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The Right Honourable Mr. John G. Diefenbaker,
Q.C., P.C.,
Prime Minister of Canada,
House of Commons,
O T T A W A, Canada.

Dear Mr. Prime Minister:-

Re: ORIENTAL PROBLEM

Find enclosed a copy of a letter I have written to The Honourable Ellen Fairclough which I honestly and conscientiously believe is causing much difficulty across the country.

I do not know if there is a solution, but I really believe that some simpler formula could be devised and I bring it to your attention in the same spirit as I wrote the letter to Mrs. Fairclough.

Yours very truly,


ELDON M. WOOLLIAMS.

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The Honourable Mrs. Ellen Fairclough,
Minister of Citizenship & Immigration,
House of Commons,
O T T A W A, Canada.

Dear Mrs. Fairclough:-

Re: ORIENTAL PROBLEM

My sympathy has always been with you Ellen as you have a most difficult portfolio, and in consequence, with this type of responsibility goes some unpopularity.

One of the main problems is the manner in which we treat Orientals. Is there not some easier formula which could be set up, rather than dealing with wives and relatives and questioning them in reference to their credentials, which only leads to a false hope and criticism of the Department of Citizenship & Immigration at your expense?

This is mentioned to you, not as criticism on my part, but as something which no doubt all of you have had in mind and mentioned only as a matter of goodwill to all.

Yours sincerely,

EMW/ff

ELDON WOOLLIAMS.

c.c. to: The Prime Minister of Canada.