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H. B. M. Consulate-General,
San Francisco.

25th January, 1916.

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Sir:

I have the honour to transmit herewith enclosed copy of a memorandum which has been addressed to His Excellency, the Viceroy of India, on the subject of information given by V. S. Bagai.

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Your most obedient,

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His Excellency,

The Right Honourable

Sir Cecil Spring Rice, G.C.V.O., K.C.M.G.,

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H.B.M. Ambassador

at Washington.

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for Embassy, Washington.
 Consul-General, New York
 Dominion Immigration Agent,
 Vancouver.

San Francisco, Cal.

January 24th 1916

MEMORANDUM.

Memorandum of information given by V. D. Bagai.

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2. Ras Behari Bose and Gupta, who were ordered to leave Japan, being unable to get a steamer to the United States are still in Tokio, and living in the house of a Japanese Cabinet Minister.
3. Ram Chandra has telegraphed, or attempted to telegraph 1300 to Bhagwan Singh in Peking. Bhagwan Singh has taken the name of Amar. The money was to be sent to the Deutsche Asiatic Bank. Bhagwan Singh has telegraphed for the money to be sent through some other Bank.
4. Bhagwan Singh has been paid 1000 yen by Ras Behari Bose. He is in China working with a Bengalee called Sarker and has been in communication with the Chinese revolutionaries so that he could learn how they were working.
5. Two Gujaratis arrived here from India, about the 21st instant. They had been working with Arvindo Ghosh in India. They will now be employed on the Gaddar news - paper here.
6. Lalla Rajput Rai has written a book on British rule in India. He published one in Japan, a copy of which is enclosed. (Only one copy available).

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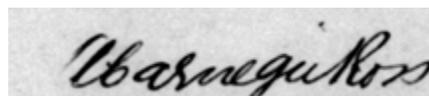
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2. Ras Behari Bose and Gupta, who were ordered to leave Japan, being unable to get a steamer to the United States are still in Tokyo, and living in the house of the Japanese Cabinet minister.
3. Ram Chandra Has telegraphed or attempted to telegraph \$300 to Bhagwan Singh in Pekin. Bhagwan Singh has taken the name of Amar. The money was to be sent to the Deutsche Asiatic Bank. Bhawan Singh has telegraphed for the money to sent through some other bank.
4. Bhagwan Singh Has been paid 1000 yen by Ras Behari Bose. He is in China working with a Bengalee called Sarkar and he has been in communication with the Chinese revolutionaries so that he could learn how they were working.
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7. Ram Chandra is now " monarch " of the Ghadar Party. on his return from the Stockton meeting he called together the staff of the paper here, about twelve men, and told them they had to sign a document authorizing him act absolutely as he pleased. All but four signed, these were Nella Singh, Nidhan Singh, Gordat Singh, another, name unknown. As they refused to sign, he dismissed them from his employ.

Lalla Rajput Rai was consulted about this, and disapproved of their being treated harshly, but he is to talk to them and point out their error of their ways, and endeavor to keep them friendly, as he considers it would be undesirable to allow them to bear any resentment and carry on an unfriendly propaganda, as they probably would unless pacified.

Ram Chandra has all official correspondence addressed P.Ramsay, C/O Mr. Lewis, 1901 Baker Street, San Francisco, where he used to live at one time. His actual private address is 4136 Twenty Fourth Street, San Francisco, his wife expects to be confined shortly.

The next Ghadar meeting is to be held at Jersey Island, California, on the first Sunday in February.

8. S.S. Sarna, whose real name Sujjan Singh , who arrived in San Francisco with Lalla Rajput Rai, has been allowed to land by the immigration authorities. He is now at Stockton making propaganda. He is a native of Rawel-Pindi. He is no longer as Sikh having had his hair cut off when He was in Japan.

San Francisco, Cal.

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With reference to the information given by agent, Bagai, Paragraph 3: - This information to in accordance with what I was told by the Manager of the Hong-Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, namely, that he had been asked by the Postal Telegraph Company to cable \$300 to J. Amar, % Deutsche Asiatic Bank, Tienstin, China.

Today, January 24th, the Postal Telegraph Company advised the bank that the payee had cabled that he had not received the money and asked for a refund which the The bank refused to give. I informed the manager who J.Amar was in order that he might be on his guard.
(Note to Paragraph 3)

Sarkar Is the man referred to in my memorandum on December 28th 1915.

Francis R. Lynn, #11308 ex Sergeant Major, Royal Engineers, last service 7th Company, Royal Engineers, Halifax, Nova Scotia, speaks Hindustance fairly fluently. Resides at 247 Bismark Street, San Francisco.

He is a peddler of sweets whose business leads him into "Red Light" district states: that Har Dyal is a in Turkey and that the Japanese are assisting the seditious natives with arms.

(This man Lynn is willing to obtain and communicate any further information he may get hold of.)

BRITISH CONSULATE-GENERAL