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**OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN
JAPANESE SECTION**

To be completed by persons of the Japanese race having property in any protected area. The proper administration of this property requires such persons to give full particulars as requested in this form.

PERSONAL INFORMATIONNAME: TAKIMOTO, HanasaburoHOME ADDRESS: P.O. Box 74, Steveston, B. C.REGISTRATION NUMBER 04387 SEX: Male AGE: 48OCCUPATION: Fisherman

(If any business or businesses carried on, state where, under what name and whether carried on by yourself or in partnership with anyone; if partnership, give partner's name.)

EMPLOYER: B. C. Packers *(formerly)*MARRIED? YesNAME OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: Kumae 1167ADDRESS OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: Box 74, Steveston, B. C.NAMES OF ANY LIVING CHILDREN: Kazuro (M); Tsuyoshi (M); Saburo (M).ADDRESS OF CHILDREN: Box 74, Steveston, B. C.AGE OF CHILDREN: 15, 11, and 9 years respectively.**STATEMENT OF ALL REAL PROPERTY** (Each parcel must be mentioned and particulars given)1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: None2. BUILDINGS AND OTHER IMPROVEMENTS: None3. INSURANCE (Give particulars; state where policies are) None4. TAXES (Amount and where payable) None5. ENCUMBRANCES (Including any unregistered claims or deposit of title deed) None6. OCCUPANCY AND LEASES (If vacant so state) None

7. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF TITLE DOCUMENTS: None
8. STATE IF ANY OTHER PERSON HAS ANY INTEREST: None
9. IF FARM LAND STATE CROPS SOWN None

STATEMENT OF REAL PROPERTY OCCUPIED

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: Box 74, Steveston, B.C. - 89 Chatham St.,
4-room wooden frame.
2. LANDLORD'S NAME AND ADDRESS: Mr. Ikeda - Steveston, B. C.
3. PARTICULARS OF LEASE AND RENT AND DATE TO WHICH PAID:
\$4.00 monthly paid March 1942 - Pays water taxes as well.
4. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF LEASE: None
5. SUB-TENANTS, IF ANY (Give name, address, rent and to what date paid)
None

6. IF FARM LAND, PARTICULARS OF CROPS SOWN:
None

STATEMENT OF PERSONAL PROPERTY OWNED:

1. GIVE BRIEF DESCRIPTION AND STATE LOCATION OF FURNITURE, FIXTURES, EQUIPMENT AND MACHINERY, STOCK IN TRADE AND PERSONAL EFFECTS:

House furnishings value about \$120.00; kitchen utensils (\$130.00).

1-bicycle about \$40.00 now in 89 Chatham St. Steveston

2-3/7/44 1 fishing boat. Eachope seven (surrendered)

2. HORSES, LIVESTOCK AND OTHER ANIMALS, POULTRY AND PETS

1-cat

3. GIVE THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF ANY PERSON HAVING ANY INTEREST IN, OR CLAIM ON ANY SUCH PROPERTY None

4. INSURANCE CARRIED ON ABOVE PROPERTY: None
5. MORTGAGES, LIENS AND OTHER CLAIMS ON PROPERTY IN POSSESSION OF OTHERS: None
6. MONEYS OWING TO YOU (State if any of these debts assigned and if so, to whom): None
7. BONDS, DEBENTURES, SHARES, STOCKS OR OTHER SECURITIES (State whereabouts)
1- Victory Bond \$30.00, K4 H170254 maturity 1951, and 1 War Saving Certificate for each son as listed on first page. (value \$5.00) in owner's possession (Mr. H. Tarumoto)
8. BANK ACCOUNTS: Saving Accounts T270 with The Royal Bank of Canada amount \$50.00
9. LIFE INSURANCE: None
10. INTEREST IN ANY ESTATES OR TRUSTS: None
11. SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX: None

LIABILITIES:

1. PERSONAL DEBTS: None
2. TRADE DEBTS: None

REMARKS: Upon Evacuation the household goods & bicycles will be left in 89 Chatham St. & the Key given to the custodian -

I certify that the above information is true and complete and fully discloses all my property of every description in any protected area in British Columbia and sets forth all my liabilities direct and indirect.

Dated this 2nd day of April 1942.

W. McConville

Witness

(Signature) H. Tarumoto

FOR DEPARTMENTAL USE

INFORMATION FROM R.C.M.P.

DATE May 31/43

Our File No. 1453

Full Name * TARUMOTO, (or HARUTOMI) Hamasaburo
(Surname in Block Letters)

Registration No. 04387

^N
Male - Female
(Check)

Age July 10/1894

Former Address P.O. Box 74, Steveston, B.C.

Date Evacuated April 23/42

^V
Naturalized - Canadian-Born - National
(Check)

Present Address c/o Searle Farms, East Selkirk, Manitoba.

Married - Single
(Check)

Name of Wife Kumae #04353

Name of Husband _____

Name of Mother _____

Name of Father _____

Names of Children under 16 Kazuro(M) Sept. 17/28

Tsuyashi(M) June 11/30

Saburo(M) Oct. 4/32

Requested by E.C.T.

Registered with Custodian No
(Yes or No)

Additional Information This man is acknowledged as HARUTOMI, Hamasaburo, but changed his name to TARUMOTO, Hamasaburo in April 1917, by adoption into wife's family, but has never registered the change of family name. He is known under both names of HARUTOMI and TARUMOTO. Owner of fishing vessal "HT", fishing licence 767. It is beleived that this man changed his name in 1941. (Fisherman)

LIABILITY SUMMARY

File No. 1453

Sept. 23, 1946.

Re: Masasaburo TAKEMOTO, Reg. No. 04387

This file reveals no claims against the above. There are no claims on the file of his wife, File 1169.

The above summary is certified to be in accordance with the information on file.

Sept. 23, 1946.

RMH:LEN

R.B. Mackenzie
R.B. Mackenzie

PERSONAL PROPERTY SUMMARY

File No. 1453

Sept. 23, 1946.

RE: Hamasaburo TARUMOTO, Reg. No. 94387

This file reveals the above owned no real property in any protected area of B.C., and did not carry any Fire Insurance.

CHATELS:

The above, who made his declaration to the Custodian on April 2/42 and was evacuated on April 23/42, declared house furnishings, kitchen utensils and one bicycle left at 89 Chatham St., Steveston, and one fishing vessel surrendered to the Naval authorities.

All goods found at 89 Chatham St. in the name of the above were inventoried on March 12/45 by Custodian agent, Mr. G.H. Harris, as per List #18 on file, and removed to Steveston auction room where they were sold for the net sum of \$31.31 and this sum was credited to the account of the above with this office. Kumas TARUMOTO, wife of the above, File 1169, declared chattels at this address, but they are dealt with on this file. In a memo of March 12/45 from Mr. Harris, he states that a bicycle, 2 sewing machines and one electric iron declared by Mr. and Mrs. TARUMOTO were not found by the Custodian. The above and his wife were advised of this in our letter of May 9/45.

SPECIFIED
ARTICLES:

According to information supplied to this office the above was the registered owner of a fishing vessel, the "Kayen", which was sold through the Japanese Fishing Vessel Disposal Committee for the net sum of \$443.00 and this sum was paid to the above through Mr. Y. SHIRAKAWA on April 22/42. Full details are given on Specified Articles Summary on file.

On April 5/45 the account of the above was credited with the sum of \$49.50 being payment of a claim for damages to the "Kayen" of \$50.00 less 15 expenses, sustained by the vessel while it was in the custody of the R.C. Navy.

The above was the owner of the boat "H.T.767" which was located in an open shed near Brunswick Cannery, Five s Inlet, B.C. This boat, which was not licensed nor taken into custody, was sold on Aug. 17/44, for the sum of \$15.00 by the Custodian, and this sum credited to the account of the above. Full details are given on Specified Articles Summary on file.

MONEYS
RECEIVABLE:

In July, 1945, the account of the above was credited with the sum of \$2.14, being a refund of security deposit for light from the B.C.E.R.

VICTORY BONDS
&
WAR SAVINGS
CERTIFICATES:

The above declared a \$50.00 Victory Bond and three \$5.00 War Savings Certificates in his own possession. These were not brought under the control of the Custodian.

BANK
ACCOUNT:

The above declared a savings account in the Royal Bank of Canada in the sum of \$50.00. This was not brought under the control of the Custodian.

On May 9/45 a Custodian cheque in the sum of \$95.81 was remitted to

the above, which was his total credit with this office at that time.

No property interests other than those mentioned above are found on this file.

The above summary is certified to be in accordance with the information on file.

Sept. 23/46

RBM:LBM

R.B. Mackenzie
R.B. Mackenzie

SUMMARY TAKEN FROM VESSELS RECORDS

Date: July 3, 1944
Name: TARUMOTO, Hamasaburo Reg. No. 04387 File: 1453
Boat File No.: JFVDC 486
Name of Vessel: "Kayen" 28'x6'8"x3' (1935) Easthope 7 HP
Lic. or Reg. No.: New Westminster 3125
Naval No.: NW.043-D
Owner's Valuation: \$680.00
JFVDC Valuation: None
Custodian Valuation: None
Date of Sale: April 21, 1942
Purchaser: Robert Cattina
Signature on Sales Papers: Copy unsigned
Selling Price: \$450.00
Paid to JFVDC or ~~custodian~~: 450.00
Supervision Costs: 7.00
Balance due Owner: 443.00
Paid to: H. Tarumoto, per Y. Shirakawa, April 22, 42
Location of Boat at Sale: New Westminster
Claims Against Canadian Govt.:

Damage Claim 344- Hamasaburo TARUMOTO - \$50.00 (Unpaid)

Additional Information:

This vessel was licensed in the name of Kichiji NISHII, but there was a Bill of Sale, dated November 21, 1942, transferring the vessel to Hamasaburo TARUMOTO.

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SUMMARY TAKEN FROM VESSELS RECORDS

Date: August 18, 1944

Name: TARUMOTO, Hamasaburo

Reg. No. 04387

File: 1453

Boat File No.: CUSTODIAN 1453

Name of Vessel: "H.T. 767" 26 foot, Dory type, raised cabin forward,
open cockpit aft, 3½ H.P. Palmer

Lic. or Reg. No.:

Unlicensed

Naval No.:

None

Owner's Valuation:

None

JFVDC Valuation:

None

Custodian Valuation:

None

Date of Sale:

August 17, 1944

Purchaser:

R. Mowatt

Signature on Sales Papers: Custodian Sale

Selling Price:

\$15.00

Paid to ~~JFVDC~~ Custodian: 15.00

Supervision Costs:

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Balance due Owner:

15.00

Paid to:

Credited to account of Hamasaburo TARUMOTO

Location of Boat at Sale: In open shed near Brunswick Cannery, Rivers
Inlet. Due to her condition and location

Claims Against Canadian Govt.: this vessel was not taken into custody.

None

Additional Information: As this vessel had been out of the water for
at least two and a half years, and had not been
considered of sufficient value by the naval
parties that inspected her to warrant her being
taken into custody, it was decided to accept the
offer of \$15.00.

FM

JAPANESE FISHING VESSELS DISPOSAL COMMITTEE

RELEASE AND DISCHARGE

FISHING VESSEL: "KAYEN"

CLAIM No.: 344-486

REG. or LIC. No.: NW. 3125

Owner at Time of Impounding:

NAVAL No.: NW. 043-D

Hamasaburo TARUMOTO, #04387,
File 1453.

CLAIM PAYABLE TO: Hamasaburo TARUMOTO, #04387 Present Owner: Robert CAIRNS

This vessel was sold by Hamasaburo TARUMOTO, on April 21, 1942, to Robert CAIRNS, and as a condition of such sale the vendor retained all interest in claim for the damage and/or loss referred to herein.

While in the custody of the Royal Canadian Navy, this vessel suffered loss and/or damage to the value of \$50.00, as assessed by the surveyor for Naval Service, which sum, less 1% expense charge, is approved by the undersigned and accepted as adequate compensation.

In consideration of the payment of the sum of FORTY-NINE DOLLARS AND FIFTY
CENTS ----- (\$ 49.50)

(of lawful money of Canada) (the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged), we, the undersigned, being the owners and/or mortgagees, shipyard repairers and all others having any interest, claim or demand against the said motor vessel registered at the Port of New Westminster, B. C. Official or License No. 3125 DO HEREBY RELEASE and forever discharge His Majesty the King, as represented by Royal Canadian Naval Service or any patrol or auxiliary service, acting through or under the authority of Royal Canadian Naval Service, and all boards, commissions or departments of His Majesty's Canadian Government of and from claims which we may now have or which hereafter may arise and which now could or at any time hereafter be made in consequence of damage sustained or any alleged damage sustained, to the above-named motor vessel while in custody of His Majesty's Royal Canadian Naval Service or any auxiliary patrols, commissions, boards or departments hereinbefore named.

AND FURTHER, we covenant that we are the owners and/or mortgagees, shipyard repairers and all others having any interest, claim or demand against the said vessel and are the only parties or persons having any interest, claim, lien, demand or charge over the above-named motor vessel, and should any claim hereafter be made by or through any parties whatsoever, we hereby agree to indemnify and save harmless His Majesty the King as represented by any of the naval services, boards, patrols, departments, or commissions hereinbefore referred to.

AND FURTHER, that this discharge and release enures to the benefit of and is binding upon all the parties hereto, their respective heirs, executors, administrators, assigns, successors and representatives.

DATED at Vancouver, British Columbia, this

day of 1st May 1942

WITNESS:

East Selkirk Manitoba

Kichiro Shinkawa

Hamasaburo Tarumoto

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July 5, 1943.

Mr. A. E. Lawson,
British Columbia Packers Ltd.,
Foot of Campbell Street,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

According to our records, there is lying in a shed adjoining Brunswick Cannery, Rivers Inlet, a fishing vessel, described as follows:

"H. T." 767 - Owner Hamasaburo TARUMOTO,
26 feet long, dory type, raised cabin forward, open cockpit aft.
3½ H. P. Palmer Gasoline engine.

If you could give us any information about this vessel, it would be greatly appreciated.

Yours very truly,

F. Matheson,
Specified Articles Department.

EVACUATION SECTION

Rec'd JUL 28 1943

File 13

Ans.

Referred

Brunswick,
Rivers Inlet, B.C.
July 19th 1943.

Japanese Vessels Disposal Committee,
Marine Bldg.,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sirs:- Re: Hamasaburo Tarumoto

The above Japanese left his boat here at the cannery in 1941, which was a converted skiff with a $3\frac{1}{2}$ H.P. Palmer. The Fisherman's Navy Patrol have been advised by the writer that this boat was left here but of no value, so presume you have a record of this information.

This spring practically all the moveable parts have been removed by fishermen without anyone's consent, so am now making an offer of \$10.00 for the balance.

By the end of this month which is the end of the sookeye season there will not be anything left on this skiff, so please advise by return mail if my bid is accepted, as I had an enquiry today for what is left of this skiff.

Yours very truly,

A.G. Hay

A.G. Hay

(Bookkeeper Brunswick Cannery)

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August 3, 1943.

Mr. A. G. Hay,
Brunswick Cannery,
Rivers Inlet, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Boat Owned by Hamasaburo TARUMOTO

In reply to your letter of July 19th, in regard to the skiff belonging to Hamasaburo Tarumoto which is now lying at Brunswick Cannery, this is to advise that your offer of \$10.00 for this boat is hereby accepted.

Upon receipt of cheque in payment, we shall forward completed sales papers.

Yours very truly,

F. Matheson,
Specified Articles Department.

in reply

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July 20, 1944.

Mr. R. Mowat,
Brunswick Cannery,
Rivers Inlet, B. C.

Dear Sir:

We are in receipt of your offer of \$15.00 for the vessel "H.T.767".

Your offer is hereby accepted. If you will send us a certified cheque or money order for \$15.00, we will have the necessary sales papers executed and forwarded to you.

Yours very truly,

F. Matheson,
Specified Articles Department.

File 1453 & Custodian Boat File 1453

July 19, 1944

To: Mrs. McArthur

From: P. Matheson

We have just received, from an R. Mowatt, Brunswick Cannery, Rivers Inlet, an offer to purchase the vessel "H.T.767" for the sum of \$15.00.

This vessel is lying in an open shed near Brunswick Cannery, Rivers Inlet, where she has been since 1941. This vessel was reported by Naval Service patrols, but was not impounded.

Description of the vessel, as reported by Naval Service, is 26 foot long, dory type, with a raised cabin forward and an open cockpit aft. The letters and numbers "H.T.767" are painted on the bows. Powered with 2 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ HP Palmer Gasoline engine.

Mr. M. A. Hayes, Bookkeeper at Brunswick Cannery, said the vessel belonged to Hamasaburo TARUMOTO. Tarumoto, however, did not declare this vessel to either the Custodian or the Committee.

No valuation has ever been placed on this vessel.

In July, 1943, Mr. A. G. Hay, Bookkeeper, Brunswick Cannery, wrote that he had an enquiry for what was left of the skiff (practically all moveable parts having been removed by fishermen) and he made us an offer of \$10.00 for the boat. He said that by the end of that month there would not be anything left on the skiff. With Mr. Alexander's approval, I wrote him accepting his offer, but received no reply.

We now have an offer of \$15.00 from Mr. Mowatt.

This vessel is small, it has been out of the water since 1941, it has been unguarded. It is quite probable that all moveable parts have been removed. Unless someone has been using the boat, the boat will have dried out and the caulking will likely have fallen out. The location of the vessel makes it impractical to get an appraisal. We cannot depend on getting much more than this. If the war should end, the old boat market will take a bad slump.

Should I accept this offer?

PM
I think we could consider this "perishable" if not perished goods & safe to sell without a valuation at this price. O.M.

EVACUATION SECTION	
JUL 17 1944	
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File No.	
Ans.	
Referred	Matheson

Brunswick Cannery
Rivers Inlet B.C.

July 15, 1944

The Custodian of Enemy Aliens Property
Royal Bank Building
Vancouver B.C.

Dear Sir,

There is a fishing skiff
stored here which I understand belongs
to a Japanese. The license number on the
bow is H.T. 767. I would like to make
an offer of \$15⁰⁰ for it, as is. This
may not seem very much, but it will
take considerable money and time to
put it in good condition. It has
a small Palmer engine. The old model
with automatic inlet valve.

Yours Truly

R. Mossatt

NAME TANIMOTO, (or HARUTOMI) Hamashiro

REGISTRATION NO. 04387

FILE NO. 1453

The following chattels were sold by public

auktion at Steveston, B. C. on March 16, 1945.

Trays and sundries	\$ 2.60
Wardrobe	12.25
3 Kitchen chairs	1.50
Stove	1.25
Bed and spring	10.00
Bed and spring	10.00
Kitchen cabinet	5.00

Total	\$ 42.60
Less Expenses: (Auctioneer's Fee: \$4.26	\$ 11.29
(Advertising: 2.96	
(Movings: 4.07	
Net Proceeds Credited:	\$ 31.31

Members of Custodian Staff Present. Mr. Harris

Extracted from Auctioneering List No. Steveston 31

Remarks. *original mailed 7/6/45*

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April 27, 1945.

Mr. Hamasaburo TARUMOTO,
Registration No. 04387,
c/o Searle Farms,
East Selkirk, Manitoba.

Dear Sir:

Funds have been made available to settle claims filed against the Dominion Government in connection with damage and/or loss suffered, while in custody, by vessels owned by persons of Japanese origin.

If you will sign the attached Release and Discharge in duplicate, in the presence of a witness who will also sign, and return the completed document to this office, we will send you our cheque for \$49.50 in full settlement of your claim for damage to the vessel "Kayen" New Westminster 3125. This sum is made up of the total amount of claim, \$50.00, less 1% expense charge.

While you did not declare ownership of any other vessels, we have been informed by outside sources that you are the owner of a small boat left near Brunswick Cannery. If this is your boat, please let us know, and give us a description of the boat. If it is not owned by you, could you give us any information that would lead to the owner?

Yours truly,

F. Matheson,
Specified Articles Department.

Enclosures(2)

EVACUATION SECTION
Rec'd MAY 9 1945
File No. 1453
Referred *M. L. Mason*

East Belkirk, Maine,
May 1st, 1945.

Dear sirs:

We have received your letter about the boat. The small boat that is at the Brunswick Cannery belongs to us. Over that we have nets and cork-line in that cannery. The boat is worth around fifty dollars (\$50.00) and net and cork line is worth fifty dollars (\$50.00). If you sold this things I would like you to send us the money.

Yours truly
H. Irumoto.

1453 & 1169

May 9, 1945.

Mr. Hamasaburo TARUMOTO,
Registration No. 04387,
East Selkirk, Manitoba.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed is our cheque for the sum of \$95.81. This sum of money was derived from the following sources:

Claim for damage to M. V. "Kayen"	\$49.50
Sale of Fishing Skiff "H.T.767"	15.00
Sale of Chattels as shown on attached statement	31.31
	<u>\$95.81</u>

The list of chattels given on the statement comprises all chattels found at 89 Chatham Street, Steveston, B. C. Some other articles; namely, one bicycle, two sewing machines, one electric iron and one dresser, were declared by either yourself or by your wife as being left at that address, but these could not be found. No doubt you disposed of these before you left this area.

Your letter of May 1st was the first intimation we had that you had left nets and cork-line at Brunswick Cannery. We regret to advise that, at this late date, it is impossible to trace these articles.

There are no funds remaining to your credit, or to the credit of Mrs. Tarumoto, in the Custodian Trust Account.

Yours truly,

Enclosure

F. Matheson,
Specified Articles Department.