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The Immigration Agent,

Vancouver, B.C.,

Dt. 9- 7- 14

No.69:

Sir:-

We, the undersigned members of the Committee of the passengers of s.s. KOMOGATA MARU, beg to request you very meekly and humbly that we requested you yesterday twice, about water and provisions, but we have got no answer.

We are starving from three days for want of provisions.

We again request you that you may please take an immediate step to provide us with water and provisions very soon.

We shall be highly obliged to your this act of kindness.

Yours truly,

Sgd. (By five members of Committee.)

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Vancouver, B.C., July 8th 1914.

Dear Sir:-

As ordered by you, I went to the Komogata Maru and questioned Dr. Raugnath Singh with regard to his complaint and he informed me that the passengers were mad at him for wanting a Board of Enquiry when they themselves had all waived the right to one. He told me that while attempting to come to the gangway to speak to the patrol boat, he has been forcibly caught hold of and returned to his cabin; also that his sword, which he had with him, had been confiscated by them. On asking him he thought were the ringleaders in this matter he informed me that they were the same people as usual.

I then called down Amir Mohamed Kahn and asked him what the trouble was about. He informed me that the Doctor had been paid by Gurdit Singh for his return passage, second-class, to India, in the Empress of Japan, and that he had recently heard that the Doctor had laid claim to having a Board of Enquiry regarding his being allowed to land in this country, and therefore considered that this money should be returned to him (Gurdit Singh). I asked him why it was that the passengers were against the Doctor, and he also told me that it was because the Doctor claimed a Board of Enquiry, whereas each of them had waived the right.

Dalgit Singh then came down the gangway and read out a rough draft of a letter regarding this fare that had been paid to the Doctor for his return passage, in which he stated that upon this money being returned to Gurdit Singh, Dr. Raugnath Singh would be allowed down.

I do not think that the Doctor is in any immediate danger, but he is at present locked up in his cabin without food and no means of obtaining any.

Yours very truly,

Malcolm R.J. Reid, Esq.,
Dom. Imm. Agent,

Sgd. H. W. Gwyther,
Hindu Interpreter.

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The Immigration Agent,
Vancouver, B. C.,
Dt. 8 - 7 - 14.

Sir:-

We, the passengers of the s.s. Komogata Maru, beg to request that we may kindly be allowed to land on the following condition, if possible:

We are all willing to go on farming in Alberta, or any other place where the Benign Government can grant a piece of land to cultivate, being British subjects.

We accept all the conditions which the Immigration authorities may want to apply in any ones case, who does not work on farms according to this.

Will you kindly be so good as to forward this humble petition to the proper authorities with your kind recommendations.

Expecting a favourable result, we most cordially thank you in anticipation.

We beg to remain,

Your most obedient servants.

Signed Members of Committee,

Komogata Maru.

(Five signatures).

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The Immigration Agent,
Vancouver, B. C.
6 - 7 - 14

Sir:-

I have the honor to inform you that we have neither provisions nor water on the Board. Our provisions ran short from this morning and the water too shall be finished tomorrow.

I request you, therefore, that you may please arrange to send the both things today.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Sgd. Dalgit Singh,

Secretary to Charterer.

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The Immigration Agent,
Vancouver, B. C.

Sir:-

We are informed by Dr. Ragnuath Singh that you want us to write to the Mayor of the City about provisions etc.

We beg to say, kindly forward our petition sent to you, to the Mayor and arrange very soon.

We are, yours truly,

Signed members of Committee (5)