56122 [Pt.2] Japanese government property in Vancouver

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OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN

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DATED at VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA, this 8th day of ~~January, 1946~~.

K. W. WRIGHT
COUNSEL TO THE CUSTODIAN

Certified Correct,

E. BAESCHLIN
CONSUL OF SWITZERLAND

CONSULAT DE SUISSE
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K. W. WRIGHT
COUNSEL TO THE CUSTODIAN

The undersigned has been informed by Mr. K. W. Wright, that the Custodian obtained an independent report on the above property from Douglas W. Reeve of the firm of Johnson, Reeve & Watson, Real Estate Agents, Vancouver, B. C., on the 10th day of January, 1946, in part as follows:

"Condition The house has been broken into and a great deal of damage done and fittings stolen. About a dozen large panes of glass and a large number of leaded lights have been broken and in several sashes and side panels the lead work is damaged. 4 leaded light French doors are missing; practically every door handle and some locks, a mirror mantel and medicine cabinet are missing, also the kitchen cabinet doors and the doors of interior cabinets in clothes closets, also the broom cupboard in the kitchen. The cooler and ice box are wrecked.

Two fireplace fronts have been moved out but left. A number of plumbing fittings and fixtures are missing and one pedestal basin broken to pieces. All the electric switches and plugs and many fixtures are missing.

Cost of Repairs I have made a rough estimate of the cost of making good the damage done and of reconditioning the buildings and grounds. I am of the opinion that this work will cost not less than $3,500.00, and might cost $5,000; approximately $1,500 to $1,800 refers to wilful damage".

The foregoing statements are recognized as being true by the representative of Switzerland.

DATED at VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA, this 11th day of January, 1946.

CONSULAT DE SUISSE * VANCOUVER B.C. *

E. BAESCHLIN
CONSUL OF SWITZERLAND

ASSETS - JAPANESE CONSULATES IN CANADA AND CONSULAR PERSONNEL

JAPANESE CONSULAR FUNDS - GENERAL

Cash balance transferred to the Custodian by the Acting Consul General of Switzerland	$24,657.63

MONTREAL CONSULATE

Proceeds sale of office furniture etc.		357.60
Disbursements by the Custodian		
Storage charges, Capital Storage	$ 68.50	
Travelling expenses, K.W.W.	81.00	149.50
		$ 208.10

OTTAWA CONSULATE

Proceeds sale of office furniture, (Popham)		$ 1,173.00
Proceeds sale of Mosler Safe		135.00
Proceeds sale of liquors		547.25
Proceeds sale of office furniture and other effects by Fraser Brothers.		2,888.90
		4,744.15
Disbursements by the Custodian		
Storage charges, Capital Storage	$ 1,328.00	
Delivery of Goods, Ottawa to Montreal	144.36	
Fire Insurance	82.35	
Labour handling effects in storage	71.46	
Examination of liquors	48.00	
Express charges	4.45	
Motor car expenses, E. Aubrey	31.60	1,710.22
		$ 3,033.93

VANCOUVER CONSULATE

Net proceeds sale of Real Property	$ 9,243.37
Proceeds sale of Furniture etc.	2,125.50
	$11,368.87
Disbursements by the Custodian	
Travelling expenses, K.W.W.	$ 50.00
Storage charges, Capital storage	8.50
Freight and Cartage	21.71
	80.21
	$11,288.66

CONSULAR PERSONNEL, VANCOUVER

HON. SOTOMATSU KATO

Savings Bank balance, Can. Bank Commerce	1,097.44
Interest on 3¼% Dom of Canada Bond	726.25
Redemption of above bond	5,000.00
	$6,823.69

ICHIRO KAWASAKI

Proceeds sale of household furniture and personal effects	$ 7,117.55

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CONSULADO GENERAL DE ESPANA
MONTREAL

No. 514
J. 425

July 12, 1943.

Sir:

With reference to your despatch No. J110 of November 19, 1942, I have the honour to inform you that Mr. Fernando de Kobbe, Spanish Consul at Vancouver, has been instructed by the Spanish Government to take steps to sell the automobile belonging to the former Japanese Consulate at Vancouver and also the property, registered in the official books of the City as follows:

3351 The Crescent, City of Vancouver
lot (3) Block (50), D.L. 526, Group (1),
District of New Westminster, Map 4502.

The automobile is today in storage in that city and the property is treated by the Canadian authorities concerned as Japanese Government owned.

As the proceeds from these sales are not to be withdrawn from Canada but to be applied to the protection of Japanese interests in this country, I should be very grateful if you would be good enough to advise me if the Canadian Government have any objection to this proposed action.

I have the honour etc.,
Pedro E. Schwartz
Consul General of Spain
in charge of Japanese interests.

The Under-Secretary of State
for External Affairs,
Ottawa, Ontario.

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DEPARTMENT OF
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
CANADA

REPLY TO BE ADDRESSED TO:
THE UNDER-SECRETARY OF STATE
FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
OTTAWA.

Please refer to our
File 2863-40C.

Ottawa, July 14, 1943.

To: The Assistant Deputy Custodian.

Re: Proposal received from the Spanish Consul General to sell certain Japanese Consulate property.

I am enclosing, herewith, a copy of a Note dated July 12th from the Spanish Consul General in which, as you will observe, he states that it is intended to sell the automobile and certain property formerly belonging to the Japanese Consulate in Vancouver. The proceeds of the sales would not be withdrawn from Canada but would be applied to the protection of Japanese interests in this country. The Consul General asks whether the Canadian Government would have any objection to this proposed action.

In view of the fact that the property involved is the property of the Japanese Government held in the name of the former Japanese Consulate, presumably the Custodian has no direct interest in it. However, I should like to have your comments on the Consul General's proposal, especially with regard to the possibility that any person purchasing the property might be deemed to be guilty of the offence of trading with the enemy under Section 2 of the Trading with the Enemy Regulations.

p.t.o.

Another point that has occurred to me is that there might be some doubt as to the title which could be transmitted to any purchaser by the Spanish Consul General in view of the peculiar nature of the property at a time like this.

Any comments or suggestions you would care to make would be very much appreciated.

J. L. Rand

Under Secretary of State
for External Affairs

Victoria Building,
7 O'Connor Street,
Ottawa, Ontario.

J-81

July 22, 1943.

The Under Secretary of State
for External Affairs,
Ottawa, Ontario.

Attention: J. E. Read, Esq.

Dear Sir:

Re: Japanese Consulate Property

Your letter of July 14th, in the absence of Mr. Mathieu on holidays, has been referred to me for reply.

It does not appear that the Custodian has any interest in the disposal of the Consulate property and his attitude in this regard has been based on the theory put forward, as I recall, by your department that diplomatic property does not vest. I think this is more a matter of policy than law since it appears to me that, under the Consolidated Regulations Respecting trading with the Enemy (1939), property of the Japanese Consulate or Consul may vest as a result of the definition of enemy in those Regulations.

The only point that occurs to me in the Custodian consenting or taking any active part in a sale of this property, is that the Japanese Consulate may owe debts in Vancouver or have liabilities there, for example, the case of Allen Roy Evans, with which your department is familiar. I feel I should bring to your attention the possibility of obtaining a settlement of his claim for Mr. Evans who is a Canadian citizen; the claim having been officially brought to the attention of several Government departments.

Yours very truly,

(G. W. McPherson)
Executive Assistant.

GWMcP/FC.

RGR/MB
2863-40C

DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS.

Ottawa, July 24, 1943.

Sir,

I have the honour to refer to your note No. 514 J.425 of July 12 in which you state that instructions have been received from the Spanish Government to take steps to sell the automobile belonging to the former Japanese Consulate at Vancouver and also certain property which you describe in the first paragraph of your note.

Inasmuch as the proceeds from these sales are to be applied to the protection of Japanese interests in Canada, the Canadian Government would have no objection to the action which you propose in selling the property.

In connection with this, I should like to draw to your attention a matter which was dealt with in your note No. 228 J.159 of April 2 and previous correspondence between yourself and this Department involving certain bonds which were left with the former Japanese Consul in Vancouver by Mr. Allan Roy Evans of that city. You will recall that Mr. Evans left certain bonds with the Japanese Consul as a result of arrangements made with him for the publication of a certain book which it has now become impossible to publish. Mr. Evans claims, and there seems to be good ground for his contention, that the bonds or their value should be returned to him. It appears that these bonds were, in fact, sold by the Japanese Consul, or by a person acting on his behalf, prior to the departure of the Consulate staff from Canada. You were taking this matter up, I believe, with your Government and I would suggest that, when the proceeds of the sale which you contemplate are available, an effort should be made to secure authority to make a settlement with Mr. Evans. I have no doubt that there will be adequate funds available for this purpose and it is possible that you will come to the conclusion upon investigation that a settlement should be made among other disbursements required for the protection of Japanese interests.

I should appreciate if if you would bear this matter in mind and inform me of the instructions which you receive in this connection from your Government and of the action which will be taken concerning Mr. Evans' claim.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,

Consul General of Spain
charge of Japanese interests,
Consulate General of Spain,
Montreal, P.Q.

Under Secretary of State
for External Affairs.

RGR/MB
2863-40C

The London Assurance

D. K. MacDonald,
Manager.

MERCATORUM SALUS
A.D. 1720

Head Office for Canada
469 St. John St. Montreal

January 8th, 1945.

To Custodian of Enemy Alien Property
in Canada,
Ottawa, Ont.

Dear Sir:-

We have received a request from the Spanish Government to insure their interests as the Protectorate in Canada in connection with the Japanese Government.

The property in question is the Japanese Legation Building in Vancouver. The Spanish Government feel that in the event of loss or damage to the said building while under their protection, a question of their liability as Protectorate might be involved and they would like to insure against that contingency.

Will you please advise if we as insurers can cover the property only insofar as the interests of the Spanish Government is concerned. It is our thought that in the event of our insuring the aforesaid interests in this property, the loss, if any, could be made payable to the Insured and the Custodian, as their respective interests may appear.

Yours very truly,

FIRE MANAGER.

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The London Assurance

Victoria Building,
7 O'Connor Street,
Ottawa, Ontario.

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January 15, 1945.

The London Assurance,
Head Office for Canada,
469 St. John Street,
Montreal, Quebec.

Dear Sirs:

Re: Spanish Government & Japanese
Legation Building, Vancouver.

I have your letter of January 8th and wish to advise that the Custodian will not object to your company insuring the Spanish Government's interest in the above property. However, if by any chance, a claim should arise with respect to such insurance, the Custodian would appreciate being advised before any settlement is made.

Yours very truly,

G. W. McPherson
Executive Assistant

GWMc/FC.

GUARANTEED BY
UNION ASSURANCE SOCIETY LTD.
OF LONDON, ENGLAND

FIRE POLICY

No. 205083

SUM INSURED

$ 5,000.00

THE

NORTH WEST FIRE
INSURANCE COMPANY

VANCOUVER BRANCH

Agency VANCOUVER, B.C. Rate .70¢ Premium $ 35.00

In Consideration of the stipulations herein named

and of THIRTY-FIVE ..... 00/100 Dollars Premium,

THE NORTH WEST FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, hereinafter called the Insurer

Does Insure HIS IMPERIAL JAPANESE MAJESTY'S CONSUL, hereinafter called the Insured,

for the term of THIRTY-SIX MONTHS from the NINTH day of OCTOBER 1940

at noon, to the NINTH day of OCTOBER 1943 at noon,

against all direct loss or damage by fire, except as hereinafter provided, to an amount not exceeding

FIVE THOUSAND ..... 00/100 Dollars

to the following described property while located as described herein and not elsewhere, to wit:

HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE

$ 5,000.00 On household furniture, supplies and personal effects (including paintings, sculpture, curiosities, works of art, articles of vertu, all at not exceeding cost), printed books, plate, plated ware, jewellery, scientific and musical instruments, clocks, watches, trinkets and mirrors, the property of the Insured or of any member of the Insured's family, only while contained in the 2½ story frame building with shingle roof, and its additions communicating and in contact therewith, occupied as the official residence of his Imperial Japanese Majesty's Consul, situate and being No.3351 on the West side of The Crescent, between McRae Avenue and Angus Drive, in the City of VANCOUVER, B.C., on Lot 3, Blk.50, D.L.526.

Not exceeding ten per cent. of the amount of this item may, at the option of the Insured, be extended to cover ordinary household contents while contained in outbuildings on the same premises, it being understood that the total liability shall not exceed the amount insured under this item. This item may, at the option of the Insured, be held to cover the personal effects of guests and servants; loss, if any, to be adjusted with and payable to the Insured named in this Policy.

B.C.U.A. Map reference: Vol. Sheet 1007 Block 10070 No. 3-160

Other Concurrent Insurance Permitted.

Permission granted to make ordinary alterations or repairs, not to exceed fifteen days at any one time, (but it is understood and agreed that extraordinary alterations, repairs or additions are prohibited without notice to and the consent of this Company obtained in writing) and for the storage of not exceeding two private automobiles in the building described, it being understood and agreed by the Insured that not more than one (1) gallon of gasoline except that contained in the reservoirs of the automobiles or as otherwise herein provided will be kept in the building.

Lightning and Electrical Current Clause: (See Statutory Conditions).

Attached to and forming part of Policy No. 205083 of The North West Fire Insurance Co.

Dated 9th.October, 1940

TANAKA INSURANCE AGENCY
田中保険代理社

Per ..... Agent

BC STANDARD FORM UA

No. 9 (September, 1938)
10M-8-40

In Witness Whereof, the undersigned being fully authorized hereunto has subscribed his name to these presents, to be valid only when countersigned by a duly authorized Agent of the Insurer.

THE NORTH WEST FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY

Countersigned: TANAKA INSURANCE AGENCY 田中保険代理社

Per ..... Agent

At Vancouver, B.C.,

Date 10th.October 1940.

Jno. Anderson

Branch Manager at Vancouver.

(1500-4-40)

COPY/MEM

27th October, 1945

Re: Japanese Consul

The property was originally sold by the Royal Trust Company for the C.P.R. to Mr. E. J. Palmer, who in turn sold it to Mable Clair Duckrill, who on the 15th of October, 1926, sold it to Tatsuo KAWAI, and he in turn, on the 19th June 1940, sold it to Kenji NAKAUCHI, who then on the 8th April 1941, sold it to Ichiro KAWASAKI, in whose name it now stands. The particulars of our search are as follows:

Confirmation of Ownership

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Former Address	-	3351 The Crescent
Legal Description	-	Lot 3, Blk.50, D.L.526, Gp.1, Plan 4502.
Title in Name of	-	Ichiro KAWASAKI
Encumbrances	-	No Encumbrances

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VIA AIR MAIL

CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN

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Enemy Section.

506 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B.C.

27th October, 1945.

PRIVATE & CONFIDENTIAL

K. W. Wright, Esq.,
Counsel to the Custodian,
Office of the Custodian,
Victoria Building,
Ottawa, Ont.

Dear Mr. Wright:

Re: Japanese Consul

I received your confidential letter of the 25th October The name of the Japanese Consul is Ichiro KAWASAKI, 3351 The Crescent, Vancouver. I asked Mr. Cramer to search the title to this property and the information is as follows:

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506 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B.C.

PERSONAL

12th December, 1945.

K. W. Wright, Esq.,
Counsel to the Custodian,
Office of the Custodian,
Victoria Building,
Ottawa, Ont.

Dear Mr. Wright:

Referring to your personal letter of the 8th instant I note that when you arrive in Vancouver you will have a number of business matters to attend to relative to the taking over of Consular properties and any help that you may require from this office will of course be gladly available.

In regard to Tokusuke OGAWA, the Japanese Vice-Consul, to whom I referred in my letter of the 27th October, I am sorry if this reference was not quite clear. I mentioned that Ogawa resided at 2306 McGill Street. The property itself, however, was being purchased under an Agreement of Sale by another Japanese named Takeo ARAKAWA. This property was sold and after satisfying the unpaid white vendor the net balance was credited to Arakawa's account. This deal, however, does not concern the affairs of Ogawa.

The only material on Ogawa's file refers to furniture, and a letter from our Agents, Messrs. P. C. Gibbens & Co., Ltd. dated 8th June, 1942 states that the information they received from Mrs. Arakawa was that the furniture in 2306 McGill Street was not her own but belonged to Mr. Ogawa and that Mrs. Arakawa was under the impression that Mr. Ogawa sold this furniture before he was evacuated.

In regard to the present whereabouts of Ogawa, we assume that he went back to Japan with the Consular staff as upon enquiring from the R.C.M.P. they have no records at all in regard to this man.

The case concerning a Drug Store at Powell Street was quite familiar to me and I recollect the sessions with Mr. G.W. McPherson and Mr. MacLennan which were held in connection with his affairs. The name was Ryohei HOSHINO and we were advised by the Security Commission last month that Hoshino died at New Denver on the 3rd November.

of State and/or the Custodian

GWMcP:HW
encl.

CANADA

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K. W. Wright, Esq.

I am enclosing copy of the Order specially vesting the interests of Hoshino in the Drug Store business and a later Order dated 8th October, 1942, under which we withdrew from any supervision. I believe these will be the documents which you asked for.

You might also be interested in having a copy of Mr. McPherson's letters of October 8th and 14th, 1942, addressed to Messrs. Norris & MacLennan.

I had not given much thought regarding a trip to Winnipeg this year having in mind that the repatriation of a large number of Japanese might be proceeding. I note that you may have to spend some time in Winnipeg on your way back and if I could be of any assistance in that area and it was so desired, I would be glad to arrange to spend some time with you there.

Yours very truly,

F. G. Shears,
Director.

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1409 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B.C.

October 8th, 1942.

Messrs. Norris & MacLennan,
602 Hastings Street West,
VANCOUVER, B.C.

Attention - Mr. MacLennan

Re: Riyohei Hoshino and Powell Drug Co.

I have your letters of October 3rd and 6th.

As I advised you in my letter of October 5th, the Custodian vested the interest of Ryohei Hoshino in the Powell Drug Company, but also under Order-in-Council P.C. 2483 he can release any vested property.

Having read over your letter and considered in particular the ridiculous claims made by your client, and taking into consideration the interests of Mr. Shaw and the efforts the Custodian has made in an attempt to protect Mr. Hoshino, I have decided to withdraw from the case. I have issued a Certificate today, cancelling the Vesting Order, and enclose a signed copy of same.

The Custodian is not herefor the purpose of enabling Japanese nationals, who do not wish to co-operate, to build up fictitious claims against the Canadian Government and, since your client does not feel that the Custodian is handling his interests properly, the Custodian is pleased to withdraw and he may attend to his own affairs.

I have discussed the entire matter with Mr. Shaw this morning and have permitted him to withdraw his offer of $2,000.00 for Mr. Hoshino's interest in the business, and it is now Mr. Shaw's intention that the partnership be dissolved, either by Mr. Hoshino or by himself, if Mr. Hoshino will not agree.

I am concerned no longer with the decisions reached by Mr. Hoshino, as to how he will protect his interest, but you may advise your client that the Custodian will accept no responsibility to protect his interests, nor, if Mr. Hoshino purchases the business, will the Custodian accept any responsibility to store and protect such property as he may wish to leave in this area.

I trust you will appreciate that this letter is directed at your client, rather than yourself, you having shown the utmost co-operation insofar as this office is concerned.

Yours very truly,

(signed) G.W. McPherson
Authorized Deputy of the Secretary
of State and/or the Custodian

GWMcP:HW
encl.

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12454.

1409 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B.C.,
October 14th, 1942.

Messrs. Norris & MacLennan,
602 Hastings St., West,
VANCOUVER, B.C.

Re: Ryohei Hoshino & Powell Drug Co.

Dear Sirs:

I have your letter of October 10th and am reluctant to continue any discussions, relating to this Japanese National's affairs.

However, in view of the wholehearted co-operation which this office has received from Mr. MacLennan, I think it is only fair to review some of the facts, so that they may be on record for any future claim made by your client.

I note Mr. Hoshino has been requested to leave this area and assume he has now departed. I would point out that on February 7th last the Minister of Justice issued an Order that all enemy aliens, between the ages of eighteen and forty-five, leave the protected area before the first of April. Mr. Hoshino, since that time, according to my information, has made numerous and repeated representations to the British Columbia Security Commission and the Royal Canadian Mounted Police to be allowed to remain here to complete his business, with particular reference to the winding up of his interest in the partnership above referred to.

I am advised by the Custodian's representatives, who were in charge of the Powell Street Registration Bureau, that Mr. Hoshino attended at that bureau and complained in general about his affairs and the way he was being treated and, on many occasions, requested that the Custodian intervene on his behalf to have him remain in this area.

It became obvious to anyone who considered the situation that Mr. Hoshino was using the Custodian's Office, and possibly yourselves, for the purpose of remaining in this area long after he should have been evacuated and long after he had had every opportunity to voluntarily make arrangements with his partner. Many hours were spent by myself and other members of this office in an attempt to satisfy Mr. Hoshino and to arrange a friendly settlement of his affairs prior to his leaving. On every occasion

he adopted an unco-operative attitude to such an extent that I felt some drastic action should be taken to protect all parties concerned, and put an end to the farce, which your client was perpetrating, insofar as the Security Commission is concerned.

I do not think that at any time Mr. Hoshino made a serious attempt to settle his affairs during the six months and more, from April 1st to October 5th, when I took the drastic action of vesting his interest. Subsequently, after receiving your letter, wherein you outlined his complaints, I decided the Custodian should withdraw and he should be allowed to settle his own affairs, if he could do so before he was evacuated. If he could not do so, then I felt no sympathy whatsoever was due him, since he has had six months in which to settle his affairs and, being a Japanese National who in my opinion was antagonistic, he had played his game long enough.

Insofar as I am concerned, I am prepared to justify the Custodian's actions in this case in any hearing in future to determine the damage he has suffered as a result of the actions of this office. I think Mr. Hoshino should feel he is extremely fortunate more drastic steps were not taken.

I was pleased to receive your letter, which has been placed on file, but under the circumstances I do not feel Mr. Hoshino has any right to complain, and I shall make a point of having the various officers of this department, who have dealt with him, place memorandums on the file immediately, indicating the time and trouble they have gone to to co-operate with him, so that these memorandums may be available when Mr. Hoshino presents his claim, which he obviously intends to do, either to this Government direct, or, as I have been informed, to the Japanese Government, to whom he apparently looks for protection.

Your personal co-operation in this matter is greatly appreciated.

Yours truly,

G. W. McPHERSON.
Authorized Deputy of the Secretary
of State and/ or the Custodian.

GWMcP:HW.

Assessment Notice
re 3351 The Crescent

CITY OF VANCOUVER **ASSESSMENT ROLL, 1946** AT 12M

Roll No.	Description of Parcel	Value of Improvements	Land Value
G4835	LOT. 3 BLK. 50 D.L. 526	700	6 200

☛ **TAKE NOTICE** that the above described property is assessed for the amount as specified for the year 1946 under the Statute. If you deem yourself overcharged or otherwise improperly assessed, you or your agent may notify the City Clerk in writing, stating the grounds of complaint at least **Fourteen Clear Days** previous to the first sitting of the Court of Revision, which will be held at the City Hall, Vancouver, B.C., on **JANUARY 24th, 1946**, at the hour of 10 a.m., and your complaint shall be tried in conformity with the provisions of the Statute by the Court of Revision of the City of Vancouver.

Notice of Appeal must be in the hands of The City Clerk not later than **JANUARY 9th, 1946.**

A. T. DALTON,
Assessment Commissioner.

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VANCOUVER, B.C.

10th January, 1946.

The Custodian's Office,
509 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B. C.

File No. 146
Enemy Section

Attention of Mr. K.W. Wright

Dear Sir:

re 3351 The Crescent, Vancouver, B.C.
Lot 3, Block 50, District Lot 526
Group 1. N.W.D. Plan 4502
ICHIRO KAWASAKI

In accordance with your instructions I have inspected this property and beg to submit my report and appraisal. The inspection was made with some difficulty because all the windows are boarded up and the electric lighting disconnected. I have made notes of the condition of each room but assume that you do not require more than a general description.

Location The property is situated in the district known as First Shaughnessy Heights. This was formerly regarded as an exceptionally fine residential section without competition, and a large number of very large expensive houses were erected from 30 to 35 years ago. It has declined considerably in value, because of the age and obsolescence of many of these houses. However, it is still a high class residential district and some more recent construction of houses has been undertaken as well as some modernizing of old houses. The Crescent is one of the best parts of the subdivision, and the road circles round a large central park space.

Land The lot is level with the road in front and terraced to minimize the slope of the land towards the rear. The frontage and width are 142.9 feet with a length of 302.12 feet on the northerly side and 262.7 feet on the southerly boundary. This comprises approximately .93 of an acre.

The grounds are in an unkempt condition because the property has been unoccupied for several years, but nothing remarkable was done previously in planting or gardening.

House The house has three storeys above the basement, but the two upper storeys are within the pitch of the roof so that the combined floor area of these is not much more than that of the ground floor. It is substantially built of wood frame construction on a stone wall foundation with a stone veneer wall round the part of the basement which is above ground. The outer walls are covered with cedar shingles, with stucco and half timber work in the gables. The roof is shingled.

The main body of the house on the first floor is 47 feet by 49 feet and there are some projections, the gross area being 2,487 sq.ft. There are also two large verandahs 11'x21' and 12' x 27' with deck roofs, and a porte cochere 21' x 24'.

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House (Cont'd)

The house is not well planned according to modern ideas. The drawing room, den and sitting room all are about the same size and two of these combined would make a better drawing or living room. The kitchen is too large for speed and convenience in operation.

The accommodation is as follows:-

Basement Concrete floor, large 4 burner gas hot air furnace with air condition unit (not examined as to condition), 60 gallon gas hot water tank (Welsbach), enamelled iron laundry tubs, galvanized iron laundry drying cabinet, w.c. (missing).

1st Floor Entrance Hall with 2 French doors and side panels of leaded glass to a large Reception Hall with large fireplace tiled to ceiling and stair well with fir balustrades and half landing with large leaded windows, Inner hall and secondry staircase, 4 rooms with fire-places. All of these have oak floors and the main staircase oak treads. The two principal halls and dining room have fir wainscots and beamed ceilings. The trim is all fir.

There is a wash room with tiled floor, a large kitchen with pantry and larder.

2nd Floor Hall round stairwell (beamed ceiling), linen room, 4 bedrooms. Oak floors. 2 bathrooms with tiled floors, old English bath tubs and oval pedestal basins.

3rd Floor Hall with coat closet, 2 bedrooms, bathroom with tiled floor and old style plumbing (The bathroom is lit by skylight only) 2 unfinished store rooms.

Condition The house has been broken into and agreat deal of damage done and fittings stolen. About a dozen large panes of glass and a large number of leaded lights have been broken and in several sashes and side panels the lead work is damaged. 4 leaded light French doors are missing; practically every door handle and some locks, a mirror mantel and medecine cabinet are missing, also the kitchen cabinet doors and the doors of interior cabinets in clothes closets, also the broom cupboard in the kitchen. The cooler and ice box are wrecked.

The floors are of good quality but need sanding and refinishing throughout.

Two fireplace fronts have been moved out but left. A number of plumbing fittings and fixtures are missing and one pedestal basin broken to pieces. All the electric switches and plugs and many fixtures are missing.

The whole of the interior will require redecorating and the woodwork cleaning and painting or varnishing.

The exterior is in fairly good condition but a purchaser would probably want to paint the woodwork and perhaps stain the shingled walls. The roof needs cleaning off and staining and the flashings are leaking round one chimney.

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Garage 1½ storey wood frame with concrete floor, shingled walls and roof. There is a small room at one end of the loft, but the staircase and windows are missing. The size is 15' x 34' with doors at one end and at the end of one side with no driveway to the latter. The general condition is poor and the building has a freakish appearance being very high for the width and with two high stone columns at the front end.

Cost of Repairs I have made a rough estimate of the cost of making good the damage done and of reconditioning the buildings and grounds. I am of the opinion that this work will cost not less than $3,500., and might cost $5,000;approximately $1,500 to $1,800 refers to wilful damage.

Taxation The City Assessment is $13,200 (Buildings $7,000, Land $6,200). Last year the buildings stood at $7,800. The taxes for 1946 if the mill rate is the same as last year will be $488.88. The rate is 50.4 mills on full value of land and half value of buildings. There are no local levies.

Appraisal At the present time, owing to the shortage of housing, dwelling houses are selling at more than their value when vacant possession is obtainable, the excess in price being considered a premium for possession rather than part of the value. This condition applies, however, principally to smaller and more modern houses. For large houses of this character and age the demand is rather limited, because of the expense of maintenance, the cost of heating, the scarcity of help and high municipal taxes.

I am of the opinion that the market value of the property in its present condition is not more than Ten thousand dollars ($10,000) and that in order to effect an early sale it may be necessary to reduce this amount by ten or even fifteen per cent.

I should add that if the property is to be put on the market for sale it would be advisable to remove the boarding from the windows or provide electric light. The present state of darkness would make it difficult for a prospective buyer to form an opinion, and would perhaps cause him to discount the value more than necessary.

Yours faithfully,

Douglas W. Reeve

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509 Royal Bank Building,
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Dear Sir: re 3351 The Crescent, Vancouver

I beg to enclose my report on this property and my account which I trust you will find in order.

With regard to the account, as the amount of the fee is larger than is customary for a house of this value I thought I would explain that the amount of work involved in this case was much more than usual because of the special circumstances and the necessity of taking detailed notes for future reference in case of need. The inspection required a long time because the house was in complete darkness and such a large amount of damage has been done of which I made as full notes as ~~it~~ appeared necessary in the circumstances. I had to make a further visit to the property to take the outside measurements because there was such a violent storm going on at the time of the first inspection that it would have been difficult to do these accurately. While doing this I was able to form a better opinion of the appearance of the property and I looked at some other property in the same district to make a comparison in the light of fairly recent sales. of similar houses.

For your information I might say that I made a search at the Land Registry Office to ascertain the history which in itself shows the decline in values. Two conveyances were made on the 29th December, 1939 and the 3rd April, 1941. In the first case from Tatsuo Kawai to Kenji Nakauchi and in the second case from Nakauchi to Ichuro Kawasaki. In each case the consideration mentioned is $1. and the declared value $15,450. In the Certificate

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of Title immediately prior to these transfers in the name of Kawai, there is an endorsement recording a mortgage of $31,000 to Mrs. Mabel C. Dockerill, the Vendor, for whom the house was originally built, this mortgage being payable at $400. per month with 4 per cent interest. The sale to Kawai was made on the 13th September, 1926.

Estimating the minimum cost of the repairs and reconditioning necessary to the house and grounds is another item that occupied a considerable lot of time.

If you require any further details with regard to the property I shall be glad to show you my notes, which I shall keep on file.

Yours faithfully,

Douglas W. Reeve

DWR

509 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B.C.,
12th January, 1946.

A.H. Mathieu, Esq., M.B.E.,
Assistant Deputy Custodian,
Victoria Bldg., 7 O'Connor Street,
Ottawa, Ontario.

Dear Mr. Mathieu:

I wish to acknowledge and thank you for your letter of 10th instant.

Enclosed herewith are three copies of the advertisement offering the residence of the former Japanese Consul at 3351 The Crescent, Vancouver, for sale by public tender. This advertisement appeared in this morning's News Herald and will appear in the Vancouver Daily Province to-day and in the Vancouver Sun on either Monday or Tuesday.

Yesterday I called on Charles Dawson, Auctioneer, of 2117 Granville Street, and made arrangements for him to conduct the auction sale in connection with the household goods and furniture formerly owned by the Japanese Consul. They will permit our men to go to their premises one or two days before the sale in order to assist in opening the barrels of dishes etc. and arranging for sale and display. Mr. Dawson's fee is to be on a basis of 10% commission and we pay advertising. This is in line with our arrangement with Mr. Thompson.

We also went to the Hompa Buddhist Temple, 604 E. Cordova, and opened various boxes of Consular effects in the presence of Mr. Baeschlin.

I have decided it would be best to ship the motion picture machines, which I listed, to External Affairs. These are Japanese made cameras and there are numerous colored Japanese slides. No pictures of the Mikado have as yet been discovered but we did find that one box contained somewhat valuable picture frames from which the pictures had been removed.

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Yours sincerely,

K.W. WRIGHT, COUNSEL TO THE CUSTODIAN

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Real Property For Sale
BY TENDER

The Secretary of State of Canada, acting in his capacity as Custodian under or by virtue of the Revised Regulations Respecting Trading with the Enemy (1943) hereby offers for sale by public tender such interest as is vested in him in the following property, in the City of Vancouver:

Lot 3, Block 50, District Lot 526, Group 1, New Westminster District, Plan 4502, known as 3351 The Crescent, First Shaughnessy Heights. The frontage and width are approximately 143 feet with a length of approximately 302 feet on the Northerly side and approximately 262 feet on the Southerly boundary. This comprises approximately .93 of an acre, upon which is situate a three-storey residence above the basement.

Tenders for the purchase of such interest in the above property as is vested in the Custodian will be received subject to the following terms and conditions:

1. Each tender must be in a separate sealed envelope addressed to The Office of the Custodian, 509 Royal Bank Building, 675 West Hastings Street, Vancouver, B.C., and each envelope must be marked on the outside "Tender for Real Estate."

2. A certified cheque, payable to the order of 'The Custodian' for ten per cent (10%) of the amount offered must accompany each tender. The deposit will be forfeited as liquidated damages if the tender is accepted and not completed by the purchaser immediately upon his being required to do so by the Custodian.

3. The balance of the purchase price shall be paid in cash.

4. All adjustments shall be made as of the date of conveyance.

5. The property is sold subject to existing encumbrances, if any.

6. The property is offered for sale without any warranty whatsoever by the Custodian as to location or condition of buildings or improvements or the existence or non-existence of any encroachments.

7. The Custodian reserves the right to cancel any accepted tender and to refund the deposit at any time prior to delivery by him of the conveyance or transfer.

8. Neither the highest nor any tender will necessarily be accepted.

Cheques in respect of unaccepted tenders will be returned in due course.

Tenders will be received by the undersigned up to Noon, Pacific Standard Time, on the 9th day of February, 1946. Further particulars may be obtained during office hours any day up to Noon on the 8th day of February, 1946, and arrangements made with the undersigned to inspect the said premises.

Dated at Vancouver, British Columbia, this 12th day of January, 1946.

THE CUSTODIAN,
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Ottawa, January 25th, 1946.

Administration
AHM/L

Attention Mr. Audette

To: The Under Secretary of State for External Affairs, Ottawa.

Re: Japanese and German Consular Property.

I enclose herewith copies of letters and various documents relative to the disposal of Japanese and German property in Vancouver, to complete your files.

You will note the explanation given regarding the motion picutre equipment covered by Inventory Items Nos. 5, 6, 7 and 8, which are being shipped to you with the archives. This is a correction of the first list supplied you and, according to copy of letter received from Mr. F. P. Bernard, the Spanish Vice-Consul who first had charge of this property in Vancouver, Inventory Item No. 8 would not appear to have any commercial value and was probably disposed of as waste paper.

In his letter of January 23rd, addressed to me from Winnipeg, relative to Japanese Government Property in Vancouver, Mr. Wright raises a point which I think will have to be decided by your Department for our guidance. This point is raised because of a letter received from the Consul General of Switzerland under date of January 15th, in which he asks whether the Canadian Authorities would have any objections to his taking steps to recover from the storage and insurance companies the unexpired storage charges and fire insurance premiums prepaid by them as Protecting Power for Japanese affairs in Canada. I had submitted this letter to the Vancouver office for a report, but this in turn has been forwarded to Mr. Wright in Winnipeg and you will note that the question was taken up with him on the last day he was in Vancouver. Please also note the position he took at the time, that is, that any funds remaining in the hands of the Swiss Consul would necessarily have to be transferred to the Canadian Custodian as an enemy asset.

It appears that the Consul General prepaid storage charges until May 2, 1946 on goods stored with Crone Storage Co., and until August 4, 1946 with Bekin's Storage Co., while the premium for the policy on real property is prepaid until February 13, 1948.

While we have taken steps to place new insurance on the furniture and effects taken over, it has been arranged to transfer the present insurance policy on the real estate to the Custodian. This would leave an adjustment to be made for the storage charges and whatever insurance was carried by the Swiss Consul General on the effects that were stored in the above-mentioned warehouses.

It may be, of course, that the Swiss Consul would have to report back to his Government, which may claim the adjustments as a Protecting Power. On the other hand, it would seem that any funds held in Canada at the present time, or that may be collected in future by the Protecting Power, should be considered enemy property and such money turned over to the Custodian.

I shall appreciate having your opinion on this question immediately so that I may inform our Vancouver office to take whatever steps are necessary.

A. H. MATHIEU
Assistant Deputy Custodian

VIA AIR MAIL

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Administration
AHM/L

Victoria Building,
7 O'Connor Street,
Ottawa, Ontario,
January 25th, 1946.

Dear Mr. Wright:- re Japanese Consular Property

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your various letters of January 17th relative to the Japanese property matters in Vancouver.

The first one is in reference to the North West Fire Insurance Company Policy covering household furniture of the former Japanese Consul in Vancouver, which you state has since been cancelled. I understand you are protecting this property until disposed of. The cancelled policy will be held on file here.

Your second letter is in connection with Item No. 8 - Bekins Storage Co. Inventory, and I am passing this information on to External Affairs for their records.

I also note your letter enclosing copy of the one you addressed to Mr. Baeschlin expressing appreciation of the cooperation you received in Vancouver, and, as suggested by you, I will write to the Consul General in Montreal.

The next letter is the report on the articles to be sent to External Affairs and I am arranging to forward copy of this, along with the enclosures, to that Department for their information.

I also have your letter enclosing Wanwanesa Mutual Insurance Company's Policy No. E62576 covering the goods for the period of 12 months. An adjustment of the premium will be made, I understand, when the goods have been disposed of by public auction. The policy will be kept on file here until your arrival.

I have since received your first letters from Winnipeg and note that you are actively engaged in arranging the taking over of the Consulate property in that City.

In so far as the motion picture machines are concerned, this had already been clarified in your previous letter and External Affairs were informed of the situation. I am forwarding the Department a copy of your present letter which will put them right on the matter.

I addressed my letter of the 19th to Mr. Shears thinking that someone in the Vancouver office would report on this matter or that Mr. Shears would take it up on his return. I note, however, that the question of pre-paid premiums was taken up with you on the last day you were in Vancouver. I do not know whether we could take the stand that the funds remaining in the hands of the Swiss Consul would be for the Custodian's account as an enemy asset. It seems to me that the Swiss Consul in Canada would have to return to his Government, as the Protecting Power, all funds at his disposal. However, I am submitting the matter to External Affairs for a ruling and I will advise you as soon as I have received same.

I confirm the action you have taken in placing insurance on all the property in Winnipeg until it is disposed of by public auction.

With best regards,

Yours very truly,

A. H. MATHIEU
Assistant Deputy Custodian

K. W. Wright, Esq.,
Room 306, Royal Alexandra Hotel,
Winnipeg, Manitoba.

ENDORSEMENT

Company The Pacific Coast Fire Insurance Co. Agency Vancouver, B.C.

Name of Insured The Consul For Switzerland

B.C.U.A. Map Reference: Sheet Block No.

Policy No. 203419 Date of Policy 2/13/45 Term 3 years Co-insurance carried

Insurance on items affected: Item 1 $ 10,000. Nature of Property Dwg.

Item $ Nature of Property

Effective Date	Old Rate	New Rate	Additional Premium	Return Premium
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NOTICE RECEIVED AND ACCEPTED that this policy shall hereafter read and cover in the name of the CUSTODIAN FOR ENEMY PROPERTY and not as originally written.

ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS REMAIN UNCHANGED.

Dated at Vancouver, B.C. Janjary 14th 1946

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O t t a w a,
January 28, 1946.

To: The Custodian,
Department of the Secretary of State of Canada,
O t t a w a.

Subject: Japanese Consular Property.

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of January 25 together with the enclosures therein specified.

With reference to any funds remaining in the hands of the Swiss Consul, I think you should be guided by the principle that if the Swiss Consul disbursed monies from his own funds as opposed to Japanese funds for the purpose of preserving assets from which we are now benefitting, any sums so expended by him should be refunded to him.

The Swiss Government should not be financially penalized for conservatory measures in connection with assets which are benefitting Canada.

If on the other hand these expenditures have been made from Japanese funds, I do not think that there is any doubt they should be transferred to you as an enemy asset.

Under-Secretary of State
for External Affairs.

Mr. Wright.

B.7.d for 8/2/46

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A. H. Mathieu, Esq., M.B.E.,
Assistant Deputy Custodian,
Office of the Custodian,
Victoria Building,
Ottawa, Ont.

Dear Mr. Mathieu,

Re: Japanese Consular Property
Unexpired Insurance Premium

Referring to your letter of January 19th in which you enclose copy of a letter dated January 15th from the Consul General of Switzerland.

I think it likely that you have now received all the information you require from Mr. Wright.

On behalf of the Custodian Mr. Wright did agree with Mr. Baeschlin that upon endorsing the policy in favour of the Custodian any adjustments in premium would be made if this became necessary. This insurance referred to the real estate only, the policy being for three years from February 13th, 1945. The form of endorsement on this policy from the Swiss Consul to the Custodian was sent by this office to Mr. Wright when he was in Winnipeg.

No insurance was formerly being carried on the goods in storage but these were covered by a new policy when Mr. Wright was here.

Apart from the goods which have been shipped to Ottawa, the office equipment and the household goods still remain in Crones and Bekins Storages with the exception of the safe and a few filing cabinets which are now in our own storage.

In the near future arrangements will be made to dispose of all these effects by public auction, employing Mr. Charles Dawson as Auctioneer after moving the goods to his Auction Rooms for sale. I believe that you confirmed this arrangement with Mr. Wright but it might be well for you to specifically advise if it is in order for me to proceed forthwith.

For your information a considerable number of people have inspected the property on The Crescent, the closing time for receiving tenders is noon to-morrow, but up to the present time no actual tender

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has been received by this office. I will of course write you on Monday formerly advising you of the result of our advertisement.

Yours very truly,

F. G. Shears

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Director.

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11th February, 1946.

K. W, Wright, Esq.,
Counsel to the Custodian,
Office of the Custodian,
Victoria Building,
Ottawa, Ont.

Dear Mr. Wright:

Re: Japanese Consul's House
3351 The Crescent.

Advertisements calling for tenders appeared as follows:

Vancouver Daily Province	-	12th January, 1946
News Herald	-	12th January, 1946
Vancouver Sun	-	15th January, 1946

Our Mr. Wills reports that the property was open for inspection every Tuesday and Friday from 2 to 4 p.m. during the period calling for tenders and that other special appointments were made for inspection. He estimates that over 250 persons inspected this building but considers that many only came from curiosity. This indicates, however, that the public were made well aware that this property was for sale and that tenders would be considered.

Mr. Wills states that one person, name unknown, had an electrician, plumber and a glazier give estimates on the cost of repairs.

Tenders closed at 12 noon on Saturday, February 9th, at which time five sealed envelopes had been received at this office. No further tenders were received in this morning's mail and the above tenders were opened by myself in the presence of Mr. Good, Mr. Johnston and Miss Dorothy Graham and attached hereto is a report on same.

You are aware that Mr. Reeve in his valuation report states that he is of the opinion that the market value of this property in its present condition is $10,000.- and that in order to effect an early sale it may be necessary to reduce this amount by 10% or even 15%.

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OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN

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K. W. Wright, Esq.

I presume that you will wish all tenders to be rejected but I will await your advice as to whether we should follow our usual practice and advise those who have tendered the minimum price which will receive favourable consideration.

You might also advise whether should there be other interested parties besides those who have already tendered whether these other persons can be supplied with a minimum price before the original tenderers have had an opportunity to revise their bids.

Yours very truly,

F. G. Shears,
Director.

FGS/PMH

encl.

CANADA
DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE
OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN

File No. 146

11th February, 1946

MEMORANDUM

Re: Lot 3, Block 50, D.L. 526, Gp. 1, N.W.D., Plan 4502, known as 3351 The Crescent, Vancouver, B.C. -- Advertised for sale by tender in the Vancouver Province and News Herald on January 12th, 1946 and in the Vancouver Sun on January 15th, 1946 - tenders closing at Noon on February 9th, 1946.

Tenders in regard to the above noted property, which closed at Noon on Saturday the 9th instant, were opened by the writer this morning in the presence of Mr. Good, Mr. Johnston and Miss Graham:

Tenderer	Amount of Tender	Deposit	Remarks
A.J.C. Ford & Co.	$7,600.00	$760.00	
E.J. Webb	6,000.00	600.00	
Roy Kehn	4,200.00	420.00	
John A. MacMillan	3,200.00	320.00	
L.L.G. Bentley	3,150.00	315.00	

The above tenders referred to Ottawa before dealing with same.

F.G. SHEARS

FGS/DG

VIA AIR MAIL

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FILE No. 146-A

Enemy Section

506 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B.C.

27th February, 1946.

K.W. Wright, Esq.,
Counsel to the Custodian,
Office of the Custodian,
Victoria Building,
Ottawa, Ont.

Dear Mr. Wright:

Re: 3351 The Crescent

You are aware that all tenders received in response to our advertisement were rejected. This was done on February 16th so that a considerable time has elapsed since then. The only further contact that has been made by the original tenderers has been by Mr. A.J.C. Ford whose tender was for $7,600.- He has since taken his client to inspect the house on two or three occasions, but informed me on the telephone the day before yesterday that he is not in a position to increase his former offer. He states that in his opinion as a Real Estate Agent, having knowledge of the value of properties, he believes the offer should be accepted.

We have been prepared to advise any persons interested that an offer of not less than $10,000.- would receive consideration but have not had many enquiries.

We have just received an offer from Messrs. Loewen, Harvey & Morfitt reading as follows:

> "We enclose cheque for $250.00, being the deposit received by us from Frank King, on an offer of $10,000.00 cash for the above property. The deposit has been accepted by us on the understanding, that when we are advised of the acceptance of the offer - final payment of the full sum is to be made within ten days from date of advice,- and that if such payment in full is not made within that time the above $250.00 will be forfeited and our client will be under no further obligation.
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> In the event of the offer being accepted and the sale completed it is subject to a Five (5%) per cent commission to this office.

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"The reason for the offer being made by the purchasers in the above manner is that, as you are aware, the property is in a very depreciated condition - and our clients are unable to state whether they are prepared to complete the transaction until they have been able to obtain a detailed contractor's estimate of the cost of repair."

This is a prospect of Mr. Milsom who is employed by Messrs. Loewen, Harvey & Morfitt. Mr. Milsom informs me that the offer is quite genuine. The reason that it is made in this particular manner is that his client would be willing to go through with the deal provided he finds that necessary repairs will not exceed $5,000.- He states he would spend up to this amount and if the Custodian was prepared to definitely accept this offer he would have his contractors make an accurate estimate and either complete the deal within ten days or forfeit the $250.00.

I have told Mr. Milsom that if any offer of not less than $10,000.- is received that it would be immediately submitted to Ottawa. However, as this is the only offer before us at the present time, and it would appear to be acceptable as far as the price is concerned, you might consider it advisable to recommend its acceptance on the basis outlined.

Mr. Reeve's report would indicate that $10,000.- is a maximum amount which we could expect to receive and indicated that it might need to be reduced by 10% or 15%.

Mr. Milsom informs me that his client in a general way believes that necessary repairs could be made in an amount not exceeding $5,000.- so that he feels that there is quite a possibility of the deal being consummated. His client, however, does not wish to make a specific bid of $10,000.- with a 10% deposit in case he should find that $7,000.- or $8,000.- might be required to put the property in proper condition and that the Custodian would then hold him to the completion of his offer.

Yours very truly,

F. G. Shears,
Director.

FGS/PMH
encl.

March 7th, 1946.

REAL PROPERTY MEMORANDUM

FILE NO:	Int. 146.
NAME:	Ichiro KAWASAKI
CATALOGUE NO:	Special Ad.
	RE: 3351 The Crescent, Vancouver,B.C. - Dwelling.

CERTIFICATE OF ENCUMBRANCE:

Description of Property:	City of Vancouver, Lot 3, Block 50, District Lot 526, Group 1, New Westminster District, Plan 4502.
Encumbrances:	Nil.
Taxes:	Paid in full.
Vested:	No. 41205.
AMOUNT OF BID:	$10,000.00.
AMOUNT RECEIVED BY CUSTODIAN:	$1,000.00 by cheque, $9,000.00 balance to be paid upon receipt of executed deed.
NAME OF PURCHASER:	Frank King.

Prepared by: D'Arcy Scott

Approved by: J.G. Shearz

DAC:JS

Transmission & Conveyance approved 9 - Mch. 46

VIA AIR MAIL

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506 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B.C.

7th March, 1946.

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FILE NO. 146-A
Enemy Section

K. W. Wright, Esq.,
Counsel to the Custodian,
Office of the Custodian,
Victoria Building,
Ottawa, Ont.

Dear Mr. Wright:

Re: Japanese Consular Property
3351 The Crescent.

I am enclosing copy of a letter just received from Messrs. Loewen, Harvey & Morfitt. Mr. Milsom informs me that it is going to cost more than $5,000.- to repair this building but that his client, Mr. Frank King, has decided to exercise his option and to purchase the property for $10,000.-

You will note that the offer is slightly different from what I previously wrote in that the arrangement was for Mr. King to pay the full amount of $10,000.- as soon as we were prepared to accept his offer. The present offer is to pay the balance of $9,000.- when the deeds are ready for registration. I presume that this will be satisfactory and to expedite matters I am enclosing Transmission and deed for signature.

As a matter of information Mr. A.J.C. Ford, who submitted the highest tender, namely $7,600.- 'phoned me yesterday stating that his client might possibly pay $8,500.-. I merely informed him that another offer had been submitted to Ottawa and that I would be unable to advise him until early next week.

Yours very truly,

F. G. Shears,
Director.

FGS/PMH

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LOEWEN, HARVEY & MORFITT,

Limited.

626 West Pender Street,
Vancouver, B.C.

March 7th, 1946.

Department of The Secretary of State,
Office of the Custodian (Enemy Section)
506 Royal Bank Building,
Granville & Hastings Streets,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir:-

Re: 3351 The Crescent, Vancouver, B.C.

Referring to our letter of February 27th, enclosed find certified cheque for $750.00, this with the $250.00 already paid you represents ten (10%) per cent of the purchase price of $10,000.00.

When you advise us that the deeds are ready for registration our Client informs us he will pay the balance.

Will you please have the property registered in the name of FRANK KING, Lumberman, Standard Bank Building, Vancouver, British Columbia. Mr. King is a British Subject.

We would ask you to advise us that you would have no objection to Mr. King placing a watchman on the premises immediately.

Yours faithfully,

Loewen, Harvey & Morfitt, Limited.

"G. D. Milsom".

Real Estate Department.

GDM/F

VIA AIR MAIL

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FILE NO. 146-A

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506 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B.C.

27th May, 1946.

K. W. Wright, Esq.,
Counsel to the Custodian,
Office of the Custodian,
Victoria Building,
Ottawa, Ont.

Dear Mr. Wright:

Re: Japanese Government Consular
Property in Vancouver.

I enclose herein statements in duplicate covering the liquidation of Japanese Consular property in Vancouver and cheques for same as follows:

Rec. s/6/46 m.m.B.

Real Estate	$9,243.37	#26614
Household furniture	7,117.55	#26616
Office furniture	2,125.50	#26615

I trust that this will be in accordance with your requirements.

Yours very truly,

F. G. Shears

F. G. Shears,
Director.

FGS/PMH

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OTTAWA FILE

No. 8637-40

Letter No. E. 66

Date January 26, 1952.

FROM: THE UNDER-SECRETARY OF STATE FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS, Canada

TO: THE CANDIAN MISSION, TOKYO, JAPAN

Reference Your letter No. 924 of October 26, 1951.

Subject The Assets of the Late Sotomatsu Kato

We attach copy of our letter of today's date to the Assistant Deputy Custodian concerning the release of the above-mentioned assets and the general question of the release of the assets of former Japanese diplomatic and consular officials in Canada.

2. To our mind the release of these assets is closely related to that of former German consular personnel in Canada. According to the Rules of Accounting of the Inter-Allied Reparation Agency, the Allied Powers could restore to their former owners the assets of German diplomatic and consular personnel which they had vested, and which consisted of household goods and limited personal effects not of an investment nature. The United Kingdom and United States complied with these Rules. When the question arose in Canada, we informed the German Embassy that the Custodian was agreeable to releasing the assets of former German consular officials within the limits set by IARA.

3. One of those Germans affected is Dr. Windels, Consul General in Ottawa (1937-1939), whose assets include bonds and securities valued at about $10,000. and the proceeds from the sale of his household goods and personal effects, amounting to approximately $11,000. Under the Rules of Accounting bonds and securities are considered assets of an investment nature. This interpretation has been followed by the United Kingdom and the United States. Therefore, only the proceeds from the sale of his household goods and personal effects, would be restorable to Dr. Windels.

4. As you know provision is made under Article 14, 2, (11), (ii) of the Treaty of Peace with Japan for the restoration of all personal furniture and furnishings and other private property not of an investment nature, which was normally necessary for the carrying out of diplomatic and consular functions, owned by Japanese diplomatic and consular officials.

5. The United Kingdom and the United States are complying with this provision and the latter is in the process of releasing all property of Japanese diplomatic and consular personnel. The United Kingdom proposes to exercise its right under this Article, and retain all Japanese diplomatic and consular property which could be considered of an investment nature.

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6. The Custodian has under his control the assets of six former Japanese diplomatice and consular officials. Only the assets of two are of any significant interest; these are, apart from Mr. Kato's, those held in the name of Mr. Kawasaki amounting to over $7,000. which represent the proceeds from the sale of his furniture and household goods. These assets would be restorable to Mr. Kawasaki under the Peace Treaty. The assets held in the names of the other four are of little value; less that $75.00 for each.

7. We have given full consideration to your recommendation in paragraph 2 of your despatch under reference and have come to the conclusion that it would be difficult to accept it in the light of the treatment accorded to former German consular officials and the stand taken by the United Kingdom and the United States Governments. We fail to see any reason why we should be more lenient than either of these two Governments. The Kato case is not one of hardship warranting special consideration because, as you have stated, Mrs. Kato had planned on leaving the money in Canada to assist a relative to take his university training here. Furthermore, as Mr. Kato departed from Canada in 1938, his intentions of leaving the money here as an investment seem to be clearly established.

A. F. W. PLUMPTRE

for the Under-Secretary of State
for External Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

CANADA

Please refer to our:
File No. 8637-40

OTTAWA, January 26, 1952

The Assistant Deputy Custodian,
Department of the Secretary of State.

Attention: Mr. K. W. Wright

We wish to refer to your letter of November 5, 1951, concerning the assets ofthe late Hon. Sotomatsu Kato, former Japanese Minister to Canada.

2. Article 14, 2, (11), (ii) of the Treaty of Peace with Japan makes provision for the type of assets that will be released to former Japanese diplomatic consular officials, and in the case of Mr. Kato we do not believe that an exception is warranted.

3. In our view those of his assets represented by the Dominion of Canada bond and the interest thereon could be considered as assets of an investment nature, and, therefore, would not be eligible for release.

4. It would be difficult, if not impossible, to determine the source of Mr. Kato's savings account and, consequently, we would be in favour of these assets being restored.

5. We note that the assets of six former Japanese diplomatic and consular officials in all are vested in the Custodian. The assets of only two seem to be of any significant interest; there are, apart from Mr. Kato's, those held in the name of Mr. Kawasaki amounting to over $7,000. These assets apparently consist of the proceeds from the sale of his furniture and household goods and, therefore, would be restorable to Mr. Kawasaki under the terms of the Peace Treaty.

6. We do not know the source of the assets held in the names of the other four, but the amounts are so small that we see no objection to their release as they could hardly be considered assets of an investment nature.

7. Considering that the provisions of the Treaty for the release of the assets of former Japanese diplomatic and consular officials closely parallel those of the Rules of Accounting of IARA which affect the release of the assets of former German diplomatic and consular officials, we would be agreeable that this particular group of assets which are restorable, be released prior to the coming into effect of the Treaty.

A. F. W. PLUMPTRE

for the Under-Secretary of State
for External Affairs.

33308

Victoria Building,
7 O'Connor Street,
Ottawa, 4, Ontario.

January 28th, 1952.

To: The Under-Secretary of State
for External Affairs, Ottawa.
Your File No. 8637-40
Re: Assets of former Japanese and Consular Personnel.

Attention: Mr. A. F. W. Plumptre.

I have for acknowledgment your communication of the 26th instant.

It is noted that you approved release of assets as follows:

33308 Hon. Sotomatsu Kato - Savings Bank Balance
Canadian Bank of Commerce $1,097.44

24029 Ichiro Kawasaki - Proceeds sale of household
furniture and personal effects 7,117.55

33304 Lt. Col. Yutaka Hirota 17.38

33318 Akira Matsui 37.94

33656 Takaski Suzuki 65.67

29755 Siji ro Yoshizawa 2.00

It will be necessary for Hon. Sotomatsu Kato and Ichiro Kawasaki to file applications for release along the lines of the printed instruction sheet enclosed herewith. As the amounts due to the remaining four are small the Custodian will accept a letter signed by each applicant disclosing present whereabouts in order that remittances may be made.

Would you be kind enough to send instruction sheets to the Canadian Mission in Tokyo and request them to get in touch with the above named.

K. W. Wright,
Chief Counsel.

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KWW/G
Encl.

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No.....

Letter No. 238

Date. March 5, 1952

SECURITY CLASSIFICATION

UNCLASSIFIED

FROM: The Canadian Liaison Mission, Tokyo, Japan.

TO: THE UNDER-SECRETARY OF STATE FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS, CANADA

Reference....Your letter No. E. 76 of January 29, 1952.....

Subject:....Release of Assets of former Japanese Diplomatic and Consular Officials.

I am attaching in duplicate the application of Mr. Ichiro KAWASAKI, former Japanese Consul in Vancouver to the Custodian for the release of his assets under the control of that official which consist of the proceeds of the sale of his household furniture and personal effects in the amount of $7,117.55.

A.R. MENZIES

A. R. Menzies,
Head of the Canadian
Liaison Mission in Japan.

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Post File

No 120-4.....

AFFIDAVIT

I, Ichiro Kawasaki, hereby apply to the Custodian for the release of those of my assets under his control which are mentioned below.

I am a citizen of Japan by birth.

I now live at the following address:

1-1 Sannencho,

Chiyoda-ku,

Tokyo, Japan.

On September 2, 1939, I was Acting Japanese Consul General in San Francisco, California. In April 1940, I was transferred to Vancouver, British Columbia, as Japanese Consul there and lived at the Crescent, Vancouver. After the outbreak of war, I was put under house detention until my repatriation to Japan in May 1942. Thereafter, I was posted to Kuivisev, U.S.S.R., then temporary capital of that country, and from there to Moscow in the spring of 1943. I remained there until May 1946 at which time I was repatriated to Japan. I lived then at 192 Fujidana-cho, Yokohama, until April 1950. Since then I have been living at my present address--1-1, Sannen-cho, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo, Japan.

I was the owner of all the furniture, household and personal effects which I left behind me in my residence at the Crescent, Vancouver, B.C., when I was repatriated to Japan in 1942. I brought some of the furniture and other effects with me from California and purchased the rest locally during my tenure of office in Vancouver.

I.K.

No person, corperation, or society residing or established in a country other than Japan which has been at war with Canada has any interest in those of my assets mentioned above.

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Indeed, I am their sole owner.

Sworn before me this day
of Tuesday, March 4, 1952,
at the Canadian Liaison
Mission, Tokyo, Japan.

Ichiro Kawasaki
Ichiro Kawasaki

C. E. McGaughey
Vice Consul of Canada in Japan

I hereby certify that the applicant has identified himself by proper evidence, and, to the best of my knowledge, information and belief, the facts set forth in the applicant's declaration are correct.

C.E. McGaughey
Vice Consul of Canada in Japan

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DEPARTMENT OF SECRETARY OF STATE
OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN

REQUISITION FOR CHEQUE

OTTAWA, MAR 10 1954

FILE NO. ~~24029~~ 56122, 56106, 17409

SECTION Administration,

Sec. # 36732. 11/3/54 M.M.P.

CHEQUE PAYABLE TO The Custodian - Cash Section ---
Ichiro Kawasaki, file 24029, Japan, ($142.35), 20/3/52
RE Japanese Embassy, file 56106, Japan, ($282.27), 5/9/52
Etsu Hashizume, file 17409, Japan, ($ 95.66), 4/11/52

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CHEQUE TO BE FORWARDED TO (Name)

(Address)

IN THE AMOUNT OF { CAN. $520.28 / U.S. $ / £

PARTICULARS Administration Charges on Assets Released charged after the transfer of German and Japanese Assets to War Claims Commission (31/10/51). To be credited to an account for the Receiver General of Canada re-War Claims Fund.

CHARGE TO ~~Administration Charges on Releases.~~

(Requisitioned by)

BALANCE OF ACCOUNT AS AT ..... { CAN. $ / U.S. $ / £

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

DATE MAR 10 1954

(Accountant in Charge)

MEMBER, ADMINISTRATION BOARD AND COMPTROLLER

APPROVED FOR PAYMENT:

DATE MAR 10 1954

(Assistant Deputy Custodian)
for xxxxxxxx

CASHIER'S MEMO.

CHEQUE NO. A-25387

DATE MAR 10 1954

BANK C.P.A./S.

(Cashier's Initials)

L.-M. CO. A37121-40M-11-45 REV.