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[Extract from William C. Hopkinson, Immigration Inspector, to William W. Cory, Deputy Minister of the Interior. Copy]

Immigration Branch

Ottawa

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 23rd inst., as follows :-

"In your letter 29th June last - Are if any further facts disclosed why bond application for naturalization should be reduced by United States authorities"

to which I replied by letter as follows :-

"The further facts disclosed have not suitable information, was to secured by visiting Sikhs Local Postage Office. Group returned from 3 years ago. Intended staying 1 year. Came to Canada from Seattle, registered 111 Dana Street. Does Hindu marriage have being. Married conditions to Hindu lady. Come to Ottawa to try and induce her to accompany to Immigration Headquarters and provide wives & 2 children to join them here. Not better explain situation to personal inquiry with you".

With regard to securing information and evidence which would deter Das from naturalization, I have no doubt that it is difficult to obtain information at this point for this reason - There are few Indian men who are educated enough, and in whom I can place any reliance, who visit the United States and on their return furnish us with what they have been able to gather in the way of information affecting Hindus. As regards to my letter you the only way I can see to secure information is to visit the American cities with large Hindu populations, the Bellevue District, Ore., Oakland, Cal., San Francisco, Stockton,

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