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Acting Inspector in Charge,
Portland, Oregon.

Further complying with telephone instructions of Inspector in Charge Barbour, of December 8, 1913, to endeavor to learn the whereabouts of Har Dayal, and R. Chandra, alleged Hindu anarchists, I beg to advise as follows:

The headquarters of Har Dayal, or at least the address at which he receives his mail is 436 Hill Street, San Francisco, California. He is known to have been at this address as late as January 11, 1914.

I have as yet been unable to learn the address of R. Chandra, but I am advised that this man lectured in Astoria (to Hindus only), on Sunday, January 7, 1914, in the interests of the "Hindu Nationalists" as they style themselves.

As evidence of the regard in which the above mentioned Hindus are held by their countrymen, and their loyalty to Har Dayal, I beg to submit the following facts: At various times since June, 1913, at which time inquiry concerning these Hindus was first directed, I have been approached by Hindus who have warned me if any effort was made to find either Har Dayal or R. Chandra they would personally see that I was "blown up", or "pushed off the dock at night", or my family molested. It was explained to me that the work of Har Dayal, and the interests of the Hindu Nationalist party were of such importance that rather than permit any interference with their plans they would cheerfully dispose of me in some manner. I was advised that the policy of the Immigration Service in deporting Hindus who entered illegally was due to the fact that the British Government had distributed \$100,000.00 among inspectors on the Canadian border; further that the local Hindus in Astoria were well aware of the fact that I received \$100.00 per month from the British vice-consul to furnish him information concerning the Hindus. As evidence of their proficiency in the art of "blowing people up", I was assured that most of the members of the Hindu nationalist party were also "I.W.W.'s

I was assured by another Hindu, who works in St. Johns, Oregon, that the Hindus regard Har Dayal as their Messiah, and that he is the only man who can deliver India from the bonds of her oppressor (The British Government). He stated that when the time was ripe (the date was not mentioned) information would reach the government which would enable the United States to deport Har Dayal. He stated that the deportation of Har Dayal would be the first possible manner of arousing the people of India, and the Hindus of the United States. He added, however, that in order to show the world the degree of esteem in which Har Dayal was held, the inspector who deported him would be "blown up", and that if any volunteers were lacking, he would cheerfully attend to the matter himself.

I am lately in receipt of a personal letter signed by Har Dayal in which he advised that he is aware of the plot of the British government and the United States Immigration Service to "kidnap" him because of his activities in behalf of the Hindu Nationalist party. He states that unless I write him disavowing such intention on the part of the Government, he will disclose the entire plot in the columns of the San Francisco "Bulletin"; and that should this kidnapping plan be due solely to my efforts and to the fact that I have been subsidized by the British Government, he will acquaint the Immigration authorities at Washington

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of the facts.

I will, of course, make no reply to this communication, unless directed to do so by the Department. No improper methods have been adopted by me in endeavoring to locate this man, but as any inquiries made, had to be made of Hindus, it is probable that Har Dayal has been informed of the Department's interest in him.

I am advised that Har Dayal is not a citizen of the United States. He is said to be about 28 years of age, of slight physique, and short stature. Attention is invited to the rejection notice of the Vancouver office, of April 13, 1912. It is possible that this notice may refer to the above mentioned Hindu:

"HUR DYAL,
Age 26, male, single, laborer, reads and writes, India, East Indian, Vancouver, Canada. No ticket, self, \$45. In the States 1909-1911 in California. Last departure November, 1911.
DESTINATION: Bray, Cal. To former employer H. D. Bridgeford, Orr Lake Lumber Company.
LANDING: Canada, Vancouver, 1906, S. S. unknown.
DESCRIPTION: 5' 5-1/2", brown, black, brown. Scar top of forehead.
Born in Sunnam.
(Deferred April 6th, 1912)
(DEBARRED LPC (Lack of Funds))"

The above facts are given for whatever value they may be worth.

(sgd) Charles H. Reilly,
Immigrant Inspector.

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