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[James B. Harkin, Private Secretary to the Minister of the Interior, to William W. Cory, Deputy Minister of the Interior]

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Vancouver Hotel,
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Private:

Dear Cory,

Hopkinson has reported to you the departure per S.S. Empress of Japan of 20 Sikhs for the Orient among them Kesia Singh and Chanda Singh, members of Teja Singh's committee.

As you are aware Tarak Nath Dass (or the military school) and other leaders have recently been having conferences here and at Seattle. It is said they have evolved a scheme to defeat our prohibiting C.O. and that the 20 will return with their families but that can be dealt with later. I write now to suggest that the Indian authorities should be notified of the departure of the two committee members. If the outfit is engaged in seditious work the committee men are likely to mix up in India with recognized leaders of the movement there, and if they do the Indian authorities with the facilities at their disposal might be

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