

BIRD & BIRD
VANCOUVER, B. C.

AIR MAIL.

December 5th, 1942.

Ration Section,
Wartime Prices and Trade Board,
OTTAWA, Canada.

Dear Sirs:

We represent the Khalsa Diwan Society of British Columbia, a religious society having as its members all "East Indians" of British Columbia.

A part of the religious ceremonies conducted by the Temple at Vancouver consists of providing free meals for persons of all nationalities who call at the Temple. This practice has continued here for the last thirty years, and such free meals are available at all times to those who wish to avail themselves of this privilege. Now due to the restrictions of your Board the Society is unable to obtain sugar and tea in the usual way. In the past it has been the practice for members of the Society and other persons to make donations to the Temple of sugar and tea and other supplies, but these donors are also affected by the rationing system.

Due to the difficulties above mentioned, the Society now applies to you to permit them to buy through David Spencers Limited, at Vancouver, B.C., 200 pounds of sugar and 20 pounds of tea per month.

David Spencers Limited will be forwarding to you the Society's application for these supplies on the usual printed form. Will you kindly grant this application, and notify us to this effect at your earliest convenience. There is some urgency in connection with this matter owing to the fact that the Temple is now without any sugar or tea.

Yours very truly,

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