

[Komagata Maru Incident material]

*CHRONOLOGY OF THE VOYAGE OF  
THE KOMAGATA MARU IN 1914*

13 February	Saba Gurdit Singh announced prospectus of a charter ship to leave for Canada.
25 March	Saba Gurdit Singh took over the Komagata Maru (Guru Nanak Jantar) ship.
4 April	10:00 A.M. Komagata Maru sailed from Hong Kong.
8 April	Komagata Maru reached Shanghai, China.
19 April	Komagata Maru stopped at Moji, 210 kilometers from Nagasaki, Japan.
9 May	Komagata Maru left Yokohama with a total of 375 passengers (342 Sikhs, 24 Muslims, 12 Hindus).
21 May	8:00 A.M. Komagata Maru arrived on South-Western shore of Vancouver Island.
22 May	Komagata Maru arrived in Victoria and then went to Wilcox's Head.
23 May	In the early hours Komagata Maru anchored on the far side of the Burnside Pier near Pier A (foot of Burnside Street, directly west of Canada Place).
26 May	Some passengers allowed to land.
1 June	Board of Inquiry hearings. Passengers represented by Edward J. Bird.
3 June	\$5 000 cash and \$50 000 in pledges was raised at a meeting called by the Khalsa Diwan Society. Immigration officials were removed from the ship.
8 June	Saba Gurdit Singh appeared that authorities sent food for the starving passengers.
9 June	A total of 34 "return ticket" were allowed to land.
16 June	Captain Yamamoto asked to move Komagata Maru to a new berth 275 metres up the inlet.
21 June	A press rally to protest media coverage was held in Vancouver.
24 June	Shortage of food, water etc., on the ship.
25 June	A trial case was brought before Mr. Justice Murphy.
27 June	Water was pumped on board.
28 June	Meeting of the Board of Inquiry.
5 July	Court of Appeal upheld Justice Murphy's decision.
9 July	Food and water transferred to the Komagata Maru.
12 July	Chitance and Deportation papers prepared.
15 July	Canadian police allowed the ship to get forcible possession of it. They were beaten back by unarmed passengers.
19 July	Passengers took over ship. Musky on board.
21 July	7:00 A.M. MBG of 206 took position just south of Pier A at the Western end of the C.P.R. dock. Cruiser HMCS Rainbow anchored a few hundred yards south-west of the Komagata Maru.
23 July	8:10 A.M. Komagata Maru pulled away with 354 passengers, escorted by HMCS Rainbow, towboat Seakoe and two launches Winamac and May Ellen.
19 August	Komagata Maru reached Yokohama.
18 August	Komagata Maru left for Kobe.
21 August	Komagata Maru arrived in Kobe.
3 September	Komagata Maru sailed from Kobe.
19 September	Komagata Maru left Singapore.
29 September	Komagata Maru reached Rudge Budge, near Calcutta, India. 24 men were killed.

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