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KHALSA DIWAN SOCIETY

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SUNDAY, APRIL 23, 1989 : 3:00 P.M.

AGENDA

1. WELCOME OF SPECIAL GUEST : HUGH JOHNSTON AND PRESIDENTS OF OTHER SOCIETIES.
2. MINUTES ARISING FROM LAST MEETING OF APRIL 4, 1989
PROGRESS REPORT.
3. DISCUSS ACTIVITIES PLANNED (SEE HAND OUT) AND
REVIEW THE PLANNING PROCESS. DATES TO BE FINALIZED
4. PRESIDENT TO REPORT THE SOCIETIES WHICH
WILL PARTICIPATE FROM ACROSS CANADA.
5. FORMAT OF PRESS RELEASE TO MEDIA AND OTHER
SOCIETIES.
6. BUDGET FOR THE PROJECT, CORRESPONDANCE OF THE PROJECT.
7. SOUVENIRS FOR THE EVENT
8. BANNER ON PLANE
9. APPROACH DEPT. OF NATIONAL DEFENCE TO HAVE
A CRUISER TO GIVE 21-GUN SALUTE
10. MONUMENT AT PIERA / GURDWARA
11. PROCLAMATION
12. ANY OTHER MATTERS.

PROPOSAL BY THE KHALSA DIWAN SOCIETY, VANCOUVER **TO COMMEMORATE THE KOMAGATA MARU INCIDENT**

1) MAJOR FUNCTION AT PIER A (SITE AT WHICH THE KOMAGATA MARU WAS ANCHORED), AND AT THE GURDWARAS

A) SET DATES.

B) APPROACH FEDERAL, PROVINCIAL, AND MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENTS TO PARTICIPATE IN UNVEILING A MONUMENT/PLAQUE.

C) ASK GOVERNMENTS TO DECLARE KOMAGATA MARU DAY AND UNVEIL PERMANENT SOUVENIRS SUCH AS STAMPS, ETC.

D) INVITE DIGNITARIES AND MEDIA.

E) HAVE A DEBATE IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS ON THE INCIDENT.

2) EDUCATING THE PEOPLE OF CANADA REGARDING THE KOMAGATA MARU INCIDENT.

A) SET DATES FOR SPECIAL EVENTS

B) HISTORICAL PRESENTATION IN ENGLISH AT A SITE OTHER THAN THE GURDWARA, BY NOTED HISTORIANS SUCH AS HUGH JOHNSON, TED FERGUSON, AND OTHERS. PUBLISH AND DISTRIBUTE ARTICLES

C) HISTORICAL PRESENTATION IN PUNJABI AT THE GURDWARA BY NOTED HISTORIANS. PUBLISH AND DISTRIBUTE ARTICLES

D) APPROACH TV, RADIO, AND NEWSPAPERS TO PRESENT DOCUMENTARIES ON THE INCIDENT.

1)CBC (JOURNAL, NATIONAL NEWS,PACIFIC REPORT)

2)CTV (NEWS, CANADA AM)

3)CKVU

4)MAJOR RADIO STATIONS

5)THE GLOBE AND MAIL

6)THE MACLEAN'S MAGAZINE

7)THE TIMES

8)NEWSWEEK

9)THE VANCOUVER SUN

10)THE PROVINCE

11)THE EDMONTON JOURNAL

12)THE OTTAWA CITIZEN

13)THE VICTORIA COLONIST

14)THE MONTREAL TIMES

15)THE TIMES LONDON

3) DONATIONS TO THE FOOD BANKS.

A) SET DATES

B) HAVE RELIGIOUS AND OTHER INSTITUTIONS MAKE DONATIONS OF FOOD TO THE FOOD BANKS IN MEMORY OF THE TWO MONTHS OF STARVATION THAT THE PASSENGERS HAD TO GO THROUGH IN VANCOUVER. HAVE A DAY OF FASTING TO REMEMBER THE INCIDENT.

MINUTES APRIL 23 3:30-6:00 PM.

- 1) INTRODUCTION OF HUGH JOHNSTON AND OTHER GUESTS
- 2) S. SANGHERA - talked about the Food Bank Donations.
- 3) S. Malhi - mentioned about having non-perishable goods.
- 4) B. Grewal - talked about distributing food on July 23
- 5) P. Anilakh - gave brief description of the Komalati
Mare Incident in Punjab
- 6) H. Seehra - No representation from the Indian Government
should be there.
- 7) B. Grewal - invite and inform other organization of
Indo-Canadian background.
- 8) Send copies of all the letters to the other 3
Gurdwaras in the lower Mainland.
- 9) Press conference will be called for Monday May 22
at 10:00 a.m. downstairs.
- 10) Food bank dates to be July 9 to 16
- 11) Encouraged Hugh Johnston to reprint his book.

Items for Next meeting

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| ✓ | 1) Order pictures 14 of 20 x 30
5 of 5 x 7 | P. Anilakh |
| X | 2) Order of Pakhtra | P. Anilakh |
| ✓ | 3) Letter to Mayor Campbell | K. Neel |
| | 4) Publish article English | K. Neel / H. Johnson |
| | 5) " " Punjabi | R. Neel |
| ✓ | 6) Letter to media / Gurdwaras | K. Neel |
| ✓ | 7) Mail letters and address | P. Anilakh |
| | 8) Inquire about anchor and monument | S. Sanghera |
| | 9) Clarify about payments. | Committee |
| | 10) Arrange meeting with Mae Sahota | G. Neel |
| | 11) " " " John Fraser | R. Pooni |
| ✓ | 12) Speak at Gurdwaras | |
| ✓ | 13) Letter to armed forces | K. Neel |
| ✓ | 14) Letter to Doubleday Publishing re Book | P. Anilakh |
| ✓ | 15) Pricing for book | S. Malhi |
| | 13) Design button | |

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April 23, 1989

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- 2 Bupam S. Dhillon 325-8671 =
- 3 Hari S. Seehra 581-5771 K. S. D. N. Lal Singh
4. Jai Singh Kalli SE 1-4907. Gurm Kaur Singh Temple D. S.
5. Kekar Singh Bains 581-2436. " " "
6. Nagrah Kohnen 987-1849 Simon Fraser University
- 7 PRITHAM SINGH AULAKH 263-0047
- 8 Sewa Singh DHATT 271-6993
- 9 GURNAM SINGH POONI 325-3668
- 10 SUKHMINDER S. GREWAL 826-4426
- 11 BALWINDER SINGH GRIMAL 852-2626 } 854-1165
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