

C O P Y:

Vancouver, B. C., July 18th 1914.

Col. RDEL/EC.

Malcolm R. J. Reid, Esq.,

Dominion Immigration Agent & Inspector,

C I T Y:

Sir:

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your communication of this date, in which you request the loan of thirty-four Ross Rifles, to be used by special officers of your Department, who have all the powers of special constables, in connection with the s.s. KOMOGATA MARU, now lying in Vancouver Harbour.

I note ~~that~~ the request is known to Ottawa, and that you are ~~asking~~ making the request on the advice of counsel for the Department and with the sanction of Mr. H.H. Stevens, M.P. for Vancouver.

I have telephoned to Col. Roy officer commanding this district, for permission to grant your request, and he has given me authority to do so. On receipt of an acknowledgment from you, I will instruct the Adjutant of my regiment to hand over the rifles.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Sgd. R. G. Edwards Leckie,

Lt. Col.

Officer Commanding 72nd. Seaforth Highlanders.