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Deputy Minister of the Interior.

Ottawa, Ont.

Dear Sir,

I beg to enclose herewith copies of an article appearing in the "Vancouver Daily Province" of even date, regarding a Mohammedan named H. RAHIM.

In this connection I might say that the facts concerning this man are as follows:- He was a passenger on the "M.S. Moana" from Honolulu, and arrived at this port in January last. On being questioned, he stated that he was destined for Montreal in connection with some business which he had to transact there, after which he was to go to Boston and New York, eventually to India after visiting the Old Country. On this statement, which was borne out by the fact that he held transportation to Montreal, he was permitted to land as a tourist. I did not see anything of him until the month of May last, when I came across him in this City, and was surprised to learn that he had returned. In the course of conversation I understood from him that he was leaving for Honolulu by the out-going Australian boat, which was to have sailed within a couple of days. I did not see him again until the beginning

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of this month, and it was then that I learned he had taken over the Managing-Directorship of the Canada-India Supply and Trust Co., Ltd. Mr. R. Thompson Tinn - his predecessor - having resigned at the request of the Directors, who were not in favor of a white man being at the head of affairs.

I informed Mr. RAHIM that he would have to secure the permission of the Immigration Dept. to remain in this country, and to that end, I directed him to call and see Mr. MacGill, which he did not do until a letter was sent to him asking him to do so.

Mr. Mac Gill explained to him that it would be necessary to apply for permission to remain in this country, which could no doubt be secured from the Immigration Dept. at Ottawa. The facts were reported to Headquarters, and a letter received to the effect that Mr. RAHIM was in Canada illegally, and liable to deportation, but that the Dept. had not decided the course to pursue. This information was conveyed to Mr. RAHIM in a letter, the outcome of which is the recent article and telegrams sent to the different Governments

I beg to enclose also a copy of the "Swadesh Savak #6" for the month of June 1910.

Yours obediently,

(Sgd) Wm. C. Hopkinson.