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Extract from Malcolm R. J. Reid to W. D. Scott

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Vancouver, B.C., July 31,

Sir,

I beg to acknowledge your note of the 29th

inst. reading:

"Commissioner Scott wishes to be informed whether three Sikhs detained aboard."

And in reply to my reply by eight letters:

"We just returned from Tacoma. Still said you will account on three Sikhs detained have been released. At least in measure, Indian Sikh, we are gone deported from Canada and is not eligible to return. He has also been refused admittance into the United States owing to freedom. Indian Sikh charged carrying concealed weapon and vagrancy at Stanfford. Actually planned that he be prosecuted necessarily on cross examination by disclosure whole plot in which three Sikhs interested. Wanted reserve it to believe that this course be pursued with and that our evidence prosecute. Clear evidence obtained today some of ringleaders are responsible there and arrangements attempted be performed to deliver further supply."

I further now beg to inform the commissioner

Received from John L. Cardwick, United States Immigration

Inspector in Charge.

"Referring to the case of the three Sikhs detained at Tacoma, Wash., by reason of their being refused admission to Canada by your officer, I have to advise that the matter was to hand and duly investigation relative to the circumstances leading up to their detention by our officers subsequent to their being refused admission to Canada, and find that there these applicants, as you are aware, were remanded or another interest, and went to Tacoma for a temporary purpose and were not admitted but further their police stay in Tacoma were under the custody of our officers, although they were allowed to stay at a hotel.

The status of these three Sikhs is the same as that of a large number of other aliens who apply for admission and are not admitted but held in the custody of our officers pending their return to Canada, and a request is made for your authority granting their return to Canada, as at the time they were detained some of your officers at Tacoma had knowledge of the fact of their detention by our officers, and consequently it is the opinion of this office that they should be returned to Canada."

and my reply thereto:

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