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360 Homer Street,
VANCOUVER. B.C.

November 18th 1947.

Mr. A. H. Brown,
Executive Assistant to the Deputy Minister,
Department of Labour,
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Re: Provincial Government attitude
to purchase of land by persons
of Japanese origin.

Merely for your information I enclose herewith
copies of correspondence indicating the official Victoria
attitude of the Provincial Government in regard to selling
land to persons of Japanese origin.

We are not appearing in this matter in any way
but I understand an Occidental is purchasing the land and
is going to re-sell it to the Japanese in question.

Incidentally, Claude MacDonald, the Government
Agent at Kaslo, has been most co-operative with us. The
decision expressed in his letter is definitely one dictated
by Victoria.

J. F. MacKINNON,
Commissioner of Japanese Placement.

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Office of Government Agent,
Kaslo, B.C. November 10th 1947.

Eddie Y. Hamakawa, Esq.
New Denver. B.C.

Dear Sir:-

With further reference to your application to purchase property described as Lots 21 to 26, Block 61, Plan 557, New Denver, we have been recently advised by the Department of Lands, Victoria, that after having carefully reviewed this application in the light of the information received from the Dominion Department of Labour they find that they are not in a position to alter their previous decision with respect to this matter.

In view of the fact that they are unable to accept your application the deposit of \$70.00 has been refunded and the Department's cheque No. 5392 in the amount of \$70.00 is enclosed herewith for your disposal.

Yours Faithfully,

SIGNED: "Claude MacDonald"

Claude MacDonald
Government Agent.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR - JAPANESE DIVISION

New Denver. B.C.
November 15th 1947.

Mr. J. F. MacKinnon, Commissioner, Dept. of Labour, VANCOUVER.

Re: Purchase of Property by Japanese.

Further to previous correspondence in this matter, Eddie Hamakawa of New Denver has now received a letter from the Government Agent at Kaslo returning his cheque for \$70.00. From this, you will see that apparently the Department of Lands at Victoria has no intention of selling any property to people of Japanese origin.

In view of the above, it would appear that the only thing left to do is to have these Lots purchased by some occidental and reconvey them to Hamakawa. This would, of course, necessitate a double registration.

We are enclosing a copy of the Government Agent's letter for your information.

(Signed) E. R. Adams

E. R. ADAMS
Supervisor

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OTTAWA, May 31, 1947.

MEMORANDUM TO: Mr. A. H. Brown

Please let me have reply for Parliament to the following question by Mr. Reid (New Westminster) which is the first one asked by him on page 1 of Votes and Proceedings of the House of Commons No. 80, May 30, 1947:

Of the Japanese entering Canada from April 1, 1939 to March 31, 1947:

1. How many had previously resided in Canada?
2. What were the numbers who entered in each year from September, 1939?
3. Of the number who previously resided in Canada, in what year did they leave Canada for duties or residence abroad or in Japan?
4. Have any citizens of Japanese origin, either naturalized or born in Canada, renounced their allegiance to Japan or the Japanese government?

to
A. MacNamara

Dept of M & R to reply in view of
form of question.
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H.T. Farnett.

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May 22, 1947

JAPANESE CANADIANS—SABOTAGE

Mr. KNOWLES:

1. Were any Canadian citizens of Japanese racial origin who were resident in Canada during the period of the war with Japan (a) charged with, or (b) found guilty of acts of sabotage? If so, how many were charged and how many were found guilty?
2. Were any persons of Japanese racial origin who were not Canadian citizens but who were resident in Canada during the period of the war with Japan (a) charged with, or (b) found guilty of acts of sabotage? If so, how many were charged and how many were found guilty?

Mr. ILSLEY:

1. (a) Not so far as the government is aware. (b) Not so far as the government is aware.
2. (a) Not so far as the government is aware. (b) Not so far as the government is aware.

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