressed to the local ties for a decision. R.C.M. Police Detachment for transmission to the Commissioner of Japanese Placement. On receipt, such requests should be referred to Mr. Pickersgill for any reply he may feel disposed to make. written request for cancellation, together with the declaration forms which would ordinarily come forward, should then be placed on file against the day when the case might have to be referred to the Loyalty Commission if and when the latter is constituted and commences to function. It will not now be necessary to pick up the copy of the declaration form held by the Japanese.
- 4. This Headquarters should be advised periodically of those Japanese who have requested in writing that their application be cancelled so that the information can be seconded to other

interested Departments. This will be particularly necessary after the declarations have been sorted into family groups and forwarded her for distribution.

5. It is felt that the foregoing will answer your query contained in paragraphs 6 and 7 of your memorandum of the 16th ultimo.

(F.J. Mead), Deputy Commissioner.

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OTTAWA, 2.5.45.

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March 20, 1945.

The Officer Commanding, R.C.M.Police, "E" Division, VANCOUVER, B. C.

#### Re: Repatriation of Japanese.

We are enclosing herewith copies of correspondence received from the Department of Labour relative to the forth-coming taking of applications for voluntary repatriation of persons of the Japanese race. Included in the material attached are revised statements which are to be published over the signatures of the Minister of Labour and the Commissioner of Japanese Placement respectively. The revisions from the original drafts were made as the result of a conference between the Department of Labour and ourselves and it is quite possible that Mr. Pickersgill has already discussed the matter with you.

- As the Department of Labour has left certain phases to the discretion of Mr. Pickersgill rather than lay down a concrete policy to be followed throughout we, ourselves, will be unable to establish a specific policy in this regard, but will have to be guided by the recommendations and wishes of Mr. Pickersgill relative to any changes he, from time to time, may wish to make.
- 3. On December 11th last there was a meeting of interested government departments at which time certain requirements with respect to the taking of these applications were laid down and these decisions are given hereunder for your guidance.

#### APPLICATION FORMS.

Various types of application forms which are listed hereunder are to be completed and signed in four copies:

- Form No. CBD Canadian-born British Subject, head of family, listing dependents under sixteen years of age.
- Form No. CBW Canadian-born British Subject, without dependents.
- Form No. CND Canadian-naturalized British Subject, head of family, listing dependents under sixteen years of age.
- Form No. CNW Canadian-naturalized British Subject, without dependents.
- Form No. JND Japanese national, head of family, listing dependents under sixteen years of age.
- Form No. JNW Japanese national, without dependents.

Considerable discussion took place as to whether all dependents should be listed on the declaration signed by the head of the family including wife, other dependents 16 years of age and over and dependents under 16 years. It was finally decided to list only dependents under 16 years of age on the head of the family's application form and to have wives and other dependents 16 years of age and over fill out separate declarations.

After being signed by the applicant before your travelling detachment the four copies will be sent to your Headquarters

where.....

Mere all particulars appearing on the forms will be checked against the information contained on the individuals file in the Japanese Registration Office. If the data proves to be correct in all detail the forms will be signed by you as recommending the application and passed to the Commissioner of Japanese Placement for his signature in the "Application Approved" space. After the Commissioner of Japanese Placement has signed and returned the forms to you the original should be returned to the signer either personally or by registered mail, one copy placed on file in the Japanese Registration Office and the other two forwarded here. Of the two copies sent here one copy, in all instances, will be referred to the Department of External Affairs for transmission to the Spanish Consul; the other copy will, in case of British nationality, be referred to the Secretary of State or, if the applicant is a Japanese national, will be held in the Enemy Alien Branch.

## TABULATED LISTS

Lists containing all the data appearing on the declaration forms should be made up at periodic intervals and forwarded to this Headquarters along with the declarations covered by the lists. These tabulated lists will be required here in at least five copies, but we would suggest that extra copies of each list be held on file by you in case there should be a request from other Departments for additional copies.

#### NOTE

The declaration forms for a family will not be sent forward to Ottawa for distribution to other Departments and subsequent action until all members in the family have been heard from and have signed the forms or refused to do so.

4.A record is to be kept of all persons 16 years of age and over refusing to sign voluntary declaration on their own personal files, also a tabular summary must be kept of all persons interviewed for information as follows:

JAPANESE SIXTEEN YEARS SIGNING DECLARATION REAL AND OVER

REFUSING TO SIGN

Japanese Nationals ·

Naturalized Canadians

Canadian Born

Totals

This summary should also be submitted at periodic intervals after sufficient people have been interviewed to justify the compiling of the summary.

It should be impressed upon the members of your command who are chosen to take these applications that great care must be exercised to ensure that the applications come voluntarily from the Japanese. There must be no chance of signatories at a later date complaining to some agency such as the Protecting Power, that they were coerced or "high-pressured" into signing the forms by the members of this Force taking the applications.

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- Your memo of the 16th instant and enclosures has just come to hand and it is noted that you have circularized the other interested Divisions of the Force in this regard. A similar circular had already been prepared at this Headquarters and as ours is somewhat more detailed in instructions we have decided to send it forward in spite of the fact that there is some duplication. A copy of this memo, together with a copy of a further memo to the Officer Commanding "D" Division, is attached hereto for your information.
- In the second memo to "D" you will note that a complete canvass is to be made of the internees at Angler, Ontario, as they should prove one of the most fruitful sources of repatriation material. In view of this the Officer Commanding "D" will in all probability need a further supply of forms, together with such instructions as you deem necessary over and above those included in your letter of the 15th instant or in our memo of even date.
- Angler, will you kindly arrange with Mr. Pickersgill to have his representative at Port Arthur have copies of the Minister's statement posted in the Camp at the earliest possible moment so that the internees will be fully aware of the details before the arrival of the "D" Division personnel to take the applications.
- We are also instructing interested Divisions that where a Japanese requests the cancellation of an application for repatriation made prior to this time or requests cancellation subsequent to the completion of the new forms, these are to be reported to you. Where a request for cancellation follows on the completion of one of the new forms, in other Divisions as well as your own, we feel that the Japanese concerned should be asked to surrender his copy of the new form after he has endorsed the back of it to the effect that he wishes it cancelled. It will, of course, be necessary that you keep us informed regarding cancellations so that we may second the information to interested Departments here.

(F. J. Mead), Deputy Commissioner.

Encls.

SLOCAN CITY, B. C., November 20, 1945.

Hon. L. S. St. Laurent, Minister of Justice, OTTAWA, CANADA.

Dear Sir:

WE, Canadian Born and Naturalized Canadians of Japanese racial origin, having already appealed individually to the Prime Minister of Canada and those in authority pertaining to Cancellation of "Voluntary Repatriation to Japan," now by affixing voluntarily our joint signature, do hereby submit the following particulars to support our principal reasons for Cancellation. And also by clinging on your Honour's profound consideration and great tolerance, we do plea your Honour's unprejudiced justice upon this matter.

DESPITE the fact that immediately after the publication of the Notices, under the name of Japanese Committees of Slocan Valley District, we forwarded to the Minister of Labour, Hon. Humphrey Mitchell our petition expressing our sincere will; but without any compliance with our requests, the Government established Policy had been enforced. Consequently we had been placed under such pressure as to take either of two choices - to sign or to relocate East of the Rockies. That having been so embarrassed and confused, we had against our will to take only one course - choose to sign the Form - for the sake of economic security promised by the authority.

WHEREAS in reality we have always been loyal Canadian Citizens yet we have been treated in an undemocratic manner and our activities have been limited to its extremity. Moreover we had to face expulsive activities throughout Canada. (one of the most conspicuous instance at the time, was the rejection of Voluntary Military Service offered by Canadian Born Japanese) These circumstances were strong enough to create our fear and illusion that led us to decide to stay where we are, by signing the "Form"

WHEREAS having confidence with the Canadian public, our highly civilized, democratic country, we never dreamed at anytime of such an unjustifiable policy as expulsion and deportation, would be adopted to force us to assume the status of citizens of Japan by renouncing Canadian Citizenship. (Although certain persons appealed to the R.C.M.P. Detachment to sign the "Repatriation Form" after omission of a word or a phrase, it was refused without slightest consideration.) On the other hand, arising out of suspicion among us, it was more vital for us to consider our living of tomorrow than arguing relative importance towards the rights of citizenship. Therefore, we decided to sign the "Repatriation Form" to overcome all such worries.

SINCE mass evacuation from the Coastal Defence Area, particularly prominent at the time, required to make the declaration of application, compliance with the Government Policy would have resulted in an immediate upheaval of our families, leaving old and infirm persons on their own. This was unendurable to the morality of persons of Japanese racial origin.

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WHEREAS, our responsibilities as parents, are too great to the loss of Canadian Citizenship of our children born in Canada under sixteen years of age, by the will and act of us, their parents who made application for Repatriation. Consequently unless some guarantee be given by the government, we have to appeal for their sake, to Your Honour and to the Canadian Public to accept our Petition for Cancellation, in order to revoke their Canadian Citizenship and their existence as Canadians thereby.

WE, the undersigned, have already requested for the Cancellation of our declaration for "Voluntary Repatriation" to revoke our Canadian Citizenship, herewith jointly declare with sincerity of purpose in requesting such Cancellation together with our strong desire to enjoy the fullest privileges of Canadian Citizenship and at the same time declare our intention and readiness to fulfil all the obligations and responsibilities pertaining thereafter.

We beg to remain,

Your sincere Petitioners,

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Slocan Gity, 3.6. December 1, 1945.

HON. L. S. ST. LAURENT MINISTER OF JUSTICE Ottawa, Canada.

WE, the undersigned, having recently requested cancellation of "Repatriation Forms" made earlier this year do hereby severally renounce the said declaration and extend this joint petition. We do so on the following grounds:

WHEREAS we have given most of our lives in assisting in the building of the basic industries of the Province of British Columbia (lumbering, fishing and farming) and WHEREAS most of us have been in Canada upwards of forty years continuously;

AND WHEREAS we did, earlier this year sign "Repatriation Forms" not because of any desire to go back to Japan or to go to Japan for the first time, but because of our failure to understand the manner in which we have been treated, and because of the uncertainty and fear which we felt arising out of incidents and circumstances of the following kind:

- (a) The sale of our property without our consent;
- The declaration of the Government in P.C. 3213, Sec. 7, April 21st, 1942, that all persons of Japanese Race moved to other provinces from British Columbia would be moved again after the war;
- Restrictions placed by Government and Municipal bodies upon persons of Japanese origin as to the ownership of property and the carrying on of business enterprise;
- Family obligations and the responsibility for the maintenance of our young children and infirm persons and parents;
- The failure of negotiations for work and residence in Eastern Canada experienced by many of us or our friends;
- Our own unfitness to do many forms of work offered to us in Eastern Canada, and the lack of opportunities to do work for which we are fit and equipped;
- The lack, at the time of being required to move to Eastern Canada, of sufficient economic security for our families, and the lack of any hope of re-establishing ourselves permanently East of the Rockies at the time we were required to sign "Repatriation Forms";
- The lack of any guarantee as to the education of school age children East of the Rockies in the event of re-locating there;
- By signing the "Repatriation Form" we had the assurance of remaining in Slocan as a family unit and of continued livelihood;
- We believed at the time of signing the said "Repatriation Forms" (i) we could voluntarily cancel the declaration contained therein at a later date before the said declaration became effective.

THEREFORE WE DO HEREBY EARNESTLY PETITION that we be permitted to remain in Canada to the end and that we may continue to enjoy the privileges of this country and to make a useful contribution to its growth.

RESPECTFULLY, your petitioners,

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THEREFORE WE DO HEREBY EARNESTLY PETITION that we be permitted to remain in Canada to the end and that we may continue to enjoy the privileges of this country and to make a useful contribution to its growth.

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## TO THE PRIME MINISTER OF CANADA AND TO JHOM IT MAY CONCERN

WE, the undersigned, having recently requested cancellation of "Repatriation Forms" made earlier this year do hereby severally renounce the said declaration and extend this joint petition. We do so on the following grounds:

WHEREAS we have given most of our lives in assisting in the building of the basic industries of the Province of British Columbia (lumbering, fishing and farming) and WHEREAS most of us have been in Canada upwards of forty years continuously;

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TASHME, B.C. November 13, 1945.

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Room 7, Conf. Bldg.

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AIR MAIL

Ottewa, December 18, 1945.

Mr. Y. Hikide, Secretary, Civil Rights Defence Committee, 442 Talbot Avenue, Winnipeg, Manitoba.

Dear Sir:

The Honourable Mr. Mitchell has asked me to acknowledge your letter of December 10 enclosing Petitions signed by over 2,000 persons of Japanese ancestry who signed documents requesting repatriation.

It is stated that all the signatories of these Petitions have requested cancellation, and, if so, their letters to this effect will be placed on their records for consideration in line with the Honoureble Mr. Mitchell's recent Statement in the House of Commons.

Yours very truly,

A. MacNamara.

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#### CANADA

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DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

Ottawa, December 11, 1945

Dear Sir:

I am enclosing the following communications addressed to this Department:

Mr. Koichi Kakino no cara Mr. I. Mayazaki

The writers have been informed that the communications have been forwarded to your Department.

Yours truly,

E. H. Coleman Under Secretary of State

Deputy Minister of Labour, Ottawa, Ont.

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442 Talbot Avenue, Winnipeg, Manitoba, December 10th, 1945.

Hon. Humphrey Mitchell, Minister of Labour, Parliament Buildings, Ottawa, Canada.

Dear Sir:



We wish to submit for your inspection the enclosed petitions containing 2010 signatures from persons of Japanese ancestry who signed documents requesting repatriation, and later asked for cancellation. It does not cover all of the people who applied for cancellation, but does cover a large section.

The signatures include those of Japanese nationals, naturalized Canadian citizens, and Canadian-born. We believe the proportion is about equal between the Canadian citizens and the Japanese nationals. It should be noted, however, that majority of the children under sixteen (whose names are not included in the petitions) involved in the deportation, are attached to Japanese nationals and naturalized Canadians.

These petitions are in a form of a declaration of sincerity. The petitioners declare they did not sign the repatriation forms willingly, but clearly under protest, and from a sincere belief that signing those forms was an alternative to facing what they regarded as a very uncertain and anxiety—filled future. We also wish to point out that these people were under extraordinary psychological pressure ever since the first days of evacuation, and signatures taken under those conditions have not the value as where they had been able to act under no pressure, or belief of pressure, and under settled conditions.

We respectfully ask that a review be arranged for all of these cases, so that disloyalty, if it existed, can be established before deportation is allowed to proceed.

Respectfully yours,

The Civil Rights Defence Committee

Secretary

P.S. For your reference we enclose a copy of the protest letter sent on April 16 to the Minister of Labor, as well as a copy of an affidavit forwarded to us from Lemon Creek. These, however, cannot be said to reflect conditions as it existed in all centres from which these petitions emanated.

This is copy of an officevit taken at the re-most of nov. Howard Norman of Vancouver, B. C., and forwarded to him in verification of certain communications between him and us relative to the ending repatriation of Japanese to Japane.

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In the matter of the pending rematriation of Japanese to Japanese And in the matter of Japanese who signed forms consenting to rematriation.

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of British Columbia,

make oath end say:

- (1) That I become a Naturalized Eritish Subject 1: April 1914, at Vancouver.
- (2) That on the 20th day of April 1940, in the presence of Corporal Davidson and Constable Asher of the Royal Canadian Hounted Dice, I signed four comics of a form consenting to repatriation to Japan.
- (5) That order to signing these four forms Corporal Davidson informed the that I was free to change my decision later.
- (4) Fact I was informed by Corneral Davidson that one of the forms I signed would be returned to be in about a month or a month and a helf's time and that I could then write on the back of the form cancelling medicisis, to return to Japan.
- () That I have not yot r ceived this form and that I do not wish to be recatriated to Japan.

And I make this solome declaration conscientiously believing it to be true and knowing it is of the same force and effect as if made under both and by virtue of TH. CTP - TV1 - TC - AGP.

Declared before no at Lenon Croek, Province of British C lumbia, this 29th day of Rovember A.D. 1940.

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Mew Denver, B. C., April 16th, 1945.

The undersigned Japanese Committees of Slocan Valley District, embracing all persons of Japanese Racial Origin residing in that area as their members, pay their respects to

The Office of The Hinister of Labor, and The Honorable Minister Humphrey Mitchell, Esq.,

and with The Honorable Minister's leave, submit for examination, and request registration of this Note of Protest,

upon the Notice, dated at Ottawa, 13th day of February, 1945, made public on the Authority of The Honorable Hinister, to All Persons of Japanese Racial Origin, on matters pertaining to The Application for Repatriation, and

upon the Notice, as of the same date, made public by the Commissioner of Japanese Placement, T. B. Pickersgill, Esq., on matters alternative to the above, namely Placemont of Japanese Canadians East of Rockies, and also

upon the printed Forms made ready for The Application for Repatriation to Japan.

The co-ordinated examinations of above mentioned documents and thier contents, clearly define a course of procedure based entirely on the voluntary declaration of intentions on the part of Japanese persons affected thereby.

This is made especially apparent in the phraseology of Forms for Application For Repatriation, the term "voluntarily" being inserted to Qualify the act of affixing signature, and recognition of responsibilities thereby attached.

Whereas, the declaration signified in above mentioned documents are requests for the voluntary expressions of intentions on relative matters by the persons affected, the ensuing terms and conditions set forth therein and exemplified by. The Officials of Canadian Government, regrettably point to element of inducement, or to the future of uncertainty and doubt. Such terms and conditions are influencing the decisions of persons so placed, whereby the term "voluntarily" contained in the forms for Application for Repatriation loses itsmeaning. Herein lay the reasons for registering this protest.

We protest,
That, the terms and conditions as set forth in the said Notices
preclude any choice other than signing The Application For Repatriation to Japan, and facing an uncertain future of deep anxiety East of Rockies.

That, for summary reasons stated in this Note, the term "voluntary" inserted in the Forms for The Application for Repatriation is not true statement of expression of unaffected free will.

Rosebery Japanese Association	New Denver Japanese Committee	
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Lemon Creek Hakkokai	
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Bay Farm Hakkokai	

ocen lity, B.C. December 1, 1945.

### HON. HUMPHREY MITCHELL MINISTER OF LABOUR Ottawa, Canada

WE, the undersigned, having recently requested cancellation of "Repatriation Forms" made earlier this year do hereby severally renounce the said declaration and extend this joint petition. We do so on the following grounds:

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- We believed at the time of signing the said "Repatriation Forms" we could voluntarily cancel the declaration contained therein at a later date before the said declaration became effective.

THEREFORE WE DO HEREBY EARNESTLY PETITION that we be permitted to remain in Canada to the end and that we may continue to enjoy the privileges of this country and to make a useful contribution to its growth.

RESPECTFULLY, your petitioners.

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November 1945

### TO THE PRIME MINISTER OF CANADA AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

WE, the undersigned, having recently requested cancellation of "Repatriation Forms" made earlier this year do hereby severally renounce the said declaration and extend this joint petition. We do so on the following grounds:

WHEREAS we have given most of our lives in assisting in the building of the basic industries of the province of British Columbia (lumbering, fishing and farming and WHEREAS most of us have been in Canada upwards of forty years continuously;

AND WHEREAS we did, earlier this year sign "Repatriation Forms" not because of any desire to go back to Japan or to go to Japan for the first time, but because of our failure to understand the manner in which we have been treated, and because of the uncertainty and fear which we felt arising out of incidents and circumstances of the following kind:

- (a) The sale of our property without our consent;
- (b) The declaration of the Government in P. C. 3213, Sec. 7, April 21st, 1942, that all persons of Japanese race moved to other provinces from British Columbia would be moved again after the war:
- (c) Restrictions placed by Government and Municipal bodies upon persons of Japanese origin as to the ownership of property and the carryung on of business enterprise;
- (d) Family obligations and the responsibility for the maintenance of our young children and infirm persons and parents;
- (e) The failure of negotiations for work and residence in Eastern Canada experienced by many of us or our friends;
- (f) Our own unfitness to do many forms of work offered to us in Eastern Canada, and the lack of opportunities to do work for which we are fit and equipped;
- (g) The lack, at the time of being required to move to Eastern Canada, of sufficient economic security for our families, and the lack of any hope of re-establishing ourselves permanently East of the Rockies at the time we were required to sign "Repatriation Forms";
  - (h) The lack of any guaranteeas to the education of school age children East of the Rockies in the event of re-locating there;
- (i) By signing the "Repatriation Form" we had the assurance of remaining in Tashme as a family unit and of continued livelihood;
  - (j) We believed at the time of signing the said "Repatriation forms" we could voluntarily cancel the declaration contained therein at a later date before the said declaration became effective.

THEREFORE WE DO HEREBY EARNESTLY PETITION that we be permitted to remain in Canada to the end and that we may continue to enjoy the privileges of this country and to make a vaeful contribution to its growth.

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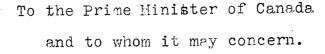
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"e, the undersigned, born in Canada and Naturalized Canadians of Japanese origin, having already appealed to the Prime Minister and those in authority to have "repatriation forms" obtained from us cancelled, do voluntarily attach our signatures to the following statement for the purpose of making clear the basis of our appeal and with the urgent request that our plea shall receive careful consideration:

We would point out the following facts in support of our appeal:

Compliance with the government regulations at the time of being required to make the declaration of application would have resulted in an immediate upheaval of our families in many cases leaving old and sick folk on their own; and further an intediate loss of any economic security which we possesse;

Reports of pressure being placed uson individuals to sign and limited time to consider the metter carefully restriced our freedom of choice.

Certain persons were given reason by the authorities to believe that they could apply to have their "application" cancelled and it was generally believed by reason thereof by the undersigned that this course of action be open to them.

It was in these circumstances and under these oressures that we signed the "repatriation" forms and not with any desire or intention of renouring our Canadian citizenship and assuming the status of citizens of Japan. Had the choice been put to us in this way and the hope of cancellation been clearly absent, we would never have signed such declarations.

We whose names appear below have already asked for the cancellation of our declaration of intention to revoke our Canadian citizenship, we declare herewith our sincerity of purpose in requesting such cancellation together with our strong desire to enjoy the full privileges of Canadian citizenship and at the same time declare our intention and readiness to fulfill all the dutiessand responsibilities pertaining thereto.

We beg to remain, Sirs,

Your petitioners,

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To the Honourable Humphrey Mitchell, Minister of Labour, Ottawa, Canada.

Honourable Sir:

We, the undersigned, who have already made application individually to cancel our request for repatriation, do hereby severally renounce the said declaration for repatriation and make this joint Petition. We do so for the reasons outlined in the following statement in which we attempt to make clear the basis of our appeal, and with the ardent request that our pleas shall receive careful consideration.

- (1) Written into the form which we signed was a phrase "I voluntarily affix my signature." This however did not make the act of signing altogether voluntary. The signing was not "voluntarily" done. Before signing the form, we had sent a letter to the Department of Labour calling attention to this fact, and adding an expression of our desire to remain in Canada. A copy of the said letter is attached herewith.
- (2) The factor which really tipped the scales, making us sign was this. -- On the day before we were to make our decision, the Mounted Policeman in charge of the whole matter here called the Japanese Committee into his office where in the course of the interview, he assured the members of the committee that they would be free to change their decision later, even if they signed for repatriation now. The Committee announced this assurance at a general meeting of the residents of this community. As a result of this announcement many did not take the matter seriously and signed their names without realizing the full implication of their action, while in their hearts they had no intention of going to Japan to live.
- (3) Certain clauses of the document, for example, "those who do not ask for 'repatriation' are expected to resettle as soon as possible east of the Rocky mountains; those who do not do so will be considered as non co-operative with the Canadian Government," overawed us. This clause, we felt, placed us in the difficult dilemma of having to decide to remove east immediately or to apply for "repatriation" to Japan. This dilemma proved the more inescapable when we discovered that no one would be allowed to engage in any new employment in the Province of B. C. unless and until he had signed a request for repatriation, and that all persons employed by the Commission would be struck off the pay-roll unless they requested repatriation.

For the reasons outlined below, we felt unable to immediately relocate in the East and as a result filed application

المي: يَدُ for repatriation, even though we had no desire to go to Japan to live. Following are the factors which prevented us from deciding in favour of immediate relocation east of the Rockies.

- A Scarceness of suitable jobs in the eastern provinces.
- B Lack of funds to resettle east of the Rockies and the consequent fear of being unable to re-establish ourselves permanently.
- C Uncertain future due to the uncertainty of maintainance if unemployed or incapacitated.
- D Restrictions placed by provincial governments and municipal bodies upon us as to ownership of property and the carrying on of business enterprises.
- E Fear of being moved again after the war if the province in question demanded it of the Federal Government.
- (4) Following are the reasons for desiring to remain in Canada from the standpoints of the three categories of people of Japanese origin now resident in Lemon Creek and desiring to remain in Canada.

#### A - Standpoint of Canadian-Born Japanese

- 1. We have been brought up and educated as Canadian citizens and are equipped to live in Canada, but have no confidence in being able to make our living in an unknown country.
- 2. If deported we would be in danger of having no nationality status in any country in the world.

#### B - Standpoint of Naturalized Canadians of Japanese Origin

1. When we applied for naturalization, the same was granted to us after we had solemnly declared our intention of making Canada our permanent home.

We were assured that in return for fulfilling our duties as Canadians, we would be granted the full civil rights of Canadians.

#### C - Standpoint of Japanese Nationals

- We, being Japanese Nationals, firmly believed that we were being permitted to enter Canada as permanent residents. It was our aim to bring up our children as good Canadian citizens that they might fulfil their duties as good citizens of Canada. Our children, therefore, naturally feel that Canada is their country, and wish to remain here. What will happen to these children if their parents are deported? They will have no alternative but to go with their parents. It is very disconcerting to see the future of these children completely overturned by their parents' repatriation.
- If we are deported leaving grown-up sons or daughters in Canada, our families will be split up forever, a condition which would be unbearable to us.
- We have spent most of our lives in Canada helping in the building and opening up of various industries in B. C., and most of us have been in Canada for the last 30 years or more. Accordingly, Japan has become to us a strange country.

Therefore we do hereby earnestly petition that we be permitted to remain in Canada to the end that we may be able to make a useful contribution to its growth and development.

Signed this 28th day of November, 1945 at Lemon Creek, British Columbia.

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To the Prime Minister of Canada and to whom it may concern

We, the undersigned, born in Canada and Naturalized Canadians of Japanese origin, having already appealed to the Prime Minister and those in authority to have "repatriation forms" obtained from us cancelled, do voluntarily attach our signatures to the following statement for the purpose of making clear the basis of our appeal and with the urgent request that our plea shall receive careful consideration:

We would point out the following facts in support of our appeal;

Compliance with the government regulations at the time of being required to make the declaration of application would have resulted in an immediate upheaval of our families in many cases leaving old and sick folk on their own; and further an immediate loss of any economic security which we possessed;

Reports of pressure being placed upon individuals to sign and limited time to consider the matter carefully restricted our freedom of choice.

Certain persons were given reason by the authorities to believe that they could apply to have their "application" cancelled and it was generally believed by reason thereof by the undersigned that this course of action be open to them.

It was in these circumstances and under those pressures that we signed the "repatriation" forms and not with any desire or intention of renouncing our Canadian citizenship and assuming the status of citizens of Japan. Had the choice been put to us in this way and the hope of cancellation been clearly absent, we would never have signed such declarations.

We whose names appear below have already asked for the cancellation of our declaration of intention to revoke our Canadian citizenship, we declare herewith our sincerity of purpose in requesting such cancellation together with our strong desire to enjoy the full priviliges of Canadian citizenship and at the same time declare our intention and readiness to fulfill all the duties and responsibilities pertaining thereto.

We beg to remain, Sirs,

W JRNO. 10337 Your petitioners, Hore J. R. 70. 00542 himura J.R.ho. 01606

Takashi Yamacaki #14098 Niduchi Yamasaki #15856 Teorje Yamasaki 12123 Kiichi Janaka #16839

## TO THE PRIME MINISTER OF CANADA AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

WE, the undersigned, having recently requested cancellation of "Repatriation Forms" made earlier this year do hereby severally renounce the said declaration and extend this joint petition. We do so on the following grounds:

WHEREAS we have given most of our lives in assisting in the building of the basic industries of the Province of British Columbia (lumbering, fishing, and farming) and WHEREAS most of us have been in Canada upwards of forty years continuously;

AND WHEREAS we did, earlier this year, sign "Repatriation Forms" not because of any desire to go back to Japan or to go to Japan for the first time, but because of our failure to understand the manner in which we have been treated, and because of the uncertainty and fear which we felt arising out of incidents and circumstances of the following kind:

- (a) The sale of our property without our consent;
- (b) The declaration of the Government in P.C. 3213, Sec. 7, April 21st, 1942, that all persons of Japanese Race moved to other provinces from British Columbia would be moved again after the war;
- (c) Restrictions placed by Government and Municipal bodies upon persons of Japanese origin as to the ownership of property and the carrying on of business enterprise;
- (d) Family obligations and the responsibility for the maintenance of our young children and infirm persons and parents;
- (e) The failure of negotiations for work and residence in Eastern Canada experienced by many of us or our friends;
- (f) Our own unfitness to do many forms of work offered to us in Eastern Canada, and the lack of opportunities to do work for which we are fit and equipped;
- (g) The lack, at the time of being required to move to Eastern Canada, of sufficient economic security for our families, and the lack of any hope of re-establishing ourselves permanently East of the Rockies at the time we were required to sign "Repatriation Forms":
- (h) The lack of any guarantee as to the education of school age children East of the Rockies in the event of re- locating there;
- (i) By signing the "Repatriation Form" we had the assurance of remaining in Tashme as a family unit and of continued livelihood;
- (j) We believed at the time of signing the said "Repatriation Forms" we could voluntarily cancel the declaration contained therein at a later date before the said declaration became effective.

THEREFORE WE DO HEREBY EARNESTLY PETITION that we be cermitted to remain in Canada to the end and that we may continue to enjoy the privileges of this country and to make a useful contribution to its growth.

RESPECTFULLY, your petitioners,

Kensabewa Jahimura 02605 Gennik Handu 08974 June Yanagawa 0/609 Maraki, Kawashima 00617

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North Bend, B. C. November 14, 1945.

#### To the Prime Minister of Canada

and to whom it may concern

We, the undersigned, born in Canada and Naturalized Canadians of Japanese Origin, having already appealed to the Prime Minister and those in authority to have "repatriation forms" obtained from us cancelled, do voluntarily attach our signatures to the following statement for the purpose of making clear the basis of our appeal and with the urgent request that our plea shall receive careful consideration:

We would point out the following facts in support of our appeal:

Compliance with the government regulations at the time of being required to make the declaration of application would have resulted in an immediate upheavel of our families in many cases leaving old and sick folk on their own; and further an immediate loss of any economic security which we possessed;

Reports of pressure being placed upon individuals to sign and limited time to consider the matter carefully restricted our freedom of choice.

Certain persons were given reason by the authorities to believe that they could apply to have their "application" cancelled and it was generally believed by reason thereof by the undersigned that this course of action be open to them.

It was in these circumstances and under those pressures that we signed the "repatriation" forms end not with any desire or intention of renouncing our Canadian citizenship and assuming the status of citizens of Japan. Had the choice been put to us in this way and the hope of cancellation been clearly absent, we would never have signed such declarations.

We whose names appear below have already asked for the cancellation of our declaration of intention to revoke our Canadian citizenship, we declare herewith out sincerity of purpose in requesting such cancellation together with our strong desire to enjoy the full privileges of Canadian citizenship and at the same time declare our intention and readiness to fulfill all the duties and responsibilities pertaining thereto.

We beg to remain, Sirs.

Your petitioners.

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### TO THE PRIME MINISTER OF CANADA AND TO SHOW IT MAY CONCERN

WE, the undersigned, having recently requested cancellation of "Repatriation Forms" made earlier this year do hereby severally renounce the said declaration and extend this joint petition. We do so on the following grounds:

WHEREAS we have given most of our lives in assisting in the building of the basis industries of the Province of British Columbia (lumbering, fishing and forming) and WHEREAS most of us have been in Canada upwards of forty years continuously:

AND WHEREAS we did, carlier this year sign "Repatriation Forms" not because of any desire to go back to Japan or to go to Japan for the first time, but because of our failure to understand the manner in which we have been treated, and because of the uncertainty and fear which we felt arising out of incidents and circumstances of the following kind:

- (a) The sale of our property without our consent;
- (b) The declaration of the Government in P. C. 3215, Sec. 7, April Elst, that all persons of Japanese Race moved to other provinces from British Columbia would be moved again after the war;
- (c) Restrictions placed by Government and Funicipal bodies upon persons of Japanese origin as to the ownership of property and the carrying on of business enterprise:
- (d) Family obligations and the responsibility for the maintenance of our young children and infirm persons and parents;
- (e) The failure of negotiations for work and residence in Eastern Canada experienced by many of us or our friends;
- (f) Our own unfitness to do many forms of work offered to us in Eastern Canada, and the lack of opportunities to do work for which we are fit and equipped:
- (g) The lack, at the time of being required to move to Eastern Canada, of sufficient economic security for our families, and the lack of any hope of re-establishing ourselves permanently East of the Rockies at the time we were required to sign "Repatriation Forms;"
- (b) The lack of any guarantee as to the education of school age children East of the Rockies in the event of continued livelihood:
- (1) We believed at the time of signing the said "Repatriation Forms" we could voluntarily cancel the declaration contained therein at a leter date before the said declaration became effective.

THEREFORE WE DO HEREBY EARNESTLY PETITION THAT we be permitted to remain in Canada to the end and that we may continue to enjoy the privileges of this country and to make a useful contribution to its growth.

RESPECTFULLY, your petitioners,



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SLOCAN CITY, B. C., November 20, 1945.

Hon. Humphrey Mitchell, Minister of Labour, OTTAWA, CANADA.

Dear Sir:

WE, Canadian Born and Naturalized Canadians of Japanese racial origin, having already appealed individually to the Prime Minister of Canada and those in authority pertaining to Cancellation of "Voluntary Repatriation to Japan", now by affixing voluntarily our joint signature, do hereby submit the following particulars to support our principal reasons for Cancellation. And also by clinging on your Honour's profound consideration and great tolerance, we do plea your Honour's unprejudiced justice upon this matter.

DESPITE the fact that immediately after the publication of the Notices, under the name of Japanese Committees of Slocan Valley District, we forwarded to the Minister of Labour, Hon. Humphrey Mitchell our petition expressing our sincere will; but without any compliance with our requests, the Government established Policy had been enforced. Consequently we had been placed under such pressure as to take either of two choices - to sign or to relocate East of the Rockies. That having been so embarrassed and confused, we had against our will to take only one course - choose to sign the Form - for the sake of economic security promised by the authority.

WHEREAS in reality we have always been loyal Canadian Citizens yet we have been treated in an undemocratic manner and our activities have been limited to its extremity. Moreover we had to face expulsive activities throughout Canada. (one of the most conspicuous instance at the time, was the rejection of Voluntary Military Service offered by Canadian Born Japanese) These circumstances were strong enough to create our fear and illusion that led us to decide to stay where we are, by signing the "Form"

WHEREAS having confidence with the Canadian public, our highly civilized, democratic country, we never dreamed at anytime of such an unjustifiable policy as expulsion and deportation, would be adopted to force us to assume the status of citizens of Japan by renouncing Canadian Citizenship. (Although certain persons appealed to the R.C.M.P. Detachment to sign the "Repatriation Form" after omission of a word or a phrase, it was refused without slightest consideration.) On the other hand, arising out of suspicion among us, it was more vital for us to consider our living of tomorrow than arguing relative importance towards the rights of citizenship. Therefore, we decided to sign the "Repatriation Form" to overcome all such worries.

SINCE mass evacuation from the Coastal Defence Area, particularly prominent at the time, required to make the declaration of application, compliance with the Government Policy would have resulted in an immediate upheaval of our families, leaving old and infirm persons on their own. This was unendurable to the morality of persons of Japanese racial origin.

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WHEREAS, our responsibilities as parents, are too great to the loss of Canadian Citizenship of our children born in Canada under sixteen years of age, by the will and act of us, their parents who made application for Repatriation. Consequently unless some guarantee be given by the government, we have to appeal for their sake, to Your Honour and to the Canadian Public to accept our Petition for Cancellation, in order to revoke their Canadian Citizenship and their existence as Canadians thereby.

WE, the undersigned, have already requested for the Cancellation of our declaration for "Voluntary Repatriation" to revoke our Canadian Citizenship, herewith jointly declare with sincerity of purpose in requesting such Cancellation together with our strong desire to enjoy the fullest privileges of Canadian Citizenship and at the same time declare our intention and readiness to fulfil all the obligations and responsibilities pertaining thereafter.

We beg to remain,

Your sincere Petitioners,

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H.T. Pammett.



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DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

Ottawa, December 4, 1945.

Dear Sir,

I am enclosing the following communications addressed to this Department:-

Eugene Hamagishi

Waichiro Hamagishi

T. Tsuji

Ken Shirakawa

The writers have been informed that the communications have been forwarded to your

Department.

Yours truly

E. H. Coleman

Under Secretary of State.

The Deputy Minister of Labour,

Ottawa.



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H.T. Pammett.





### DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

Ottawa, November 30, 1945.

Dear Sir: -

I am enclosing the following communications addressed to this Department from:

H. Yamamoto Yoshiaki Nagao Tadashi Moni

The writers have been informed that the communications have been forwarded to your Department.

Yours very truly,

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Under Secretary of State.

Deputy Minister of Labour, Ottawa.

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Ottora, Hovember 29, 1945.

Er. T. B. Pickersgill, Commissioner of Japanese Placement, Department of Labour, 360 Homer Stroot, Vancouver, B.C.

Attention: Mr. J. N. Lister

Re: Sukoji Takasaki, #11308

Dear Sir:

You wrote me a few days ago concerning the above-mentioned who wishes to be transforred pending repatriation from the Thunder River Rend Camp to the Old Len's Home at Toshme.

The Suiss Consul-General is interested in this case, and I would therefore be obliged if you would advice no what action is finally taken.

Yours very truly,

A. Kackamara.

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# AIR MAIL

Ottera, Novembor 89, 1945.

Mr. T. B. Pickersgill, Commissioner of Japanese Placement, Department of Labour, 360 Homer Street, Vancouver, B.C.

Re: Canedien Born Girls Dishing to Revoke Applications for Repatriation and Larry Japanese Remaining in this Country

Dear Sir:

Two or three cases have already arises of Canadian born girls in the settlements who signed for repatriation, and who now wish to revoke their applications in order to marry evacuees already east of the Rockies and proceed east to live: with their husbands. After discussion, it has been decided that no useful purpose would be served in prohibiting such marriages, in view of the Hinister's Statement in the House ro Canadian born Japanese.

Evacuees who wish to return to the sottlements to marry Canadian born girls and take them back east with them should be permitted to do so. One case of this nature is Er. Roy Nogata of Welling, Alberta, concerning whom you will be hearing from Er. Archibalā shortly.

In another case, Mr. V. Tenino of Hamilton has asked that his finness Mary Kadowski of Slocen, be allowed to revoke her application and proceed to marry him. I have asked Mr. Truman to investigate this case, and if their intentions to marry are genuine to report to you accordingly, so that you can make a decision on letting the girl go cast.

Yours very truly,

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# AIR MAIL

Otteva, November 29, 1945.

Mr. D. C. Archibald, Alberta Supervisor, Japanese Division, 1102 5th Ave. South, Lethbridge, Alberta.

Deer Sir:-

I enclose copy of a self-explanatory letter to Mr. Roy Nogata of Welling, Alberta. You will be receiving instructions from the Commissioner on this subject very shortly.

Yours very truly,

Encl.

A. Lachamare.

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### DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

Ottawa, November 26, 1945.

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Dear Sir:-

I am enclosing the following communications addressed to this Department:

Sachiko SHIMIZU Heizo ITO

The writers have been informed that the communications have been forwarded to your Department.

Yours very truly,

E. H. Coleman Under Secretary of State.

Deputy Minister of Labour, Ottawa.

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### DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

Ottawa, November 23, 1945.

Dear Sir:-

I am enclosing the following communications addressed to this Department.

Yoshihiro OKANO Harue MURAKAMI

The writers have been informed that the communications have been forwarded to your Department.

Yours very truly,

E. H. Coleman Under Secretary of State.

Deputy Minister of Labour, Ottawa.

cc to Mr. Pickersgill.

Your files

OTTAWA, Hoverbor 13, 1945.

Inspector A.W. Parsons, Intolligence Branch, R.C.E. Police, Justice Building, OTTAWA.

Your latter of Nevember 9, on the above file mentioned that Hiss Mary Kadevaki of Slocan City, B.C. who signed for repatriation, wishes to travel to Hamilton, On Wio, for the purpose of marrying Hr. Y. Tanico.

As general policy with respect to such cases has not yet been decided, it is not considered advisable to pormit Miss Kadowaki to go East at this time. There would be no objection, however, if Tanino wished to go to Slocan City and marry his fiastee there, without any guarantee that he could take her East with him for the present.

A. Hackanara.

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ALL\*CORRESPONDENCE TO BE ADDRESSED:--

THE COMMISSIONER.



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FILE NO.\_

OTTAWA,

CANADA

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November 9, 1945

Attention: Japanese Section

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The Deputy Minister,
Department of Labour,
OTTAWA. Ontario

Enc.

101 Barnesdale Avenue North Hamilton, Ontario November 2, 1945.

Mr. St. Laurent, Minister of Justice, Parliament Building Ottawa, Ontario.

Dear Mr. Laurent:

It will be a great pleasure if you give me your attention to this little yet important matter.

To begin with, as you may know, last spring we Japanese Canadian, including Naturalized and Nationals, were asked to report to R.C.M.P. for voluntary repatriation to Japan or to stay in Canada after the war.

The problem which I am bringing up is that when this repatriation matter was going on in B.C. interior towns, it happened to be my girl named Mary Kadowaki of Slocan City, B.C. who went into perpexity whether she should sign it or not. At that time our plans for marriage was not settled. At the office of registration she has asked the registrar whether a girl's status would be changed if she marries a man who holds different status. She was told that she is free to change her position. Consequently, she signed the repatriation form with her family understanding that hers be cancelled automatically when time comes to marry me.

To-day, after six months of above incidents, we finally decided to get married. But her request to join me here has been rejected by Mr. Pickersgill who is in charge of Japanese affairs in Vancouver. She wired me the consequences and asked me to contact the supervisor of Japanese affairs in Toronto. Unfortunately, I was informed that such cases should be waited till what government proceedings will cast upon to those who voluntarily signed for repatriation.

I do hope that the government will not interfere with the matrimonial plans like ours. I would like to have your assistance and firm opinion of what procedure I should take.

If this letter is not obstructing your business, I am grateful to hear from you in your earliest conveniences.

I thank you.

Yours truly,

C O P Y. OTTAWA: 7.11.45. FF.

(sgd) Y. Tanino Y. Tanino

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### DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

Ottawa, November 19, 1945.

Dear Sir:-

I am enclosing the following communications addressed to this Department:

Yasuzo KOJIMA Haruko OHTA Uhei IMAI

The writers have been informed that the communications have been forwarded to your Department.

Yours very truly,

E. H. Coleman

Under Secretary of State.

Deputy Minister of Labour, Ottawa.

### DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

Ottawa, November 15, 1945.

Dear Sir: -

I am enclosing the following communications addressed to this Department:

Eitaro KITAMURA Chuhachi KAWASAKI Tadao KAWASAKI Hidiho OMORI Toyokichi OMORI Sawa OMORI Isamu OMORI Hideko OMORI

The writers have been informed that the communications have been forwarded to your Department.

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Yours very truly,

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### DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

Ottawa, November 12, 1945.

Dear Sir:-

I am enclosing the following communications addressed to this Department:-

SOGA, Shinzo YAMASHITA, Taye F. OBARA, Tsuneo NISHIMURA, Yasumi NISHIMURA, Manzo

The writers have been informed that the communications have been forwarded to your Department.

Yours sincerely,

E. H. Coleman

Under Secretary of State.

The Deputy Minister of Labour, Ottawa.



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#### DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

Ottawa, November 7, 1945.

Dear Sir,

I am enclosing the following communications addressed to this Department:-

Juntaro Tanguchi

Kawai Kiyoshi

Tomigoro Ishikawa

Seiichi Ishikawa

Wataru Nishida

Keizo Tsunoda

The writers have been informed that the communications have been forwarded to your Department.

Yours truly,

E. H. Coleman Under Secretary of State.

The Deputy Minister of Labour,
Ottawa.



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DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE



Ottawa, November 5, 1945

Dear Sir,

I am enclosing herewith a number of communications addressed to this Department by the persons named in the attached list.

The writers have been informed that the communications have been forwarded to your Department.

Yours truly,

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E. H. Coleman Under Secretary of State.

The Deputy Minister of Labour,

Ottawa.

Kiyoshi Yokota Yasu Yokota

Sueko Yokota

Matsunosuke Komori

Fujihiro Komori

Joe Komori

Haruo Komori

Haru Komori

Tadahiro Komori

Yukino Komori

Kiyotaka Tsujimura

Tokako Tsujimura

Seizaburo Tsujimura

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Ottawa, November 2, 1945.

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Dear Sir.

I am enclosing the following communications addressed to this Department:-

Mr. Kiyoshi Uchiyama, Sanatorium, New Denver, B.C.

Mr. Jinzo Kumabe, Rosebery, British Columbia.

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Yours sincerely,

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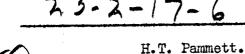
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1st November 1945.



# DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR

JAPANESE DIVISION

360 Homer Street,

VANCOUVER, B.C.

AIRMAIL.

Responsed by telephone 5/11

Attention: Mr. Pammett.

A. MacNamara Esq.,
Deputy Minister,
Department of Labour,
OTTAWA.

We have your letter of October 19th requesting the total number of applications for cancellation of declarations for repatriation received by us from the Office of the Prime Minister.

In the summary attached to our letter of October 30th, we advised that the total number of requests for cancellation as of October 15th was 2,056. Of this total 179 letters passed through the Office of the Prime Linister, affecting 111 adults and 68 children.

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Ottawa, October 31, 1945.

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	Jap.Nat.	Nat.Can.	Can.Born over 16 yrs.	Can.Born under 16 yrs. in- cluded	Total
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B.C. outside Interior Settle- ments.	- 68	33	87	97	285
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DEPUTY MINISTER OF LABOR. OTTAWA ONT.

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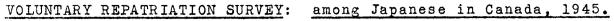


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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR

JAPANESE DIVISION

360 Homer Street,

VANCOUVER, B.C.

AIRMAIL.

30th October 1945.

A.H. Brown Esq.,
Assistant to the Deputy Minister,
Department of Labour,
OTTAWA.

Pursuant to our telephone conversation, I enclose summary of the numbers who have requested cancellation of their applications for repatriation, and an analysis of the reasons for such requests.

This survey shows the number for those living in interior housing settlements, elsewhere in B.C., and outside of B.C.

T.B. PICKERSCILL, Commissioner.

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Ottawa, October 30, 1945.

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Under Secretary of State.

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Kinji Yokota

Chuje Kosaka

Toshi Kosaka

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Shigeru Akada

Fusae Kajiura

Hiroshi Kajiura

Raeso Okada

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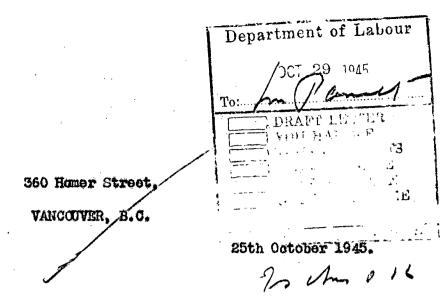
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Mr. D. Mactavish, TORONTO, Ontario.

Re: CANCELLATION OF APPLICATIONS FOR REPATRIATION.

I have your memorandum of October 22nd with reference to the case of Y. TANINO, No. 03849, who is enquiring if, by marrying a girl at Slocan who has signed for repatriation, since he has not signed would this automatically remove her from the list of potential repatriates.

We have had a number of enquiries similar to this and have replied that we have no authority to say whother applications for cancellation will be granted or not, and until this question has been considered further and decided, we would have to consider any who have signed for repatriation as potential repatriates.

Therefore, I would suggest that you advise this man that we are not in a position to say to him that if he married this girl at Slocan, that her status as a potential repatriate would be changed. We have suggested to these enquirers that we do not wish in any way to interfere with their plans for matrimony, but that our position should be fully understood.

We note that the lady in question has forwarded an application for cancellation of her repatriation request, and she will have, or will be receiving a reply from us stating that we have no authority to say whether her application may be granted or not. We will also advise her that the application will be placed on file for future consideration.



TO: CENTRAL REGISTRY
Room 7. Conf. Bldg.

Please place attached on file

H.T. Pammett.





## DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR

JAPANESE DIVISION

24 Adelaide Street East TORONTO 1 - Ontario

October 22, 1945.

Mr. A. H. Brown, Department of Labour, OTTAWA, Ont.

## Yoshiharu TANINO - #03849

We attach hereto for your information copy of letter of date to Mr. T. B. Pickersgill whom we have asked for a decision in the case of the above.

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Eastern Regional Supervisor

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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR

JAPANESE DIVISION

24 Adelaide Street East TORONTO 1 - Ontario

October 22, 1945.

Mr. T. B. Pickersgill, Commissioner, VANCOUVER, B.C.

## RE: Yoshiharu TANINO - #03849

This man called on us a few days ago from Hamilton in regard to his fiancee, Mary Wadowaki, Slocan City, B.C., whom he desires to marry immediately.

It appears that, prior to any engagement between these young people, Miss Kadowaki, out of loyalty to her parents, requested repatriation to Japan in order to remain with them. Since that time her engagement to Tanino has been effected by correspondence and Miss Kadowaki now desires to cancel her application to return to Japan.

We informed Tanino that our understanding of the situation is that Miss Kadowaki would have to apply to you in writing to have her application cancelled but that, pending the setting up of the Royal Commission and consideration of the case, we doubted whether any cancellation could be made.

He then enquired whether, if he went to British Columbia and married Miss Kadowaki there, any change in the situation would ensue which would allow her to return East with him. To this, of course, we could only answer that there was no precedent on which to base an opinion and that we could only put the case forward for consideration.

Tanino is well placed in Hamilton and, in the event of proceeding to Slocan, might prejudice his position with his employers as well as incur a good deal of extra expense, but is willing to go if he is assured that, by his marriage, Miss Kadowaki's status would be changed and she no longer considered as a potential repatriate.

We understand that Miss Kadowaki has already forwarded her written request for cancellation of her application to go to Japan.

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Apart from the unfortunate position of these people, the case is one which may possibly be duplicated, and any decision made would be regarded as a precedent.

We are sending a copy of this letter to Mr. A. H. Brown at Ottawa for his information should you wish to discuss the question with him.

Eastern Regional Supervisor

DM/LG

cc. for Mr. A. H. Brown, Ottawa, Ont.

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Ottawa, October 22ndA 1945 TER

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Dear Sir,

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I am enclosing the following communications addressed to this Department:

Shingo Homma - Revelstoke, B.C.

Fukutaro Hirai - Slocan City, B.C.

Ayako Atagi - " " "

Shigeo Shinmoto - Kaslo, B.C.

Masao Nishi - Slocan City, B.C.

Seitaro Hama - Grand Forks, B.C.

Edward Mochitsuki - Tashme, B.C.

Kiutaro Mochitsuki - " "

The writers have been informed that the communications have been forwarded to your Department.

Yours sincerely,

W.P.J. O'Meara, Acting Under Secretary of State.

The Deputy Minister of Labour, Ottawa, Ontario.

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### MEMORANDUM

Department of External Affairs

Ottawa, OCT 20 1945

Mr. N. J. Pammett, Labour Dept.

The letters attached have not been acknowledged.

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#### DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

Ottawa, October 20th, 1945.

Dear Sir,

I am enclosing the following communications addressed to this Department:

(Mr. Suyama Katsutaro, Slocan, B.C. (Mrs. Soyama Sonoko ""

Mr. Shigeru Kawasaki

Frank Shigeru Usami - Hamilton, Ont.

Yoshiteru Higashi - Slocan City

Soye Hirota - Slocan City.

The writers have been informed that the communications have been forwarded to your Department.

Yours sincerely,

E.H. COLEMAN Under Secretary of State.

The Deputy Minister of Labour,

Ottawa, Ontario.

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AIR MAIL

Ottawa, October 19, 1945.

Mr. T. B. Pickersgill; Commissioner of Japanese Placement, Department of Labour, 360 Homer Street, Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir:

The Prime Minister's Office has asked us for the total number of applications received from that Office in recent months requesting cancellation of Declarations for Repatriation.

ou have an estimate made for us as soon as possible of the total number of such applications on your files in the period ending October 15, 1945. This should include any applications addressed either to the Prime Minister or Minister of External Affairs, but not those addressed to "Department of External Affairs" or any other similar designation.

Yours very truly,

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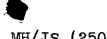
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#### DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

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Ottawa, October 18th, 1945.

Dear Sir.

I am enclosing the following communications addressed to this Department:

Miss Sachiko Kawaguchi - Tashme, B.C.

Messrs. Katsuzo and

Yasu Kawaguchi - Tashme, B.C.

Miss Shizue Kawaguchi - Tashme, B.C.

Mr. Yoshikazu Ono - Tashme, B.C.

Mr. Isamu Yano - Hamilton, Ont.

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The writers have been informed that the communications have been forwarded to your Department.

Yours sincerely,

E.H. COLEMAN Under Secretary of State.

The Deputy Minister of Labour,

Ottawa, Ontario.



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DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

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Ottawa, October 17th, 1945.

The Deputy Minister of Labour, Ottawa, Ontario.

Dear Sir.

I am enclosing the following communications addressed to this Department:

Mc Tatsue Nishida - Kaslo, B.C. Horuo O'Hashi /- Hamilton, Ont.

The writers have been informed that the communications have been forwarded to your Department.

Yours sincerely,

E.H. COLEMAN Under Secretary of State.

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Mr. T. B. Pickerogill, Conmissioner of Japanese Placement, Department of Labour, 360 Honor Street, Vancouver, B.C.

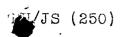
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### Ro: Repatriation

Un anticipate that at the first favourable opportunity of the present session of Parliament, the members of one or more of the opposition groups, who are being briefed by the groups opposing the repatriction of Japanese to Japan, will raise strong opposition and provoke a full-dress debate centred on the repatriation or deportation of Canadian-born Japanese to Japan.

The two engles which will be emphasized, no doubt, will be the natter of pressure being brought to bear on Japanese to eigh repatriation forms and secondly, the basic proposition of deportation of Canadian-born persons and the loss of their citizenship.

In proporation of such dobate, as and when it comes up, would you mind propering in draft form, a concise statement which the Linister could use in the House outlining the exact procedure which was followed in taking applications for repatriation to refute any suggestion of pressure and in the second place, you night have an analysis made of the applications for revocation of repatriation which have been received up to the first of October to indicate the reasons advanced at this time for having signed in the first instance and for now applying for rovocation. It seems to no that this will reveal that the number of eaces in which the Japonese now may that they signed under propoure will be very few and that it will reveal that some of them simply signed because they wanted to stay in British Columbia. I think that this might be useful to have.



### CANADA

#### DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

Ottawa, October 16th, 1945.

Dear Sir,

I am enclosing the following communications addressed to this Department:

Minoree Hamono

- Slocan City, B.C.

Frank S. Cunliffe & Co. on behalf of

Mrs. Taka Koyama

- Greenwood, B.C.

Eiji Kichimoto

- Slocan City, B.C.

Masaichi Kakino

- Tashme, B.C.

Seihei Takahashi

- Tashme, B.C.

Nakayo Takahashi

- Tashme, B.C.

Mitsuko Takahashi

- Tashme, B.C.

Shoichiro Yamashita

- Athalmer, B.C.

The writers have been informed that the communications have been forwarded to your Department.

Yours sincerely,

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E.H. COLEMAN Under Secretary of State.

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The Deputy Minister of Labour, Ottawa, Ontario.





## DEPARTMENT OF LABOU

JAPANESE DIVISION

360 Homer Street,

VANCOUVER, B.C.

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AIRMAIL.

13th October 1945.

Attention: Mr. Pammett.

A. MacNamara Esq., Deputy Minister, Department of Labour, OTTAWA.

> APPLICATIONS FOR CANCELLATION OF REPATRIATION DECLARATIONS.

We have your letter of October 11th and wish to advise that the figures sent to you do not include duplications.

As many of the applications are being sent to a variety of people, we are checking these carefully to see that duplications are avoided.

We will see that you are provided each month with figures showing the total number of applications received to date.

> T.B. PICKERSGILL, Commissioner.

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Ottawa, October 11, 1945.

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Mr. T. B. Pickersgill,
Commissioner of Japanese Placement,
Department of Labour, Blechmily Communication
360 Homer Street,
WANGOUVER, B.C.

Dear Sir:-

I wish to thank you for your letter of October 6 with the total number of applications for cancellation and requests for repatriation up to September 27, 1945.

We are not certain whether or not there are duplications in the various sections among those who signed Declarations, those who applied to External Affairs, R.C.M. Police etc. Would you please advise on this point.

We would appreciate information on the number of such applications at the end of each month until further notice.

Yours very truly,

A. MacMamara

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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR

JAPANESE DIVISION

360 Homer Street.

VANCOUVER, B.C.

AIRMAIL.

6th October 1945.

Attention: Mr. Brown.

A. MacNamara Esq., Deputy Minister, Department of Labour, OTTAWA.

# Re: NUMBER OF APPLICATIONS FOR CANCELLATION.

The following table will show the number of applications for cancellation of requests for repatriation which were received up to September 29th.

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TOTAL UP TO SEPTEMBER 29th, 1945 . . . . 452.

You will note that the number has increased considerably during September. In our memorandum to you of August 31st, enclosing tabulated replies to a number of questions, we showed the number of applications for cancellation up to the end of August.

> T.B. PICKERSGILL, Commissioner.

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Ottawa, October 5. 1945.

A. H. Brown, Esq., Departmental Solicitor, Labour Department. Confederation Building. Ottawa. Ontario.

Dear Mr. Brown:

I received in to-day's mail a number of letters addressed to the Prime Minister from persons of Japanese origin requesting the withdrawal of applications for repatriation.

Some of the letters are simply carbon copies, and I assume that other copies may have gone to your Department. However, in order that your records may be complete, the applications for withdrawal that have been received to-day are from the following persons:-

Masao Sasaki Taneaki Kudo Miss Memiko Kudo Fuji Kudo

Miss Asako Oye Chisato Oye / Nishimoto Koketsu

Yours sincerely.

(R. G. Robertson),

Secretary.

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> Rosebery B.C. 24 Sept. 1945

Sir Prime Minester MacKenzie King, Ottawa Canada

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- (4) (No tell Lie) We will go sure for Japan until (please wait us) which Japan has some provisions and Dresses and houses.
- (5) We are very very sorry for you about very poor (pitifull) pitition that (please excuse us.)

Thank you.

Copy sent to: Mr. T.B. Pickersgill

Ottawa, September 20, 1945.

Mr. N. A. Robertson, Under-Secretary of State for External Affairs, Department of External Affairs, East Block, Ottawa.

Dear Mr. Robertson:-

I wish to acknowledge your letter of September 18 enclosing copies of letters received from Japanese requesting withdrawal of their applications for repatriation, and enquiring about disposition of such applications.

I feel that the most logical procedure, which has been in effect for some months, is to forward the originals of such applications through this Office to the Commissioner of Japanese Placement at Vancouver. The applications are there placed on the files of the individuals concerned, pending the establishment of the proposed Loyalty Tribunal, which may be empowered to consider some or all of such applications received before a certain date.

I believe that the receipt of the applications in most cases is acknowledged by the Commissioner in Vancouver without comment.

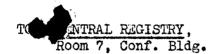
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Ottawa, September 19, 1945.

Mr. M. H. Wershof, Special Section, Department of External Affairs, New Post Office Building, O t t a w a.

Dear Mr. Wershof:-

I wish to acknowledge your letter of September 17, enclosing a petition from the Tanouye asking for cancellation of their applications for repatriation to Japan, which petition is being sent forward to Vancouver for record. It will be satisfactory if you will send forward any such petitions to us as received, in order that they may be placed on the files of the individuals concerned in Vancouver pending consideration.

Yours very truly,

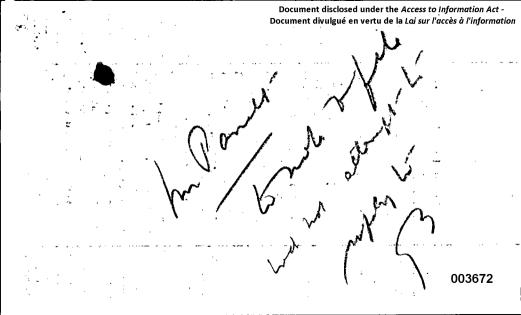
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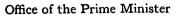
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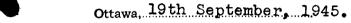


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Referred from the Office of the Prime Minister to the Minister of Labour.

(R.G.Robertson) Secretary. Office of the Prime Minister Canada.

Ottawa, 18th September, 1945.

W. R. McWilliams, Esq., 1716 W 49th Avenue, Vancouver, B.C. Department of Labour, RECEIVED

SEP 20 1945

Secretary to Minister.

Dear Sir:

The Prime Minister has asked me to reply to your letter of September 14th, in which you urge that consideration be given to requests from persons of Japanese origin to be allowed to withdraw the applications for repatriation which they may have made.

Mr. King has asked me to say that your views have been noted, and that your letter is being referred to the appropriate officials of the government for attention.

Yours sincerely,

(Sgd.) R.G. ROBERTSON Secretary.

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REPLY TO BE ADDRESSED TO: THE UNDER-SECRETARY OF STATE FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS OTTAWA

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Dear Mr. MacNamara:

I am enclosing herewith copies of four letters which have recently been received from Japanese persons in this country requesting the withdrawal of their applications for repatriation to Japan. We have also recently received similar letters from the following persons:

Mikio Hayakawa Ichiro Uchida Kyo Uchida Itsuki Fujino Aki Fujino Shin Fujino Tomoe Fujino

In the case of this latter group, however, it was stated that copies had been sent to the Minister of Labour for his attention.

No reply has been sent from here or from the Prime Minister's office to any of these letters since it is not perfectly clear as yet whether any recognition will be given to them. It is possible that even a simple acknowledgment of receipt might be somewhat misleading.

I should appreciate it if you could inform me what procedure is followed by your Department in connection with such applications.

Yours sincerely,

Under-Secretary of State for External Affairs.

A. MacNamara, Esq.,
Deputy Minister of Labour,
Ottawa.





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Department of Labour

SEP 10 1945

REPLY TO BE ADDRESSED TO: THE UNDER-SECRETARY OF STATE FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS OTTAWA

DRAFT LETTER YOU HANDLE September 17th, 1945COMMENTS SEE ME PLEASE NOTE & RETURN

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To: The Deputy Minister of Labour, Department of Labour, Ottawa.

Enclosed is an original letter dated September 11th, 1945, addressed to the Department of External Affairs by members of the Tanouye family asking for the cancellation of their applications for repatriation to Japan.

I should be grateful if you would let me know whether we should send such documents to you or whether we should send them to R.C.M.P.

> Under-Secretary of State for External Affairs.



1716 W 49th Ave.

Vancouver, B.C.

Sept. 14th, 1945.

The Hon. Mackenzie King, Prime Minister of Canada.

Hon. Sir:

I am writing you today to call your attention to a problem relating to a section of the people of Japanese origin residing in Canada, and more particularly those in Tashme who have signed forms requesting that they be sent to Japan following the end of the war, and who have never at any time had any real desire to go to Japan. I write because I know many of the cases to which I refer, having had and still having close connection with the Tashme community as a missionary of the United Church.

There are those whose intention is clear and who for one reason or another prefer to go to Japan. Regarding them I have nothing to say. That is their choise. But there are those on the other hand, and they form the majority, who signed the forms I have referred to trusting that later along something would intervene to save them from the necessity of going to Japan. This was particularly true of many Nisei who signed in order to keep jobs or to obtain them in areas near their families in B.C.

I am personally skeptical, Sir, about the action of Government which encourages people composing a minority group to surrander their citizenship status, and this I believe to be a mild interpretation of what happened in the processes that operated while the signatures were being taken in April and following months. The voluntary element in that procedure was frequently so ambiguous as to border on pressure.

Now that the war is over and several who signed repatriation forms for one reason will be requesting their cancellation for another, and since this action on their part can hardly be interpreted as other than free and voluntary, I would like to request

of Su, Sir, that you grant persons making such appeals (for reasons which cannot be quickly or immediately ruled out as insufficient) the right to appear before the Loyalty Commission without any embarrassment due to their having signed.

I have no way of knowing what proportion of those who signed will make such appeals, but I know enough about the situation in Tashme to believe that it would be moral failure on my part, were I not to urge this course of action upon yourself and the departmental heads who have authority in the handling of these unfortunate people.

I beg to remain yours most sincerely,

(Sgd.) W.R.McWILLIAMS

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Room 7, Conf. Bldg.

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PRESIDENT
THE LORD BISHOP OF MONTREAL

1461 UNIVERSITY STREET MONTREAL 2, P,Q.

Sept.8,1945.

Mr.H.T.Pammett, Dept of Labour, Ottawa.

Re: Bob and Jim Uyeda.

Dear Mr. Pammett.

Thank you very much for your trouble in forwarding the application of these boys to the necessary authorities.

I am sorry that when they took the step of siding in with their father I was out of town and had no opportunity of giving them advice, but I shall follow their cases with interest. I fear that there may be many others like them in the B.C. towns.

With kindest regards,

Yours faithfully,

TO: CENTRA REGISTRY,
Room 7, Conf. Bldg.

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H.T. Pammett.



cc to Mr. Pickersgill.

OTTAWA, September 6, 1945.

Reverend Canon P.S.C. Powles, S10 Strathearn Avenue, Montreal West, P.Q.

Dear Canon Powless

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter of September 5, concerning Bob and Jim Uyeda of Montreal, who wish to apply for cancellation of their Declarations concerning repatriation which they signed in Montreal a week or two ago.

It is to be regretted that these boys took such a serious step without first taking all aspects of the situation into consideration and realizing the gravity of the step they were taking.

I am sending the application from these boys to Vancouver along with a copy of our correspondence, where it will be held on file until the Loyalty Tribunal is established, which will in all probability reconsider the cases of those applying for revocation of their Declarations.

Yours very truly,

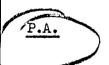
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JAPANESE DIVISION

360 Homer Street.

VANCOUVER, B.C.

SEP 6 1945 To: Mr. Pammett

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Attention: Mr. Pammett.

AIRMAIL.

A. MacNamara Esq., Deputy Minister. Department of Labour, OTTAWA.

I have your memorandum of September 1st attaching letters from certain Japanese requesting cancellation of applications for repatriation.

We will send out the usual routine reply to these requests. We are simply telling people making similar requests, that we have no authority to say whether their application for cancellation may be granted or not, but their letters are being placed on file for future consideration.

I presume that this question of cancelling requests for repatriation will be one of many which will have to be decided in the near future. If it should be decided to grant cancellation of some requests because of particular circumstances involved, I would like to suggest that one of the conditions of cancellation should be that the person concerned and his or her family co-operate fully in the policy to effect an even distribution of people of Japanese origin remaining in Canada.

While we have not had many requests for cancellation to date, I would think that the number would substantially increase once there is any intimation that such requests would be favourably considered.

Commissioner.

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PRESIDENT
THE LORD BISHOP OF MONTREAL

1461 UNIVERSITY STREET MONTREAL 2, P.Q.

Sept.5,1945.

Mr.Pammet, The Dept.of Labour, Ottawa.

Re; Bob S. Uyeda (#03174) Jim T. Uyeda (14427)

Dear Mr.Pammet.

The other day Bob Uyeda came to se me about the question of his having signed papers to return to Japan. He has been here in Montreal now for some time as you can see by his letter.

At the request of his father he and his brother signed for going back to Japan. However both repent of the same now and have asked me to wrote you about this matter. There is not much that I can add to the letter which they handed me and asked to have sent beyond stating what I think of them and their possibility of fitting into things in Japan. I would be glad if you would take the matter up and see what can be done to have their decision revoked.

The more I think about it, the more it seems the utmost folly to have these young Canadians sent back to Japan. If I did not know intimately the conditions prevailing over there I suppose I would be as coldly impartial as some profess to be. But to one who has been raised in our atmosphere it will be something pretty awful to endure. Even before all this way business I witnessed the reaction of several Niseis who returned to Japan for a period, and who came to my Church in Takata. On the other hand these young people can be of real help to us here in Canada.

With kindest regards,

Yours truly,

Chairman, Sponsoring Comm: 003687
Montreal.

COPY OF THIS LETTER SENT TO MR. PICKERING SEPTEMBER 6. 1945.

The Andrews Home
1461 University Street
MONTREAL 2.

MR.PAMMET.



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OTTAWA, ONT.

Rev.Canon P.S.C.Powles, 310 Strathearn Avenue, Montreal West, Que.



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Ottowa, Septombor 1, 1945

Hr. T.B. Pickorsgill, Commissioner, Japanese Placement, Department of Labour, 360 Homer Street, Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Hr. Pickorsgill:

I enclose letters received from the following Japanese requesting cancellation of requests for repatriation:

- 1. Private H. H. Nobuto of Canadian Army on bohalf of his parents and family;
- 2. Mino Kini Kondo of Hamilton, Ontorio;
- 3. Mitouko Makanura of Tashne, B.C.;
- 4. Shigeo Makamura of Tachne, B.C.

It is probable that all those cases will be considered by the Loyalty Tribunal to be established in the near future.

Yours very truly,

A. Lachanara.

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Ottawa, August 24, 1945. Your File Our File 23-2-2-1.

The Commissioner, R.C.M. Police, Justice Building, O T T A W A.

#### Attention: Inspector J. Leopold.

Dear Sir:

I wish to acknowledge your letter of August 11, concerning Mrs. S. Marubashi who signed for repatriation, and concerning also the request of her husband and two sons for release from internment.

After considering the case, we believe that no consideration should be given the requests from this family at the present time. Mrs. Harubashi's excuse that she signed for repatriation because it was the only way to let her son continue his High School education is a very weak one, since any eastern High School is superior to that in Lemon Creek. B.C.

It is noted that the three men wish release from internment, but as there are no compassionate circumstances, we recommend that no action be taken at this time.

The request of Mrs. Marubashi to cancel her application for repatriation and the requests of the three men for release from internment will no doubt receive full consideration from the proposed Loyalty Tribunal when established.

Yours very truly,

See also 13-2-10-2

A. MacNamara.

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AIR MAIL

Ottawa, August 23, 1945.

Mr. T.B. Pickersgill, Commissioner, Japanese Division, Department of Labour, 360 Homer Street, VANCOUVER, B.C.

Re: Nobuto family, New Denver, B.C.

Dear Sir:

I enclose a letter received from the above mentioned family, asking the cancellation of their applications for repatriation, and a copy of our reply, which may be placed on their files.

Yours very truly,

A. MacNamara.

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Ottawa, August 23, 1945.

Mr. Kazuta Nobuto, New Denver, B.C.

Dear Mr. Nobuto:

The Honourable Mr. Mitchell has asked me to reply to your letter of August 18, concerning your desire to retract your application for repatriation. This is being filed pending future consideration.

Yours very truly,

A. MacNamara.

HP/BC

c.c. to T.B. Pickersgill

New Denver, B.C., Depender. Walk August 18, 1945.

Order in Council - 9760, Hon. Humphrey Mitchell, Minister of Labour, Department of Labour, Ottawa, Ont.

Dear Sir:

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17th Platoon, #20 CI (B) T.C..

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but now stationed at:

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Vancouver, B.C.

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In addition to the above stated reason, we misunderstood and were confused during the repatriation order.

Under these circumstances we desire to retract our signified intentions and to retain our Canadian citizenship. We wish your most serious consideration regarding our above request.

Yours truly,

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R. C. M. POLICE.
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# ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE HEADQUARTERS

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OTTAWA, August 11, 1945.

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The Deputy Minister, Department of Labour, O T T A W A.

# Attention: Japanese Section.

We have received from the Department of External Affairs a communication enclosing a copy of a letter from the Delegate in Canada of the International Committee of the Red Cross relative to the husband and two sons of Mrs. Sato MARUBASHI, who are presently interned at Angler, Ontario. The husband is Hanhichi MARUBASHI, J.R. #05900; the two sons, Osamu, J.R. #02046 and Tami, J.R. #9518. Copies of the correspondence was, we understand, also submitted to your department.

- These cases have recently been reviewed by this Force when it was found that none of the three desired to be repatriated, and in so far as we are concerned, we would have no objection to their release being effected. We would, however, appreciate your views on these cases as it is noted that Mrs. MARUBASHI signed for repatriation apparently believing that this was the only way to let a younger son receive high school education.
- 3. We are replying to the Department of External Affairs concurrently advising that these cases will be the subject of conversation between your Department and this Force and that we will communicate further with them when a definite decision has been reached.

for Commissioner.

TO: The Commissioner, R.C.M.P., Ottawa.

August 9, 194 5.

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Under-Secretary of State for External Affairs

Ottawa, August 9, 1945.

To: The Commissioner,
Royal Canadian Mounted Police,
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Re: Lrs. Sato MARUBASHI.

Enclosed is a copy of a letter of August 8th from the Delegate in Canada of the International Committee of the Red Cross, enclosing a letter from Mrs. Marubashi. She asks for the release of her husband and two sons, who are at present in the internment camp at Angler. Ontario.

The Delegate, Mr. Maag, asks on compassionate grounds that the case be reviewed by the competent Government authorities.

I should be grateful if you would send me a report on this case, with your views.

I am referring a copy of this letter to the Department of Labour for their information.

M. Wershof
Under-Secretary of State
for External Affairs.

August 8, 1945.

Department of External Affairs, Special Division, O t t a w a.

Dear Sir,

Enclosed herewith please find copy of a registered letter which I received under date of July 20th, from Mrs. Sato Marubashi, No. 05897, at present residing at Lemon Creek, B.C.

This lady asks for the release of her husband and two sons who are at present held at the Internment Camp at Angler, Ontario.

Will you please, on compassionate grounds, review this case with the competent Government Departments.

Yours sincerely,

E.L.Maag

Delegate in Canada of the INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE OF THE RED CROSS.

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August 8, 1945.

Mrs. Sato Marubashi, No. 05897, Lemon Creek, Slocan, B.C.

Dear Mrs. Marubashi,

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of your letter of July 20th, in which you inform me that you desire to be reunited with your husband and two sons at present held at the Angler Internment Camp.

I have not myself seen the notice in the "New Canadian", but I can hardly understand how the editor of that newspaper could make such a statement that all those who desire release from internment were set free by the Canadian Authorities. This is not so and there certainly must be some misunderstanding about this.

Your letter has been transmitted by me to the Department of External Affairs for their consideration and I assure you that your letter receives sympathetic attention although I wish you to understand that this office cannot concern itself with any interference with the Department of Justice under whose jurisdiction internment falls.

Yours sincerely,

E.L. Maag

Delegate in Canada of the INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE OF THE RED CROSS.

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Lemon Creek, Slocan, B.C. July 20, 1945.

Mr. Ernest L. Maag, Delegate of Canada, International Red Cross, Sun Life Building, MONTREAL, Quebec.

Dear Sir:

During your interview with the Lemon Creek Hakko-kai, I asked for a personal interview with you, but met with no success. Unable to do so I decided to write a letter, which you took with after the completion of the tour. This letter concerned about the release of my husband, H. Marubashi No. 05100, and my two sons, T. Marubashi, No. 09518, O. Marubashi, No. 02046, from the Angler Internment Camp.

I have not as yet received your reply in regard to this letter. Kindly answer my letter for I am anxiously awaiting the reply.

I read in the New Canadian Kaslo Newspaper of last weeks issue, that Internees who desire for release were to be granted by the authority in Ottawa. My husband and two sons asked for their release last year continuously, but the only answer to them was that the latter be kept on file. During the past month, they have asked several times, but no definite reply has been received.

Since they have been asking for their release, they may have been granted their request, but this principle matter which I would like to extend is that I have signed for repatriation. This occurred when my son who is just entering his Junior High School, wished to work for his fees at a seasonal work in Vernon. Since I am unable to support his High School Entrance Fees, I thought it best to let him earn himself. But I had not signed any form because I did not know definitely what my husband would do, consequently, my son was unable to leave the community because of my signing problem. Because he was not able to go I signed for repatriation only thinking it was the only way to let my son have his necessary High School Education. This is the only reason I signed the form.

If my husband and my sons are definitely granted release from their present location, I wish to re-establish East of the Rockies as one happy family.

I presume that you have already intermiewed my husband, who is also doing his utmost for our family reunion. Our separation for four years have been a very unhappy years, and our only wish now is for family reunion.

I ask your kindness to take full consideration of our problem and also ask for your support for the release of my husband and two sons. I think you.

Yours truly,

Mrs. Sato Marubashi, No. 05897

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Place attached

H. T. P.

Ottawa, August 8, 1948

### AIR HAIL

Mr. T. B. Pickersgill, Commissioner of Japaness Placement, Department of Labour, 360 Homer Street, Vencouver, B.G.

Dear Sir:

I onclose original copy of a letter dated July 28 to the Department of External Affairs from K. Igashira and family of Slocan City, B.C., asking cancellation of their application for repatriation.

Yours vory truly,

A. Liactiomara.

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REPLY TO BE ADDRESSED TO:
THE UNDER-SECRETARY OF STATE
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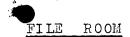
To: The Deputy-Minister,
Department of Labour,
Ottawa.

I enclose herewith an original letter dated July 28th, addressed to this Department by Kiyoichi IGASHIRA and family, asking that their request for repatriation to Japan be cancelled.

We are informing Mr. Igashira that the letter has been referred to you.

Under-Secretary of State for External Affairs.

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#### AIR L'AIL

Ottawa, August S, 1948

Hr. T.B. Pickersgill, Commissioner of Japanese Placement, Department of Labour, 360 Homer Street, Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Siri

I enclose a letter received from Mr. George M. Kakino of Tashme, B.C., appealing for cancellation of his declaration requesting repatriation. He sent an identical letter on the same date to the Prime Minister. I presume that this will be placed on his file with further action for the time being.

Yours very truly,

A. MacMomera.

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REGISTERED AIR HAIL

Ottown, August 1, 1945

Mr. T. B. Pickersgill, Commissioner of Japanese Placement, Department of Labour, 560 Honor Street, Vencouver, B.C.

I onclose copy of a lotter sont to the Acting Under Secretary of State, who forwarded to this Department a registered letter from a group of Japanese at Tashme, B.C., concerning cancellation of applications for voluntary repatriation. The original letter from the group is enclosed, and no acknowledgment has been made to them from Ottawa. You may wish to advise them that their letter has been received and the contents duly noted.

A. Hochanara.

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Ottown, August 1, 1945

Hr. U.P.J. O'Meara, Acting Under Secretary of State, Department of the Secretary of State, O t t a v a

I wish to acknowledge your letter of July 16 enclosing copy of a registered letter from certain Japanese evacuous residing at Tashno, B.C., who request cancellation of their applications for voluntary repatriation.

This information will be placed on their respective files at Vancouver for consideration at the proper time.

A. Hachanoro.

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The Deputy Minister of Labour, OTTAWA - Ont.

Enclosed, herewith, is a letter which was received, by registered mail, from one Jutaro Tanouye of Tashme, B.C., concerning a matter which comes within the jurisdiction of your Department.

This letter has not been acknowledged.

W.P.J. O'MEARA Acting Under Secretary of State.

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EXTERNAL AFFAIRS CANADA

REPLY TO BE ADDRESSED TO: The Under-Secretary of State For External Affairs Ottawa

Ottawa, July 12, 1945.

To: The Deputy Minister of Labour, Ottawa.

Subject: Requests by Japanese for cancellation of applications for repatriation.

### Attention: Mr. H.T. Pammett.

I enclose a copy of a letter of July 3rd addressed to the Prime Minister by George Kakino, who asks that his application for repatriation to Japan be cancelled.

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Under-Secretary of State for External Affairs.

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AIR BAIL.

OTTAWA, July 4, 1945.

Mr. T.B. Pickersgill, Commissioner of Japanese Placement, Department of Labour, 360 Homer Street, VANCOUVER. B.C.

I enclose for your attention a letter received from Mrs. F. Uyede of St. Catharines, Ontario, in which she requests cancellation of applications for repatriation made by her parents and their night children.

I would suggest putting copies of the letter on the files of all those concerned.

A. MacHamara.

HTP:FD

Tashme, B.C. July 3, 1945.

Hon. McKenzie King, Parliament Building, Ottawa, Camada.

Dear Sir:

May I take this opportunity of appealing to you in writing to have my declaration for repatriation cancelled.

My intentions had been to go east as I had no real desire to go to Japan. By mistake, Mr. Roberts, local Assistant Supervisor, had issued to me a notice to relocate to Kaslo. It was a sudden notice and because I was unprepared to relocate immediately I was prompted to sign the declaration.

The B.C. Security Commission had granted me an extension till July 31, 1945, which, had I known sooner, would have given me ample time to relocate directly east of the Rockies. Unfortunately, I had signed hastily on the morning of June 13th whereas the notice of extension did not reach me until late afternoon.

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Also, I had thought that I must/care of my father, who does not intend to go east, but he has now assured me that he can take care of himself and he advises me to relocate east of the Rockies.

Lastly, my wife, Chiyo, has not signed and does not intend to sign as she wishes to remain in Canada and to go east of the Rockies. As such, I wish to do the same.

For the above reasons, I sincerely and most earnestly request that you will kindly do the utmost on my behalf to have the declaration cancelled so that I may be permitted to relocate east of the Rockies.

Yours truly

(Sgd.) GEORGE MASAICHI KAKINO

Reg. No. 07170

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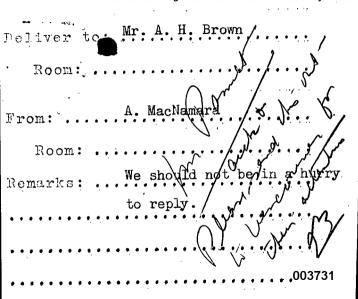
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File No. 3363-A-40

Ottawa, June 28, 1945.

To: The Deputy Minister, Department of Labour, Ottawa.

Requests by Japanese for Cancellation of Re:

Applications for Repatriation.

I enclose a letter addressed to this Department by Fumiko Uyede concerning a request for the cancellation of applications for repatriation of her parents and their eight children.

I have informed Mrs. Uyede that her letter has been forwarded to your Department.

> (.duflazabr Acting Under Secretary of State for External Affairs.

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Ottawa, June 11, 1945.

Under-Secretary of State for External Mairs, Rest Block, O t t a w a.

#### Attention Mr. A. Rive, Special Section

Dear Sir:

Some time ago you asked us to obtain monthly lists of persons who requested cancellation of applications for repatriation to Japan.

The attached list in duplicate contains the names of those who have made such request up to June 5, 1945, and subsequent lists will be sent forward to you as they are received from Vancouver.

Yours very truly,

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A. MacNamara.

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#### BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION

360 Homer Street, Vancouver, B. C., June 6th, 1945.

A. MacNamara, Esq., Deputy Minister, Department of Labour, OTTAWA, Canada.

RE: Cancellation of Requests for Repatriation

Sir:

Attached hereto are lists in quadruplicate, of names and numbers of those Japanese who have requested that their application for repatriation be cancelled.

Original copies of their requests are being held on file at this office, duplicate copies are being forwarded to the Commissioner of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, and an up to date list is kept on hand at all times.

T. B. PICKERSGILL

Commissioner of Japanese Placement

OF

June 5th, 1945

# REQUESTS FOR CANCELLATION OF APPLICATIONS FOR REPATRIATION TO JAPAN

NAME	NUMBER	ADDRESS	TO WHOM APPLICATION MADE	CANCELLATION ( DECLARATION
KISHIYAMA, Tokuzo	03463	Minto City, B.C.	Spanish Consul	Nil
MIWA, Ikuma " Atsuko " Shuko " Tamae " Yoko " Kan " Susumu	10478 10401	Minto City, B.C. Minto City, B.C.	Spanish Consul Spanish Consul	Nil Nil
SHOTA, Minoru	05090	Minto City, B.C.	Spanish Consul	Nil
KACETSU, Tsurutaro Hide Susumu Natsuko Yoshiko Tsuyako Reiko Tetsuo	06982 06983	Minto City,B.C. Minto City,B.C.	Spanish Consul Spanish Consul	Nil Nil
MURAKAMI, Yoshio " Jitsuko " Osami " Narumi	07365 07360	Minto City, B.C. Minto City, B.C.	Spanish Consul Spanish Consul	Nil Nil
SAKAMOTO, Unosuke "Sugaye "Tadashi "Sumire	05040 05265	Minto City,B.C. Minto City,B.C.	Spanish Consul Spanish Consul	Nil Nil
WAKABAYASHI, Nobuyoshi "Takako "Masae "Chiyomi	10206 10207	Internment Camp New Denver, B.C.	Internee R.C.M.Police	Nil Nil
SAKATA, Shozo "Yone "Haruko "Yoshiaki "Ichiyo "Toshi	04724 05025 05245	Bridge River,B.C. Bridge River,B.C. Bridge River,B.C.	R.C.M.Police R.C.M.Police R.C.M.Police	Nil Nil Nil
KOSAKA, Katsu " Miyeko " Masako " Shizuye	01548 15958 16891	Montreal, P.Q. Montreal, P.Q. Montreal, P.Q.	Dept.External Affair Dept.External Affair Dept.External Affair	s Nil
SHIMOKURA, Mitsugi " Aya " Sataru " Mitsuru	03169 03159	Tashme, B.C. Tashme, B.C.	R.C.M.Police R.C.M.Police	Nil Nil
HINATSU, Yosaburo  Nao  Kuyo  Yosuke  Mizuho  Naotake  Tetsu	10238 12709	Tashme, B.C. Tashme, B.C.	R.C.M.Police R.C.M.Police	Nil Nil
UJIYE, Fukuye	12866	Tashme, $B_{\bullet}C_{\bullet}$	R.C.M.Police	Nil
KOZONO, Takimori	11478	Raymond, Alta.	Spanish Consul	Nil
FURUYA, Hamakichi " Asa	10029 09696	Tashme, B.C. Tashme, B.C.	R.C.M.Police R.C.M.Police	Nil Nil

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OMOTO, Lloyd Tashiro "Yaewo "Daniel Katsumi "Joan Taeko	09555 09456	Tashme, B.C. Tashme, B.C.	R.C.M.Police R.C.M.Police	Nil Nil
TANAKA, Tokikazu "Kizue "Sumire	08496 08343	Interned Tashme, B.C.	Spanish Consul Spanish Consul	Nil Nil
" Sumire " Waki " Mutriaki	00966 08358	Slocan, B.C. Tashme, B.C.	Spanish Consul Spanish Consul	Nil Nil
OGAMA, Choichi KANOKO, Toimi	00344 08228	Tashme, B.C. Tashme, B.C.	B.C.Security Commission B.C.Security Commission	
KONDO, Tadashi " Matsui " Sumio " Takako " Makoto " Nagako " Shigeko	14859 14869 16539	Lyalta, Alta. Lyalta, Alta. Lyalta, Alta.	Spanish Consul Spanish Consul Spanish Consul	Nil Nil Nil
UEDA, Takeo " Miye	08129 04544	Tashme, B.C. Tashme, B.C.	R.C.M.Police R.C.M.Police	Nil Nil
MATSUO, Ume	03907	Shalalth, B.C.	Spanish Consul	Nil
NISHIKIHAMA, Torasaburo  Sawae Eiko Toyaki Kenji Keiko	04419 03150	Minto City,B.C. Minto City,B.C.	Spanish Consul Spanish Consul	Nil Nil
NISHIMOTO, Ukichi " Masa	06654 06655	Minto City, B.C. Minto City, B.C.	Spanish Consul Spanish Consul	Nil Nil
KUMANO, Yoshio	05872	London, Ont.	R.ClM.Police	Nil
TANIZAKI, Tatsu " Mitsuru	06845 06852	Tashme, B.C. Tashme, B.C.	R.C.M.Police R.C.M.Police	Nil Nil
TONOGAI, Seiichiro "Hisako "Seinoshin "Osamu "Atsushi	06038 09429	Tashme, B.C. Tashme, B.C.	R.C.M.Police R.C.M.Police	Nil Nil
"Takashi "Emilie "Yoshitetsu "Kiyomi		•		
UYEYAMA, Shigeharu	03145	Bridge River, B.C.	Spanish Consul	Nil
HIRAISHI, Teru " Kimiyo " Tomiye	01093 02631 15718	Popoff, Slocan, B.C. Popoff, Slocan, B.C. Popoff, Slocan, B.C.	Spanish Consul Spanish Consul Spanish Consul	Nil Nil Nil
MIYACHI, Chikasaburo	08660	Kaslo, B.C.	B.C.Security Commission	n Nil´
YANO, Martha " Masayuki	0972 <b>7</b> 09785	Chatham, Ont. Chatham, Ont.	Spanish Consul Spanish Consul	Nil Nil
TOIDA, Kijo	06437	Bay Farm, Slocan, B.C.	Spanish Consul	Nil
TAKAOKA, Nobuko	07450	Slocan, B.C.	External Affairs Dept.	Nil
TOWATA, Hitoshi " Takeyo	02256 01747	Lemon Creek, B.C. Lemon Creek, B.C.	External Affairs Dept. External Affairs Dept.	Nil Nil

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YOSHIMURA, Yoshikei	01756	Bay Farm, Slocan	Spanish Consul	Nil
" Misayo " Nobuyoshi	06358	Bradford, Ont.	Spanish Consul	Nil
MAEDA, Kinoe	10894	Greenwood, B.C.	Spanish Consul	Nil
" Shoso	16738	Greenwood, B.C.	Spanish Consul	Nil
" Yoshio	10898	Midway, B.C.	Spanish Consul	. Nil
KONO, Kuki	02789	Bay Farm, Slocan	Spanish Consul	Nil
" Akira " Henry	14636	Bay Farm, Slocan	Spanish Consul	Nil
" Henry " Glen	. 16249 169 <b>31</b>	Bay Farm, Slocan Bay Farm, Slocan	Spanish Consul	Nil
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IWASAKI, Fumiko	03484	Greenwood, B.C.	R.C.M.Police	Nil
SATO, Richii	14938	Moose Jaw, Sask.	B.C.Security Commission	n Nil
YAMAMOTO, Fusako	02949	Slocan, B.C.		Yes
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KUWAHARA, Akihara	16903	Slocan, B.C.		Yes
" Shigeko	10375	Slocan, B.C.		Yes
" Toshiro	10435	Slocan, B.C.	· the car car are the say	Yes
INOUYE, Emiko	01230	Bay Farm, Slocan		Yes
HAYASHI, Tsurumatsu	14944	Moese Jaw, Sask.	B.C. Security Commissi	on Nil
KOJIMA, Kitsutaro	12226	Tashme, B.C.	R.C.M.Police	Nil
" Fumi	13239	Tashme, B.C.	R.C.M.Police	Nil
ASAZUMA, Mary Ruthia "Shinkichi	10151 01524	Tashme, B.C. Interned	(Internee Wife) (Interned)	Nil
KIMURA, Nobuyuki	16529	Slocan, B.C.	Spanish Consul	Nil
" Ichiye	05813	Slocan, B.C.	Spanish Consul	Nil
KOBAYASHI, Jiro	03188	Tashme, B.C.	R.C.M.Police	Nil
HORI, Martha	05957	Toronto, Ont.	R.C.M.Police	NT: 7
" Sumi	05956	Toronto, Ont.	R.C.M.Police	Nil Nil
" Tatsuo	16930	Toronto, Ont.	R.C.M.Police	Nil
YOSHIMURA, Yoshihei	01756	Bay Farm, Slocan	Spanish Consul	Nil
SONO, Shigeichi	08375	Popoff, Slocan	Spanish Consul	Nil
" Koharu	08406	Popoff, Slocan	Spanish Consul	Nil
KARIYA, Yae " Etsuji	00144 00175	Greenwood, B.C. Greenwood, B.C.	Spanish Consul Spanish Consul	Nil Nil
IKUTA, Kikumatsu "Kiyoichiro	02145 02171	Beverly, Alta. Beverly, Alta.	Spanish Consul Spanish Consul	Nil Nil
YAMASHITA, Tono	02180	Beverly, Alta.	Spanish Consul	Nil
TERAKAWA, Tadaji " Sadako	08500 08503	Guelph, Ont. Guelph, Ont.	Spanish Consul Spanish Consul	Nil Nil
YOSHIDA, Tsune	05799	Tashme, B.C.	R.C.M.Police	Nil
YOSHIDA, Sato	04996	Greenwood, B.C.	B.C.Security Commission	n Nil
NAKAGAWA, Kiyokazu	00764	Slocan, B.C.	Spanish Consul	Nil

June 5th, 1945

# REQUESTS FOR CANCELLATION OF APPLICATIONS FOR REPATRIATION TO JAPAN

NAME	NUMBER	ADDRESS	TO WHOM APPLICATION MADE	CANCELLATION OF DECLARATION
KISHIYAMA, Tokuzo	03463	Minto City, B.C.	Spanish Consul	N11
MIMA, Ikuma	10478	Minto City, B.C.	Spanish Consul	Nil
" Atsuko	10401	Minto City, B.C.	Spanish Consul	N11
" Shuko				
" Temae " Yoko	t. De			
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" Susumu				
SHOTA, Minoru	05090	Minto City, B.C.	Spanish Consul	Nil
KAGETSU, Tsurutaro " Hide	06982 06983	Minto City, B.C. Minto City, B.C.	Spanish Consul Spanish Consul	N11 N11
" Susumu				
" Natsuko				
" Yoshiko				
" Tsuyako				
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MURAKAMI, Yoshio	07365	Minto City, B.C.	Spanish Consul	Nil
" Jitsuko	07360	Minto City, B.C.	Spanish Consul	Nil
" Osami				
" Narumi				· ·
SAKAMOTO, Unosuke	05040	Minto City, B.C.	Spanish Consul	Nil
" Sugaye	05265	Minto City, B.C.	Spanish Consul	Nil
" Tadashi			•	
" Sumire				
WAKABAYASHI, Nobuyoshi	10206	Internment Camp	Internee	Nil
" Takako	10207	New Denver, B.C.	R.C.M.Police	Nil
" Masae				
" Chiyomi				
SAKATA, Shozo	04724	Bridge River, B.C.	R.C.M.Police	Ni1
" Yone	05025	Bridge River, B.C.	R.C.M.Police	Nil
" Haruko	05245	Bridge River, B.C.	R.C.M.Police	N11
" Yoshiaki				•
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KOSAKA, Katsu	01548	Montreal, P.Q.	Dept.External Affair	s Nil
" Miyeko	15958	Montreal, P.Q.	Dept.External Affair	
" Masako	16891	Montreal, P.Q.	Dept.External Affair	
" Shizuye				•
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SHIMOKURA, Mitsugi " Aya	03169 03159	Tashme, B.C. Tashme, B.C.	R.C.M.Police R.C.M.Police	Nil Nil
" Sataru	00109	Risimis, D.C.	W.O.W.FOTIGG	MII
" Mitsuru		,		
HINATSU, Yosaburo	10238	Tashme, B.C.	R.C.M.Police	Nil
" Nao	12709	Tashme, B.C.	R.C.M.Police	Nil
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" Yosuke			•	• ·
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UJIYE, Fukuye	12866	Tashme, B.C.	R.C.M.Police	N11
KOZONO, Takimori	11478	Raymond, Alta.	Spanish Consul	Nil
FURUYA, Hamakichi " Asa	10029 09696	Tashme, B.C. Tashme, B.C.	R.C.M.Police R.C.M.Police	Nil Nil
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OMOTO.	Lloyd Tashiro	09555	Tashme, B.C.	R.C.M.Police	Nil
	Yaewo	09456	Tashme, B.C.	R.C.M.Police	Nil
Ħ	Daniel Katsumi	•			
# 1	Joan Taeko	•			
7	Tokikazu	08496	Interned	Spanish Consul	Nil
**	Kizue	08343	Tashme, B.C.	Spanish Consul	N11
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## ·	Waki	00966	Slocan, B.C.	Spanish Consul	Nil.
π	Mutriaki	08358	Tashme, B.C.	Spanish Consul	Nil
OGATA,	Choichi	00344	Tashme, B.C.	B.C. Security Commission	n Nil
CANOKO,	Toimi	08228	Tashme, B.C.	B.C. Security Commission	n Nil
CONDO	Tadashi	14859	Lyalta, Alta.	Spanish Consul	N1.1
	Matsui	14869	Lyalta, Alta.	Spanish Consul	Nil
	Sumio	16539	Lyalta, Alta.	Spanish Consul	Nil
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	Nagako				
	Shigeko				
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JEDA, T	akeo	08129	Tashme, B.C.	R.C.M.Police	Nil
	iye	04544	Tashme, B.C.	R.C.M.Police	Nil
atsuo,	Ume	03907	Shalalth, B.C.	Spanish Consul	Nil
NISHIKI	HALIA, Torasaburo	04419	Minto City, B.C.	Spanish Consul	Nil
17	Sawae	03150	Minto City, B.C.	Spanish Consul	Nil
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NTSHTMO	TO, Ukichi	06654	Minto City, B.C.	Spanish Consul	Ni1
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KUMANO,	Yoshio	05872	London, Ont.	R.C.M.Police	Nil
PANTZAK	I, Tatsu	06845	Tashme, B.C.	R.C.M.Police	Ni1
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PONOGAT	, Seiichiro	06038	Tashme, B.C.	R.C.M.Police	Nil
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JYEYAMA	, Shigeharu	03145	Bridge River, B.C.	Spanish Consul	Nil
HRAISH	I, Teru	01093	Popoff, Slocan, B.C.	Spanish Consul	Nil
17	Kimiyo	02631	Popoff, Slocan, B.C.	Spanish Consul	Nil
17	Tomiye	15718	Popoff, Slocan, B.C.	Spanish Consul	Nil
AIYACHI	, Chikasaburo	08660	Kaslo, B.C.	B.C.Security Commission	n Nil
YANO, M	artha	09727	Chatham, Ont.	Spanish Consul	N11
-	a sayuk <b>i</b>	09785	Chatham, Ont.	Spanish Consul	Nil
rolda,	Kijo	06437	Bay Farm, Slocant B.C.	Spanish Consul	N11
rakaoka	, Nobuko	07450	Slocan, B.C.	External Affairs Dept.	N11
POUATA,	Hitoshi	02256	Lemon Creek, B.C.	External Affairs Dept.	Nil
Ħ	Takeyo	01747	Lemon Creek, B.C.	External Affairs Dept.	Nil

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YOSHIMURA, Yoshikei	01756	Bay Farm, Slocan	Spanish Consul	Nil
" Misayo	06358	Bradford, Ont.	Spanish Consul	Nil
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AEDA, Kinoe	10894	Greenwood, B. C.	Spanish Consul	N11
" Shoso	16738	Greenwood, B.C.	Spanish Consul	Nil
" Yoshio	10898	Midway, B.C.	Spanish Consul	Nil
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ONO, Kuki	02789	Bay Farm, Slocan	Spanish Consul	Nil
" Akira	14636	Bay Farm, Slocan	Spanish Consul	Nil .
" Henry	16249	Bay Farm, Slocan	Spanish Consul	Nil.
" Glen	16931	Bay Farm, Slocan	Spanish Consul	Nil
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WASAKI, Fumiko	03484	Greenwood, B.C.	R.C.M.Police	N11
ATO, Richii	14938	Moose Jaw, Sask.	B.C. Security Commissi	ion Nil
AMAMOTO, Fusako	02949	Slocan, B.C.	SEE one two with 600 and	Yes
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UWAHARA, Akihara Shigeko	16903 10375	Slocan, B.C. Slocan, B.C.	dile dely sed som erni uma	Yes
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NOUYE, Emiko	01230	Bay Farm, Slocan	who make apple with stage approximate	Yes
AYASHI, Tsurumatsu	14944	Moose Jaw, Sask.	B.C. Security Commis	sion Nil
OJIMA, Kitsutaro	12226	Tashme, B.C.	R.C.M.Police	Nil
" Fumi	13239	Tashme, B.C.	R.C.M.Police	Nil
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SAZUMA, Mary Ruthia	10151	Tashme, B.C.	(Internee Wife)	Ni.l
" Shinkichi	01524	Interned	(Interned)	
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COBAYASHI, Jiro	03188	Tashme, B.C.	R.C.M.Police	Nil
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IORI, Martha	059 <b>57</b>	Toronto, Ont.	R.C.M.Police	Nil
" Sumi	05957	Toronto, Ont.	R.C.M.Police	Nil Nil
" Tatsuo	16930	Toronto, Ont.	R.C.M.Police	Nil
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OSHIMURA, Yoshihei	01756	Bay Farm, Slocan	Spanish Consul	Nil.
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" Koharu	08406	Popoff, Slocan	Spanish Consul	Nil
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ARIYA, Yae	00144	Greenwood, B.C.	Spanish Consul	Nil
" Etsuji	00175	Greenwood, B.C.	Spanish Consul	Nil
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KUTA, Kikumatsu	02145	Peverly, Alta.	Spanish Consul	Nil
" Kiyoichiro	02171	Beverly, Alta.	Spanish Consul	Nil
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AMASHITA, Tono	02180	Beverly, Alta.	Spanish Consul	Nil
ERAKAWA, Tadaji	08500	Guelph, Ont.	Spanish Consul	Nil
" Sadako	08503	Gualph, Ont.	Spanish Consul	Nil
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OSHIDA, Tsune	05799	Tashme, B.C.	R.C.M.Police	Nil
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MOSHIM, Sato	04996	Greenwood, B.C.	B.C.Security Commiss	ion Nil
MARACADA Kinalaan	00764	Slocan, B.C.	Spanish Consul	Nil
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AIR MAIL

Ottawa, May 21, 1945

Mr. T. B. Pickersgill, Commissioner of Japanese Placement, Department of Labour, 360 Homer Street, Vancouver, B. C.

I enclose a letter received from H. Watanabe of Lemon Creek, B.C., apparently a high school student who has signed for repatriation.

In our previous reply of April 30 (a copy of which was sent to Mrs. Booth) we told Watanabe that there was no objection to his going on with a high school correspondence course but that he could not come East to a university.

We are not replying to this latest communication.

A. MacNamara.

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Lemon Creek, B.C., May 12, 1945.

The Honourable Mr. A. MacNamara, Deputy Minister of Labour, Ottawa, Ontario.

Dear Sir:

As I wrote in the last letter, I wish to remain at this segregation centre another year and prepare for college. Since by the "Commission's" orders those who did not sign for repatriation to Japan were required to go eastward as soon as possible, I signed for repatriation. The Mounted Police in charge of the Commission said I would be allowed to go to college even though I signed for repatriation.

However, since you say in your last letter that I could not enter a Canadian University, while I am being held for repatriation to Japan, I wish to cancel the declaration I signed. Will you please accept this?

Our family has nine children; and at present four older brothers are living in the eastern provinces. I am the oldest of five children now in this segregation centre. Because of ill health my father cannot work; and so the family is kept from relocating eastward. I must therefore remain here and study; and, at the same time, cut wood and tend the garden at home.

Please understand me will you? Thank you.

Respectfully yours,

(Sgd.) Hironie Watanabe

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MEMORANDUM ON FUTURE JAPANESE POLICY AS DECIDED AFTER CONFERENCES
BETWEEN MESSRS. MACNANARA, BROWN, PICKERSGILL, AND
PAMMETT OF THIS DEPARTMENT, AND AFTER CONSULTATION WITH
DEPUTY COMMISSIONER MEAD OF THE R.C.M. POLICE AND MR.
RIVE AND STAFF OF THE DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS,
APR 30 to MAY 14, 1945.

#### I. Maintenance

(a) Can we refuse maintenance where voluntary repatriates in the settlements have refused employment which we have to offer?

Answer: If persons capable of doing work in connection with the operation of segregation camps refuse to take such work, they may be required to use up their own assets before being given maintenance even beyond the minimum repatriation reserve, or in appropriate cases may be given maintenance lower than the scale otherwise applicable. This applies only to the person who refuses the work, and other members of the family will get regular maintenance.

Voluntary repatriates as a general rule will not be allowed to leave B.C. to take work. They will not be required to take private employment in B.C., but will be permitted and encouraged to do so.

(b) Will the earnings of a member of a family who is not the family head be budgetted at two-thirds as heretofore, in the case of repatriate families, all of whom sign applications?

Answer: Employed persons who are not family heads, if working in B.C., should be required to help maintain their families up to two-thirds of their earnings even if not living with the family. If such refuse to assist their families in the settlements, they should be assessed a reasonable part of their wages and maintenance for the family should be cut down accordingly. Non-family heads who have signed for repatriation and who are working East of the Rockies should not be compelled to assist their families in the settlements, but should be encouraged to do so as in the past.

(c) Will all signing applications who are on maintenance or subsequently are placed on maintenance receive the 10% increase?

Answer: It is suggested that the present policy and scale should be continued in respect to the 10% increase for maintenance, but a generous interpretation should be placed on the special need for this increase.

(d) Where a family head is not living at the project, but working in B.C., would he or she be expected to contribute part of their earnings to the maintenance of the family?

Answer: The family head should contribute to the support of the family whether actually residing in the settlement or engaged in private employment in B.C. If the family head is engaged in private employment outside of B.C. when the family continue to reside in the settlement, he should be urged to contribute what he can to the support of the family.

e) If Japanese Canadians not signing applications refuse to accept suitable employment, should all of their assets be used before maintenance is provided, or should the minimum rehabilitation reserve be maintained?

Answer: The minimum rehabilitation reserve is not to be disturbed.

(f) Should payment owed for rent be taken from assets of Japanese Canadians not signing voluntary applications but who refuse to accept suitable employment outside of B.C.?

Answer: We cannot draw on the assets of Japanese Canadians for the collection of rents which they owe to us.

(g) Should we continue the policy of requiring a wage earner who has signed for repatriation to pay for his or her own medical care and hospitalization, if engaged in private employment?

Answer: The wage sarner should continue to pay from current earnings expenses for medical care and hospitalization.

(h) As relocation East grows in volume the number of maintenance cases may rise considerably. At present we have no arrangements with the provinces, except Manitoba and Alberta, for provision of maintenance. If it is not considered advisable at the present time to negotiate administrative arrangements with the provinces to provide relief, we should have full details of relief rates in all provinces, to assure that maintenance given directly by the Commission will not be out of line with the prevailing provincial rates.

Answer: Mr. Mactavish is checking to see what the Ontario and Quobec relief scales are, and an approach can be made after June to see if the welfare officials of these provinces will handle Japanese relief cases and bill this Department for same. This is the procedure now in effect in Alberta and Manitoba. For other provinces, arrangements can be made when the need erises.

#### II. Family Allowances:

- (a) Discussion of proposed letter to Mr. Brown, outlining thoughts on payment of family allowances.
- (b) Check with Family Allowance Administration to determine what is being done in each province in regard to registration of Jepanese families to receive family allowances. Check by Japanese administration to ensure that Japanese file applications for family allowances.
- (c) It is suggested that payment of family allowances to those actually residing in the settlements operated by the Commission should be made via the Head Office, Vencouver. It will then be possible to make certain adjustments so as to avoid duplication of services in accordance with the Femily Allowance Act. It is suggested that payment should be made direct to all families of Japanese origin engaged in self-supporting employment and not residing in settlements operated by the Commission.

Answer: At the suggestion of Mr. Brown this question will be studied further as discussions will have to be held with the Department of Health end Welfare. The Vancouver Office is to furnish to Head Office information on services now supplied Japanese in settlements and what charges are made to employed Japanese for services provided.

#### III. Segregation of Those Signing For Repatriation

(a) Discussion of question of privilege in applying for cancellation of requisitions made on new official form. Refer to letter from Deputy Commissioner R.C.M.F., to O.C. "E" Division, stating that those wishing to cancel applications made on official form are to write this application on the back of the copy of the form which is sent to each Japanese signing.

Answer: Persons seeking to cancel applications for repatriotion, whether made previously or on the new official form, will be told to put it in writing and send it to the Commissioner of Japanese Placement at Vancouver, either directly or through the R.C.M.Police This statement will be held on the individual's file for consideration by the Loyalty Tribunal. In the meantime the individual's application for repatrication will remain valid.

(b) In view of apparent large proportion signing for voluntary repatriation the whole question of allocation and disposition should be discussed. It appears as if at least three settlements will be required to accommodate those signing for repatriation. In view of the assurance already given that those signing for voluntary repatriation will be permitted to continue in self-supporting employment, poses a problem concerning concentration in particular settlements of those signing for repatriation.

Answer: It is proposed that Tashme, Lemon Creek and Slocan area with accommodation for about 6,900, will be used to house voluntary repatriates. We will endeavour as quickly as possible to shift the Japanese population so that this may be accomplished. The New Denver area will be used as a settlement for Japanese Nationals not signing applications and for Japanese Canadians whom we are unable for verious reasons to relocate.

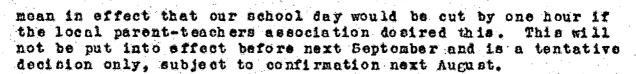
With respect to transfer between settlements this should be voluntary if at all possible, and completed by the latter part of August at the latest. Those who refuse to move may be cut off if on maintenance, and Commissioner's Orders should be used only if absolutely necessary to transfer these people.

(c) Discussion of citizenship status of those signing for repetriation.

Answer: In view of the statements made to Japanese Committees with respect to interpretation of P.C. 10773, applications for renunciation of citizenship by naturalized and Cenadian-born Japanese will not be for the present forwarded for action by the Secretary of State, and will be held at Vancouver pending further advice from Ottawa.

(d) Discussion of future educational policy in settlements containing none but who have signed for voluntary repatriation.

Answer: In the settlements housing exclusively those who have signed for voluntary repatriation, we should still continue the same provincial curriculum and teach in English, with a proviso that a portion of the day (say one hour at the close of the day) could be used for the teaching of Japanese under the direction of the Japanese Committee with their own teachers. This would



Teachers who themselves have not signed for voluntary repatriation will be the only ones employed in those settlements housing Japanese who did not sign. Teachers who signed for repatriation will be used in the segregation centres and should be permitted to attend the summer school session this summer. Teachers who have not signed for repatriation may be used in the repatriation centres.

#### IV. Relocation

(a) Re: Status of Japanese Nationals who do not sign voluntarily for repatriation.

Answer: The approach to this matter is based on the probability that Japanese Nationals will be repetriated to Japan. Therefore there will be no canvess or encouragement for these persons to take employment outside British Columbia. The only Japanese Nationals who should be permitted to take employment outside B.C. are special cases on compassionate grounds or those who have shown since 1941 a marked degree of cooperation with the Canadian authorities—persons who would be probably permitted to stay in this country in any event as exceptions to any decision for general return of Japanese Nationals to Japan. Also permitted to move East of the Rockies night be elderly Japanese Nationals who are dependents of loyal Japanese Canadian families and who have no ties in Japan.

This policy should be adhered to rather strictly pending appointment of the Loyalty Tribunal. No Japanese National will be moved to an employment opening East of the Rockies while a Japanese Canadian is available to fill same, and Japanese Canadians should be given priority in moving to all the better jobs in Eastern Canada.

(b) Discussion of application form for purchasing or leasing roal property by people of Japanese origin.

Answer: The suggested form appears to be satisfactory. The procedure is to be the same as heretofore, for the present, but on the standardized form.

(c) For those who go East for employment and for a temporary period after they have entered such employment, continue to reside at the hostel, should placement allowance be withheld until they have actually found living accommodation of their own?

Answer: The placement allowance should be withheld until the person in question leaves a hostel operated by us.

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(a) Discussion of certain stoff problems.

Answer: This question was discussed with Mr. Black and Civil Service Commission representatives and difficulties ironed out. Adjustments have been secured for three out of four cases discussed. One request was rejected.

(b) Check with Beaudet of Montreal re his transportation problem.

Answer: Checking with Mactavish.

(c) Discuss status of Ralonen at Fort William.

Answer: It is agreed that Ernst at Winnipeg will supervise the Manitoba and Northern Ontario area and his territory will extend as far east as Sault Ste. Harie, to include any matters connected with Angler Internment Cemp. Mr. Halonen will operate the Branch Placement Office at Fort William under Mr. Ernst's direction, with the rank of Placement Officer. Placement opportunities in this district will be discussed with Mr. Ernst at Winnipeg.

#### VI. Project Difficulties

(a) Construction repairs necessary for New Denver Sanatorium. Copy of estimate from Supervisor.

Answer: It appears that a substantial repair job will be necessary to the foundation and footings at the Sanatorium at New Denver. Our suggestion is that a qualified construction man should be asked to advise what is necessary.

(b) Electric lighting problem at Slocan.

Answer: Our deisel lighting plant at Blocan is now overloaded, and there is danger of a serious breakdown if we continue much longer as at present. We are presently negotiating with the Town of Slocan for the town to establish its own hydro plant and we would purchase electric power from the town, paying for this service at a cost no higher than the present expense in operating our own plant. The operating expenditure of our own plant is about \$900 per month.

(c) Establishment of special housing accommodation for aged and infirm women having no relatives.

Answer: It is proposed that we establish an Old Folks Home at New Denver for aged and infirm women who have no relatives to look after them. We already maintain an Old Mans Home at New Denver.

ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO BE ADDRESSED:-

THE COMMISSIONER, R. C. MINICELICE.

# ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE HEADQUARTERS

IN REPLY PLEASE QUOTE

C.315-36-3. Vol.6.

OTTAWA, May 3, 1945.

CANADA

The Deputy Minister, Department of Labour, O T T A W A.

Attention: Mr. A. H. Brown.

Pursuant on our discussion of the 1st instant relative to the procedure to be adopted on the receipt by this Force of requests for cancellation of declarations for repatriation by Japanese, attached as of possible interest to you is a copy of my letter of the 2nd instant to our Officer Commanding at Vancouver outlining the procedure we propose to follow in the future.

(F. J. Mead),
Deputy Commissioner.

Enc.



C.315-36-3. Vol. 6.

The Officer Commanding, R.C.M. Police, "E" Division, VANCOUVER, B.C.

#### Re: Repatriation of Japanese in Canada.

Will you please refer to paragraph 7 of my letter of March 20th last which set out the procedure to be followed on the receipt of requests for cancellation of declarations for repatriation. The instructions contained in the paragraph in point were draughted to cover the contents of paragraphs 12 and 13 of a memorandum dated December 11, 1944, captioned "Conference re Voluntary Applications for Repatriation to Japan", a copy of which is attached.

- In the course of a conference held here yesterday; attended by Department of Labour Officials, the Commissioner of Japanese Placement and myself, the instructions in point were discussed and it was decided to discard them entirely in view of the possibility that their effect might be the means of prompting wide spread cancellations.
- 3. In future when a Japanese requests the cancellation of a declaration for repatriation made prior to the adoption of the new forms or requests cancellation subsequent to the completion of the new forms, he is to be instructed that he should submit his request in writing and it will be referred to the competent authorities for a decision. The letter should be addressed to the local R.C.M. Police Detachment for transmission to the Commissioner of Japanese Placement. On receipt, such requests should be referred to Mr. Pickersgill for any reply he may feel disposed to make. written request for cancellation, together with the declaration forms which would ordinarily come forward, should then be placed on file against the day when the case might have to be referred to the Loyalty Commission if and when the latter is constituted and commences to function. It will not now be necessary to pick up the copy of the declaration form held by the Japanese.
- This Headquarters should be advised periodically of those Japanese who have requested in writing that their application be cancelled so that the information can be seconded to other interested Departments. This will be particularly necessary after the declarations have been sorted into family groups and forwarded her for distribution.
- 5. It is felt that the foregoing will answer your query contained in paragraphs 6 and 7 of your memorandum of the 16th ultimo.

Enc.
OTTAWA, 2.5.45.
FF.

(F.J. Mead), Deputy Commissioner.

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FROM: TOKIKAZU TANAKA NO. A 591 INTERNMENT CAMP 101 ANGLER ONT. CANADA TO MR MITSUAKI TANAKA P.O. BOX 484 KASLO B.C. CANADA

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FOLLOWING EXCERPT FROM ABOVE CORRESPONDENCE FROM PATHER TO SON IS SUBMITTED FOR PURPOSES OF INFORMATION:

"About the question of going east, what you mentioned is the right thing to do. The reason why I sent in the application to go back to JAPAN was because I thought at first that all JAPANESE whether 1st or 2nd generation will be sent back to JAPAN when the exchange ship GRIPSHOLM left the 1st time. Later on I gradually began to understand the situation. After giving a careful consideration I know that it is for the best that we should stay in CANADA. So I have decided that all the family should go east. That is why the aged grandmother moved to CHATHAM, according to my wish she willingly moved to CHATHAM from SLOCAN. For this reason, I am sure the CANADIAN Government with sympathy, will help you in your plan to go east."

Rest of letter of no interest.

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BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION NOTE & RETURN

360 Homer Street,

VANCOUVER, B.C.

3rd April 1945.

Attention: Mr. Pammett.

A. MacNamara Esq.,
Deputy Minister,
Department of Labour,
OTTAWA, Ontario.

mond Stall Re: REQUESTS FOR CANCELLATION OF APPLICATIONS FOR REPATRIATION TO JAPAN.

I have your memorandum of March 27th and will be glad to see that you are provided with a state-ment each month, giving the names of people of Japanese origin who request cancellation of previous applications for repatriation.

T.B. PICKERSGILL, Commissioner.

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Ottawa, March 27, 1945.

AIR MAIL

Mr. T. B. Pickersgill, Commissioner of Japanese Placement, Department of Labour, 360 Homer Street, Vancouver, B.C.

Re: Requests for cancellation of applications for repatriation to Japan.

Dear Sir:

I enclose for your information and record correspondence dealing with a request of M. Wakabayashi for cancellation of his application for repatriation, and a copy of my letter to the Department of External Affairs on this general subject.

Would you please send forward at montaly intervals a list of such persons requesting cancellation of previous applications for repatriation, in three or four copies, including registration number and address in each case.

Yours very truly,

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A. MacNamara.

Ottema, March 27, 1945. Your File 3363-A-40.

The Under-Secretary of State for External Affairs, East Block, O t t a w a.

Attentions Mr. A. Rive, Special Section

Dear Siri

Re: Requests for cancellation of applications for repatriation to Japan.

When we received the first of these recently, the question of what to do with them was discussed among our officials, and with Royal Canadian Mounted Police officials and Mr. Wershof of your Department.

It was the consensus of opinion that no action was needed except to place the information on the individual's file for consideration by the proposed Loyalty Tribunal to be set up later, which among its other functions will no doubt be asked to adjudicate these border-line cases of Japanese who change their minds concerning repatriation.

It was accordingly decided that any person requesting cancellation of a previous application for repatriation be required
to sign a written statement to that effect at the nearest R.C.M. Police
office anywhere in Canada, and this would be forwarded to Vancouver for
record on his or her file. Instructions to that effect have been issued
to Labour Department (Japanese Division) and R.C.M. Police local offices
across Canada. Those requests which were made to the Protecting Power
or to your Department, of which we have received notice from you, have
been sent to Vancouver for record in the same way.

Mr. Wershof suggested that your Department would like a list of persons requesting cancellation to check against your files of persons applying for repatriation, and we have made arrangements for such a list to go forward monthly in future.

Yours very truly,



CANADA

REPLY TO BE ADDRESSED TO: The Under-Secretary of State For External Affairs Ottawa

Ottawa, March 21, 1945.

Our file 3363-A-40.

To: The Deputy Minister of Labour, Ottawa.

Subject: Requests by Japanese for cancellation of their applications for repatriation.

#### Attention: Mr. Pammett

I enclose herewith a copy of a letter of March 16th from the Director, Prisoners of War, Department of National Defence, with enclosure, also a copy of our letter of March 21st to the Consul General of Spain.

With reference to the above correspondence and to a conversation of yesterday's date between Mr. Pammett and Mr. J.A. McCordick of this Department, it would be appreciated if you could let us have a brief memorandum summarizing the action you propose to take on such requests for cancellation of applications for repatriation.

Under-Secretary of State for External Affairs.

Ottawa, March 24, 1945.

Mr. Gentaro Tahara, c/o Mountain Sanitarium, Hamilton, Ontario.

Dear Mr. Tahara:

Further to my letter of February 14, I would advise that I have received a reply from the Commissioner of Japanese Placement concerning the question of your visiting Tashme for the purpose of marrying Miss M. Taguchi and taking her back East with you.

The Commissioner has asked that you postpone your trip for a month or so until after the R.C.H.P. Detachment has visited Tashme for the purpose of taking applications for repatriation. After this has happened, the status of Miss Taguchi will be clarified and Mr. Trueman will be able to advise you on the feasibility of making a trip to Tashme for this purpose.

Yours very truly,

HEP/HH

A. MacNamara.

Cc to: Mr. T.B. Pickersgill Mr. G. E. Trueman





#### BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION

360 Homer Street,

VANCOUVER, B.C.

23rd March 1945.

Attention: Mr. Pammett.

A. MacNamara Esq.,
Deputy Minister,
Department of Labour,
OTTAWA.

Re: Tokikazu TANAKA, P/W #591, REQUEST FOR CANCELLATION OF APPLICATION FOR RETURN TO JAPAN.

I have your letter of March 21st, enclosing copy of letter from the Spanish Consul-General to the Under-Secretary of State for External Affairs.

I note that this man's request has been considered by your Labour-R.C.M.P. Committee and that the Committee does not consider the request valid.

We will see that this information is placed on this man's file.

T.B. PIĆKERSGVILL Commissioner.





360 Homer Street,

VANCOUVER, B.C.

21st March 1945.

Attention: Mr. Pammett.

A. MacNamara Esq., Deputy Minister, Department of Labour. OTTAWA, Ontario.

# Gentaro TAHARA, No.01981.

We have your letter of March 14th concerning the request of the above-named to return to Tashme for the purpose of marrying Miss Misao Taguchi.

We have checked the file of this girl and find that she has requested repatriation and her request was made to the Spanish Consul.

We would suggest that you reply to Mr. Tahara, asking if he might postpone his trip for one month and in the meantime we will have completed our canvass of the Tashme project, when this girl will have an opportunity to sign an application for repatriation.

We find, on checking Mr. Tahara's record. that he has not requested repatriation.

> T.B. PICKERSGILL, Commissioner.

Ottawa, March 21, 1945.

## AIR MAIL

Mr. T. Pickersgill, Commissioner of Japanese Placement, Department of Labour, 360 Homer Street, Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Commissioner Pickersgill:

I enclose for your information and record a copy of a letter from the Spanish Consul-General to the Under-Secretary of State for External Affairs, advising that a request has been received from T. Tanaka, Japanese Spokesman at Angler Internment Camp, for the cancellation of his previous application for repatriation.

Our Labour-R.C.M.P. Committee considered Tanaka's request for release from interment about six months' ago, and refused it because there were no special circumstances warranting consideration.

You may recall that this family raised considerable protest at being moved from Kaslo to Tashme a couple of weeks' ago.

Yours very truly,

A. MacNamara.

HTP/VH Encl.

# From THE CONSUL GENERAL OF SPAIN IN CHARGE OF JAPANESE RESTS

Referred by direction of The Secretary of State for External Affairs

To The Minister LABOUR

Department of Labour

# FOR INFORMATION AND ANY NECESSARY ACTION

Also referred to:

Ottawa

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Under-Secretary of State for External Affairs 003763

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Ottawa, March 21, 1945.

#### CONFIDENTIAL

Mr. G. E. Trueman,
Placement Officer Japanese Division,
Department of Labour,
24 Adelaide Street East,
Toronto 1, Ontario.

Dear Mr. Trueman:

I enclose copy of excerpt from a letter sent by T. Nakagawa of the Homewood Sanatorium at Guelph to Mr. and Mrs. K. Seki of Geraldton, Ont.

This man is definitely Japanese - Nationelistic in sentiments, and I would suggest that he be presented with an application form for repatriation as soon as these are received from Vancouver.

Yours very truly,

A. MacNamara.

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## BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION

360 Homer Street,

VANCOUVER, B.C. A. N. N.

17th March 1945.

A. MacNamara Esq.,
Deputy Minister,
Department of Labour,
OTTAWA, Ontario.

Re: REQUESTS FOR CANCELLATION OF APPLICATIONS FOR REPATRIATION.

I am glad to have your memorandum of March 14th and to have definitely clarified where requests should be made to have previous applications for repatriation cancelled.

Mr. Brown informed me of this over the telephone the other day, but we are glad to have it on the record.

T.B. PICKERSGILL,
Commissioner.

Ottawa, March 14, 1945.

#### ATR MAIL

Mr. T.B. Pickersgill, Cosmissioner of Japanese Placement, Department of Labour, 360 Homer Street, Vancquver, B.C.

Door Sirs

This will acknowledge your letter of March 12th concerning requests for cancellation of previous applications for repatriation.

This question has already been raised by Mr. Trueman and has been discussed with R.C.M. Pelice officials. I enclose copy of a letter to Mr. Trueman for your information.

As explained over the telephone yesterday, it was decided that the written request for cancellation should be made to the R.C.M. Police, who will forward it for record on the individual's file at Vancouver, and then take any further action required. External Affairs requires only a monthly list of such persons who request cancellation and this might be prepared by your Records Branch and sent forward to me in three or four copies each wonth to be referred to them.

Yours very truly,

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BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSIO

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AIRMAIL.

VANCOUVER, B.C.

12th March 1945.

A. MacNamara Esq.,
Deputy Minister,
Department of Labour,
OTTAWA, Ontario.

Re: REQUESTS FOR CANCELLATION OF PREVIOUS APPLICATIONS FOR REPATRIATION.

We have taken the position here that we do not possess the authority to cancel requests already made for repatriation when questioned on this point by Japanese.

We are taking this position regardless of whether the original request for repatriation was made to the Spanish Consul, the Department of External Affairs, the R.C.M.P. or ourselves.

We are saying that all requests for cancellation of application for repatriation must be made to the Secretary of State, Ottawa.

There is a little doubt here as to whether this should be the Secretary of State or the Department of External Affairs. We would appreciate your clarifying this point for us.

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T.B. PICKERSGILL, Commissioner.

Ottawa, Harch 14, 1945.

Mr. G.E. Trueman,
Placement Officer,
Japanese Division,
Department of Labour,
24 Adelaide Street East,
Toronto 1. Ontario.

Re: Japanese who wish to apply for cancellation of a previous application for repatriation to Japan.

I wish to acknowledge your letter of Harch 10 on the above subject, which has been discussed with Inspector Leopold of the R. C. M. Police.

It was agreed that any Japanese National or other person who has made an application for repatriation, or has been included in such application by a parent, and who now wishes to apply for cancellation of such previous application, should make a written statement to that effect at the nearest R.C.H. Police office. R.C.H. Police headquarters will instruct all local offices to receive such applications for cancellation and to send them immediately to the Vancouver R.C.M. Police. Divisional Headquarters, for record purposes and any subsequent action considered necessary.

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c.c. to Mr. Pickersgill and Provincial Supervisors and Placement Officers.



Ottava, Harch 14, 1948.

## AIR HAIL

Hr. T.B. Pickorpgill,
Commissioner of Japanese Placement,
Department of Labour,
360 Homer Street,
Vancouver, B.C.

# Re: Centaro Tahara (or Tehara) Eunbor 01981.

Subsequent to your letter of February SI on the above subject, I soked Er. Truenan to ascertain the name of this chap's figures and to advise you directly.

He has now sent forward her name to me, with no indication that he sent it to you as requested. Tahara's fiances is hiss hisso Tagachi, Canadian born, date of birth July 13, 1921, living in Tashme, B.C.

As I requested in my letter of Webruary 16, I would be obliged if you would investigate this girl's record, and, if there is nothing serious, to ber detrinent, advice whether you have any objection to Tahara visiting Tashno in the near future to marry this girl and take her back Bast with him. I am postponing a reply to his letter till I hear from you.

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A. MacHanara.

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Mr. A. MacNamara, Deputy Minister of Labour, Ottawa, Ont. (Attention Mr. H.T. Pammett) J SES ME PLEASE J 1. OLE & RETURN J CAT FILE FOR MA

RE: Gentaro Tehara #01981

On February 27th you wrote me asking me to secure from the above the name of the girl whom he was expecting to marry. The name of the girl is as

Misao TAGUCHI Canadian Born Date of Birth - July 13, 1921 Living in Tashme She has lived in Canada all her life.

In 1943, along with other members of her family, she made application for repatriation to Japan. This was evidently done under her father's influence. Her father passed away in 1944, and according to Tehara's story, she is not now at all interested in wishing to go to Japan.

I trust this is the information you

desire.

follows:

G. E. Trueman Placement Officer

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P.S. Will you please let me know what the procedure should be when a Japanese National who has already asked for repatriation wishes to cancel that request. We had our first case of this kind this morning.

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EXCEPT: "In answer to our desire to cancel our application for repatriation submitted to the COUNT OF MORALES, CONSUL GENERAL of SPAIN in MONTREAM, the CONSUL replies that we ask you to write your request on this matter to him, otherwise he will not be able to take steps to notify the JAPANESE Government through MADRID and also the competent CANADIAN authorities about our wishes and he adds that he would be very glad to see through this. Will you kindly comply with the request at your earliest convenience? I'm just dying to get out of here".

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F. CHARPENTIER,

OTTAWA, Pobruary 16, 1948.

Hr. Gentaro Tohara, c/o Liountain Canatorium, Hamilton, Ontario.

Donr Hr. Tehara:

The Deputy Hinister of Justice has forwarded to this Department a copy of your letter of February 5 concerning your fiances in Tachne, B. C. This natter was referred to us since Japanese administration is under the jurisdiction of the Department of Labour.

I am obtaining the full particulars in this case from Vancouver and will get in touch with you again just as soon as possible.

Yours very truly.

HTP/YU

A. Machamara

c.c. T. Pickersgill

OTTAVA, February 14, 1945.

#### AIR MAIL

Mr. T. Pickersgill, Commissioner of Japanese Placement, Department of Labour, 360 Homer Street, Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Mr. Pickersgill:

I enclose copy of a letter received from Mr. G. Tehara of Hamilton, which was referred to us by the Deputy Minister of Justice, and a copy of my reply.

I would appreciate your views on this matter as soon as convenient. If the girl is Canadian born and her file shows nothing seriously to her detriment, there would perhaps be no harm in allowing her to marry this young man and return to Hamilton with him.

Yours very truly,

HTP/VH Encls. A. MacNamara.

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# DISTRIBUTION OF JAPANESE IN CANADA AT OCT. 31, 1944

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Interior Housing Projects 10,122 Road Camps
YUKON & NW. TERRITORIES:
ALBERTA: 3,556
SASKATCHEWAN: 158
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QUEBEC:
TOTAL EAST OF ROCKIES: 8,128
TOTAL JAPANESE IN CANADA:
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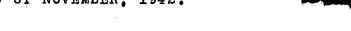
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der in Council stating that persons repatriated to enemy territory in time of war should not be allowed to retain their status as British Subjects or as Canadian Nationals

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AT THE GOVERNMENT HOUSE AT OTTAWA
THURSDAY, the 26th day of NOVEMBER, 1942.

PRESENT:



HIS EXCELLENCY

THE GOVERNOR GENERAL IN COUNCIL:

WHEREAS the Secretary of State, with the concurrence of the Secretary of State for External Affairs, reports that arrangements have been made with the Japanese Government for the repatriation of persons of Japanese race, together with their wives and minor children, from Canada to Japan in exchange for Canadian nationals and other persons repatriated from Japan and Japanese-occupied territory to Canada;

That it is possible that similar arrangements may be made from time to time with the governments of other enemy states; and

That it is undesirable that any persons so repatriated to enemy territory in time of war should be allowed to retain their status as British subjects or as Canadian nationals;

THEREFORE, His Excellency the Governor General in Council, on the recommendation of the Secretary of State, and under the authority of the War Measures Act, Chapter 206 of the Revised Statutes of Canada, 1927, is pleased to order and doth hereby order as follows:

- 1. (a) Any person who is a British subject by reason of marriage, or by reason of birth or naturalization in Canada, or by reason of the birth or naturalization of his father in Canada, and who makes application for repatriation to any country which at the time of the application is at war with Canada, shall, as from the date of his departure from Canada for repatriation, cease to be a British subject, and any person who is a Canadian national but not a British subject, who makes application for repatriation to any country which at the time of the application is at war with Canada, shall, as from the date of his departure from Canada for repatriation, cease to be a Canadian national.
- (b) The wife and minor children of any person who ceases to be a British subject by virtue of paragraph (a) of this clause, shall, if they are included in that person's application for repatriation, cease to be British subjects as from date of their departure from Canada.



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- (c) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 15 of the Naturalization Act, Chapter 138 of the Revised Statutes of Canada, 1927, a minor child of a person who ceases to be a British subject by virtue of paragraph (a) of this clause, shall not cease to be a British subject by reason only that his parent has ceased to be a British subject, unless he is included in his parent's application for repatriation and actually departs from Canada.
- 2. (a) Any person who is a British subject by reason of merriage, or by reason of birth or naturalization in Canada, or by reason of the birth or naturalization of his father in Canada, and who makes application for protection to the Protecting Power of a state at war with Canada, or who asserts allegiance to such state, or who makes application for repatriation to such a state but is not so repatriated, may, in the discretion of the Secretary of State, be deprived of his status as a British subject, and any other person who is a Canadian national and who applies for protection or repatriation as aforesaid may, at the discretion of the Secretary of State, be deprived of his status as a Canadian national.
- (b) The wife and minor children of a person who is deprived of his status as a British subject, or of his status as a Canadian national, under paragraph (a) of this clause, may, in the discretion of the Secretary of State, be deprived of their status as British subjects.
- 3. The Secretary of State shall publish in the Canada Gazette the names of all persons who have lost their status as British subjects or as Ganadian nationals by virtue of this Order in Council.

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