## **LESSON 4** HANDOUT 4.3 FROM INTERNMENT TO EXILE

In the Spring of 1945 the federal government required Japanese Canadians still in internment camps to make a difficult choice: they could (1) be deported to Japan or (2) accept displacement to Eastern Canada. Returning to their former homes in British Columbia was not an option. Federal officials did not want to risk alienating large numbers of British Columbia voters who hoped that Japanese

Canadians would never return. Also, their houses, businesses, and farms had been sold. So, the government demanded that Japanese Canadians choose where they would go. Review **Source 4.8 Notice for Dispersal**, then complete the chart below following instructions from your teacher.

Post War Options	Family and Individual Considerations
Option 1: Relocate to Japan	
Option 2: Relocate east of the Rocky Mountains	
My choice:	