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C O P Y

43E-269-57
43D-269-J-12

THE COMMISSIONER, R.C.M.P., Ottawa, Ontario.

Re: Imokichi KOJIMA (JR # 14067)

There has been considerable correspondence in connection with possible action to be taken against Japanese malingers in work camps or Japanese who refuse to move to employment secured for them by the B.C. Security COMMISSION, when ordered so to do, and in view of this the case of the above named is of interest.

2. This man is a Japanese National, Registration No. 14067. He was formerly a resident of Haney, B.C. and was evacuated from that point to Hastings Park Manning Pool in June 1942. From Hastings Park he was sent to Slocan where he remained until December 1942, when he was moved to Tashme to join his wife and 4 children. While at Tashme he was ordered by the B.C. Security Commission to report to their representative for employment at Beamsville, Ontario. This subject flatly refused to do.

3. In Tashme he became a source of trouble to the B.C. Security Commission, inasmuch as he refused to live with his wife and refused to support his family in any way. Considering that the interest of the authorities would be best served by making an example of this individual, the following procedure was adopted.

4. Mr. George Collins, Commissioner for Japanese Placement, this city, by the authority conferred on him by the Deputy Minister of Labour, made an Order pursuant to Order-in-Council P.C. 946, as follows:

BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION

29th March 1943.

TO:-

Imokichi KOJIMA, No. 14067, Tashme, B.C.

Pursuant to the powers and authorities conferred by Order-in-Council P.C. 946, I, the undersigned GEORGE COLLINS, Commissioner of Japanese Placement, do order and require you, the above named Imokichi KOJIMA, presently residing at Tashme, in the Province of British Columbia, to proceed by passenger train of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company from its station at Haig, in the Province of British Columbia, at time of departure of that Company's passenger train scheduled to leave Haig aforesaid, at the hour of one o'clock in the afternoon of Monday, the 5th day of April A.D. 1943 to the City of Port Arthur, in the Province of Ontario, Dominion of Canada, in accordance with instructions set forth in the permit to travel attached hereto and to report to Mr. Graham ~~PIPER~~ PIPHER at the office of the National Selective Service Board in the Customs Building, at the said City of Port Arthur.

SGD

George Collins
Commissioner of Japanese Placement.

This Order, you will note, required subject to leave Tashme on the 5th of April. Subject flatly refused to do this and Mr Collins requested prosecution be instituted by us. His letter dated April 5th is quoted hereunder.

BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION

April 5th, 1943

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Officer Commanding "E" Div.,
R.C.M.P., Vancouver, B.C.

Re: Imokichi KOJIMA # 14067

I am advised that the above named Japanese has refused to comply with my Order, dated March 29th to proceed to Port Arthur, Ontario and report to Mr. Pipher.

In view of the foregoing fact, I would appreciate if you would have your officer at Tashme take whatever steps are necessary under the P.C. Order-in-Council # 946.

SCD George Collins,
Commissioner of Japanese Placement.

6. On April 6th subject was apprehended, place in the lock-up at Hope, and an Information and Complaint was laid before Herbert Woods, Stipendiary Magistrate at Hope, as follows.:

".....that he, being a person of the Japanese race, did omit to comply with an Order in writing of George Collins, Commissioner of Japanese Placement dated the 29th day of March A.D. 1943, ordering and requiring him, the said Imokichi KOJIMA, to proceed by passenger train scheduled to leave Haig, B.C. at the hour of one o'clock in the afternoon of the 5th day of April A.D. 1943, to the City of Port Arthur in the Province of Ontario; by failing so to proceed contrary to the requirements of the said Order made pursuant to Clause 3, Subclause 7 of the Regulations made and enacted by Order-in-Council P.C. 946 under the authority of the War Measures Act, Chapter 206 Revised Statutes of Canada 1927, in such case made and provided.

7. The accused was arraigned and was remanded for 8 days, in order to give him an opportunity to obtain counsel if he wished and as he had indicated he desired. The Magistrate ordered the accused to be remanded in custody. He was consequently held in Oakalla Prison Farm until April 14th.

8. On April 14th he was brought before Magistrate Woods in Hope and was then represented by A.D. Young, Vancouver barrister. As we had previously been advised that he would be represented by counsel, Mr. Collins considered it advisable that we should be represented also and he arranged for the appearance of Mr. Guild of Locke Lane, Nicholson & Company, B.C. Security Commission's barristers.

9. Notwithstanding the information we had previously received that the case would be fought, the accused pleaded guilty. The Magistrate accepted accused's explanation that he "didn't understand" the necessity for him to obey this Order and remanded the case until 10.30 A.M. of April 21st, 1943. At that time the Magistrate wishes evidence offered him to show that the accused has reached Port Arthur, the place to which he was instructed to go, he states he will issue a bench warrant requiring the appearance of the accused before him again and will then sentence him to the maximum jail term provided for an infraction of this Order.

10. The accused consequently was escorted to Vancouver, the necessary documents were issued, and he was placed upon the 7:40 P.M. C.P.R. train that evening, destined to Port Arthur. The B.C. Security Commission telegraphed to their representative at Port Arthur showing that subject should arrive there on Monday April 19th and requesting

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telegraphic advice of his arrival so that the necessary proof could be offered Magistrate Woods on the 21st inst.

11 The news of this case has been well circularized in Tashme as an interpreter was present in the Court during the proceedings and it is believed that the proceedings will have a very good effect on the people there and will likely prevent further cases of delinquency of this nature. I attach hereto copies of Cst. Davidson's reports in this connection dated April 8th and 15th.

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As this was in the nature of a test case, the following documents were used as exhibits.:

(1) Canadian War Orders and Regulations, 1943, Vol 1, no VI, in which is contained Order-in-Council P.C. 946.

(2) Copy of a letter from the Deputy Minister of Labour, dated Ottawa March 22nd, 1943, to George Collins, Commissioner of Japanese Placement, Vancouver, authorizing him to require by Order any person of the Japanese race in any place in Canada, to proceed to any other place in Canada, at such time or in such manner as he may from time to time prescribe, pursuant to Order-in-Council P.C. 946 exercising therein all such discretions as the Deputy Minister himself might in the circumstances.

(3) Letter from Mr. Collins to the Officer Commanding this Division, requesting prosecution for the infraction of his Order made under P.C. 946.

(4) Copy of the original order served on subject, which is detailed in this report.

13 Final report in this connection will be submitted after developments of April 21st are known.

C.K. Gray Supp.,

For O.C. "E" Div. A.O.D.

JKB/G

Encl.

ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE,

OTTAWA, Ontario,

May 1st 1942.

C.3129-1-5.

CONFIDENTIAL.

Dear Doctor Keenleyside,

Re: Removal of Japanese from
Protected Areas - R.C.

Further to my letter of the 13th of
April last:

I enclose copy of a report received from
our officer Commanding in British Columbia, indicating
increasing opposition of the Wasei to the breaking up of
families in the course of evacuation from the protected
areas.

The policy in the United States is to evacuate
entire families, and my personal opinion is that our
policy of evacuating the males to WTA camps, and then
breaking up the family, is a mistake, and will lead to
increasing unrest, if not trouble, in the camps already
established.

Yours very truly,

Doctor H.L. Keenleyside,
Department of External Affairs, (Sgd) Commissioner.
OTTAWA, Ontario.

C.3129-1-5. The D.C.I.
1. To note.

STW/PLS

OTTAWA 1-5-42. (S.T. Wood)
Commissioner.

BY AIR MAIL
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Royal Canadian Mounted Police

(C. J. R.)

IN REPLY PLEASE QUOTE

DIV. FILE NO. M.J. 21 (Pt. 3).

Vancouver, B.C. April 28th,
1942.

H. Q. FILE NO.

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The Commissioner,
R. C. M. Police,
Ottawa, Canada.

Sir:

Re: Removal of Japanese from
Protected Areas - B. C.

Please refer to my airmail communication
to you under the above heading dated April 9th.

2. Evidence of organised resistance to the scheme, whereby persons of Japanese racial origin were to be evacuated from this Protected Area, continues to come to hand. It is felt at this Office that the ringleaders of this organised resistance are a fairly small group of Nisei and Naturalised Canadians who choose to call themselves the "Nisei Mass Evacuation Group". This group has made representations to the B.C. Security Commission from time to time, sometimes through Denis Murphy, a local barrister, and while those representations might appear to be reasonable, it is felt at the same time the whole movement is definitely aimed at hindering the work of the B.C. Security Commission in its task of evacuating these people from the Protected Area.

3. The consideration which has been given to this group by the members of the B.C. Security Commission does not appear in any way to have served any purpose except to harden the resistance of this group. The leaders of this group would appear to use their contact with the Security Commission for the purpose of enhancing their prestige with their Nationals, and at the same time to carry on their sinister operations for the purpose of creating trouble and arousing dissension generally. A movement of this magnitude must, of course, bring many problems which have to be overcome, and whilst consideration to individual cases is, no doubt, necessary, at the same time this should not be allowed to hamper or delay the main issue,

- 2 - B.C. Ref: M.J. 21 (Pt.3)

Re: Removal of Japanese from
Protected Areas - B. C.

namely the speedy evacuation of all members of Japanese racial origin from the Protected Area, which latter has been deemed necessary for the safety of the State. In this connection it might be noted that there are no people more astute than the average Oriental to take advantage of anything which they might consider weakness, and the troubles which have attended the evacuation might perhaps be due to a lack of firmness in handling the whole question.

4. On March 7th I communicated by airmail with you under the heading "The New Canadian" - B.C. Ref: 954/1-17, and in Paragraph 3 gave you seven names of individuals who appeared at that time to be responsible, at least in part, for the resistance to the evacuation movement. Since then it has been found that these individuals look to Bunji HISAOKA for leadership. Hisaoka is subject of a report dated April 27th, 1942 - B.C. Ref: 935-647, submitted by S/Constable Upton, being forwarded to you concurrently. For convenience a copy of this report is attached hereto.

5. HISAOKA spends a considerable amount of his time at the office of the "Continental Daily News", which is known to be the meeting place of the Nisei Mass Evacuation Group. Hisaoka is a naturalised Canadian, and it appears quite significant that he should be chosen by the Consul, Mr. KAWASAKI, to take care of the interests of Japanese Nationals here after Mr. Kawasaki's departure.

6. On April 25th sixty Canadian citizens of Japanese racial origin held a demonstration at the Immigration Detention Building, Vancouver, where they insisted on internment sooner than comply with the order of the B.C. Security Commission to leave this area. This is dealt with in a separate communication under the heading "Internment of Japanese (Other than Nationals)" - B.C. Ref: 269 G.9-1-1.

7. I wish to draw to your attention that immediately following this demonstration a mimeographed sheet appeared in the streets in the Japanese quarter, put out by the Nisei Mass Evacuation Group. While, as yet, there is no proof of it, it is strongly suspected this sheet was prepared and mimeographed in the office of the "Continental Daily News". Your particular attention is drawn to the wording of this leaflet, especially the last paragraph. It may be stated the leaflet has also appeared in the Japanese language.

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- 3 - B.C. Ref: M.J. 21.

Re: Removal of Japanese from
Protected Areas - B.C.

8. It can readily be seen that the distribution of inflammatory leaflets of this nature will only serve to aggravate the present situation, and if it can be conclusively proved that these leaflets originate from the office of the "Continental Daily News" a prosecution might be instituted. However, in view of the difficulties and the probable length of time necessary to secure such evidence, it would appear in the best interest to have this place and all other printing establishments operated by Japanese closed immediately.

9. Further, it is to be noted that all news of the many delinquents who have failed to report has been sedulously kept out of the papers, but it is not to be assumed that such facts are not known. Signs are not lacking of an undercurrent of impatience at the length of time taken to get rid of the Japanese, and yesterday there was a report of a sit-down strike which took place at the Manning Pool at Hastings Park, which was headlined by the "Daily Province" in last evening's issue. If there was any open demonstration against evacuation, and this is a grave possibility, and if the situation is not handled firmly, it can readily be seen that the public in British Columbia may be again aroused and demand immediate and speedy action by the Government.

10. I will keep you advised of developments.

CHH:11

(C.H. Hill)
Asst. Commissioner,
Commanding "E" Division.

JKB/M.

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Division File. 935-647.

ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE

Sub-Division Detachment
VANCOUVER C.I.B.Division
"E"Province
British Columbia

DATE

April 27th, 1942.

Re:

Bunji Hisaoka - (Japanese),
Vancouver, B.C.SECRETHeadquarters)
900-2Q-5.)

1. Through strictly private and confidential sources, it was ascertained that Mr Bernard, who is Agent for Mr Schwartz, Spanish Consul General at Montreal, was requested to nominate a Japanese citizen for a commission to look after the interests of Japanese Nationals.
2. Mr Bernard got in touch with Consul Kawasaki in respect to this matter, and Kawasaki put forward the name of Bunji Hisaoka, who up to recently has been the Manager of the Stanley Park Shipyards in Vancouver.
3. Mr Hisaoka is a Naturalized Canadian and his activities have been the cause of suspicion in the past and this suspicion is only heightened by his name being put forward by Consul Kawasaki for the post as it would have been assumed that a Japanese National, and not a Naturalized Canadian, would have been more fitting.
4. A point of further significance is to be attached to the fact that Consul Kawasaki, instead of telephoning Mr Hisaoka at his residence, appeared to be aware of the fact that his headquarters were now at the Office of the Tairiku Nippo (Continental Daily News).
5. The premises of this newspaper have been utilized as a kind of headquarters for the subversive elements in the local Japanese community, who are doing their utmost to hinder the work of the B.C. Security Commission in evacuating Japanese from the Protected Area. As has been pointed out in the past, Hisaoka himself, is one of the main leaders in this group.

(Sgd) (G.N.R.Upton) S/Cst

The Commissioner,
R.C.M.P., Ott wa.

Sir:

FORWARDED: In this connection please refer to my communication to you of even date under the heading "Removal of Japanese from Protected Areas" -B.C. ref. M.J.21 (Pt 3).

Vancouver
27-4-42.
JKB/M.(Sgd)
(C.H. Hall) A/Comm'r
Commanding "E" Division.

DIVISION FILE 935-647

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ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE

SUB-DIVISION DETACHMENT
Vancouver C.I.B.PROVINCE DATE
British Columbia. April 27th, 1942.

RE:

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Vancouver, B.C.

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SUB-DIVISION

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GU/LK

sgd (G.N.R. Upton) S/Cst.

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

Sir:

FORWARDED: In this connection please refer to my communication to you of even date under the heading "Removal of Japanese from Protected Areas" - B.C. ref: M.J. 21 (Pt. 3).

DIARY DATE

SET FOR

Vancouver.
27-4-42.
JKB/M.

(SGD)
(C.H. Hill) A/Comm'r.
Commanding "E" Division.

FILE NUMBERS, HEADING AND MARGINAL REFERENCE ARE TO BE PROPERLY FILLED IN.

April 25th, 1942.

Nisei:

Yesterday, 103 Canadians of Japanese origin went into internment camp opposing to the last for an ideal, for humanity and for you. To-day, 66 Canadian boys in whose veins run the blood of a proud people have given themselves up for voluntary interment as a protest against the Commission's refusal of our plan for mass evacuation in family groups. They have sacrificed themselves for the weak, women and children, and the aged. Give them credit for their daring! Take your hats off to what they have in their hearts! Be not ashamed of your tears if you weep for them! They deserve it all.

FLASH

We have just had word that Mr. Taylor of the Security Commission has gone to interview the boys at the Immigration Building. According to statement made by him, the boys have been refused detention. No definite reason was given to them for refusal.

FLASH

The boys are sitting down at the Immigration Building until they have further word from the Security Commission, and the latest news is that they have forced their way in for an interview.

NISEI MASS EVACUATION GROUP

200 to 600 Block Powell.

PC 215
4-27-42

Department of External Affairs
APR 15 1942



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

OTTAWA, April 14, 1942.

Dear Commissioner Wood:

I have received and read with regret, but not surprise, your letter of April 13, and the attached documents relating to the removal of Japanese and Japanese Canadians from the protected area of British Columbia. I fully agree with your statement that many of the difficulties now being experienced would have been completely avoided had the original recommendation for the formation of a civilian construction corps from among the Canadian Japanese been carried out. Given the background of their birth and education in Canada, it is natural and indeed inevitable that many of the Nisei should rebel against the restrictions which have been imposed upon them.

The authority of the Government must, of course, be upheld, but I deeply regret that the situation has deteriorated to the point described in your letter and its accompanying documents.

Yours sincerely,

H. R. Kumbay

Commissioner S. T. Wood,
Royal Canadian Mounted Police,
OTTAWA, Canada.



C3129-1-5



CANADA

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QUOTE No. HQS 8118-27

DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENCE
ARMY

CABLE TELEGRAPH TELEPHONE CENSORSHIP

TO: Intelligence Officer,
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OTTAWA, CANADA,

APRIL 10th 1942

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MESSAGE INTERCEPTED AT TORONTO

T S MILLS
CHIEF ENGINEER SURVEYS AND ENGINEERING BRANCH
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JASPER ALTA APRIL 7

TWO JAPANESE NATIONALS GEIKIE CAMP INCITING TROUBLE AMONGST OTHER JAPS
DONT WANT TO WORK SAY THEY PREFER INTERNMENT CAMP STOP WHAT ARRANGEMENTS
SHALL WE MAKE FOR THEIR TRANSFER STOP REPLY IMMEDIATELY

J H MITCHELL

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DISPOSITION OF MESSAGE:

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April 13, 1942.

Copy in 311-39-1.
 Amish Jap. Construction Corps.

Dr. H. L. Keenleyside,
 Department of External Affairs,
 OTTAWA, Ontario.

Dear Dr. Keenleyside:

Re: Removal of Japanese from Protected
 Area - British Columbia.-----

1. I am enclosing herewith, for
 your information, copies of:-

- (1) Communication addressed to Major A.C. Taylor
 by Assistant Commissioner Hill, dated April 8,
 1942.
- (2) British Columbia Security Commission Order
 No. 5, dated March 27, 1942.
- (3) Communication addressed to the Officer
 Commanding R. C. M. Police, Vancouver by the
 Chairman, British Columbia Security Commission,
 dated April 8th, 1942.
- (4) Communication addressed to the undersigned
 by the Officer Commanding, R. C. M. Police,
 Vancouver, dated April 9th, 1942.

2. From a perusal of these documents
 you will note that the situation, as far as the
 evacuation of the Nisei is concerned, is
 deteriorating to the extent that the prestige of
 the Police may become seriously affected.

3. It is felt that, had the
 recommendation to form a Labour Battalion under
 the Department of National Defence to absorb the
 Nisei been adopted, much of this trouble would
 have been avoided, whereas it now appears
 probable that accommodation will have to be made
 for the detention of some of these people.

Yours truly,

(S. T. Wood)
 Comm'r.

Enc.

BY AIR MAIL
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Royal Canadian Mounted Police

(C. A. B.)

IN REPLY PLEASE QUOTE

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DIV. FILE NO. M.J. 221.

H. Q. FILE NO.

Vancouver, B.C., April 9th.
1942.

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The Commissioner,
R. C. M. Police,
Ottawa, Canada.

Sir:

Re: Removal of Japanese from
Protected Areas - B. C.

1. Reference is made to my airmail communication to you of March 26th, 1942, to which was attached a list of Canadian-born Japanese who refused to comply with the order issued by the British Columbia Security Commission to entrain for Schreiber, Ontario, on March 25th.

2. On March 28th these delinquents, who had been apprehended and held in custody at the Immigration Building, Vancouver, were interviewed by Mr. Austin Taylor, Chairman of the British Columbia Security Commission, who received from them a promise to proceed to Schreiber, Ontario, on the 29th. They were part of the group numbering 132, whose departure from here I communicated to you by my telegram of March 30th. It might be stated that even though their promise had been given to Mr. Taylor, eight failed to show up, and we were told by our various Japanese contacts that those who had appeared were more or less forced to do so by their parents.

3. It was hoped that in dealing leniently with this group the Canadian-born Japanese would see fit to co-operate, and that further opposition to removal would not occur.

4. However, on April 7th a further group, numbering 271, was supposed to leave, but of that group only 96 actually left, as conveyed to you by my telegram of April 8th. Thus, we have at present a further group of 175 Canadian-born delinquents.

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Copy on C-11-19-29.
DC 1210
To: Mr. Taylor
From: Mr. Taylor
Subject: Japanese delinquents
Copy sent to Mr. Taylor
See

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B.C. Ref: M.J. 21.

Re: Removal of Japanese from
Protected Areas - B. C.

5. It was apparent at this Office that unless some drastic action were taken in respect of these people the situation would deteriorate and, possibly, get completely out of hand. With that in view, I sent a personal and urgent communication to the Chairman of the B.C. Security Commission, copy of which is attached for your information. I received a reply from the Chairman of the B.C. Security Commission, copy of which is also attached for your information.

6. You will see that the Commission decided that the delinquents should be apprehended by us under the authority of the British Columbia Security Commission Order No. 5, copy of which is attached, to be dealt with by the Commission at a later date. To date we have succeeded in apprehending 15 of these delinquents.

7. It will be understood that these Canadian-born Japanese are not amenable to discipline as are the Japanese Nationals, with whom we have experienced very little difficulty. When they fail to report for the purpose of entraining, they naturally go into hiding. We notice that their attitude is changing, and that they will resist the evacuation procedure as much as is possible.

8. These Canadian-born subjects feel that their status entitles them to preferential treatment, and, although under the scheme of evacuation they are getting preferential treatment, they are unwilling to realise it. It is true that their policy of opposition was at first inspired by a small group, but I am afraid that the insubordination is now widespread. This can best be illustrated by describing a meeting which took place day before yesterday in Vancouver, and which was covered by S/Cst. Upton.

9. At this meeting, which was attended by some 1700 persons, chiefly Nisei, speakers urged co-operation with the B.C. Security Commission and with the Police, but received a very lukewarm reception. On the other hand, when an opportunity was given one of the crowd to speak and he stated that though he was Canadian-born he had lost his radio, his camera, his boat, his automobile and his property, and was obliged to leave this area under the same conditions almost as an alien and urged the gathering to resist, he was acclaimed in a most hysterical manner.

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Re: Removal of Japanese from
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10. It is realised that the removal of such a large group of people from this area is decidedly a difficult task, and there necessarily must be some cases of injustice and some unavoidable hardships on a few of those affected. Each case of hardship, however, is made much of by the Nisei, who, unfortunately, lack both discipline and mature judgment.

11. When this movement first started, as you know, we relied to a considerable degree on a committee of Japanese composed of Mr. Morii, Mr. Nishiguchi and Mr. Nishio. The first two are naturalised Canadians, but the last named is a Japanese National. All three wield considerable influence amongst the Japanese community generally. A short time ago the Commission considered it advisable to seek the assistance of certain Nisei, and with this object in view Messrs. Shoyama, Kunio Shimizu and Miss Uchita were asked to form a committee on behalf of the Nisei. It was apparent that an appointment of this Committee, representing the Nisei, divided the Japanese community into hostile camps, and as a consequence of that the older Committee has been obliged to withdraw almost discredited in the eyes of the Japanese community. The difficulties we are now experiencing with the Nisei appear to date from that time.

12. With the open violation of constituted authority, as evidenced by the fact that two-thirds of those who were slated to go to various work camps on April 7th failed to appear, it is clearly apparent that, unless some drastic steps are taken to deal with the situation, Police prestige must necessarily suffer, and our task of enforcing the regulations made increasingly difficult.

13. I will keep you advised of developments from time to time.

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ENCLS: 3.

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(C.H. Hill)
Asst. Commissioner,
Commanding "E" Division.

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BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION

1130 MARINE BUILDING

VANCOUVER, B.C.

April 8, 1942.

Officer Commanding,
R.C.M. Police,
Vancouver.

Re detention of persons of the Japanese race:

Dear Sir:

1. We enclose herewith copies of Order No. 5, being a Bill passed by the British Columbia Security Commission providing for the detention of any person of the Japanese race who fails to obey any order to proceed to any place within or without the protected area. This Order was passed to cover any situation that might arise when people of this category refuse to report at the train to embark for points outside the protected area.
2. Under Order in Council P.C. 1665, Section 11, Sub-Section 1, this Commission has power to order the detention of any person of the Japanese race and to nominate any person to enforce the order and you are authorized by this Commission, should you see fit, to call upon the chief constable of any city or town in British Columbia as well as the Commissioner of the British Columbia Police to assist you in carrying out the order.
3. The procedure of detention was suggested by the Commission to Mr. MacNamata, Associate Deputy Minister of Labor who conferred with the Deputy Minister of Justice and with Commissioner Wood. They all agree that the procedure as suggested should be followed. At that time the advice from Colonel Straight, who is in charge of internment operations, was to the effect that there was no unoccupied accommodation in internment camps but since that time a telegram has been received by the Commission stating that accommodation for 300 was available at Petawawa, Ontario. Therefore, it is the intention of this Commission to ask that such persons who are detained for disobeying the Commission's orders be sent to Petawawa internment camp. Naturally they would be confined in the Immigration Building here until the military authorities were ready to remove them.
4. This Commission acknowledges the receipt of your letter to the Chairman this morning and has carefully noted the suggestions you put forward for consideration. We realize that the information which we have given to the Japanese from time to time through the press, by poster and in interviews with delegations has been deliberately ignored, misconstrued, or disregarded. We also realize that when these people disobey the orders of the Commission it has a tendency to

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create confusion among the different departments of Government engaged in assisting in the evacuation of these people. This is unfortunate and the Japanese in disregarding the orders of the Commission are hurting no one but themselves.

5. You realize, as does the Commission, that there is a natural resentment on the part of these people to the orders of evacuation. You will also realize that the evacuation of all persons of the Japanese race from the protected area, except in certain cases such as sickness, etc., must proceed despite opposition of groups.

6. Our present plan visualizes the placement in Alberta and Manitoba of approximately 10,000 persons and we are much concerned over the present opposition to the Commission's orders as, if this becomes known to the Provincial and local authorities in the two Provinces mentioned, we may expect opposition to accepting any of these people there. Steps have been taken by the Commission to see that this unfortunate publicity is not spread. We do, however, feel that certain wishes of the Commission must be made known to the Japanese people through the medium of the New Canadian and we are prepared to assist you in any way possible by the publication of orders through this medium.

7. Referring to suggestion No. 1 in your letter the Commission questions the advisability of following the advice tendered as there may be cases, as were drawn to our attention this morning by Mr. Moriarty, where certain Japanese volunteered to proceed to Schreiber and we are not prepared to accept the theory that all Japanese are hostile to the Commission.

8. We are in agreement with your suggestion in paragraph 2 that further meetings of Japanese be forbidden and an Order will be drawn up and forwarded to you for enforcement. Referring to paragraph 3 this Commission is prepared to take drastic measures against those who refuse to comply with its orders and is inclined to give your advice favorable consideration. It is thought, however, we should consider this matter further before making any definite ruling.

9. Paragraph 4 is a sound suggestion and we think that because there is a desire to co-operate on the part of the people who would report voluntarily their requests for time should be given reasonable consideration although we are in favor of the twenty-four hours maximum provided they can make the necessary preparations within that time. If not, they should be given further consideration.

10. Commenting on paragraph 5, we should like to leave in abeyance for the time being.

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11. In order to avoid confusion when groups are being entrained, an Order is being made by the Commission, forbidding persons of the Japanese race from entering on any dock, railway platform or building, except by permission. This Order will be drawn up at once and forwarded to you.

12. Referring back to the question of detention, where the Commission's orders have been disobeyed. It has occurred to us that as you have on file photographs and descriptions of each of the persons who have failed to report, it would be a good idea to have photostats taken of all photographs of this group and have sufficient copies made in order that each Constable of the City Police on duty in the Powell Street area, who is to some extent, familiar with the individual local Japanese, be given copies as well as lists of delinquents. The Commission is prepared to bear the expenditure in this connection and it is suggested that this procedure be followed in future cases.

Yours very truly,

(SGD) Austin C. Taylor,
Chairman,
B.C. Security Commission.

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BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION

ORDER NO. 5

WHEREAS under and by virtue of the powers conferred on the British Columbia Security Commission by orders of the Governor-in-Council P.C. 1665 and P.C. 1666 both dated the 4th day of March, 1942:

AND WHEREAS it is deemed expedient for the security and defence of Canada and for the execution of the duties of the British Columbia Security Commission for the said Commission to make Orders directing certain persons of the Japanese race to proceed to places outside the protected area;

AND WHEREAS the British Columbia Security Commission has ordered certain persons of the Japanese race to proceed to points outside the said protected area;

AND WHEREAS certain of said persons of the Japanese race, so ordered to leave the protected area to designated points, have refused to obey said Orders;

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to the authority conferred in the Commission it is ordered:-

That any person of the Japanese race who fails to obey any order of the British Columbia Security Commission directing any such person to proceed to any place within or without the protected area, shall be detained until further order of the British Columbia Security Commission.
The Officer Commanding "E" Division of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police is hereby nominated and authorized to enforce the provisions of this order.

DATED at Vancouver, B.C., this 27th. day of March, 1942.

AUSTIN C. TAYLOR

Chairman
BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION.

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VISION

R. C. M. P.

Vancouver, B.C.,
April 8th, 1942.

PERSONAL & URGENT

Major Austin C. Taylor,
B.C. Security Commission,
Marine Building,
VANCOUVER, B.C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Japanese.

The following suggestions are submitted to you as a means to overcome the trouble which we are now having with the Nisei, and it is suggested that a notice be immediately published in the "New Canadian" as follows:

1. Owing to resistance now being shown, the Commission has decided that until further notice they will, under no consideration interview or desire to contact delegations from Japanese.
2. No further meetings of Japanese will be permitted anywhere. Any persons convening such meetings will be subject to prosecution.
3. All delinquents who were to report to the train leaving C.P.R. station March 7th, 1942, are to report to R.C.M. Police at Hastings Park forthwith. Failure to comply with this order will mean that all Japanese will be confined to their houses and quarters until further orders.
4. It is apparent that there are numbers of Japanese who desire to co-operate with the Security Commission and leave the Protected Area. Such persons should report to the R.C.M. Police at Hastings Park, prepared to leave within 24 hours.
5. The 72 hour stay of departure is now cancelled, owing to non-co-operation.
2. There is no doubt whatever from reports received from R.C.M. Police contacts that unless drastic action is now taken, organised resistance will continue, and the situation will fast deteriorate, and I am, therefore, submitting the above mentioned suggestions for your consideration.

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Re: Japanese.

3. It is felt by us that the delegations of Nisei who have been interviewed by your Commission are not conveying to the Japanese people the Commission's wishes, but their own desires which are definitely not co-operative.

4. It is the considered opinion of the writer that these suggestions be given immediate and careful attention and that they be considered in the way of urgent priority over all other matters.

Yours truly,

(SGD)

(C.H. Hill) A/Comm'r.
Commanding "E" Division.

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ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE.

Ottawa, March 30, 1942.

MEMORANDUM TO:

The Director of Criminal Investigation,
R. C. M. Police,
OTTAWA, Ontario.

Sir:

Re: P.C.1665, dated March 4, 1942.

1. Para. 11 (1) reads "The Commission shall have power to-----order the detention of any such person."

2. Para. 13 reads "All departments and agencies of the Government of Canada shall assist the Government by lending to the Commission such personnel and by furnishing such medical aid, hospitalization, food, clothing, transportation, use of lands, buildings, equipment, utilities and other supplies and services as are available, and may be required by the Commission, and in particular, but without restricting the generality of the foregoing there shall be furnished to the Commission, -

(a) assistance by the R. C. M. Police----- in the segregation and concentration of such person."

3. Para. 15 "Previous penalties for failure to comply with the regulations by way of summary procedure".

4. Para. 16 indicates that if internment is desired (differentiating from detention) it should be obtained through the regular procedure under regulations 21 or 25, D.O.C.R., as the case may be.

5. From the above it will be seen that the Commission has the power to order the detention of any person of the Japanese race within the Protected Area of British Columbia. The period of time that such detention may be continued is not indicated and although possibly it is intended as a temporary measure it is presumed that detention could involve an indefinite period.

6. Nothing in the Order indicates who shall look after persons whom the Commission has ordered detained. Para. 13 (a) indicates that the R. C. M. Police shall be responsible only for the segregation and concentration of such persons but says nothing about the care of them after they are segregated and concentrated.

7. It would appear that the Commission should, after having ordered the detention of certain persons, call upon the Department of the Secretary of State, Internment Operations to supply the necessities

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of life as mentioned in and authorized by Para. 13.
The Commission, having done this, should call upon
the R. C. M. Police to detain such persons as it sees
fit and turn them over to Internment Operations for
continued detention.

D. C. Saul
(D. C. Saul) Insp.

For the Registrar General of Enemy Aliens.

DCS/GM

Ottawa 30-3-42.

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Assistant Commissioner Head,
D.C.M. Police,
Vancouver, B.C.

OTTAWA, Ontario,
March 28th 1942.

MAGNETARA HAS RECOMMENDED SETTING UP A DETENTION CAMP IN THE INTERIOR TO BE GUARDED BY THIS FORCE. I CONSIDER THIS THE DUTY OF NATIONAL DEFENSE UNDER PARAGRAPH THIRTIETH ORDER IN COUNCIL P.C. ONE SIX SIX FIVE AND WISE TO OPPOSE ABOVE SUGGESTION. EMP. HAVE THREE DETAINED ARE IN CUSTODY OF MILITARY AUTHORITIES IN INVESTIGATION SLED. I WOULD SUGGEST CHAIRMAN CERTAIN SPECIAL AUTHORITY TO ORDER INTERMENTS ABOUT FIVE PM. COUNCIL Laid OUT UNDER SECTION TWENTY-ONE DOOR. SET P. INTERMENT OPERATIONS ANYWHERE THAT THEY CAN TAKE THREE HUNDRED JAPANESE AT PETERHARA INTERMENT CAMP.

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Continuation.

Copy for information of Commissioner Wood

Ottawa, March 27, 1942.

BY AIRMAIL

Dear Major Taylor:

Confirming telephone conversation in regard to Japanese who do not carry out instructions, I have conferred with the Deputy Minister of Justice and with Commissioner Wood.

Section 11 Order in Council P.C. 1665 gives the Commission power to order the detention of any person of the Japanese race and says "any such order may be enforced by any person nominated by the Commission so to do".

Section 13, Sub-section A provides that the R. C. M. P. will give assistance in "the segregation and concentration".

The opinion is held here that the British Columbia Security Commission has authority to (a) detain, and (b) that the R. C. M. P. will control such detention.

I discussed the situation with the Honourable Mr. Mitchell and we suggest to you that the men in question be temporarily detained in Vancouver either in a building at Hastings Park or elsewhere, and that they be guarded by Mounted Police guards.

If the number of men increases some arrangement will have to be developed for putting them in a camp and your idea of using a mining camp appears to me as being excellent.

I have conferred with Col. Straight who has charge of Internment Operations, and I am advised that there is no unoccupied accommodation in the internment camps.

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Matthew
Maurice Taylor
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Therefore if there are to be Japanese detained, the British Columbia Security Commission will not be duplicating existing facilities by making its own arrangements.

As I understand it you will have about 125 men under detention by this evening.

I trust I have made the situation clear and have been helpful.

Yours very truly,

A. Macdonald,
Associate Deputy Minister.

Major Austin G. Taylor,
Chairman, E.C. Security Commission,
1130 Marine Building,
Vancouver, B.C.

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"E" DIVISION

ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE

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Vancouver, B.C. March 26th,
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**BY AIR MAIL
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The Commissioner,
R. C. M. Police,
Ottawa, Canada.

Sir:

Re: Removal of Japanese from
Protected Areas - B. C.

I attach hereto a list of Canadian-born Japanese who refused to comply with the order issued by the British Columbia Security Commission to entrain for Schreiber, Ontario, on the 25th instant.

2. These subjects are presently held by the Military Authorities in the Immigration Building, Vancouver.

CH Hill

(C.H. Hill)
Asst. Commissioner,
Commanding "E" Division.

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SERIAL NO.NAME

0323 MORISHITA, Hiroshi
 0615 NAKAGAWA Kajuo
 02525 OMORI Hiroshi
 02781 YASUZAWA Masao
 02085 MIZUYABU Hisao
 04598 MIYASHITA Saichi
 04615 NISHI Hiroshi
 04621 KITADE Tsuruo
 04677 NISHI Minoru
 04857 SAMEISHIMA Gadazuki
 05484 OHARA Shigeo
 06411 ITO Kaoru
 06534 TAHANA Tamotsu
 06583 SHIN Masaharu
 06584 SHIN Hideo
 06729 ADACHI Roy
 06922 NISHIZAKI Hideo
 06997 MATSUBUCHI Hiromu
 07472 TESHIMA Ko
 07489 KONDO Isamu
 07490 NAGATA Kinkichi
 07552 SAWADA Kazuo
 07869 TANINO Tsugio
 07888 UYEYAMA Toru
 07893 TERASHITA Kenji
 07894 WAKITA Heuchiro
 C 39 DOMAE Iwao
 08003 UYESUGI Naiochi
 08009 HAMA Akira
 08017 SHIKATANI Ryozo
 08018 SHIKATANI Hideo
 08235 OHASHI Mitsuo
 08244 MOTOTSUNE Minoru
 08410 MOTOTSUNE Masao
 08785 KAWAHARA Takayoshi
 08999 OHAMA Charlie
 09310 TOMIYAMA Tadao
 09704 IDO Chotaro
 09728 HARADA Masuhiro
 09749 YAMAMOTO Shigiru
 09753 NOSE Kozo
 09778 YAKURA Yukinobu
 ('89 MATSUMIYA Yoshitaro
 09801 SAWADA Eizo
 09832 INOUE Haruo
 09847 MAIDA Masayl
 09848 SAITO Sadaichi
 09850 KAWAGUCHI Noboru

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10321	ICHIKAWA Kazuo
10338	ICHIKAWA Iwao
10377	TANAKA Yoshio
10382	KADOWAKI Tadashi
10408	SUGIHARA Hajime
10415	NAKAMOTO Tsuneji
10452	KURAHASHI Satoru
10458	KANAYA Jiro
10526	HAMASAKI Hiroshi
10636	SAKAMOTO Sueshiro
10660	UYEDE Masami
10766	TERASHITA Kenichi
10784	MACHIDA Take
10796	MACHIDA Teru
10874	KAMAI Kazuzasu
10906	NAKATA Goshio
10918	HAMANO Kaow
10945	MAYEDA Yoshio
11090	SHINYA Shizuo
11117	HONKAWA Kinichi
11139	SHINYA Masaichi
11164	IKEGAMI Kinya
11165	IKEGAMI Hidehiro
11246	ADACHI Hiroshi
11326	NAGANO Frank Terumaro
11325	OGINO Yoshio
11479	IKEDA Hiroshi
11432	NAKAMOTO Kajuo
11596	ONO Hideyasu
10430	HIRANO Keiichiro
12157	NASU Minoru
12114	TERASHITA Susumi
12042	OYE Masai
10267	ISHII Geo.
11866	KAWAGUCHI Yoshu
07892	TASAKA Koji

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Assistant Commissioner Mead,
R.C.M. Police,
Vancouver, B.C.

OTTAWA, Ontario,
March 27th 1942.

REFERENCE TELEPHONE CONVERSATION. JUSTICE DEPARTMENT ADVISES THAT COMMISSION HAS AUTHORITY UNDER PARAGRAPH ELEVEN ORDER IN COUNCIL P.C. ONE SIX SIX FIVE TO DETAIN AND DEAL WITH PRESENT SITUATION. REFER TO PARAGRAPH THIRTEEN 'C' WHEREBY NATIONAL DEFENCE MAY BE CALLED UPON TO PROVIDE HOUSING ETC.

S.T. Wood.

Charge R.C.M.P. Hqrs Acct.
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Commissioner.

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Confidential. The Deputy Minister of Justice.

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OTTAWA, 27-3-42.

(S.T. Wood)
Commissioner.

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ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO BE ADDRESSED:-
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R.C.M. POLICE
OTTAWA



ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE
OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER
OTTAWA

March 27th 1942.

REF. NO. C.11-19-2-9.

URGENT.

CONFIDENTIAL.

Dear Mr St Laurent, Re: Japanese.

1. In connection with the movement of one hundred Japanese from Vancouver to Schreiber, Ontario, to work on the Trans-Canada Highway:

2. A member of the British Columbia Security Commission telephoned me yesterday afternoon that of this party of one hundred who were to have taken the train on the evening of the 25th, eighty-five refused to board the train. This party was made up entirely of British subjects, of Japanese racial origin, who were born or naturalized in Canada. The eighty-five were arrested yesterday and confined in the Immigration Shed. They were given until 5 o'clock last evening to divulge the names of the instigators of this action, and at that hour refused to do so.

3. It was explained to me that the Commission considered that any prosecutions and mass appearance in court would give a bad impression to the public, and further complicate the efforts of the Commission in evacuating the Nisei (British subjects) from the protected area.

4. I was asked if a blanket Order for Internment could be issued for the whole eighty-five Japanese, in order that they might be moved at once to the Internment Camp, as such action would probably have a beneficial effect on the remaining Japanese males, and it is considered that this action is necessary immediately, before any further evacuation could be ordered.

5. I informed the member of the Commission that I would put the matter before you at once, and instructed him that in the interval the names of the eighty-five Japanese were to be obtained and forwarded by air mail.

6. May I have your instructions, please.

Yours faithfully,

S.T. Wood
(S.T. Wood)
Commissioner.

The Honourable Louis St Laurent, K.C., M.P.,
Minister of Justice,
OTTAWA, Ontario.

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