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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 INFORMATION

NAME: KOHISHI, Rokushai

HOME ADDRESS: P. O. Box 67, Steveston, B. C.

REGISTRATION NUMBER 03874 SEX: Male AGE: 55

OCCUPATION: Physio-Therapy and Massage Practitioner & 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: "Self"

MARRIED? Widower

NAME OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: None

ADDRESS OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: None

NAMES OF ANY LIVING CHILDREN: Michiko (F); Toshiaki (M); Sachiko (F).

ADDRESS OF CHILDREN: Michiko-P.O. Box 67 Steveston, B.C.; Toshiaki & Sachiko in Japan.

AGE OF CHILDREN: 14, 11, and 9 respectively.

STATEMENT OF ALL REAL PROPERTY (Each parcel must be mentioned and particulars given)

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: None

2. BUILDINGS AND OTHER IMPROVEMENTS: None

3. INSURANCE (Give particulars; state where policies are) None

4. TAXES (Amount and where payable) None

5. ENCUMBRANCES (Including any unregistered claims or deposit of title deed) None

6. OCCUPANCY AND LEASES (If vacant so state) None

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4. INSURANCE CARRIED ON ABOVE PROPERTY: None5. 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)

\$5.00
2-Victory Bonds each \$50.00, 1-War Saving Certificate in his name and possession,
and 1-War Saving Certificate \$5.00 in Michiko's name - in father's possession. *Reclaimants*8. BANK ACCOUNTS: Account #321 The Royal Bank of Canada at Stoveston, B. C.
amount \$350.009. LIFE INSURANCE: None10. INTEREST IN ANY ESTATES OR TRUSTS: None11. SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX: None**LIABILITIES:**1. PERSONAL DEBTS: None2. TRADE DEBTS: NoneREMARKS: Household goods will be left in house
11 upon evacuation in care of Phoenix Cannery

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.(Signature) Rokubei KoneishiW. McArthur
Witness

FOR DEPARTMENTAL USE

INFORMATION FROM R.O.M.P.

DATE 7/5/43

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KONISHI, Rokuhei

(Surname in Block Letters)

Registration No. 03874

Male - Female
(Check)

Age Dec. 24/1886

Former Address Pier Box 67, Steveston, B.C.

Date Evacuated 23/4/42

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

Present Address c/o Adelard Fillion, St. Jean Baptiste, Manitoba

Married - Single
(Check)

Name of Wife ^{nee} (ABE) Nami (Dec'd)

Name of Husband

Name of Mother Deceased

Name of Father Deceased

Names of Children under 16 Toshiko(F) 2/1/26 #15203

Michiko(F) 10/4/28

Tested by Miss Choje

Registered with Custodian No
(Yes or No)

Personal Information A.B.C. Packing Co, at Steveston purchased some
fishing gear from Japanese so he probably was a fisherman at Steveston.

Gas Boat & fish nets. Owner of Gasboat N.W. 3200 Navy #046C

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PERSONAL PROPERTY SUMMARY

File No. 1457

February 28th, 1946.

RE: Yokuhei KONISHI, Reg. No. 03874

CHATELS:

The above, who made his declaration to the Custodian on April 2/42 and was evacuated on April 23, 1942, declared furnishings for a four room house left in house #11, Phoenix Cannery, valued at \$615.00. Chattels from this house were moved to our warehouse #3 and sold at auction for the net sum of \$38.45, and this amount credited to his account.

A shipment of a box of clothing was made to him on June 8/45 at his request.

Although he did not declare fishing nets, a number of nets tagged with his name were found at the Phoenix Cannery by our Steveston representative, C.C. Robinson. On Oct. 1/43 in reply to our letter asking him about nets, Mr. KONISHI advised that he had left nets at the Phoenix Cannery and gave us a list of same. All the nets that could be identified as his were sold for the net sum of \$219.50 as per net statement on file. Mr. KONISHI sold a quantity of fishing twine direct to the cannery for the sum of \$84.93, and this sum was paid to the Custodian by the company on his behalf and the amount credited to his account. Full details of chattels and fishing nets are given on Chattel Schedule, Schedule of nets and Fishing Equipment, and Chattel Summary, on file. The sum of \$219.50 includes proceeds from sale of dinghy.

SPECIFIED
ARTICLES:

According to information supplied to this office the above was the registered owner of a fishing vessel the "SUMIYOSHI", which was sold through the Japanese Fishing Vessel Disposal Committee for the net sum of \$888.50, and this amount was paid to him on March 30th, 1942.

We were also advised that he was the registered owner of the fishing vessel the "S.K./R.K.", which was sold through the office of the Custodian for the net sum of \$247.26, and this amount credited to his account. Full details of both fishing vessels given on the two separate Specified Articles Summaries on file.

MONEYS
RECEIVABLE:

In July, 1945, the above was credited with the sum of \$5.00, being a refund from the B.C. Electric Railway Co. representing security deposit for light.

VICTORY BONDS
& WAR SAVINGS
CERTIFICATES:

The above declared two \$50.00 Victory Bonds and one \$5.00 War Savings Certificate, in his own possession. These did not come under the control of the Custodian.

BANK ACCOUNT:

The above declared a savings account in the Royal Bank of Canada, Steveston, in the sum of \$350.00. This did not come under the control of the Custodian.

The following is a statement of the account of the above as of this date:

Proceeds from sale of chattels	\$38.45	
Proceeds from sale of nets	219.50	
Proceeds from sale of fishing supplies	84.93	
Proceeds from sale of vessel	247.26	
Refund from B.C.E.A.	5.00	
Cheque sent to KONISHI-Nov.18/43		\$100.00
" " " Dec.14/43		100.00
" " " Jan.17/44		100.00
" " " Feb.22/44		100.00
" " " March 20/44		100.00
Freight charges on shipping box of clothes		4.72
<u>BALANCE TO HIS CREDIT</u>		<u>90.42</u>
	<u>\$595.14</u>	<u>\$595.14</u>

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.

February 28/46
RBM:LBW

R. B. Mackenzie
R. B. Mackenzie

REAL PROPERTY SUMMARY

File No. 1457

February 28th, 1946.

RE: Rokuhei KONISHI, Reg. No. 03874

This file reveals that the above owned no real property in any protected area of British Columbia.

The file reveals that the above carried no Fire Insurance.

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

February 28th, 1946.

RBM:LBM

R. B. Mackenzie
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SCHEDULE OF NETS AND FISHING EQUIPMENT

File No. 1457

February 28th, 1946

RE: Rokuhei KONISHI, Reg. No. 03874

<u>NOT ORIGINALLY INVENTORIED List received Feb. 1/43</u>	<u>JAPANESE VALUES</u>	<u>CUSTODIAN NO.</u>	<u>SOLD OR OTHERWISE</u>
50m/40x50-50 F.	\$ 75.00		Unaccounted for
50m/40x4/50x50-200 F.	100.00	1682	Sold for \$5.00 on 29/12/42 - reason for low price-possibly tag switching
20m/50x60-85	45.00	1689	Unaccounted for
5-13/16m/40x50-150F	85.00	1685	Sold \$5.00-5/1/43
5m/40x55-150F.	100.00	1683	Sold \$50.00-3/12/42
6m/40x50-200 F.	140.00		Unaccounted for
6m/40x 45-80 F.	40.00	1686 (130F.)	Sold \$5.00-29/12/42
6m7x5/40x50-150F.	60.00	1691 (50F.)	Sold \$17.00-8/1/43
6m7x5/40x50-200 F.	140.00	1681	Unaccounted for
7m5/40x10m11-450 F.	35.00	1690	Sold \$12.00-9/12/42
8m8/40x9/40x44-200 in 3 Pieces	120.00		Unaccounted for
8m9/40x40-140	150.00		Unaccounted for
200 Fathoms float line	35.00	1694 (100 F.)	Sold \$10.00-1/12/42
150 F. float line	25.00	1692	Sold \$15.00-2/12/42
62 Fathoms float line	20.00	1695	Unaccounted for
50 Fathoms float line	18.00	1693	Unaccounted for
50 Fathoms float line	10.00		Unaccounted for
Float only	6.00		Unaccounted for
200 Fathoms lead line	35.00	1680	\$10.00-9/1/43
			\$15.00-2/12/42
200 Fathoms lead line	20.00	Cannery	\$20.00-29/10/42
150 Fathoms lead line	18.00	1679	\$15.00-1/12/42
80 Fathoms lead line	8.00	1687	\$10.00-2/12/42
85 Fathoms lead line	9.00	1678	\$10.00-3/12/42
27 Fathoms lead line	4.00		Unaccounted for
10"x50 Fathoms web		1684	\$8.00
Marine engine 5 H.P.	70.00		Missing-probably stolen
Row boat	15.00		\$12.50
Nov. 30/43		<u>Total</u>	\$219.50 as per net Statement on file.
<u>Fishing Supplies</u>			
19 1/2 lbs. 4/40 Barbour twine			\$219.50
11 lbs. 5/40 " "			84.93
1 lb. 12/40 " "			304.43
1 lb. 8/40 " "			
1 lb. #20 Cotton hanging twine			
2 lbs. #32 " " "			
4 lbs. #60 " " "			

Sold direct to the Cannery by
Rokuhei KONISHI for the sum of \$84.93 as
per statement on file dated Nov.30/43

This net schedule is certified to be in accordance with the
information on file.

Feb. 28/46.

REM:LEM

R. D. Mackadie
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CHattel Schedule

File No. 1457

February 28th, 1946.

RE: ROKUBEI KONISHI, MEX. No. 03874

<u>DECLARED</u> <u>April 2/42</u>	<u>INVENTORIED BY CUSTODIAN</u> <u>June 23/42</u>	<u>SOLD</u>	<u>OTHER DISPOSITION</u>
Furnishings for 4 rooms value about \$615.00, in house #11, Phoenix Cannery	1 Roll oilcloth 1 Lamp 1 Tin rice 1 Box books 2 Pails 1 Mirror 1 Coal hod 1 Spot light 1 Box sundries consisting of clock, saw, trays, etc. 1 Tool chest 1 Wax polisher 1 Suitcase, pictures	10/12/43 27/4/45 27/4/45 27/4/45 27/4/45 27/4/45 suitcase 6/4/45	Missing Missing Discarded Missing Shipped 8/6/45 contents of suit- case personal & stored
	1 Mop 2 Oil cans, 1 gal. 1 Axe 1 Punnel 1 Hoe 2 Pictures 1 Fork 1 Tin misc. junk 1 Coil winder 1 Sign 1 Diploma 1 Stool 1 Wardrobe 3 Crowbars 1 Desk lamp 1 Pump 3 Boat clamps 1 Box junk 2 Crocks 1 Basket old clothes 1 Basket toys	27/4/45 14/1/44 28/1/44 14/1/44 14/1/44 27/4/45 27/4/45 28/1/44 14/1/44 27/4/45 lanterns 14/11/45	Missing Missing Personal-stored Discarded Missing Personal-stored Personal-stored Missing Missing Discarded Discarded Remainder dis- carded
	1 Carton books 2 Old mattresses 2 Cartons crockery 1 Gramophone 1 Carton old clothes	 27/4/45 14/1/44	Discarded Destroyed Destroyed

Goods left in
House

1 Kitchen stove
1 Heater
8 Chairs
2 Tables
1 Home made couch
2 Iron beds & springs
1 Wooden bed, no spring

Apparently abandoned as there is
no record of them being purchased
by the Cannery.

SOLD BUT NOT INVENTORIED

Cross cut saw 16/3/45
Bureau with 10/12/43
mirror
Pots & fencing 10/12/43
pad

mentioned in letter

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

February 28th, 1946.

REM:LEW

R. B. Mackenzie
R. B. Mackenzie

SUMMARY TAKEN FROM VESSELS RECORDS

Date: March 27, 1944
Name: KONISHI, Rokuhei Reg. No. 03874 File: 1457
Boat File No.: CUSTODIAN 1457
Name of Vessel: "S.K."/"R.K." NW.1014, 31'x7'x3', Standard 7 HP
Lic. or Reg. No.: NW. 1014 (Issued 1919)
Naval No.: None
Owner's Valuation: \$400.00
JFVDC Valuation: 115.00 #352 NW
Custodian Valuation: 300.00
Date of Sale: February 15, 1943
Purchaser: Fred Tredree
Signature on Sales Papers: Custodian Sale
Selling Price: \$300.00
Paid to ~~STEVESON & SONS~~ CUSTODIAN - \$300.00
Supervision Costs: 52.74
Balance due Owner: 247.26
Paid to: Credited to account of Rokuhei KONISHI
Location of Boat at Sale: Coal Harbour (ex New Westminster)
Claims Against Canadian Govt.:

Inventory Claim #537 - Fred Tredree - \$40.00 (Paid) *unpaid*
Paid 16/4/45 FM
FM

Additional Information: License No. 1014 is in the name of M. Nakai, Steveston.

Rokuhei KONISHI, in Statutory Declaration March 26, 1942, stated that he had purchased the boat from Wakichi TAKEMOTO.

Shigesaki KONISHI, File 2911, declared boat on JP? but wrote, Nov. 6, 1943, that the boat belonged to Rokuhei KONISHI.

Reviewed
J. MacIsaac
26/2/46

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SUMMARY TAKEN FROM VESSELS RECORDS

Date: March 27, 1944

Name: KONISHI, Rokuhei

Reg. No. 03874 File: 1457

Boat File No.: JFVDC 211

Name of Vessel: "Sumiyoshi" 27'x6.10'x2.8' (1940) Easthope 10 HP
"Y.K."/"R.K."

Lic. or Reg. No.: New Westminster 3200

Naval No.: NW.046-C

Owner's Valuation: \$1,500.00

JFVDC Valuation: 683.00 - Survey #86 Boat about 10 years sold.

Custodian Valuation: None

Date of Sale: March 26, 1942

Purchaser: Canadian Fishing Co. Ltd.

Signature on Sales Papers: No copy

Selling Price: \$900.00

Paid to JFVDC and Custodian: 900.00

Supervision Costs: 11.50

Balance due Owner: 888.50

Paid to: R. Konishi on March 30, 1942

Location of Boat at Sale: New Westminster

Claims Against Canadian Govt.:

Inventory Claim #155: Canadian Fishing Co. -\$16.25 (Paid)

Additional Information: This boat was licensed in the name of Rokuhei KONISHI, but apparently was fished by Yoshiaki KONISHI, File 1405.

*Reviewed
Feb 26/46*

J. Macdonald JMW

CHattel SUMMARY

File No. 1437

February 28th, 1946.

RE: Rokuhei KONISHI, Reg. No. 03674

The above, who made his declaration to the Custodian on April 2/42 and was evacuated on April 23, 1942, declared furnishings for a four room house left in House #11, Phoenix Cannery. He valued these at \$615.00. He is a widower and lived with his son Yoshiaki, File 1405. He gave his occupation as physio-therapy and massage practitioner and fisherman.

The chattels from House #11 were moved by our Steveston agent, Mr. C.C. Robinson on June 23, 1942, and stored in the basement of #3 warehouse. The goods taken from this house are shown on List 32 on File. They are also listed on the Chattel Schedule and dates on which different articles were sold. They were sold for the net sum of \$38.45, and this amount credited to his account. He confirmed this list of chattels in his letter of Nov. 17/42, but also states that a number of articles are missing from this list such as an anchor, a 7 1/2" cross cut saw, and a 5 H.P. engine. In reply to our enquiry, Mr. Robinson stated in his memo of Nov. 26/42 that these missing articles could not be located.

On January 13th, 1944, the above requested shipment of a Beatty electric polisher and a 7 1/2" cross cut saw. However they were never sent as the file shows the polisher was sold at auction on April 27/45 and the saw on March 16/45. This is apparently the saw that Robinson stated previously was missing. On Oct. 26/44 KONISHI wrote asking to have a box of his clothing shipped to him, this box was described as a tool box on Chattels List #32. This was shipped to him on June 8/45, and his account was debited with the shipping charges in the amount of \$4.72.

Neither Rokuhei KONISHI nor his son, Yoshiaki, declared any nets, but on Nov. 20/42, our Steveston agent, Mr. C.C. Robinson, inventoried nets at the Phoenix Cannery tagged with the name of Rokuhei KONISHI. These nets were removed to our net house for disposal. We wrote to the above on Sept. 20/43 asking him if he had left nets at the Phoenix Cannery and if so to give us full description of these nets. A reply to this letter giving list of nets was received from him in a letter dated Oct. 1/43. He was sent a copy of the net statement on file showing proceeds from sale of his nets on Nov. 15/43, which amounted to \$219.50. Several nets claimed by him were unaccounted for. In connection with this see letter to the above dated Nov. 15/43 and memo of Mr. Green dated April 16/45. The A.B.C. Packing Co. purchased twine direct from Mr. KONISHI as per statement on file dated Nov. 30/43 and also on Schedule of nets and fishing equipment, dated Feb. 28/46, for the sum of \$84.93, and this amount was credited to his account.

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

Feb. 28/46
RBM:LEM

R.B. Mackenzie
R. B. Mackenzie

MEMORANDUM

File No.: 1457

April 16th, 1945.

To: FILE

From: Mr. Green

Re: Rokuhei KONISHI

Mr. Rokuhei Konishi declared himself to be a "Physio-therapy and Massage Practitioner". He lived with his son, Yoshiaki, in a Cannery House and did not declare any nets.

The contents of the house were, with the exception of one or two items too bulky and of too little value to move, taken to storage on June 23rd, 1942. A list was sent to the evacuee on November 17th and in his reply he claimed the following items missing.

Boat anchor *not found*
7½ Ft. saw *said at auction*
5 H.P. engine in wood shed *not found*

This was referred to Mr. Robinson on November 26th but he replied that he had no record of these articles.

A boat was sold in the name of this man and the proceeds of \$300.00 less expenses -- a net sum of \$247.26 -- were credited to his account.

Some nets were also sold in his name and he was therefore requested on September 20th, 1943, to give particulars of any owned by him. Details were received from him on October 1st and a statement compiled on October 4th, the results being referred to him on November 15th, 1943. Proceeds of these sales were \$219.50 and several of the nets claimed by him were unaccounted for. Additionally, some twine was sold and credited to his account in the amount of \$84.93.

It should be noted that neither this man nor his son, Yoshiaki, who did declare himself a fisherman, declared any nets.

HFG:IF

NAME WRIGHT, Robert

REGISTRATION NO. 0354

FILE NO. 1457

The following chattels were sold by public

auction at Steveston, B.C. on April 27, 1945.

- 3 Crow bars
- Bedstead
- Mirror for dresser
- 4 Gal. crock
- 5 Gal. crock
- Box & floor polisher
- Pail & coal scuttle
- Spot light
- Clock
- Sacher's set, glassware
- Chinaware
- Trays
- Cardrobe

0.60 - 25
0.40
1.25 - 7
1.00 - 30
1.25
2.60 - 10
0.60 - 246
2.00 - 9
1.50
1.50 M
0.75 K
1.80 M
10.50 - 23

Total (Auctioneer's Fee: \$2.58
Less Expenses (Advertising: 1.74
(Moving: 2.59

25.75

7.32

Net Proceeds Credited:

18.44

Members of Custodian Staff Present. Mr. Harris

Extracted from Auctioneering List No. Steveston 33.

Remarks.

NAME KONISHI, Robert

REGISTRATION NO. 02874

FILE NO. 1482

The following chattels were sold by public
auction at Steveston, B.C. ON December 10th, 1943

Chinaware
1 China plate
Table lamp
Pots & fencing pad
Bureau with mirror

\$ 1.10 K
1.00 K
3.25 x - 2
1.50 M
3.00 -

Total:

\$ 9.85

Less Expenses: (Auctioneer's fee .95
(Advertising .51
(Moving 1.11

\$ 2.60

Net Proceeds Credited:

\$ 7.25

Members of Custodian Staff Present. G.C. Robinson

Extracted from Auctioneering list No. Steveston No. 2.

Remarks.

NAME KONTENT, Babobai

REGISTRATION NO. 03874

FILE NO. 2457

The following chattels were sold by public
auction at Stevenson, S. S. on November 14, 1945.

Shear & lantern

\$ 2.75

Total

Less Expenses: (Auctioneer's Fee \$.27
Advertising .09
Hauling .11

\$ 2.75

\$.47

Net Proceeds Credited:

\$ 2.28

Members of Custodian Staff Present. Mr. Wills

Extracted from Auctioneering List No. Stevenson 42

Remarks.

NAME EDITH, Reheal

REGISTRATION NO. C3874

FILE NO. 2457

The following chattels were sold by public
auction at Stevenson, P. O. on January 16, 1944.

Garden Tools
Upright Gramophone

\$.50
5.50 X 36

Total:

Less Expenses: (Auctioneer's Fee \$.60
(Advertising .22
(Hovings .34

Net Proceeds Credited:

\$ 6.80
\$ 1.47
\$ 4.53

Members of Custodian Staff Present. Mr. C. C. Robinson

Extracted from Auctioneering list No. Stevenson 3

Remarks.

NAME KONTAKY, Robert

REGISTRATION NO. 03874

FILE NO. 1457

The following chattels were sold by public
auction at Stevenson, N. C. on January 28, 1944.

Table Lamp

\$ 4.00 x 26

Total:

\$ 4.00

Less Expenses: (Auctioneer's Fee: \$.40

\$ 1.19

(Advertising: .23

(Moving: .56

Net Proceeds Credited:

\$ 2.81

Members of Custodian Staff Present. Mr. Robinson

Extracted from Auctioneering list No. Stevenson &

Remarks.

NAME KONISHI, Bokubei

REGISTRATION NO. 03674

FILE NO. 1497

The following chattels were sold by public
auction at Stevenson, B. Co. on March 16, 1945.

Gross out saw

\$ 2.00 x 24

Total

\$ 2.00

Less Expenses: (Auctioneer's Fee) \$0.20
(Advertising) 0.14
(Moving) 0.19

\$ 0.59

Net Proceeds Credited:

\$ 1.47

Members of Custodian Staff Present. Mr. Harris

Extracted from Auctioneering List No. Stevenson 31

Remarks.

NAME KONISHI, Norihisa

REGISTRATION NO. 03674

FILE NO. 1457

The following chattels were sold by public
auction at Steveston, B. C. on April 6, 1945.

Trays etc.	\$ 0.90 /1
Alarm clock	1.00 -
Suit case	0.25 - 11

Total	(Auctioneer's Fee: \$ 0.21	\$ 2.15
Less Expenses:	(Advertising: 0.09	
	(Moving: 0.38	\$ 0.48

Net Proceeds Credited:

\$ 1.67

Members of Custodian Staff Present.

Mr. Harris

Extracted from Auctioneering List No.

Steveston 32.

Remarks.

MEMORANDUM

File No. 1457

June 12th, 1945.

TO: The File

FROM: Mr. R. B. Mackenzie

RE: Rokuhei KONISHI

The box requested in letter of October 26, 1944,
was shipped to the above at St. John Baptiste, Manitoba, on
June 8th, 1945.

REM:LEM

RBM

MEMORANDUM

File No. 1457

August 23rd, 1944

TO: FILE

FROM: MR. MACKEDIE

Re: KONISHI, Rokuhei

Chattels of the above were moved on 23/6/42 from Phoenix Cannery House No. 11 to our storage warehouse No. 3, basement, and are being liquidated.

The inventory was acknowledged by the above on November 17th, 1942, but wrote that there were missing from the list-

a 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ -foot cross cut saw
1 anchor of boat
5 h.p. engine

On November 26th, Mr. C. C. R. replied to our memo, stating that these articles could not be located. On January 13th, 1944, we received from the above a Custodian release form, requesting shipment of a Beatty Electric Polisher and the cross cut saw, but we have no record that these have been shipped.

R.A.M.

REM/MHC

Case No. 863 - Rokuhei Konishi, File 1457

Boat Claim: "S.K." 1014 New Westminster -Troller
Purchased used 1940 at \$450.00
Gross Claim: \$400.00

Sale: Date: February 15, 1943
Location: Coal Harbour
Sale Price: \$300.00
Expenses: 40.74 (proportionate share)
Repairs: 12.00
Net Credits: 247.26

Valuation: Gould: \$300.00 (Est.Mkt.Value: \$325.00)
Phillipson: \$100.00 (JFVDC price: \$115.00)

JFVDC "catalogue sheet" shows the owner's valuation as \$400.00

Damage: No record of damage or repairs while in Naval custody.
Repairs while in Custodian's custody charged to owner were sufficient to keep boat afloat at wharf.

Equipment: No record of what equipment on boat at time of surrender to Navy.
Essential equipment missing Aug.1/42 was listed. Claim of \$40.00, based on list of gear missing Aug.1/42 (anchor & line, stove, spark ignition & trip) paid to purchaser, Fred Freedree.

Age: Vessel carried Licence New Westminster 1014 - issued May 29, 1919.
At sale vessel was approximately 24 years old.

Offer: Nov.17, 1942 an offer of \$125.00 was received for boat, was referred to owner who refused it.
No other offers on file.

Expenses: In this case expenses incurred would undoubtedly be considerably more than the amount charged.

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Extract from notebook of G.W. Phillipson, appraiser for Japanese Fishing Vessels
Disposal Committee. Survey No. 352 - New Westminster.

S.K.

Condition - Good

Damage - Nil

Engine - Frisco St. - 6

Value 1942 - \$100

(\$115)

Boat & Engine very old -

Engine undesirable for Gillnetting

No Sales Value

\$115.00 was the JFVDC suggested negotiating price.

/FM

JOHN GOULD

Marine Surveyor and Appraiser
VANCOUVER, B. C.

No. 7A.

"S K".

TABLES:
"GOULD" VANCOUVER, B. C.

TELEPHONE:
PACIFIC 9046

Survey Report

To whom it may concern:

Name	"S K".		
Official No.	1014 N W.	Type	Troller.
Owner	M. Nakai.		
Dimensions	L. 29 ft. B. 7 ft. D. 3 ft.		
Engine	Gasoline. Standard.		
Horsepower	7 B.H.P.		
Fuel	Gasoline.		
Tank Capacity	30 Gallons.		
Pumps	None.		
Lighting	Oil.		
Anchors	None.		
Chains	None.	Boat	None.
Compass	None.		
Stoves	None.		
Fire Extinguishers	None.		
Valuation	Three Hundred (\$300.00) dollars.		
Estimated Market Value	Three Hundred twenty-five (\$325.00) dollars.		

August 1942.

Vancouver, B. C.

A
Marine Surveyor.

Dominion of Canada

Province of

British Columbia

To Wit:

In the Matter of

Rokubei Konishi

I, Rokubei Konishi

of the Townsite

of

Steveston

in the Province of

British Columbia

Do Solemnly Declare that

- ① I am the owner of Gasoline Fishing Boat 3, 9 ft. long, 7 foot beam, 3 foot deep, powered with a J. H. P. Trisco Standard Engine. Number carved in stern N.W. 1014
- ② That I purchased this boat from a Wakichi Takemoto and did not get a Bill of Sale for same.
- ③ That I am unable to obtain this Bill of Sale as the whereabouts of Wakichi is unknown.

And I make this solemn Declaration, conscientiously believing it to be true and knowing that it is of the same force and effect as if made under oath and by virtue of the "Canada Evidence Act."

Declared before me at Steveston

in the Province of

British Columbia

this

26th

day of

March

A.D. 1947

Rokubei Konishi

Thomas C. King

A Notary Public in and for the Province of British Columbia.
A Commissioner for taking affidavits within British Columbia.

JAPANESE FISHING VESSELS DISPOSAL COMMITTEE

RELEASE AND DISCHARGE

FISHING VESSEL: "SK"/"HK"

CLAIM No.: 537-C

REG. or LIC. No.: NW. 1014

Owner at Time of Impounding:
Rokuhei KONISHI, #03874,
File 1457

NAVAL No.: None

CLAIM PAYABLE TO:

Present Owner:

Fred Tredree

Fred Tredree

Cher
This vessel was sold to Fred Tredree, on February 15, 1943, by the Secretary of State of Canada acting in his capacity as Custodian as vested owner of the interest of Rokuhei KONISHI, and as a condition of sale all interest in claim for the loss and/or damage referred to herein was assigned to the purchaser.

While in the custody of the Royal Canadian Navy, this vessel suffered loss to the value of \$40.00, as assessed by the surveyor for Naval Service, which sum is approved by the undersigned and accepted as adequate compensation.

In consideration of the payment of the sum of FORTY DOLLARS AND NO CENTS---

(\$ 40.00)

(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. 1014 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

16th day of April 1945

WITNESS:

Martin F. Robinson
1169 Pacific St.
Vancouver
B.C.

Fred Tredree
1169 Pacific St.
Vancouver, B.C.

POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS that I

Name RoKubei Konishi

Address Steveston, B. C. Phoenix Cannery

Occupation Fisherman

do hereby make, nominate, constitute and appoint

Name Unosuke Sakamoto

Address P. O. Box 115, Steveston, B. C.

Occupation Fisherman

my true and lawful attorney for me and in my name, place and stead and for my sole use and benefit, to sign and execute all bills of sale, mortgages or releases of mortgage, all discharges and releases and all chattel mortgages or releases of chattel mortgages, AND IN PARTICULAR to execute all documents of any nature whatsoever which may be required by the Japanese Fishing Vessels Disposal Committee relative to the transfer of the vessel to owners who are not of Japanese origin, and/or to execute all documents of any nature whatsoever in connection with the sale, transfer, release or discharge of the vessel

Name of vessel R. K.

Port of registry or license

Official number or license

and for all and every of the purposes aforesaid do hereby give and grant unto

Unosuke Sakamoto, said attorney, full and absolute power and authority to do and execute all acts, deeds, matters and things necessary to be done in and about the premises, and also to commence, institute and prosecute all actions, suits and other proceedings which may be necessary or expedient in and about the premises as fully and effectually to all intents and purposes as I could do if personally present and acting therein, and also with full power and authority for

Unosuke Sakamoto, said attorney, to appoint a substitute or substitutes, and such substitution at pleasure to revoke I hereby ratifying and confirming, and agreeing to ratify, confirm and allow all and whatsoever my said attorney or such substitute or substitutes shall lawfully do or cause to be done in the premises by virtue hereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and seal the 26th day of March A.D. 1942, at Steveston in the Province of British Columbia.

SIGNED, SEALED AND DELIVERED
in the presence of:

In 2 witnesses
Steveston, B.C.

RoKubei Konishi

Acknowledgement of Witness

TO WIT:
PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

I, Mitsujiro Noguchi of the City of Townsite of Steveston
in the Province of British Columbia, make oath and say:

1. I was personally present and did see the within instrument duly signed and executed by Rokuhei Konishi the party thereto, for the purposes named therein.
2. The said instrument was executed at Steveston, B. C.
3. I know the said party, and that he is of the full age of twenty-one years.
4. I am the subscribing witness to the said instrument and am of the full age of sixteen years.

SWORN BEFORE ME at the City of

Townsite of Steveston

in the Province of British Columbia, this

26th day of March

A.D. 1942.

Thomas L. Tine

A Commissioner for taking affidavits within
British Columbia.

~~XXXXXX~~
~~XXXXXX~~

Mitsujiro Noguchi

17th November, 1942.

TO THE CUSTODIAN:

I, T. Wright, N.H.B. Fish Dock,
Foot of Campbell Avenue, Vancouver, hereby
submit \$12.50 as 10% of my bid of \$125.00
for fishing vessel "R.K." NW 1014.

Received.

M. Sullivan

Defence Brief

Rokuhei KONISHI

File No. 1457

Case No. 863

WINNIPEG
2 Sept. 1948

PERSONAL PROPERTY CLAIM

(All claims shown are Gross)

Claim 1

Household Goods & Farm Equipment

Claim

\$338.75

Sold for

\$41.30

The contents of claimant's house, with the exception of one or two items too bulky and of too little value to move, were taken by Custodian to storage.

(a) Goods value \$226.25

Sold by auction for \$41.30

(b) " " \$ 14.00

Abandoned

(c) " " \$ 98.50

Not accounted for (Theft, etc.)

\$338.75

Other goods sold by auction for \$11.20 were not claimed for.

Claim 2

Nets, Lines & Dinghy

Claim

\$1313.

Sold for

\$219.50

Claimant did not declare any Nets on his J.P. Form. He stated that these nets were left in a room at the Phoenix Cannery but he did not receive a receipt for them, he sent the key of the room to the cannery. It was not until a year and a half after his evacuation were any particulars received by the Custodian from claimant as to ownership of any nets, after Custodian had written to him regarding these. A number of nets were found by Custodian's representative, Mr. C.C. Robinson, at the cannery tagged with claimant's name and all nets and lines that could be identified as his were sold, together with the dinghy, for \$219.50.

Claimant sold a quantity of fishing twine to the cannery for \$84.93 which sum was paid over to the Custodian by the cannery and credited to claimant's account.

(a) Goods value \$609.	Sold by tender for \$219.50
(b) " " 60.	No record at any time.
(c) " " 476.	Declared not found
(d) " " 168.	Not accounted for.
<u>\$1313.</u>	

Claim 3 Boat & 5 H.P. Fresbie Engine

Claim

\$470.

Sold for

\$300.

The Boat, claimed for at \$400., was appraised by John Gould at \$300.

Claimant stated that the engine was left in his woodshed, this engine was not declared and never found by Custodian's representative.

It is submitted that the personal property was sold for its fair market value and that any articles claimed on account of theft or unaccounted for, the claim is excessive and unreasonable.

Summary of Defence Witnesses

Thompson & Co.

Mr. Harris

Mr. Wills

C.C. Robinson

H.F. Green

John Gould

Where required

1 (a) Auctioneers

1 (a) Staff

1 (a) "

1 (a) 2 (c)(d) "

1 (b) 3 "

3 Appraiser

BMP/mw

P.O. Box 11

St. Jean Baptiste,
Manitoba,

March 31, 1945.

The Custodian's Office
Department of the Secretary of State
of Canada
Vancouver, B.C.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	APR 4 1945
File No.	1457
Att.	McKiden
Dist.	

Dear Sir;—

Referring to your letter of March 20, 1945, about the clothes chest, I guess you got mistaken with tool chest. We did not leave any tool chest, but we left our clothes chest.

We even drew a picture of the clothes chest that we send them to you last winter. We showed all the description of the clothes chest.

You got the list on the paper we send it to you on November 17, 1942. It's the one on the first column counting from top and it's the 10th one.

We got some money left over at your place yet. There's about over \$60.00 you owe me and haven't send it to us yet, but we wanted you to send us the things we wanted.

with that left over money. That's why we did not bother you about the money. So we left like that.

Please send us the ^{sold} gramophone and 9 records to us. And tell me how much it will take for the freight.

I asked you many, many times for the things we need and you never did send any to us once yet. We hear from lots of people that they receive what they ask for and why not us? / Explain

Please let me know what articles you sold out and what you did not sell.

Please give us the answer as soon as possible.

You told us once that you could not find the good nets and marine engine. Well, did you find out about those things? We did not get a reply from you since over a year now about the nets and the marine engine. Please let me know who sold these nets. Did you or the cannery man?

Thank You.

Yours very truly,
R. Konishi

Sold by our
representative to

March 8, 1946

REGISTERED.

Mr. Rokuhei KOBISHI,
Reg. No. 03874,
P.O. Box 11,
ST. JEAN BAPTISTE, Man.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the request contained in your letter of February 19th, we enclose herewith Custodian cheque in the sum of \$90.42, which is your entire credit balance with this office.

Your file has been reviewed and the following is noted. When you made your declaration to the Custodian on April 2nd, 1942, you declared furnishings for four rooms left at House #11, Phoenix Cannery. Chattels were removed from this house to our warehouse and sold at auction for the net sum of \$38.45, and this amount credited to your account. The cross cut saw and Beatty electric polisher requested in Custodian Release dated January 13th, 1944, were eventually found and sold at auction and the proceeds from sale of same are included in the \$38.45 obtained for the chattels.

Although you did not declare fishing nets or equipment a number of nets were found at the Phoenix Cannery which appeared to belong to you. These nets together with a dinghy were sold for the sum of \$219.50 and this amount credited to your account. A quantity of fishing twine left with the Phoenix Cannery was purchased by them for the sum of \$84.93. This sum was paid in to the office of the Custodian and credited to your account.

According to information supplied to this office you were the registered owner of two fishing vessels. One was the "SUMIYOSHI", which was sold through the Japanese Fishing Vessel Disposal Committee for the net sum of \$888.50, which amount was paid to you on March 30th, 1942. The other vessel, the "S.K./R.K.", was sold through the office of the Custodian for the net sum of \$247.26, and this amount credited to your account with this office.

In July, 1945, we received from the B.C. Electric Railway Co. Ltd. the sum of \$5.00, in your favour, representing security deposit for light which you had paid to that company, and this amount was credited to your account.

At your request a shipment of a box of clothing was sent to you and the freight charges for this shipment in the sum of \$4.72, were deducted from

M. . Rokubei KONISHI

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March 6, 1946.

your credit balance with this office.

You declared two \$50.00 Victory Bonds and one \$5.00 War Saving Certificate in your own possession. These did not come under the control of the Custodian.

You also declared a savings account in the Royal Bank of Canada, Steveston, in the sum of \$350.00. This did not come under the control of the Custodian.

The following is a statement of your account:

Proceeds from sale of chattels	\$ 38.45	
Proceeds from sale of nets and dinghy	219.50	
Proceeds from sale of fishing supplies	84.93	
Proceeds from sale of fishing vessel	247.26	
Refund from the B.C. Electric Railway Co. Ltd.	5.00	
Cheque remitted to you November 18, 1943		\$100.00
Cheque remitted to you December 14, 1943		100.00
Cheque remitted to you January 17, 1944		100.00
Cheque remitted to you February 22, 1944		100.00
Cheque remitted to you March 20, 1944		100.00
Freight charges on box of clothing shipped to you		4.72
<u>BALANCE TO YOUR CREDIT</u>		<u>90.42</u>
	<u>\$595.14</u>	<u>\$595.14</u>

It would appear that we have accounted for all the property of every kind left by you in the protected area which vested in the Custodian, and in order that you may confirm this and acknowledge the cheque, we are enclosing a stamped addressed envelope for convenience in replying.

Yours truly,

R. B. Mackenzie
Protection Department

RBH:LDH

Encl. (2)

IN THE MATTER OF THE "INQUIRIES ACT"
PART 1. REVISED STATUTES OF CANADA 1927. CHAPTER 92

JAPANESE PROPERTY CLAIMS COMMISSION
SUB-COMMISSION

B E F O R E

10 (THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE A.C. BUCKINGHAM, SUB-COMMISSIONER)

Winnipeg, Manitoba

September 2nd, 1948

IN THE MATTER OF THE CLAIM OF

ROKURU KOSIHI

PROCEEDINGS AT HEARING

20 APPEARANCES:

F.M. FERG, Esq., Appearing for the
Dominion Government

S.M. Cherniak, Esq., Appearing for the
Claimant.

G.H.R. UPTON, Esq., Official Interpreter

20 Mark E. FRANCH, Esq., Official Reporter.

R.
R. Konishi
In Chief

ROKURU KONISHI, the claimant herein, being
first duly sworn, testified as follows:

DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. CHERNIAK:

Mr. CHERNIAK: The only amendment to be made in this
claim Your Honour is that credits should be given
to the Custodian for sales made.

THE COMMISSIONER: You have got the credits here?

Mr. CHERNIAK: Yes, these credits are not amounts
received, they are not the gross price, so I should
give you the correct sale price. On List No. 1:
\$41.50. List No. 2, sold for \$219.50 - - -

THE COMMISSIONER: That is correct, that is the way
it is now

Mr. CHERNIAK: And the boat, \$800.00, the total credit
therefore should be \$560.00, showing a net loss of
\$1560.95.

Q Mr. Konishi, I show you two typewritten statements,
can you identify these signatures?

A Those are my signatures.

Q Do you swear the contents to be true to the best
of your knowledge, information and belief?

A Yes.

Mr. CHERNIAK: I tender these documents as Exhibits
1 and 2 respectively, that is, one, the personal chattel
claim and 2, the claim as to fishing gear.

(PERSONAL CHATTEL CLAIM EXHIBIT 1.)

(PERSONAL PROPERTY CLAIM EXHIBIT 2.)

Mr. CHERNIAK: And on behalf of my learned friend I
am file his analysis sheet as Exhibit 3

(ANALYSIS SHEET EXHIBIT 3.)

R. Kenishi
In Chief.

MR. CHERNIAK: Referring first to the claim for
chattels on list number 1, Your Honour will note
that on the first page of the analysis, Exhibit B,
that these have been set out in detail by the
custodian and he has shown the sale price in the
case of those that were sold and the disposition
of those that were not sold. We have in our
Exhibit 1 set out the larger items showing the
date of purchase, price paid and the valuation at
date of sale. In this connection your Honour
will note near the bottom of the analysis page
there is an item 'Left in the house', and there
are seven articles set out there and the remarks
of the custodian are unaccounted for, theft,
etcetra. I would like to bring Your Honour's at-
tention to Exhibit 1. That sets out that this
kitchen stove was new in 1939 and that it cost \$40.00
when new and later the value is shown at 50% of the
cost price which is a great depreciation. I am
just referring to that as one of the items which are
given in detail by the claimant now which the
custodian's remarks show as having been too bulky
and too invaluable to move. Turning now to list
number 2, the question of the nets, they are suf-
ficiently detailed in the claim and copied into the
analysis sheet to make it unnecessary to group them
again and we have therefore bulked it in our Exhibit
2. Your Honour will note on the extreme left hand
column a statement given by the claimant to the
custodian. It shows I think about 12 nets and I

R. Konishi
In Chief.

think it might be cleared up if we point out how these nets correspond with the nets on the claim. I can possibly point out to Your Honour the number opposite the declaration and it can be set down opposite the nets shown on the claim.

THE COMMISSIONER: Is that 16 nets or is it \$16.00?

That is the first one, I think, here.

MR. CHERNIAK: Yes, that is net number 10 on the list on the left hand side of the page. I just thought that possibly Your Honour could note those numbers down opposite them.

THE COMMISSIONER: That is net number 10?

MR. CHERNIAK: Yes.

THE COMMISSIONER: Where does that appear?

MR. CHERNIAK: In the left hand column on page 2 of the analysis, Exhibit 3.

THE COMMISSIONER: Yes, I see, that is net number 10.

MR. CHERNIAK: I thought if your Honour would note the number opposite the custodian's number to show if they correspond or if they don't.

THE COMMISSIONER: 1600
\$16.00 is net number 10.

MR. CHERNIAK: Yes, Your Honour, I am only checking.

1605
\$16.05 is net number 4. \$16.05 is net number 5 and
1600

\$16.00 is net number 2. Now if Your Honour will skip down to the bottom portion of that, there are nets referred to without a custodian number. There is a net starting out 4/40, with a value of \$40.00. It has no Custodian number, it is the first number of that group, this column headed unaccounted for or not found. Opposite that there is a \$40.00 item

R. Konishi
In Chief.

4/40 x 5 1/4 x 45?

THE COMMISSIONER: It is not reported?

MR. CHERNIAK: It was reported.

THE COMMISSIONER: Yes, but it is not shown in this column.

MR. CHERNIAK: I am not looking at the claim, sir, I am looking at the analysis sheet. That net starting out 4/40 is No. 7 of the declaration shown on the left hand side.

THE COMMISSIONER: \$40.00, yes, I see that.

MR. CHERNIAK: That is net number 7?

THE COMMISSIONER: Yes.

MR. CHERNIAK: The next one for \$140.00 is net number 8?

THE COMMISSIONER: There are two at \$140.00

MR. CHERNIAK: The \$140.00 one at the very bottom is net number 9, the other one, immediately below, is number 8 and the one following that is 11 and the next one for \$150.00 is 12, and the \$40.00 one which says (See remarks) is net number 8. The reason I have done this Your Honour is because in the custodian's analysis is the remark that this was possibly mixed with No. 1691, and I am showing that it is not that net. But now I should point out that custodian numbers 1684, 86 and 91, show a value of \$120.00 for which there is no corresponding net in the declaration of the claimant and, on the other hand, nets numbers one and three in the claimant's declaration are not shown in this list number 2 although the total values are the same. Does Your Honour follow me?

THE COMMISSIONER: I think I do, yes.

R. Konishi
In Chief.

MR. CHERNIAK:

Q Mr. Konishi, do you recall having a 10 inch net?

A At the time I reported I had one.

Q And a six inch net, 120 fathoms?

A Yes.

Q And a six and three quarter inch, 50 fathoms?

A Yes.

MR. CHERNIAK: Your Honour, I will ask my learned friend to produce a net statement which was prepared by the Custodian on November 15th, 1943.

MR. FERG: A statement of nets?

MR. CHERNIAK: Yes.

MR. FERG: I have one here for October 4th, 1943.

MR. CHERNIAK: I produce from the custodian's file

Your Honour and tender as Exhibit 4 a net statement dated October 4th, 1943 and would like to point out that in addition to the typewritten statement, there is net number 1481, $5/40 \times 6\frac{1}{2} \times 7\frac{1}{2} \times 50 = 200$, \$140.00 which has been written in in pencil. I am doing this Your Honour to make it clear, that this list, from which the claim was based on, how it was made up and showing that it corresponds with this list which I produced from the custodian's file

THE COMMISSIONER: This is made up by the Claimant?

MR. CHERNIAK: No, from the custodian. There is a memorandum on page 2 which says they received it from R. Konishi, Oct. 1/43 a year and a half after evacuation. I would suggest that probably what has happened is he sent in his inventory and from that they took their inventory and they showed what they

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R. Konoishi
In Chief

found and what was not accounted for. The dates would bear out that suggestion.

THE COMMISSIONER: Three days after they received his list?

MR. CHERNIACK: Yes.

(SEE STATEMENT EXHIBIT 4.)

THE COMMISSIONER: You haven't got his list, the thing that the custodian says he received from the claimant?

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MR. CHERNIACK: I don't question it, it is all here, set out, but I don't see any need for repeating it. I might ask my learned friend if there is anything on file which would indicate that the custodian took any inventory prior to that one shown in Exhibit 4.

MR. FERG: No, there is nothing. November 20th, 42, C.C. Robinson inventoried nets at the Phoenix Cannery, but up to that time neither this man nor his son had declared any nets.

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MR. CHERNIACK: Perhaps my learned friend can tell us whether a request for a net inventory was mailed to the claimant prior to October?

MR. FERG: I will read this memo into the record Your Honour "Neither Rokubei Konoishi nor his son Yoshiaki declared any nets, but on November 20th, 1942, our Steveston Agent, Mr. C.C. Robinson, inventoried nets at the Phoenix Cannery tagged with the name of Rokubei Konoishi. These nets were removed to our net house for disposal. He wrote to the above on September

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R. Konishi
In Chief.

19 30th 1945 asking him if he had left nets at the Phoenix Cannery and if so to give us full description of these nets. A reply to this letter giving list of nets was received from him in a letter dated October 1st, 1945. He was sent a copy of the net statement on file showing proceeds from sale of his nets on November 14th, 1945 which amounted to \$219.50. Several nets claimed by him were unaccounted for. In connection with this see letter to the above dated November 15th, 1945 and memo of Mr. Green dated April 16th, 1945. The A.B.C. Packing Company purchased twine direct from Mr. Konishi as per statement on file dated November 30th, 1945 and also on Schedule of nets and fishing equipment, dated February 28th, 1946 for the sum of \$34.95, and this amount was credited to his account." That is all the information in regard to the nets Mr. Charniak. Do you want Konishi's letter giving the full list and description of the nets?

20 MR. CHARNIAK: No, I am satisfied that it is shown on the analysis sheets. I would like now, Your Honour, to turn to page three of the analysis which sets out that an engine, a Presbie 5 H.P. Marine Engine complete was reported but not found and a fish boat was sold for \$300.00. Both of these items are set out in detail in Exhibit 2. For the record, Your Honour I am asking my learned friend as to the first record the custodian has of an inventory being taken at the home of the claimant?

20 THE COMMISSIONER: That is with regard to the household goods?

P. Konishi
In Chief.

MR. CHERNIAK: Yes, and I am thinking specifically of this engine which was listed in 5 as having been on the premises.

THE COMMISSIONER: You think the engine was listed with the property found in the house?

MR. CHERNIAK: I don't say they found it but I would like to see how much time they let go before - - -

MR. FERG: The memorandum on the file is that the engine was not found.

MR. CHERNIAK: This is produced from the custodian's file Your Honour and it is a list of chattels bearing the signature R. Konishi.

Q Mr. Konishi, can you identify that signature?

A Yes.

Q Whose signature is that?

A Mine.

Q And this letter, is that also your signature on that letter? A Yes, sure.

Q Your Honour, I will file this list of chattels. It is dated November 17th, 1942 and is signed by R. Konishi and there is a routine stamp of the custodian's office showing it was received on November 23rd, 1942. This list of chattels sets out all the chattels supposed to have been found on the premises and says "This represents all my chattels in the protected area of British Columbia." There is a letter attached to this list which is signed by Mr. Konishi which reads as follows: "St. Jean Baptiste, November 17th, 1942. Dear Sir:- I have received the letter. Thank you. but on the list there was some things missing it was

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R. Konishi
In Chief
Gr. Room

1 anchor of boat, 7 1/2 ft long saw, that we cut the wood. Engine 5 H.P., its in the woodshed. Didn't you see that in the woodshed? Will you please tell me about it please? Thank You Yours truly R. Konishi."

(ONATELS LIST AND LETTER EXHIBIT B.)

CROSS EXAMINATION BY MR. FERG:-

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MR. FERG: It is submitted Your Honour, that the personal property was sold at its fair market value and it is submitted that any articles claimed on account of theft or unaccounted for, the claim is excessive and unreasonable.

Q Mr. Konishi, with regard to the fishing equipment; the first document that you signed in the matter was what we call the J.P. Form, now in that form you didn't report any fishing equipment or nets or anything of that sort, why didn't you do that?

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A At the time that I signed the J.P. Form I had not the full details as to what was going to happen to me, whether I was going to be sent to a road camp or whether I was going to be sent to Manitoba and, as the situation was so uncertain I thought perhaps I might be allowed to come back and fish and for that reason I didn't put in anything regarding the nets in my J.P. Form.

Q But you were asked to declare everything that you possess? A At the time of signing this J.P. Form there were a number of Japanese milling about and I was told to take the thing away some-

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where else and sign it and I wasn't told at that time specifically to put down all the details of the nets. I was able to speak a little but I am not proficient in reading English.

Q At any rate, where did you leave these nets?

A I didn't have my nets put with the other men's nets. I had them put in a room which was locked in the Phoenix Cannery.

Q Did the Phoenix Cannery give you a receipt for these nets? A No, I didn't receive one.

Q You were satisfied to leave them in the possession of the Phoenix cannery and you didn't report them at that time to the Custodian?

A At the beginning I had no instructions to report these matters to the Custodian. I had to go away to Manitoba in a hurry and I left these in charge of the Phoenix Cannery, a watchman down there and he told me that was all that was necessary.

Q About what date would that be Mr. Konishi?

20 A I am not perfectly certain but I left Steveston on the 28th day of April and it was a few days prior to that.

Q That is in 1943? A Yes.

Q And you didn't report the ownership of these nets until the 1st of October, 1945?

A As I hadn't received any news about the sale of my nets or any information whatsoever regarding them I wrote the Custodian. I was at a place called Kane in Manitoba about that time in 1945

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and I asked my daughter to write to the Custodian.

Q Was that after you had been requested by the Custodian to file a statement of your nets?

A Yes.

Q And did you make up that list of nets from memory? A I had some details in a small book, which I have at present, and I made up my list from the details in that book.

Q When you left the nets with the Phoenix Cannery did you put your tag on every net and every piece of equipment that you left with them?

A Yes.

MR. FERG: That is all.

RE-EXAMINED BY MR. CHRONLAK:

Q You spoke of a certain note book in which you kept a list of the nets, I show you some paper writing, is that what you have been referring to?

A Yes.

Q In whose handwriting is that in?

A That is my writing.

Q Your handwriting? A Yes.

Q It says here 'April 14th, 1942, memory' what is that? A He put down the 14th of April from memory as a note to when he took this from the book.

BY MR. FERG:

Q Have you got a list in your book of the chattels you left in the house? A Yes.

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Q Have you got the marine engine on that list?

A Yes.

Q Have you got the book now? A Yes, not now, it is at home.

Q You still have that book? A Yes.

Q How long would it take you to bring it over to the Court? A About an hour.

Q Supposing you bring it over here tomorrow morning?

A Yes, alright.

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BY MR. CHERNIAX:

Q This room in which you stored your nets, was that room used by other people as well as yourself or only by you? A There were only my nets in that room.

Q How long had you used that room before evacuation?

A About three years.

Q And the nets then were placed in that room where you always kept your nets? A Yes.

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Q I am bringing up that point, Your Honour to show that they were not in charge of the Cannery but rather they were left in the room that he rented.

BY THE COMMISSIONER: He didn't say he rented it.

MR. CHERNIAX: Well, he used the room, I am not questioning whether he paid rent for it or not. My point is - - -

THE COMMISSIONER: Would the Cannery Officials know that he had put them in there?

MR. CHERNIAX:

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Q Did you use this room for that number of years with

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the permission of the Cannery or with their knowledge? A The Cannery Company were well aware of the fact that I was using this room. The room was locked.

(Note) This hearing was adjourned until later in the day when R. Konishi returned with the book as requested by Mr. FERG.)

BY MR. FERG:

Q Mr. Konishi, this is your book that you refer to?

A Yes.

Q It is your own handwriting?

A Yes.

Q When did you make the entries in this book?

A At the time of evacuation.

Q Before you were evacuated or just at the time you left? A Just before evacuation.

Q Do you require this book?

A Yes, I need it, but if you want to keep it - - -

Q Well, it will be filed in the case. The entries in the book only refer to fishing nets and fishing equipment? A It also includes the chattels.

THE COMMISSIONER: It was the engine we were concerned with was it not?

MR. FERG: Yes, and the fishing nets and the engine and the anchor.

Q Have you got the engine marked in here?

A I can't remember, I forget.

Q Have you got the anchor in here?

THE COMMISSIONER: Is it in the Japanese language?

MR. FERG: Most of it Your Honour.

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MR. FERG: I think the book should go in, it is a memorandum and apparently the only memorandum he had. This is an original and I think we should put it in. It is to his benefit.

BY THE INTERPRETER: He says if you people need it you can use it.

10 BY MR. CHERNIAK: I have no objection to filing this. There is a great deal of writing which is not accounted for and I don't know how personal it is to the Claimant, that is the only thing. I don't know whether it should be filed as a public document. I wonder whether I could find out from him, off the record, whether it is his own personal information. I think he should be entitled to make his own decision.

THE COMMISSIONER: It is not evidence except those pages which relate to his claim. He evidently has no very great objection to it going in.

20 MR. CHERNIAK: Do you mind if I ask the interpreter to discuss it with him and ask him if there is anything of an important nature that he does not want shown to other people?

THE COMMISSIONER: Yes, that is agreeable.

MR. FERG: With so many documents and so much on the record I don't imagine anyone will want to personally paw over this book and get anything more than is relevant to the case.

THE COMMISSIONER: Oh no.

20 THE INTERPRETER: He says he has no objection to the book going in.

(BOOK, MARKED EXHIBIT 6.)

Mr. Cherniak: I notice here, written in Japanese
something which I think refers to the engine.

Q Would you mind reading that to us?

A "I never received the money for the engine."

Q That is his comment there?

A Yes.

Q And opposite that is \$70,000?

A That is the amount.

10 MR. CHERNIAK: That is what appears there?

THE COMMISSIONER: That is the translation of what
appears in the book?

THE INTERPRETER: Yes.

(PROCEEDINGS ADJOURNED SINE DIE)

Certified to be a true and accurate transcript

Mark H. Pearce
(MARK H. PEARCE)
OFFICIAL REPORTER

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CERTIFICATE

I, the undersigned Sub Commissioner hereby certify
that the foregoing pages of typewritten matter contain
a true and accurate record of the sub-commission held
in the Law Courts Building, Winnipeg, Manitoba, at
the time and date first above mentioned.

H. J. Cunningham
(Sub-Commissioner)

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REAL PROPERTY										Total	
Greater Vancouver		Rural (except V.L.A.)			V.L.A. (except Mission Village)		V.L.A. Mission Village				
Sale Price	5% thereof & 12.50	Sale Price	10% thereof	Charges 12.50 & Comm.	Sale Price	Total Award 80% of all Sale Prices % of Amount Total	Sale Price	Total Award 125% of all Sale Prices % of Amount Total			
PERSONAL PROPERTY											
Motor Vehicles		Boats and Boat Gear									
Sale Price	25% thereof	Sale Price	Nelson Bros. 23.5% of Sale Price	Other Sales 28.5% of Sale Price	Equipment charges paid to purchasers in error. Repay to owners	Amount of Claims for Boat Gear Declared & Not Found & Recorded Now Missing	45% of amount in next preceding column				
		300.		85.50	40.00	70.00	31.50				157.00
NETS											
Total award for Nets plus Sale Price		Total Claim for Nets Sold, Declared Not Found and Recorded Now Missing		Percentage Total Award to Total Claim		Claim for Nets Sold Declared Not Found, & Recorded Now Missing	Apply % ratio to Claim	Deduct Custodian Sale Price			
						609.00 704.00	319.10	219.50		609.00	
MISCELLANEOUS CHATELS											
Claim for goods Sold By Auction	Sale Price of Goods Sold By Auction	Rebates of charges 30% of Sale Price	Ratio in % of Sale Price to Claim	Claim for goods Declared Not Found, Recorded Now Missing, & Sold Not Paid	Applica- tion of % ratio to amount in next preceding column	Sale Price of goods Sold by Tender	12% of Sale Price				
176.25	41.50	12.39	23.46%	148.30	34.25				47.22		
TOTAL RECOMMENDATION										905.22	

October 11th, 1950.

Mr. Rokuhei KONISHI,
65 Isobel St.,
Winnipeg, Man.

Dear Sir:

Re: Japanese Property Claims Commission

Case No. 863

We have received from the Co-Operative Committee
on Japanese Canadians, our form of Release which has been
executed by yourself covering the award recommended under
the above Claims Commission for the sum of ... \$903.82.

Cheque in your favour is enclosed for \$867.54
and we have paid the Co-Operative Committee .. \$ 36.28
for legal fees as authorized by you.

Yours truly,

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F.G. Shears
Director

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28th March, 1951.

Mr. Hokuhei KONISHI,
Regn. No. 03674,
65 Isabel Street,
Winnipeg, Manitoba.

Dear Sir:

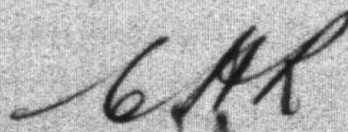
Distribution is now being made from the
assets of the River Fish Company at the rate of \$33.98
per share. You were the holder of 5 shares and payment
to you is as follows:

5 shares	\$169.89
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Custodian cheque for this amount is attached
hereto.

Please acknowledge receipt.

Yours truly,



C.H. Reed,
Office of the Custodian.

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