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ACTIVITIES PLANNED TO COMMEMORATE THE KOMAGATA MARU INCIDENT IN 1989

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

A) DATE: SUNDAY JULY 23, 1989 AT 2:30 P.M. (TENTATIVE) AT PIER A.

SUNDAY JULY 23, 1989 AT 10:00 A.M. AT THE GURDWARA.

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

D) INVITE DIGNITARIES AND MEDIA.

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

A) PREPARE AN EXHIBITION AND A BIG PAINTING OF THE KOMAGATA MARU SHIP TO BE DISPLAYED IN THE GURDWARA AND IN THE PRIDE ON APRIL 15.

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 GIANI KESAR SINGH AND OTHER NOTED HISTORIANS. PUBLISH AND DISTRIBUTE ARTICLES.

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

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

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

3) DONATIONS TO THE FOOD BANKS.

A) DATES: WEEK OF MAY 28- JUNE 4, 1989

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.