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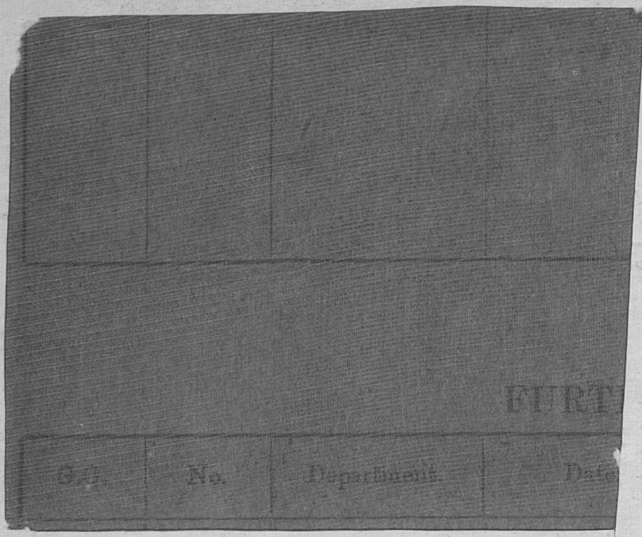
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(By order, etc.)

R. R. MACONACHIE,
Under Secretary to the Government of India.

ENCLOSURES

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Telegram—from the Secretary to the Government of India, Department of Commerce and Industry.

To—the Colonial Secretary, Straits Settlements, Singapore.
Ceylon, Colombo.

Dated—Delhi, the 8th March 1917.

No.—1124-E.D.

With a view to preventing undesirable persons from proceeding to foreign countries and British possessions and also because of restrictions on immigration imposed by certain colonies as war measure Government of India have issued regulations forbidding departure from India of any person who has not in his possession passport issued by proper authority. Bonâ fide labourers to Ceylon and Malaya have been however exempted from the operation of these regulations in view of practical difficulty of applying compulsory passport system to them. As this leaves loophole for undesirables to depart from this country without passport disguised as labourers for Ceylon and Malaya and from there re-emigrate to ultimate destination Government of India would be glad to receive co-operation of Government of Straits Settlements in the matter. It is considered that object in view may be attained if departure of any Indian immigrant from Ceylon or Malaya is prohibited as from India to other destinations unless he has been provided with passport either from Indian or Colonial Government. In all cases before passport is issued by Colonial Government reference should be made to Government of India in order that necessary enquiries may be made into antecedents of applicants. Government of India would be glad to know whether His Excellency the Governor accepts this suggestion. In this connection attention is invited to letter from Government of the Straits Settlements, No. 27-05, dated 1st February 1905 clause 7, sub-clause 4 of Bill forwarded with Colonial Secretary's letter No. 16543, dated 6th March 1914, to Government of Madras. If Bill has been passed it might be possible for Colonial Government to take necessary action without resort to special legislation.

(2)

Your telegram dated 8th March. Propose issue regulation forbidding any body to leave Ceylon without passport for any destination except India and to consult you before issuing passports to natives of India.

(3)

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R. RAMACHANDRA RAO,
Secretary to Government.

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Telegram—from the Colonial Secretary, Colombo.

To—the Secretary to the Government of India, Department of Commerce and Industry.

Dated—the 13th March 1917.

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Dated—the 16th April 1917.
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