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REPLY ATTENTION OF MR.

TELEPHONES PACIFIC 2348
PACIFIC 2349

430-33 Rogers Building
470 Granville Street
Vancouver, B.C.

April 6th, 1942.

Major Austin Taylor,
1017 Marine Bldg.
VANCOUVER, B.C.

Dear Sir:-

The writer is enclosing a list of certain Japanese presently residing in the City of Vancouver. These men represent a Committee of the naturalized Japanese and the writer has been working with this Committee in an effort to have the wishes of your Commission explained to the naturalized Japanese Community here. We are assured the Community has confidence in these men and think that it would be most helpful if they be permitted to stay in Vancouver. To that end we are enclosing a list of the Committee and hereby respectfully request that they be given a two weeks' extension so that they might remain here and work with the writer in an effort to carry out the wishes of your Commission as easily as possible.

Yours very truly,

MURPHY & MURPHY,

Per: Denis Murphy

DM/T.
Encl.

1. Zenichi William Kinoshita
2. Yoriki Iwasaki
3. Shigeru Yasuura
4. Takaichi Umezuki
5. Masao Kashino
6. Shinya Yoshida
7. Ryuichi Yoshida
8. Hajime Tsuchiya
9. Seiichi Yoshida
10. Tamekichi Miyacuhi
11. Shotaro Yamagami
12. Yujiro Yasuda
13. Sukezaemon Arakawa
14. Tomekichi Nasu
15. Shozo Tani
16. Yuji Shimasaki
17. Kanematsu Nagami
18. Susumu Homma
19. Kohei Usui
20. Kamekichi Tsujiuchi
21. Yoshio Nakawawa
22. Nobuichi Yamaoka
23. Tadasu Ide

X BUNJI, HISAOKA
TAKEJIRO ODE
TOKUJIRO TAKENAKA
KANICHI MATSUBAYASHI

who got 10 days extension

Due all 5/42

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April 4th, 1942.

Major Austin Taylor,
1017 Marine Bldg.
VANCOUVER, B.C.

Dear Sir:-

We have been requested by the Committee representing the naturalized Japanese of Vancouver and vicinity to submit the following proposals to you.

We are also authorized to advise you that the Nisei Council has also approved these proposals.

Yours very truly,

MURPHY & MURPHY,

Per:

DM/T.
Encl.

In reviewing the plans released by the B.C. Security Commission, we find that an estimated five thousand, five hundred and seventy-seven persons, comprising of women, old-aged men and invalids and children under the age of 16 years, have no definite place of evacuation.

We are informed that the B.C. Security Commission has pending plans for the rehabilitating of the so-called "ghost towns" to absorb a large number of persons. We respectfully request that these plans be extended, if possible, to absorb the whole of the above-mentioned population.

Should the B.C. Security Commission see fit to adopt this above-mentioned plan, we are fully prepared to assist in any capacity the reconstruction of the said towns.

But as far as possible we urge that our dependents be moved prior to the adult male population, for the following reasons:

1. To have adequate help to ensure speedy evacuation.
2. To reduce to a minimum the hardhsips and inconveniences resulting from the absence of help.

His character, his past record, and his principles make it impossible for us to accept Etsuji Morii, Chairman of the Japanese Committee, as the leader of the community and the guardian of our families during the period of separation. Neither do we deem it advisable to leave him in any position wherein he can control the welfare of future Japanese community which may be established in the said towns.

We request that the administration of the said towns and the newly formed Japanese community which will occupy therein be left in the hands of a democratically elected executive consisting of first and second generation Japanese.

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April 9th 1942.

Denis Murphy, Esq.,
Barrister &c.,
470 Granville St.,
VANCOUVER, B.C.

Dear Sir:

1. This will acknowledge receipt of your several letters of April 6th. Since that time, we have discussed the matters referred to and have come to some verbal arrangements in regard to same. This letter is written by way of acknowledgment only.

Yours very truly,

F.J. Mead, Commissioner,
B.C. Security Commission.

FJM/DR

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April 13th, 1942

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Captain Jenkins,
C/O B.C. Security Commission
Marine Building
VANCOUVER, B.C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Japanese Evacuation

We herewith enclose list of the Japanese evacuees which you were kind enough to lend us on Saturday, and of which we have made copies.

When we consulted Inspector Mead in connection with the fact that our committee would endeavour to look after as many evacuees as possible to see that they left, we requested that when the lists were sent to us that the names and addresses of the people supposed to go should be given to us. It is almost impossible for our committee to check the addresses of each of these men, as many of them live in rooming houses, and unless are personally known to the committee, there is practically no way for us to find out where they live, so we can contact them. Our committee worked over the weekend endeavouring to trace each man, and find it exceedingly difficult to do so.

If it will shorten the work at all, we are not so concerned with the registration numbers, but simply with the names and addresses. Could you kindly see that this information is given to the writer in the future.

Yours truly,

MURPHY & MURPHY

Per.

DM:FR
Enclosure

5 sheets CSC
There from please
received with
return comments on
your any
copy

11/1/42
to
Mr. Davis - mail John
1:0 pm.

HASTINGS PARK CLEARING STATION — Sheet No. 1.

TRANSFERRED TO TAFT WORK CAMP — April 10, 1942.

BY LABOR DEPARTMENT

J. R. NO.	NAME	DATE TO LEAVE
00468--C.B.	OHASHI Seizo	11-4-42.
01056--C.B.	SAKANARI Shinichi	11-4-42.
02550--C.B.	NISHI Mamoru	11-4-42.
02627--C.B.	TANAKA Haruo	11-4-42.
03770--C.B.	MAIKAWA Takeo	11-4-42.
06559--C.B.	NAKAO Masaru	11-4-42.
07072--C.B.	FUJINO Tomoe	11-4-42.
07780--N.C.	KOZAI Tomisaburo	11-4-42.
08106--C.B.	TAKAHASHI Masao	11-4-42.
08214--C.B.	YAMAMURA Suteo	11-4-42.
08240--C.B.	TAHARA Noboru	11-4-42.
08332--C.B.	YAMASHITA Tsutomo	11-4-42.
08362--C.B.	TSUIDA Mitsuyoshi	11-4-42.
08394--C.B.	ONISHI Eiichi	11-4-42.
09626--C.B.	MATSUDA Masashi	11-4-42.
09303--C.B.	TSUJI Tozaburo	11-4-42.
09723--C.B.	MACHIDA Haruo	11-4-42.
09759--C.B.	WATANABE J.	11-4-42.
09814--C.B.	AIDA Joe	11-4-42.
10405--C.B.	WAKABAYASHI Chuzo	11-4-42.
11777--C.B.	HINATSU Yoshinori	11-4-42.
12061--C.B.	KIMOTO Tsutomu	11-4-42.

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TRANSFERRED TO SOLSQUA WORK CAMP

01855--N.C.	YOSHIDA Ryuichi	11-4-42.

TOTAL 1

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TRANSFERRED TO THREE VALLEY WORK CAMP — April 10, 1942.

BY LABOR DEPARTMENT

J. R. NO.	NAME	DATE TO LEAVE
00341--C.B.	IKEDA Teruhiko	13-4-42.
00553--N.C.	SONODA Hiroji	"
00795--N.C.	MIYASAKA Masao	"
00839--	MIYASAKA Henry Makiji	"
01090--C.B.	NISHIMURA Sadao	"
01795--C.B.	MUKAI Masaharu	"
02190--C.B.	SAIGA Sakaru	"
02208--C.B.	NISHIMURA Ichiro	"
02362--C.B.	ONO Yasuhiro	"
02361--N.C.	HAMA Seitaro	"
02451--N.C.	YAMAMOTO Yonezo	"
02500--N.C.	TAKENO Takeji	"
02907--C.B.	KURAHASHI Yoneji	"
03257--C.B.	NARUSE Masaki	"
03700--C.B.	TANABE Kiyoshi	"
03707--C.B.	HAYASHIDA Tomio	"
04026--C.B.	HAMANISHI Hiroichi	"
04122--C.B.	YODOGAWA Mitsuru	"
04180--	OKANO Tadashi	"
04252--C.B.	MORIZAWA Shigeo	"
04393--C.B.	MORIZAWA Chiyoichiro	"
04502--C.B.	NAKATSU Wataru	"
04674--C.B.	HAYASHIDA Hideo	"
04748--C.B.	NAKATSU Yoshikazu	"
04786--C.B.	KURAHASHI Yasuo	"
04788--N.C.	ITO Heizo	"
04939--N.C.	NISHIOKA Eijiro	"

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HASTINGS PARK CLEARING STATION — Sheet No. 2

TRANSFERRED TO THREE VALLEY WORK CAMP — April 10, 1942.

BY LABOR DEPARTMENT

J. R. NO.	NAME	DATE TO LEAVE
05534--C.B.	SHIMIZU Yoshiharu	13-4-42.
05605--C.B.	MAEDA Toshimatsu	"
05815--C.B.	FURUYA Takeo	"
06307--C.B.	FURUYA Minoru	"
06679--C.B.	TAMOTO Saichi	"
07702--N.C.	MIZOBUCHI Ushikichi	"
07827--C.B.	OBAYASHI Hatsuzo	"
07935--C.B.	TSUJI Toru	"
08817--N.C.	ONODERA Kayou	"
11405--C.B.	SAITO Akira (Victor)	"

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TRANSFERRED TO TAFT WORK CAMP

BY LABOR DEPARTMENT

Sheet No. 1

April 10, 1942.

J. R. NO.	NAME	DATE TO LEAVE
01926--C.B.	KITADE Shegeo	13-4-42.
03089--C.B.	TEHARA Shiro	"
03350--C.B.	NASU Katsumi	"
03432--C.B.	OYE Yasuo	"
03439--C.B.	NAKATANI Takao	"
05501--C.B.	HASHIMOTO Takaichi	"
05806--C.B.	NAGAI Teruo	"
06504--C.B.	NIKINA Masao	"
06698--C.B.	KAWANAMI Masao	"
07074--C.B.	TAKAHASHI Hisao H.	"
07082--C.B.	FUJINO Itsuki	"
08436--C.B.	KAWASAKI Shigeo	"
08459--C.B.	TANAKA Sadao J.	"
08711--N.C.	AKUNE Sanshiro	"
10731--N.C.	SATO Tomizo	"
11385--C.B.	UYESUGI Kiyoshi	"
11426--N.C.	NAGATOSHI Masahei	"

TOTAL 17

April 15th, 1942

MEMORANDUM FOR THE B.C. SECURITY COMMISSION

As you know, the Naturalized Canadian Citizens' Committee is the executive group of Canadian citizens of Japanese origin, who are resident in the protected area and naturalized in Canada. The Committee's sole purpose and objective, and the reason for its existence, is to cooperate with the Commission in dealing with the evacuation of persons of Japanese origin. The Committee is most anxious to cooperate as efficiently as possible with the Commission, so that its people may be moved with the least difficulty and, as far as possible, with the least inconvenience to the poeple who have to go.

The Committee through its experience as it has functioned up to date, knows that there is a very great feeling of uncertainty amongst those who must evacuate, and there are a great number of unfounded rumours which are circulating, and which the Committee, at the moment is not able to eliminate, because the Committee itself has not the necessary information. This situation is hampering the Committee's efforts to cooperate with the Commission, and it is for the sole purpose of assisting the Commission that the following information is requested:

1. If a Japanese, being a naturalized citizen, wishes to leave and look for work, and has the necessary finances, can he do this himself, or must he obtain permission from the Commission, and must he also obtain the permission of any authorities at the place where he wishes to go.

2. If the persons who should have gone and have not done so can finance their own going, could they go voluntarily, or must they first report here.

3. If a person has already been told to go, but the day for his departure has not arrived, and he is capable of financing his own departure, can he do so and leave before the date of departure, and can he take his family. Are there approved localities where Japanese, represented by the Committee, can go voluntarily, taking their families with them, and if so, could the Committee have a list of these localities, and be given general information as to housing and educational facilities. As can be seen, the Committee wishes to know exactly what restrictions of movement there are upon the people they represent, either moving from the protected area, or at the place to which they move.

4. Are the Japanese now in road camps allowed to move and get a job elsewhere, if one is offered to them, so long as it is outside the protected area, and could they take their families to the new place, if they can make the necessary financial arrangements.

5. The Committee understands that if a person is working, for instance, at a wheat farm, and he is found unfit for such work, then the Commission finds other employment more suitable for him. The Committee presumes that if a man cannot do the work assigned to him, after trying it out, the Commission permits him to move elsewhere to a place where he can obtain suitable employment, or attempts to find such employment for him.

6. The Committee finds that the conditions under which the Japanese people live, once evacuated, are unknown to themselves and to the Community, and this lack of

information is a great source of rumour and has caused an unsatisfactory feeling amongst the Community. The Committee is most anxious to clarify this situation, as far as possible, and would like to know:

(a) If men are employed in road camps, are they entitled to Workmen's Compensation, or is it correct that a charge will be made for medical care, and each man entitled to free medical aid if he becomes ill? If a charge is to be made, can we know the approximate amount of it?

(b) Are these men covered by unemployment insurance, and particularly under what category?

7. The Committee would like to know how much personal and household effects a family can take with them when they are evacuated, and approximately when the family evacuation is to start.

8. In view of the desire of the Committee to work as efficiently as possible with the Commission, and believing that they can be of assistance to the Commission, the Committee respectfully wishes the Commission to consider the following requests:

(a) Is it possible to have Japanese nationals evacuated before Japanese Canadian citizens?

(b) Is it possible to have the helpers at Hastings Park, or at any other places here where they are required, chosen from Japanese Canadian citizens, whether naturalized or Canadian born, instead of nationals?

(c) Could selected members of the Committee be permitted from time to time to visit Hastings Park, and explain the decisions made by the Commission and the general action taken, to

the persons there, and hold meetings there for that purpose? The names of these members would, of course, be given to the Commission first.

(d) If persons over the age of sixty do not wish to go to work camps, would they be allowed to go with the women and children?

(e) If families exist with a number of small children, would it be possible to have the grandfather go with the women and children?

(f) If an emergency arises, such as a wife or child becoming dangerously ill, will the husband be permitted to see them?

(g) Would it be possible for a place to be provided at Hastings Park, where families can see each other when it is too wet to remain outside?

I'm from Health - Up to doctor / Yes / Yes / Yes

This is being attended to ✓

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April 15th, 1942

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British Columbia
Security Commission

Inspector Mead
C/O B.C. Security Commission
Marine Building
VANCOUVER, B.C.

Dear Sir:

Over the weekend the Committe that the writer represents had frequent meetings both alone, and with the writer. There seems to be a great anxiety to clear up certain points that they are not quite familiar with. The writer feels it would be most helpful if these points could be cleared up, and we enclose a memo of the questions which they woule like answered.

If you would be so gracious as to answer these questions, or have one of your staff answer them, the writer is sure that we can be of very much greater service to you.

We trust this will be done at your early convenience. The substance of the enclosed memorandum was given to Mr. Denis Murphy the day before yesterday, but unfortunately, he was unable to dictate it before having to leave for Ashcroft. As a result, a delay has occurred, and the Committee is most anxious to obtain a reply at the earliest possible moment. We would, therefore, be very much obliged if a reply can be obtained as soon as possible.

Yours truly,

MURPHY & MURPHY

Per. Paul D. Murphy.

PDM:FR
Enclosure

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April 16, 1942.

Paul D. Murphy, Barrister,
470 Granville St.,
City.

Dear Mr. Murphy:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 15th instant to which was attached a memorandum on the evacuation of the Japanese for the Commission. We discussed the points raised in the memorandum at our meeting this morning and this letter is by way of acknowledgment of yours only.

Yours sincerely,

Austin C. Taylor,
Chairman, B. C. Security Commission

ACT/JM