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**BUREAU HASTINGS PARK
OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN
JAPANESE SECTION**

FILE NO.

1761

EXHIBIT NO.

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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: HINOTA, HayaoHOME ADDRESS: P. O. Box 81, Steveston, B. C.REGISTRATION NUMBER 07828SEX: MaleAGE: 30OCCUPATION: 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: Worked for himselfMARRIED? yesNAME OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: TeitukoADDRESS OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: P. O. Box 81, Steveston, B. C.NAMES OF ANY LIVING CHILDREN: Yoshiaki (M) and Teruyuki (M)ADDRESS OF CHILDREN: P. O. Box 81, Steveston, B. C.AGE OF CHILDREN: six and four years old.**STATEMENT OF ALL REAL PROPERTY** (Each parcel must be mentioned and particulars given)

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: Lots 17, and 18, Block 4 of Section 10, Block 3, north range 7, West Map 249, in the district of New Westminster, B. C.

2. BUILDINGS AND OTHER IMPROVEMENTS: On the above lot is a vacant store, gas station, garage, pool room, suite of rooms, etc.
All Vacant

3. INSURANCE (Give particulars; state where policies are) The North West Fire Ins. Company, for \$2000.00, #205187, covering, Public Garage, Stores & Dwelling, and furniture, policy in the possession of the owner.

4. TAXES (Amount and where payable) Previous taxes approximately \$125.00 per year but as the premises are vacant the taxes are now only \$8.00 per year.

5. ENCUMBRANCES (Including any unregistered claims or deposit of title deed)

None

6. OCCUPANCY AND LEASES (If vacant so state)

Vacant

205187

- Title Deeds for the Lots only
are in the owner's possession.
7. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF TITLE DOCUMENTS: _____
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: Floathouse, Four room bannan, at P. O. Box 81, Steveston, B. C.
2. LANDLORD'S NAME AND ADDRESS: His own Floathouse.
3. PARTICULARS OF LEASE AND RENT AND DATE TO WHICH PAID: None
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:
- 3 chest of drawers, 1 dressing table, 1 double bed, 1 heater, 1 kitchen range, two big cupboards with kitchen utensils, 1 sofa, 12 chairs, three tables, 1 trunk of clothing, 1 folding wardrobe, 1 fernery, children's chairs and tables, 1 box of pans etc., 1 gramophone, 70 records, 1 box of Japanese dolls, 1 crib, practically all of the above is stored in the Great West Canning Co. Ltd., Steveston, B.C., because the float house is too damp.
- See information regarding nets on the back page, and boat.
2. HORSES, LIVESTOCK AND OTHER ANIMALS, POULTRY AND PETS: None

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) _____

None

8. BANK ACCOUNTS: _____

About \$200.00 in the Royal Bank of Canada, at Steveston, B. C.

9. LIFE INSURANCE: _____

Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada, #2166440, for \$1500.00, beneficiary his father Gitaro Hirota, policy in the possession of the owner.

10. INTEREST IN ANY ESTATES OR TRUSTS: _____

None

11. SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX: _____

None

LIABILITIES:

1. PERSONAL DEBTS: _____

None

2. TRADE DEBTS: _____

None

REMARKS: _____

None

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 7th day of April 1942.

(Signature)

H. Hirota

M. Wrought
Witness

FOR DEPARTMENTAL USE

This man had the following agreement in his possession, dated 6th April, 1942.

I, Mayao Hirota, hereby agrees to sell to Francis Millerd & Co. Ltd., the hull "O.M. 1278 named Chiyoko No. 2 for the sum of (\$700.00) seven hundred dollars, deck to be finished, pilot house, windows and doors, gasoline tank to be installed and net guard to be supplies.

No signatures affixed.

NETS & CORK & LEAD LINE

55 fathoms	8 1/2	40/9 & 10	37 meshes, 2 & 3 years old, 32 lbs.	\$35.00
150 fathoms	5 3/8	4/40	60 meshes 1 year old	\$100.00
50 fathoms	5 1/8 & 5 1/21	in	60 meshes 2 year	50 meshes green \$20.00
150 fathoms	5 15/16	4/40	55 meshes 1 year used	\$125.00
150 fathoms	6 1/2	5/40	50 meshes 3 years with cork & Lead line	\$110.00
40 fathoms	6 1/2	5/40	50 meshes 1 year with cork & Lead line	\$50.00
50 fathoms	6 1/2	5/40	50 meshes 3 year	\$15.00
200 fathoms	5 5/8 & 5 7/8	4/40	50 meshes 2 years with cork & Lead Line	\$50.00
180 fathoms	5 1/2	50/5	50 meshes 2 years Green	\$15.00
150 fathoms	7	inches	cork & Lead line 2 years	\$50.00
165 fathoms	50 lbs	weight	new cork line	\$25.00

and

200 fathoms	7 in	5/40	48 & 50 meshes (43 fathoms 1 years	
			(157 fathoms 2 & 3 years	\$175.00
			(with cork & Lead Line	

Total Valuation

\$770.00

These nets are stored in a net house, and the Great West Cannery Co. Ltd., manager at Steveston, B. C., has the key to the same.

INFORMATION FROM R.C.M.P.

Date Sept. 7, 1943.

Our File No. 1761

Full Name HIROTA, Hayao
(Surname in Block Letters)

Registration No. 07828

☒ Male - Female
(check)

Age Jan. 25th, 1910.

Former Address Steveston P.O. Box 81, B.C.

Date Evacuated May 15, 1942.

Naturalized - Canadian-Born - National
(check)

Present Address P.O. Box 24, Chapleau, Ontario.

24/11/47

☒ Married - Single
(check)

nee
Name of Wife (OBAYASHI) Tetsuko #05563

Name of Husband

Name of Mother (nee) HANAOKA

Name of Father Gitaro (Japan)

Names of Children under 18 Tane (Japan)

Yoshiaki (M) 27/9/36

Teruyuki (M) 27/9/38

Requested by E.C.T.

Registered with Custodian

yes
(Yes or No)

Additional Information Fisherman, owner of N.W. 2965, Navy # N.W. 083F - one house.

REAL PROPERTY SUMMARY

JAPANESE NAME: Hayao HIROTA Reg. No. 07828 File No. 1761

CATALOGUE NO: 834.

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 47 Moncton Street, Steveston, B. C.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Lots 17 and 18, Block 4 of Section 10, Block 3 North, Range 7 West, Map 249, Municipality of Richmond in the District of New Westminster.

TITLE: Registered in the name of Hayao HIROTA.

ENCUMBRANCES: Registered: Vesting Order filed No. 25736 - April 21, 1941
76003-C 10th November 1936 Lease for a term of 10 years to Home Oil Distributors Limited
Unregistered: No indication of any unregistered charges.

ASSESSED VALUES:

Land	\$1210.00	
Improvements	5150.00	Taxes - \$108.53
	<u>\$6360.00</u>	

CLASSIFICATION: This is a one storey building containing three stores previously occupied as a Garage, Pool room and small General Store. Our valuator, F.H. Coulthard, New Westminster, made the following valuation April 22nd, 1944

"This property is located at 47 Moncton Street on two 44' x 120' lots with 88' frontage on Moncton. Exceptionally good location. Garage and General Station with old shacks at rear, rented to D. Lumley and J. Springbett. The main building is known as River Garage, it is "L" shaped, one portion 36 x 42' and the other 86 x 56'. Divided into several sections and of the cheapest possible construction. The building is old and dilapidated and the foundations appear to be in very bad condition. The floors are rough plank and partitions shiplap. In our opinion it has served its time and would be an exceeding expensive proposition to try and renovate same. If demolished there would be considerable salvage, and we are basing our valuation on this fact."

"VALUATION:

Building	\$ 1500.
#18 corner Lot	264.
#17 "	220.
	<u>\$ 1984."</u>

HISTORY OF ADMINISTRATION: This property was leased by Hayao HIROTA on 16th November 1936 to Home Oil Distributors Limited for a term of ten years from 15th November 1936, consideration \$10.00 per month payable on the 15th day of each and every month of the term hereof.

hereof.

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The Home Oil Distributors Limited sub-let this property on the 10th December 1936 for a term of ten years less the last three (3) days thereof, consideration - the sum of \$10.00 on the 15th day of each and every month together with the sum of two cents (2¢) per gallon for each and every Imperial gallon of gasoline purchased by the Lessee during the month, to be paid on the last day of each and every successive month of the term hereof. Minimum rental for each month to be \$25.00.

As this building was divided into three stores with living quarters at the rear of each, these were rented by the Custodian to various tenants on a monthly basis, rentals running from \$7.00 per month for the living quarters to \$15.00 per month for the store.

Rents collected \$482.50 against which were the following charges: Sundry repairs.....\$ 22.93.

\$36.00 of the above rents belonged to the new Purchaser and were taken care of in the final adjustment.

SOLD:

To: Henry Arthur Beckett for \$2,000.00 as at Sept. 13, 1944.
Approval of Advisory Committee August 25th, 1944.

Funds released to the credit of Hayao HIROTA's account as at January 16th, 1945, against which were the following charges: Valuation \$10.00, Advertising \$4.00, Registration Fees \$2.50 = \$16.50 leaving a net credit of \$1983.50 from said transaction.

Adjustments as at September 13th, 1944, amounting to \$39.08 Unexpired Fire Insurance Premiums, \$32.41 Purchaser's share of 1944 Taxes, and \$7.11 Purchaser's share of Water Rates = \$78.60 were placed to the credit of Hayao HIROTA's account.

The following Fire Insurance Policy:

North Empire Fire Insurance Company, Policy No. 70314, \$2,000.00, covering on the one storey, frame, vacant garage and dwelling at 47 Moncton St., Steveston, B.C.

was transferred to Henry Arthur Beckett 14th November 1944.

OLD CERTIFICATE OF TITLE:

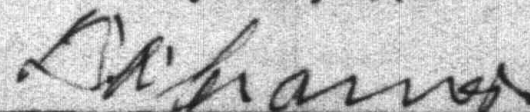
No. 118326-E

This title is on deposit in the Land Registry Office, New Westminster, B.C. (Confirmed by telephone by D.A.Cramer, 14th July 1947).

Certificate of Title No. 180032-E in the name of Henry Arthur Beckett was handed to him on 16th January 1945, and his receipt of even date acknowledging same is on file.

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

July 18th, 1947.



D. A. CRAMER.

30 August, 1948.

REAL PROPERTY CLAIM

CLAIMANT	Hayao HIROTA	Rega No 07828	(CAT. #834)
PROPERTY SUBJECT OF CLAIM	Lots 17 & 18, Blk 4 of Sec 10, R3W/7N, Map 249, Twp. of Richmond, D.N.W. known as 47 Hemston St., STEVESTON, B.C.		
CLAIM	Est. value of:	Land	\$ 800.
		Buildings	2200.
		Goodwill etc	900.
			<u>3500.</u>
		Custodian credit	2000. (Correct gross)
		ALLIED LOSS	<u>1500.</u>

REFERENCE

HISTORY

- JP Declaration of 7 Apr 42 notes above comprised a vacant store, gas station, garage, pool room, suite of rooms etc --- ALL VACANT.
- RP.1 J.D. Mather's report of 23 Apr 42 comments on condition of property and also notes "...the Garage...WAS operating PREVIOUSLY under..."
- RP.2 G/R #51683 d/20 Apr 43 notes Vesting in Custodian, Lease to Home Oil Distributors Ltd. 10 Nov 36 for 10 years, Title in name of Claimant.
- RP.3 Indenture d/10 Nov 36 Claimant to Home Oil Dist. Ltd. for period of 10 years, consideration \$10.00 per month.
- RP.4 Sub-lease Home Oil to Taro SHIMIZU d/10 Dec 36 for term of 10 years.
- RP.12 THEREFORE, Hirota's claim for 'Goodwill' etc does not appear to be in order.
- RP.5 Property photographed 13 Apr 43.
- RP.6 Assessment 1945 (Taxes 1942):
- | | | | |
|--------|--------|-----------------|------|
| Lot 17 | \$590. | | |
| 18 | 660. | \$ 1210. | Land |
| | | 5150. | Imp. |
| | | <u>\$ 6360.</u> | |
- Taxes 1942 Rates 83.27
- Dyking charge 2.60 \$ 85.87
- RP.7 Appraised Goulthard, Sutherland & Co. Ltd. 22 Apr 44 \$1984.00
- RP.8 Offers to Purchase:
- | | | |
|---------|-----------|---------|
| Reid | 24 Jul 44 | \$1250. |
| Beckett | 21 Aug 44 | 2000. |
| Reid | 29 Aug 44 | 1985. |
- RP.9 Approval of sale to Beckett \$2000. by Advisory Committee 25 Aug 44.
- RP.10 Sold to Beckett as at 13 Sep 44 \$2000. cash.
- RP.11 Summary of Administration d/18 Jul 47 herewith.
- RP.12 As Service Station not in use when taken over by Cstn., an effort was made to put same on a paying basis. Dept. of Munitions & Supply letters 14 Sep and 17 Oct 42 refuse permission to reopen station.

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COMPANY	POLICY NO.	AMOUNT	EXPIRATION			PROPERTY
			MONTH	DAY	YEAR	
North Empire Fire Insurance Company	64022	\$2,000.	June	11	1944	Lots 17-8, Blk. 4, Sec. 10, Blk. 3N, Rge. 7W., 47 Moncton St., Steveston, B.C.
North Empire Fire Insurance Company	70314	\$2,000.	June	11	1945	Lots 17-18, Blk. 4, Sec. 10, Blk. 3N, 47 Moncton St., Steveston, B.C.

FIRE INSURANCE SUMMARY

Hayao HIROTA Reg. No. 07828 File No. 1761

The above named Japanese declared on his J.P. Form signed 7th April 1942 that he carried the following Fire Insurance.

"North West Fire Insurance Co. Policy No. 205187 - \$2,000.00 - covering Public Garage, Stores & Dwelling, and furniture. Policy in possession of the owner."

It was found, however, that the foregoing Policy had lapsed for over one year and on June 15th, 1943, our Insurance Department instructed Wilson Insurance Agencies Limited to place a Policy for \$2,000.00 on the buildings.

They issued a Policy in the North Empire Fire Insurance Company, No. 68022, \$2,000.00, one year from June 11th, 1943. This was renewed by North Empire Fire Insurance Company, Policy No. 70314 - \$2,000.00 - expiring June 11, 1945. This Policy was transferred to Henry Arthur Beckett 14th November 1944.

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

July 18th, 1947.

D. A. CRAMER.

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LIABILITY SUMMARY

Hayao HIROTA Reg. No. 07828 File No. 1761

The above named Japanese declared on his J.P. Form signed 7th April 1942, that he had no Personal or Trade Debts. However, H. Furuya Co. lodged a claim against him April 30th, 1942, for \$13.17. Mr. Hirota was asked about this claim.

We find the following quoted from a letter written by A. E. Russell to H.L. Brown, Office Manager, R.O. Security Commission, on September 4th, 1943:

"With regard to a claim of H. Furuya Co., in the amount of \$13.17, as noted in the Custodian's letter of the 26th of August, Mr. Hirota states he has no knowledge of having had any transaction with this Company, and formally denies this claim."

This claim was again drawn to HIROTA's attention May 23rd, 1944 and May 18th, 1945. There was no reply to the first letter but the May 18th, 1945, letter was replied to on July 20, 1945, as follows:

"In connection with your letter of May 18th. It was stated that there is a claim against me by H. Furuya Co. in the sum of \$13.17.

It is true I had been doing business with them when I was in R.O. but I have never left my account standing more than two weeks and I am absolutely sure that I've settled everything with them before I left R.O. in 1942.

If there is any debit balance left in my account on H. Furuya Co.'s book, it must be a mistake on their part. So please noted accordingly."

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

July 18th, 1947.

B. A. CRAMER
B. A. CRAMER.

July 24, 1947.

PERSONAL PROPERTY SUMMARY

Re: Hayao HIROTA
Reg. No. 07828

Chattels:

The above named Japanese declared a quantity of chattels which is shown on the attached schedule. He declared the value of his list of fishing equipment to be \$770.00. However, as will be seen from the statement as at Nov. 26, 1943, most of the equipment was sold for a total of \$296.75 after an experienced appraisal by C.P. Leckie had been made, and this would indicate that HIROTA's valuation was rather high. One net was appraised as of no value. However, there are three nets which are unaccounted for and HIROTA placed a total value on them of \$222.00.

With reference to household goods, it will be seen from the attached schedule that a further list was made on July 21, 1942, which was in addition to the list submitted by HIROTA at the time of his registration. Practically all the list he declared was stored in the Great West Cannery, Steveston, B.C. because his float house was too damp, and on July 21, 1942 all the chattels found were removed to storage. The salable household chattels were liquidated by auction and after the expenses had been paid, he was credited with \$98.52. A further \$200.00 was realized from the sale of an 80 H.P. Chrysler engine.

From the chattel schedule, it will be seen that from HIROTA's own declaration, on April 7, 1942, such items as a kitchen range, heater, gramophone, records and a folding wardrobe were unaccounted for when a further inventory was made on July 7, 1942 by the Great West Cannery Co., Steveston and are still not accounted for.

Specified Articles:

A nine tube Phonola radio, model 40A95P Serial 241148, 25-60 cycle which had not been declared, was forwarded to the above named Japanese by Mr. K. Elston, Box 444, Steveston, B.C. on Sept. 3, 1945. It had apparently been left in the latter's care.

Please refer to brown-edged summary for interests which HIROTA had in two fishing boats. (20/9/43, 12/4/44, 26/4/44.)

Securities:

Although Hirota did not declare any bonds or investments on March 6, 1946 this office received a refund of \$5.50 for a subscription to a War Savings Certificate made in December, 1941 in the name of "Steveston Fish".

Bank Accounts:

The bank account declared was not brought under the control of the Custodian.

July 24, 1947.

Re: Hayao HIROTA
Reg. No. 07828

Life Insurance:

KIROTA declared policy no. 2166440 with the Sun Life Assurance Co. of Canada for \$1500.00 stating that his father, Gitaro HIROTA, was the beneficiary. The policy was stated to be in the hands of the owner. A cheque for \$391.94 was received covering the cash surrender value on Aug. 27, 1943, and forwarded to him on Sept. 7, 1943. On March 10, 1947 we were requested by HIROTA to pay the premium arrears amounting to \$149.60 on policy no. 2,318, 906 with the Sun Life Assurance Co. covering his wife, Mrs. Tetsuko HIROTA.

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

A.S. Jackson

A.S. Jackson
Administration Department.

ASJ/BM.

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30th August, 1948

PERSONAL PROPERTY CLAIM

CLAIMANT

Hayao HIROTA

Regn No 07828

CLAIM

Claim incorrectly added to total of \$1405.05 -- should be \$1404.05

REFERENCE

JP

Items noted on Form JP are inscribed on Analysis of Claim Form.

FP.1

Chattels removed to Storage 21 Jul 42 not-d on Analysis.

FP.2

Chattels requisitioned 22 Oct 43 shipped 17 Nov 43. B/L attached.

FP.3

Custodian query to Claimant re sale price of Chrysler Engine brought Hirota's answer of 12 Sep 42 \$275.00 G.W. Pkg Co. letter 13 Nov 42 notes that it cost purchaser \$125.00 to repair and instal same and asked reduction in price. Sold to purchaser for \$200.00

FP.4

Brown-edged Summaries of Vessel Records showing same as having been sold by JFVDC herewith. Places this item outside Terms of Reference.

FP.5

This reference notes HOSB discarded due to having perished.

FP.6

Net Statement compiled 26 Nov 43 by Custodian cannot be reconciled with net descriptions as declared by Claimant when registering. Nets and gear proceeds have been lumped on Analysis Form.

FP.7

K. Elston letters of 9 Aug and 3 Sep 45 note shipment of an undeclared Radio to Claimant by that party. Radio not claimed on, only "Furniture"

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J.D. Mather's report of 23 Apr 42 itemises nets. (Mather usually copy the list as supplied by the Japanese -- unless Cannery records were available.)

JP 1B

When registering, Claimant notes on page 2 of JP Form:

"---practically all the above is stored in the Great West Canning Co. Ltd., Steveston, B.C., BECAUSE THE FLOAT HOUSE IS TOO DAMP."

Jap floathouses were usually damp, dilapidated and unsanitary. For this reason it was usually impossible to sell same. Hirota's is presumably still at Steveston -- unless destroyed by Municipal authorities.

Auction Sheets herewith.

Due to the 'Furniture' not being itemised on Claim Form, the Storage list was used on the Analysis to itemise Auction proceeds wherever possible.

JC/..

MEMORANDUM

File No. 1761

August 4th, 1944

TO: FILE

FROM: Mr. Mackenzie

Re: HINGTA, Hayao

This file is in order as to chattels as these were moved on July 21st, 1942, from the Great West Cannery house #10 to our warehouse No. 4.

*1 Baby crib (Dresser) 1 tin box (Baby Doll) none shipped -
Not a/c against C.R. of Dec 22/42.*

RBM/MHG

*Not his
see letter 2/12/43*

RBM

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July 23, 1947.

CHattel Schedule

Re: Hayao HIROTA -

Reg. No. 07828

Registered April 7, 1942.

Evacuated May 15, 1942.

Net Statement

Declared by HIROTA, April 7, 1942.

55 fathoms	8 1/2 40 9 10 37 Meshes,	2 1/2 years old	32 lbs.	\$35.00
150 "	5 3/8 4/40 60 "	1 "	" "	100.00
50 "	5 1/8 & 5 1/2 60 "	2 "	" 50 meshes green	20.00
150 "	5 15/16 4/40 55 "	1 year used		125.00
150 "	6 1/2 5/40 50 "	3 years with cork & lead lines		110.00
40 "	6 1/2 5/40 50 "	1 year used with cork & lead lines		50.00
50 "	6 1/2 5/40 50 "	3 years used with cork & lead lines		15.00
200 "	5 5/8 & 5 7/8 4/40			
		50 Meshes 2 years	" "	50.00
100 "	5 1/2 50/5 50 "	2 years Green		15.00
150 "	7 inches cork & lead line - 2 yrs.			50.00
165 "	50 lbs. weight new cork line			25.00
200 "	7 in. 5/40 48 & 50 meshes (43 fathoms 1 year			
	(157 " 2 & 3 yrs.			175.00
	(with cork & lead line			
	<u>Total Valuation</u>			<u>\$770.00</u>

a S. J. J. J.
pl. B. M.

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July 23, 1947.

Chattel Schedule

Re: Hayao HIROTA
Reg. No. 07828

Goods Declared by HIROTA, 7.4.42	Remarks	Sold	Other Disposition
3 chests of drawers	2 chests found 21.7.42	Auction, Steveston 6.4.45	
1 Dressing table		Auction, Steveston 18.4.45	
1 double bed		" " 27.4.45	
1 heater			
1 kitchen range			
2 big cupboards with kitchen utensils		" " 6.4.46	
1 sofa			
12 chairs	17 found 21.7.42	8 - " " 29.6.45 5 - " " 27.4.45 1 - " " 20.7.45	
3 tables		1 small table auctioned at Steveston 27.4.45	
1 trunk of clothing		Trunk auctioned 14.9.45	clothes U.N.R.R.A.
1 folding wardrobe			
1 fernery			
children's chair & tale		Auctioned Steveston 29.6.45	
1 box of jars, etc.		" " 21.9.45	
1 gramophone			
70 records			
1 box Japanese dolls			Shipped 17.11.43
1 crib		" " 29.6.45	
List compiled by Great West Cannery 21.7.42 but not de- clared by HIROTA at time of registration			
	List compiled	Sold	Other Disposition
1 auto lead light	21.7.42	Auctioned, no date given	
1 baby cart	21.7.42		
1 screen door	21.7.42	Auction Steveston 27.5.45	
1 mattress	21.7.42		
1 high chair	21.7.42	Auction Steveston 29.6.45	
1 piece hose			Perished
2 oil cans			
1 bench			
1 clothes horse			Discarded
1 oil drum			
1 hose			
1 D.R. table, legs separated		Auction Steveston 16.3.45	
1 clothes rack			Discarded
1 large gramophone case		Auction Steveston 6.4.45	
1 large tin box			Shipped 17.11.43
1 baby doll			
2 net boxes sundries			
1 kitchen cabinet and top		Auction, Steveston 6.4.45	
1 wood box of dishes		Auction, Steveston 9.11.45	
1 large carton		moved to our warehouse No. 4 on July 21, 1942	

N.B. The above chattels were moved from the Great West Cannery house # 18 to
our warehouse No. 4 on July 21., 1942.

Chattels Schedule

July 23, 1947.

Re: Hayao MIKOTA
 Reg. No. 07824

It should also be mentioned that the following chattels have been sold at auction (dates given) and while there is little reason to doubt that they do belong to the above Japanese, it is quite possible that they were stored away in boxes and never declared.

Kitchen and wicker ware	Auctioned, Steveston, B.C.	6.4.45
Vase	"	6.4.45
Wall clock	"	6.4.45
Platter	"	6.4.45
2 H.P. Plates	"	6.4.45
1 play pen	"	27.4.45
1 box misc. article	"	21.9.45
2 gas pumps	"	21.9.45
Pails etc.	"	9.11.45
Kitchenware	"	9.11.45
Glassware	"	9.11.45
Electric clock	"	14.11.45
dishes, pots, pans, a vase, crockery, stove mat, carpenters tools, 1 gallon can, and 2 window screens	} All sold at auction on an unspecified date.	

The above Schedule is certified to be in accordance with the information on file:

a. S. Jackson
per B.M.

EXHIBIT No. 1006-15DATE NOV 2 1945NAME HIROTA, NaSOLD BY R. W. ChristieREGISTRATION NO. 07828FILE NO. 1761

The following chattels were sold by public

auction at Stevenson, S.C. on September 21, 1945.

Box misc. articles
2 Gas pumps

\$ 0.25 M
10.00 M

Total

Less Expenses: (Auctioneer's Fee: \$1.03
(Advertising: 0.66
(Moving: 1.12

Net Proceeds Credited:

\$	10.25
\$	3.01
\$	7.24

Members of Custodian Staff Present.

Mr. Harris

Extracted from Auctioneering List No.

Stevenson 38.

Remarks.

COUNTY No. 1806-14
 NAME WITNESS DATE NOV 2 2 1933
 FILED BY A. A. Kinsler
 REGISTRATION NO. 1806-14 FILE NO. 1806-14

The following chattels were sold by public

auction at Stevenson, B. C. on November 3, 1933

- Box of crockery	3.50	K
Pails etc.	1.00	K
- Kitchenware	2.35	K
Box of dishes	2.50	K
Box of dishes	1.00	K
Box of dishes	5.25	K
Glassware	2.00	K

Total		\$ 17.60
Less Expenses:	(Auctioneer's Fee \$ 1.76	
	(Advertising 1.14	
	(Moving 1.02	\$ 3.92
Net Proceeds Credited:		\$ 13.68

Members of Custodian Staff Present. Mr. Ellis

Extracted from Auctioneering List No. Stevenson 41

Remarks.

NAME NIROTA, Rayce
REGISTRATION NO. 07828

EXHIBIT NO. 1006-16
DATE NOV 2 1961
FILE NO. 1761

The following chattels were sold by public
auction at Steverson, B. C. on November 14, 1945.

Trunk
Electric clock

\$ 5.50
4.50 F

Total
Less Expenses: (Auctioneer's Fee \$ 1.00
Advertising .34
Moving .32
Net Proceeds Credited:
Members of Custodian Staff Present. Mr. Wills
Extracted from Auctioneering List No. Steveston 42
Remarks.

\$ 20.00
\$ 1.73
\$ 5.27

EXHIBIT NO. 1006-15
 NAME HINOTA, Sayao DATE NOV 2 9 1948
 REGISTRATION NO. 07828 FILE NO. R. D. Harris

The following chattels were sold by public
 auction at Steveston, B. C. on April 6, 1949.

Kitchen ware	\$ 1.00	K Y H A R R I S
Kitchen and wicker ware	1.00	
Vase	1.00	
Wall clock	11.00	
Platter	0.50	
H. P. plate	1.75	
H. P. plate	3.25	
Chest of drawers	13.00	
Kitchen cabinet	12.00	
Gramophone case	0.25	

Total	(Auctioneer's Fees \$ 4.69	\$ 46.85
Less Expenses:	(Advertising 2.00	\$ 10.70
	(Moving 3.95	
Net Proceeds Credited:		\$ 36.15

Members of Custodian Staff Present.

Mr. Harris

Extracted from Auctioneering List No.

Steveston 32.

Remarks.

*Original sent to Cochrane
on May 17/50*

EXHIBIT NO. 1306-15
NAME STEVENSON, James DATE NOV 2 1943
REGISTRATION NO. 077328 FILE NO. 1743

The following chattels were sold by public
auction at Stevenson, B. C. on March 16, 1943.

Dining Table

\$ 2.00

Total

\$ 2.00

Less Expenses: (Auctioneer's Fee: \$0.20

\$ 0.53

(Advertising: 0.14

(Moving: 0.19

Net Proceeds Credited:

\$ 1.47

Members of Custodian Staff Present. Mr. Harris

Extracted from Auctioneering List No. Stevenson 31

Remarks.

Original sent to Evance on May 1943

EXHIBIT No. 1206-15
NAME HIROTA, Hayao DATE NOV 2 9 1946
FILED BY A K A Christie
REGISTRATION NO. 07828 FILE NO. 1761

The following chattels were sold by public
auction at Steveston, B. C. on May 18, 1945.

Dresser and mirror/

\$ 14.00

Total
Less Expenses: (Auctioneer's Fee: \$ 1.40
(Advertising 0.72
(Movings 1.86

\$ 14.00
\$ 3.98
\$ 10.02

Net Proceeds Credited:

Members of Custodian Staff Present. Mr. Harris
Extracted from Auctioneering List No. Steveston 34.

Remarks.

EXHIBIT No. 1306-14
 NAME STROTA, Egon DATE May 2 8 1943
 FILLED BY A. A. G. Linton
 REGISTRATION NO. 07428 FILE NO. 1743

The following chattels were sold by public

auction at Steveston, B.C. on April 27, 1943

- Play pen
 - 3 Kitchen chairs ✓
 - Small table ✓
 - Screen door ✓
 - Bedstead ✓

\$ 0.35
 2.00
 2.75
 2.25
 1.25

Total

Less Expenses: (Auctioneer's Fee: 0.86
 (Advertising: 0.58
 (Moving: 1.00

Net Proceeds Credited:

\$ 8.60
 2.44
 6.16

Members of Custodian Staff Present. Mr. Harris

Extracted from Auctioneering List No. Steveston 33.

Remarks.

EXHIBIT NO. 1206-15
DATE NOV 29 1948
NAME STOGEA, James SELLER BY R. A. B. W. H. E.
REGISTRATION NO. 00000 FILE NO. 1763

The following chattels were sold by public
auction at Steveston, B. C. on June 29, 1948.

Table and 2 kiddies chairs ✓
Cup ✓
High chair ✓
4 Kitchen chairs ✓
4 Kitchen chairs ✓

1.00 ✓
0.50 ✓
1.25 ✓
1.00 ✓
5.00 ✓

Total
Less Expenses: (Auctioneer's Fee) \$ 0.25
(Advertising) 0.43
(Moving) 1.25

4.75
2.53
6.37

Net Proceeds Credited:

Members of Custodian Staff Present. Mr. Harris
Extracted from Auctioneering List No. Steveston 36.

Remarks.

EXHIBIT No. 1806-15
NAME HEROTA, Hayes DATE NOV 19 1945
FILLED BY R. A. B. H. H. H.
REGISTRATION NO. 07828 FILE NO. 1761

The following chattels were sold by public
auction at Stevenson, B. C. on July 20, 1945.

- 1 Kitchen chair ✓

1.10 ✓

Total
Less Expenses: (Auctioneer's Fee) \$ 0.11
(Advertising) 0.08
(Savings) 0.12

1.10

0.31

Net Proceeds Credited:

0.79

Members of Custodian Staff Present.

Mr. Harris

Extracted from Auctioneering List No.

Stevenson 37.

Remarks.

EXHIBIT No. 1306-16

DATE NOV 26 1943

FILLED BY R H B King

November 26, 1943.

HIDOTA, Hovao,
Reg. No. 07828,
File No. 1761.

NET STATEMENT

<u>Cust. No.</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Japanese Value</u>	<u>Purchase Price</u>
1705	(4/40 x 5 1/2 x 60 - 150 &	\$120.00	\$85.00
	(4/40 x 5 1/2 x 60 - 50		
1106	5/40 x 7 x 50 - 43	55.00	43.00
Cannery	4/40 x 5 1/2 x 50 - 200		50.00
Cannery	5/40 x 6 1/2 x 50 - 150		80.00
1099	150 fa. cork line		15.00
none	150 fa. lead line		15.00
1102	anchor		1.75
none	piece of web		7.00
TOTAL SALES.....			\$296.75

*plus claimed for
total
\$295.*

UNACCOUNTED FOR

1707	4/40 x 5 15/16 x 55 - 150	\$125.00
1708	4/40 x 7 x 48 - 270	82.00
1709	5/40 x 6 1/2 x 50 - 50	15.00

Appraised as of No Value (Nov./43)

1108	5/50 x 5 1/2 x 50- 100	\$15.00
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HIROTA, Hoyao,
Reg. No. 07828,
File No. 1761.

November 26, 1943.

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Cannery	5/40 x 6 1/2 x 50 - 150		50.00
1099	150 fa. cork line		80.00
none	150 fa. lead line		15.00
1102	anchor		15.00
none	piece of web		1.75
			<u>7.00</u>
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EXHIBIT No.

Nov 29 1948

DATE

FILED BY

F.A. Brewin

HIROTA HAYAO

INVENTORY

FURNITURE AND PERSONAL EFFECTS

	<u>ESTIMATED VALUE</u>	
1 Bed	\$15.00	
2 Beds	250 \$ 5.00	125
1 Dresser	\$25.00	14
1 Chest	\$20.00	13
2 Chests @ \$5.00 each	\$10.00	
1 Heater	\$ 5.00	
1 Kitchen Stove	\$25.00	
2 Kitchen Cabinets	\$25.00	14
1 Couch	5.00	
3 Dining Room Chairs	4.50	135
9 Kitchen Chairs	6.30	710
3 Tables	6 9.00	475 - 161
1 Wardrobe	6.00	
1 Square top table with 2 shelves	2.00	
1 Kindergarten set (1 table and 2 chairs)	3.00	100
Kitchen wear and dishes	25.00	
Wall Clock	10.00	1100
Gramophone Case	.50	25
	201.30	

I hereby certify the foregoing words are a true copy
of the original whereof they purport to be a copy.

May 9-49

M. H. H. H.

DATE Nov 29 1948

FILED BY

F. A. BrewinFishing Nets & Fishing Gears

Length	Size	Ply	Depth	Weight	Value
55 fathoms	8 $\frac{3}{4}$ in.	40/9 & 10	37 meshes	32 lbs.	\$35.00
150 "	5 $\frac{3}{8}$ in.	40/4	60 meshes		100.00
50 "	5 $\frac{3}{8}$ in.		60 meshes (50 meshes green) (10 meshes white)		20.00
150 "	5 15/16	4/40	55 meshes		125.00
150 "	6 $\frac{1}{2}$ in.	5/40	50 meshes (with cork & lead line)		110.00
40 "	6 $\frac{1}{2}$ in.	5/40	50 meshes (with cork & lead line)		50.00
50 "	6 $\frac{1}{2}$ in.	5/40	50 meshes		15.00
200 "	5 $\frac{3}{8}$ & 5 $\frac{7}{8}$ in	40/4	50 meshes		50.00
100 "	5 $\frac{3}{8}$ in.	50/4	50 meshes green		15.00
150 "		7 inches Cork & lead line			50.00
165 "		50 lbs. weight new cork line			25.00
200 fathoms	7 in. net	5/40 Ply	48 & 50 meshes (43 fathom 1 year (157 " 2 & 3 year. (with cork & (lead line		175.00

TOTAL NETS & GEARS VALUE

\$770.00

Custodian sold - - - - -

\$280.00\$490.00

Nov 25th/42	43.00
Dec. 23/42	50.00
Dec. 23/42	80.00
Oct. 24/42	15.00
Jan. 6/43	7.00
May 19/43	85.00
	<u>\$280.00</u>

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of the original whereof they purport to be a copy.

May 9-49

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1761
RP
I
Registration Number 07828

HIROTA, Hayao

P. O. Box 81, Steveston, B. C.

LOCATION AND NATURE OF PROPERTY

Lots 17 and 18, Block 4, Sec. 10,
Block 3 North, Range 7 West,
Map 249, Dist. of New Westminster.

OWNERSHIP

The property is owned by the above Hirota.
I have been unable to inspect the Certificate of Title,
as he has been evacuated.

LAND AND BUILDINGS

Erected on the above property is a one-storey
building, containing three stores, previously occupied
as a Garage, Pool Room and small General Store. All the
stores have living rooms at the rear. This property is
in poor condition. It is possible that all, or part
of it, could be rented, more particularly the Garage,
which was operating previously under arrangements with
the Home Oil Distributors Ltd. The Gas Pump installed
has not yet been removed.

INSURANCE

The building is covered for \$2000 insurance,
in the North West Fire Insurance Company, Policy
#205187.

TAXES

The taxes are paid to December, 31, 1941.

FINANCIAL POSITION

Claims to have no liabilities. Personal
effects as per inventory attached. These effects are
stored in an old building belonging to, and near the
Great West Cannery Company's Plant at Steveston.

RECOMMENDATION

I would recommend that an attempt be made to
rent the building above described, particularly the
Garage, which should be a desirable location. The Nets as
shown in the Inventory, should be sold, as they will
deteriorate.

April 23, 1942

K. Mather

MEMORANDUM

To: File No. 1761

Sept. 20, 1943

From: Specified Articles Dept.

Re: Hayao HIROTA, Reg. #

According to information on boat file, this man was registered owner of vessel "Y.M." NW.398, NW.096-D.

This information is not correct, as the license was in name of Yoshikichi MURAKAMI, but Hayao HIROTA may have had an interest.

The boat was sold to Sawaichi OBAYASHI File #1337 in March 1942, and the proceeds from the sale of this vessel to Harry Kotthammer in February 1943 have been credited to OBAYASHI'S account.

FM

SPECIFIED ARTICLES DEPARTMENT

File: No. 1761

August 11, 1945.

Re: Hayao HIROTA, Reg. No. 07828

Article: Radio

Description: 9-Tube Phonola 25-60 Cycle, Model 40A95P, Serial No. 241148

Location: In care of K. Elston, Box 444, Steveston, B. C. See letter 9/8/45.

J. Maclean

COPY FOR FILE 1767

SUMMARY TAKEN FROM VESSELS RECORDS

Date: April 26, 1944

Name: MURAKAMI, Yoshikichi

Reg. No. 03698

File: 667

Boat File No.: JFVDC 669

Name of Vessel: "H.N." 28'x7'x3'2" (1935) Easthope 6 HP

Lic. or Reg. No.: New Westminster 2965

Naval No.: NW.083-F

Owner's Valuation: \$900.00

JFVDC Valuation: 518.00 - Survey #34

Custodian Valuation: None

Date of Sale: June 1, 1942

Purchaser: British Columbia Packers Ltd.

Signature on Sales Papers: No copy

Selling Price: \$550.00

Paid to JFVDC ~~on Custodian:~~ 550.00

Supervision Costs: 8.00

Balance due Owner: 542.00

Paid to: Y. Murakami, June 10, 1942

Location of Boat at Sale: New Westminster

Claims Against Canadian Govt.:

Inventory Claim #419 - B. C. Packers Ltd. - \$12.10 (unpaid) *Parrell*

Additional Information: The licensed owner of this boat was Hayao HIROTA,
File 1767. Bill of Sale from Hirota to Murakami
was sent to the Registrar of Shipping with the
Bill of Sale from Murakami to B. C. Packers Ltd.

G. W. Watson *Reviewed*
Dec 5/45

Original on File 667

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SUMMARY TAKEN FROM VESSELS RECORDS

Date: April 12, 1944

Name: HIROTA, Hayao

Reg. No. 03698

File: 667

Boat File No.: JFVDC 385

Name of Vessel: "Chiyoko#2" 31'x7'6"x3'5"(1941) No engine

Lic. or Reg. No.: New Westminster 3294 (Otokichi MURAKAMI)

Naval No.: None

Owner's Valuation: None

JFVDC Valuation: ~~None~~ \$575.00 - Survey #210

Custodian Valuation: None

Date of Sale: April 8, 1942

Purchaser: Francis Millerd & Co.Ltd.

Signature on Sales Papers: No copy

Selling Price: \$675.00

Paid to JFVDC ~~or custodian~~: 675.00

Supervision Costs: 9.25

Balance due Owner: 665.75

Paid to: H. Hirota, April 9, 1942

Location of Boat at Sale: New Westminster

Claims Against Canadian Govt.: None

Additional Information:

The licensed owner of this boat was
Otokichi MURAKAMI, Box 90, Steveston
File 3911

J. M. Wilson Reviewed
hls 5/40
FM

Registration Number 07828

HIROTA, Hayao

INVENTORY

NETS, CORKS & LEAD LINE

80	55 fathoms	8 1/2 40 9 & 10 37 Meshes, 2 & 3 years old, 32 lbs.	\$35.00
175	150 "	5 3/8 4/40 60 " 1 " "	100.00
65	50 "	5 1/8 & 5 1/2 60 " 2 " " 50 meshes	
175	150 "	5 15/16 4/40 55 " 1 year used green	20.00
230	150 "	6 1/2 5/40 50 " 3 years with cork & Lead Line	125.00
75	40 "	6 1/2 5/40 50 " 1 " " " "	110.00
60	50 "	6 1/2 5/40 50 " 3 " " " "	50.00
			15.00
235	200 "	5 5/8 & 5 7/8 4/40 50 Meshes, 2 yr. " "	50.00
110	100 "	5 1/2 50/5 50 meshes 2 yrs. Green	15.00
75	150 "	7 inches cork & lead line - 2 yrs.	50.00
25	165 "	50 lbs. weight new cork line	25.00
250	200 "	7 in. 5/40 48 & 50 meshes (43 fathoms 1 year	
		(157 " 2 & 3 " (with cork & Lead line	175.00

Total Valuation

\$770.00

Agate 10
File 1761
Registration Number 67828

HIROTA, Nagao

P. O. Box 51, Steveston, B. C.

LOCATION AND NATURE OF PROPERTY

Lots 17 and 18, Block 4, Sec. 10,
Block 3 North, Range 7 West,
Map 249, Dist. of New Westminster.

OWNERSHIP

The property is owned by the above Hirota.
I have been unable to inspect the Certificate of Title,
as he has been evicted.

LAND AND BUILDINGS

Erected on the above property is a one-storey
building, containing three stores, previously occupied
as a Garage, Pool Room and a small General Store. All the
stores have living rooms at the rear. This property is
in poor condition. It is possible that all, or part
of it, could be rented, more particularly the Garage,
which was operating previously under arrangements with
the Home Oil Distributors Ltd. The Gas Pump installed
has not yet been removed.

INSURANCE

The building is covered for \$2000 insurance,
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#205187.

TAXES

The taxes are paid to December, 31, 1941.

FINANCIAL POSITION

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effects as per inventory attached. These effects are
stored in an old building belonging to, and near the
Grant West Cannery Company's Plant at Steveston.

RECOMMENDATION

I would recommend that an attempt be made to
rent the building above described, particularly the
Garage, which should be a desirable location. The nets as
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deteriorate.

April 23, 1942

R. Marker

Registration Number 07828

HIROTA, Hayao

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150 "	6 1/2 5/40 50 " 3 years with cork & lead line	110.00
40 "	6 5/40 50 " 1 " " " "	50.00
50 "	6 5/40 50 " 3 "	15.00
200 "	5 5/8 & 5 7/8 4/40 50 meshes, 2 yr. " "	50.00
100 "	5 50/5 50 meshes 2 yrs. Green	15.00
150 "	7 inches cork & lead line - 2 yrs.	50.00
165 "	50 lbs. weight new cork line	25.00
200 "	7 in. 5/40 48 & 50 meshes (43 fathoms 1 year (157 " 2 & 3 " (with cork & lead line	175.00

Total Valuation

\$770.00

1761

September 8, 1942

Thomas C. King, Esq.,
78 Georgia Street,
Steveston, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Hayao HIROTA

Referring to your letter of September 8, Mr. Harry Beckett called today in regard to renting the garage owned by Hayao Hirota. We discussed this matter with Mr. Mather and he said that it was entirely up to you to find a suitable tenant and if you think that the suggested rent of \$15.00 per month is the best that can be obtained, it will be in order to rent it to this man.

Mr. Beckett is calling on the Home Oil Distributors this afternoon with a view to seeing if they can supply him with gas, as we understand that the above Company's gas pumps are still on the premises; if he is successful, he is willing to pay additional rent for the premises.

Kindly advise us if you have any prospect of finding a tenant for the pool room and store.

Yours truly,

G. D. Milson
Administration Department

GDM/GH

OFFICE OF THE
OIL CONTROLLER



DEPARTMENT OF MUNITIONS AND SUPPLY

15 King St. West,
TORONTO, Ontario

Sept. 14th, 1942

WHEN REPLYING

REFER TO FILE 93-14B-629

OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN
JAPANESE SECTION

RECEIVED
SEP 21 1942

G. D. Milson, Esq.,
Administration Department,
Department of the Secretary of State,
Office of the Custodian,
OTTAWA, Ontario.

RE: Hayao Hirota. 1761

Dear Sir:-

The Oil Controller has directed the writer to acknowledge receipt of your letter of Sept. 9th.

For your information, we wish to advise that any dealer outlet which has been closed for a period of thirty days or more at any one time since April 30th, 1941 may not be reopened without the special authorization of this Office.

Before granting permission to Harry Beckett to reopen this outlet, we wish to refer the matter to the Oil Controller's Advisory Committee in British Columbia and will act upon receipt of recommendations from them.

Yours very truly,

T. M. Hawkins,
For the Oil Controller.

TMH:MS

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September 15th, 1942

Mr. Thomas G. King,
78 Georgia Street,
Steveston, B. C.

Dear Sir:-

Re: HIROTA, Hayao
SHIGEMATSU, Sunao

Thank you for your letter of September 11th from which we note that you may have difficulty in renting the pool room and woodworking store of Hayao Hirota.

Turning to the tools and machinery of Sunao Shigematsu, we do not think these could be worth anything like \$8000.00 as the declared value was less than \$1000.00.

If the place is securely sealed and is not liable to be broken into, we think it might be left as it is for the time being until Mr. Robinson has finished his work on nets. If evacuation is then complete, we shall be able to go into the whole question of on-shipment to Japanese of effects left behind by them.

Yours truly,

H. F. Green
Protection Department

HFG:IF

Letd for Steveston inventory
[Signature]



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VANCOUVER BC 531

MAY OFFER TO SELL THE CHRYSLER ENGINE REFERRED FOR TWO
HUNDRED AND SEVENTY FIVE DOLLARS CASH

HAYAO NEROTA

File this

1761

THIS IS A COLLECT MESSAGE AND
WILL BE CHARGED TO YOUR ACCOUNT
IF UNACCEPTABLE PLEASE PHONE
PACIFIC 4231 WITHIN 24 HOURS.

OFFICE OF THE
OIL CONTROLLER



CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF MUNITIONS AND SUPPLY

15 King St. West,
TORONTO, Ontario

Oct. 17th, 1942.

1761
WHEN REPLYING
REFER TO FILE 93-148-629

OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN
JAPANESE SECTION

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OCT 23 1942

G. D. Nilson, Esq.,
Administration Department,
Department of the Secretary of State,
Office of the Custodian,
OTTAWA, Ontario.

RE: Hayao Hirota.

Dear Sir:-

Further to our letter of Sept. 14th, the
Oil Controller is now in receipt of certain in-
formation from his Advisory Committee in British
Columbia.

Based on information we now have, we can-
not grant permission at this time to reopen this
dealer outlet.

Regretting that we are obliged to advise
you thus, we remain,

Yours very truly,

T. M. Hawkins

per M.S.
T. M. Hawkins,
For the Oil Controller.

TMH:MS

MEMORANDUM

File # 1941

P.O. Box 419,
Stevenson, Ill.
11th December 1942

For Administration Dept.,
Frank C. Robinson

Re: Robert Jerry 47 Stevenson Ill.

When Beckett took over the River Garage
at the above address there were two old trucks on hand.

Since then the International Truck has
been sold for \$40.00 and Beckett is now claiming
storage charges as follows:

3 months storage International truck	\$9.00
3 months storage old truck	9.00
	\$18.00

He is now demanding that the old truck
be removed from his garage and the above charges paid,
or he is willing to take over the old truck and wreck
it in his own place.

We await your instructions.

cc: [signature]

*W. J. [signature]
J. [signature]
[initials]*



"YOU CAN BUY NO BETTER"

C O P Y

HOME OIL DISTRIBUTORS LIMITED

555 BURRARD ST.

VANCOUVER, B.C.

November 10, 1936

Home Oil Distributors Limited,
555 Burrard Street,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sirs:-

This will be your authority to apply all
rents payable to me under lease dated 10th November
1936 and covering Lots 17 and 18 of Block 4 Section
10 Block 3 North, Range 7 West, Group One New
Westminster District Map 249 in the Municipality
of Richmond Province of British Columbia against
rents owing to you by Torao Shimizu.

Credits shown on your books to Torao Shimizu's
rent account will be satisfactory evidence to me of
your payments in accordance with this order.

Yours truly,

"Hayao Hirota"

Hayao Hirota.

File #101

To: E. W. Wright

From: Geo. Peters

Rec'd	JUL 5 1943
File No.	
Ans.	
Refered	

RE: KIMOTA

Re: Property known as Lots 17 & 18 of Block 4, Section 10, Block 3 E.,
T. 4 N., Group 1, Map 247, N. W. D.

The above property has a registered lease for the period of
10 years, with an option of renewal for an additional 10 years to the
date of expiration 1954.

Mr. Peters advised the undersigned that he held Certificate of Title
#101.

Mr. Peters recommended rental of property. Mr. King was appointed
agent and rented to a man by the name of Bennett at \$15.00 a month.
First rental receipt September 15, 1942.

Search on property revealed a 10 year lease to Home Oil which
expired December 11, 1944, and subject to renewal for an additional
10 years at \$10.00 per month.

The request was then made by myself for a copy of lease which you
will find on file.

On June 17th I telephoned Home Oil to find out if they would
be interested in the lease, if so to write and con-
firm. (See their reply June 22, 1943.)

I have interviewed Mr. Hamilton on June 25th. When questioned
re revenue from property, Hamilton said they would not object to
allowing the Custodian to rent the premises providing the property was
not rented to a competitor or renovated in such a way to make it impos-
sible to operate as a filling station at a future date.

Hamilton claims no responsibility of payment of rent, owing to
the fact of a Sub Lease, which are no longer effective, resulting from
Government action. Hamilton provided copies of Sub Lease and letter
showing details such as improvements made to station by Home Oil to the
amount of approximately \$1500.00, repaid in full by a 24 hr. call charge.
Hamilton also stated Home Oil have no interest in the building or
property beyond the lease.

Will return and copy of Sub Lease from Home Oil on June 29th.

Will ask Hamilton to confirm by writing
the agreement to allow the Custodian to rent property to produce
revenue for State.

[Signature]

[Signature]



HOME OIL DISTRIBUTORS LIMITED

555 BURNARD ST
VANCOUVER, B.C.

July 6th, 1943.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	JUL 7 1943
File No.	
Ans.	
Referred	Peters

1761 only to Kibara

Dept. of the Secretary of State,
Office of the Custodian,
Japanese Evacuation Section,
506 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B.C.

Attention Mr. Geo. Peters.

File No. 1761 & 12254

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of July 2nd, we are prepared to permit administration of the property belonging to Hayao Hirota, enabling you to secure some revenue for the Japanese owner.

As described to you personally, in view of our lease, any alterations necessary to these premises to provide additional revenue, when the regulations are removed enabling us to operate this location as a service station, it should be understood that the Department will return the premises to its present form. It is possible, of course, no expenditure is required in carrying out your purpose and so long as our Company is not involved in any expense, consequent of the Department's administration to secure revenue therefrom, the matter of further expenditure enabling operation of the premises as a service station, need therefore not be considered.

However, to protect our interests contained in the lease, we would appreciate a letter from your Department of its undertaking.

Yours very truly,

HOME OIL DISTRIBUTORS LIMITED.

H.W. Hamilton
H.W. Hamilton,
Comptroller.

HWH*GB

1761
Legal Department

912 Royal Bank Bldg.,
Vancouver, B. C.
July 20th, 1943.

Messrs. Locke, Lane, Guild & Sheppard,
Barristers & Solicitors,
703 Rogers Building,
Vancouver, B. C.

Attention: Mr. F. J. Shepard.

Gentlemen: Re: Masao MIKOTA

Enclosed herewith you will find the above numbered
file.

This matter was first brought to my attention on the
5th instant and at that time Mr. Peters had asked Mr. Hamilton
to confirm the verbal agreement to allow the Custodian to rent
the property. I suggested that it would have been better to
write this without prejudice. A reply from Home Oil Company dated
6th instant was received some days after Mr. Peters spoke to me.

Evidently our agent rented this property and a subsequent
search revealed the ten year lease to the Home Oil. This expires
in 1946 but is subject to renewal for an additional ten years. The
income is but \$10.00 per month and liquidation would be practically
impossible unless the lease with Home Oil is cancelled. The
Evacuation Section advises that no rent has been received from the
Home Oil Company and that they take the position that the Government's
action in evacuating the Japanese prevented the fulfilment of the
terms of the Sub Lease and they are thereby relieved.

I would like very much to talk to you about this matter
after you have read over the file.

Yours truly,

K. W. BRIGHT
COUNSEL TO THE CUSTODIAN

KWB/v
Encl.

LOCKE, LANE, GUILD & SHEPPARD
Barristers & Solicitors,
703 Rogers Building,
Vancouver, B. C.

July 24th, 1943.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	JUL 26 1943
File No.	
Ans.	
Referred	

Office of the Custodian,
912 Royal Bank Bldg.,
675 West Hastings Street,
Vancouver, B. C.

Attention: Mr. Wright.

Dear Sir:

Re: Hayao Hirota
Your file No. 1761.

We have considered your file in this matter and the sequence of title appears as follows:-

1. Hirota is the owner and his interest has vested in the Custodian but that vesting is subject to the outstanding leases, particulars of which follow:-
2. Lease of November 10th, 1936, from Hirota to Home Oil Distributors at \$10.00 per month.
3. Lease of December 10th, 1936 from Home Oil Distributors to Torao Shimizu and the interest of Shimizu will have vested in you as Custodian upon his evacuation. You will observe that this latter lease provides for \$10.00 plus two cents per gallon for each gallon sold but the obligation to pay two cents per gallon is conditional upon the gasoline being sold and therefore it does not now apply.
4. Lease from the Custodian to Beckett at \$15.00 per month.

There is some reference in the file to consent given by the Home Oil Company to your renting to Beckett; apparently this oral permission was given on the understanding that the lease to Shimizu had terminated because it contemplated the sale of gasoline and that is now impossible. We are not of that opinion, the lease should be regarded not as a contract but as a conveyance and the fact that the Lessee and Lessor or both of them are disappointed in the restriction on the sale of gasoline does not avoid the transaction. It, therefore, appears that you should regard yourself as having rented on behalf of Shimizu, and the \$15.00 per month collected as rent would be credited to Shimizu, Shimizu in turn owes to Home Oil \$10.00 per month and Home Oil owes \$10.00 to Hirota so that of the \$15.00 collected \$5.00 will be credited to Shimizu and \$10.00 to Hirota.

We interviewed the Home Oil and they inform us that the assignment by Hirota of the lease to Home Oil was as security for the improvements but those improvements have now been paid for, therefore the assignment being a security has really ceased to exist. Formally it does not, but we would suggest that you obtain a formal release of this assignment before crediting the \$10.00 to Hirota. Further, the Home Oil Company does not intend to forego their lease; if that were done the premises might be sold to a competing Oil Company.

LOCKE, LANE, GUILD & SHEPPARD

Barristers & Solicitors

C. H. LOCKE, K.C.
W. S. LANE C. K. GUILD, K.C. (MAN)
F. A. SHEPPARD, K.C. (BARR.) H. L. YULE
J. N. YOUNG S. C. LANE
G. E. LOORE

703 Rogers Building

Vancouver B. C.

July 24th, 1943.

Rec'd JUL 27 1943
File No. _____
Ans. _____
Referred _____

EVACUATION PERMITS
Rec'd JUL 26 1943
File No. _____
Ans. _____
Referred _____

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Office of the Custodian.

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Out of the monies received by Hirota you will observe that he will be obliged to pay the taxes on the land as there is no covenant to pay taxes under the lease by him to Home Oil or to sublease to Shimizu, that is Shimizu appears to have the right to hold without paying taxes.

As there appears nothing further we are returning to you your file.

Yours truly,

LOCKE, LANE, GUILD & SHEPPARD,

Per :- *WAS*

FAS/EB.

1761

August 13th, 1943

Mr. Hayao HIROTA,
Registration No. 07828,
c/o T. Trofimenko,
Turin, Alberta.

Dear Sir:-

We are in receipt of your letter of July 19th and as requested, are enclosing herewith statement of your account.

The Home Oil Company, as you know, has a lease registered against your property for ten years with an option of an additional ten and in turn Torao Shimizu has a sub-lease with the Home Oil Company which is still operative. Until this whole question can be settled, we are crediting your account with \$10.00 which is payable by the Home Oil Company under the terms of the lease and crediting Shimizu with \$5.00 as his agreement is still effective.

You will notice on the statement enclosed, that the full \$15.00 has been credited and in pencil at the bottom of the statement we are deducting \$55.00 being Shimizu's portion, leaving a balance of \$563.06.

Yours truly,

George Peters
Administration Department

Enc.
GP:IF

Files Nos. 12254
1761

August 17th, 1943

MEMORANDUM

To: Mr. Peters

From: Mr. Wright

Re: Torao SHIMIZU (12254)
Hanzo HIROTA (1761)

Referring to our recent telephone conversation, I think it would be advisable to address a letter to the Home Oil Company along the following lines:

"We acknowledge the receipt of your communication of the tenth instant.

The property has been rented to one, Harry Beckett, and he has taken over for the purpose of operating a service garage. No alterations were necessary and we do not intend to make any changes, so that if occasion arises, the premises may be returned to you in their present form, following due notice to our tenant. Your Company would not be put to any expense, and you may regard this letter as an undertaking to this effect.

Our solicitor interviewed you recently and his report to us indicates that the assignment by Hirota was given as security for the improvements, which have now been paid for.

We would be obliged if you would, therefore, furnish us with a Formal Release in this connection".

I shall expect to hear from you before you send the letter out, if this does not agree with the facts. I do not see anything on the file relating to alterations, and therefore assume that no changes were made.

I return your Files Nos. 1761 and 12254.

KWW/JF

K. W. WRIGHT

MEMORANDUM

File No. 1761

August 23, 1943.

To: C. C. Robinson

From: George Peters

Re: NIHOA, Hawaii

This letter will be your authorization to go ahead and remove the courtyard platform and construct a 4 foot walk around the four sides of the court. Also to connect up the water service at an estimated cost of \$45.00.

GP:EB

GP



HOME OIL DISTRIBUTORS LIMITED

888 BURNARD ST.
VANCOUVER, B.C.

August 23, 1943

Your File No. 1761 *Subson*
12254.

Department of the Secretary of State,
Office of the Custodian,
Japanese Evacuation Section,
506 Royal Bank Building,
Hastings & Granville Sts.,
Vancouver, B.C.

Attention Mr. Geo. Peters.

Re: Torao Shimizu (04455)
Hayao Hirota (07828)

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	AUG 25 1943
File No.	<i>1761</i>
Ans.	<i>Geo. Peters</i>
Referred	<i>Peters</i>

Dear Sirs:-

This letter will be your authority to sub-let the property which we hold under lease from Hayao Hirota, described as Lots Seventeen (17) and Eighteen (18) of Block Four (4) Section Ten (10) Block Three (3) North Range Seven (7) West Group One (1) New Westminster District Map No. 249, and which we in turn leased to Torao Shimizu. The rents received from Shimizu were applied to an account on our books set up as a result our expenditure for improvements on the premises. This account is paid in full, and we hereby authorize you to collect any rents accruing from the sub-letting of the premises, on behalf of the owner, Hirota.

It is understood that this arrangement will be in effect only until such time as we are again able to operate the service station for the retailing of gasoline and other petroleum products, at which time we will give due notice that we require the premises together with all our rights contained in the Head Lease.

As Shimizu is no longer an interested party, we enclose a form of surrender of his lease, in triplicate, to be signed by him. Please return all copies to us for completion by our signing officers. We will then forward two copies for your files.

Yours very truly,

HOME OIL DISTRIBUTORS LIMITED,

H.W. Hamilton,
Comptroller.

AA/b.
Encl:

Copy for Custodian.

Custodian Fiel #1761.

Lethbridge, Alta.,
September 4, 1943.

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✓
July 19
EVALUATION SECTION

SEP 13 1943

Mr. M. L. Brown, Office Manager, Vancouver, B.C.

Re Hayao HIROTA, #07828.

Above named has recently received a statement of his affairs which shows him to have a net balance with the Custodian of around \$955.00. In view of this information, and in view of the fact that there will be continuing revenue from his holdings, he has directed that the sum of \$80.00 advanced by us by way of relief this Spring, be repaid by the Custodian to the Commission.

With regard to a claim of M. Furuya Co., in the amount of \$13.17, as noted in the Custodian's letter of the 26th of August, Mr. Hirota states he has no knowledge of having had any transaction with this Company, and formally denies this claim. } xx

It is requested on behalf of subject person that the sum of \$100.00 be forwarded at this time, and that the sum of \$80.00 per month be forwarded monthly thereafter, as general maintenance, and to take care of the cost of a projected operation his wife is to have.

We concur in the recommendations.

A. E. Russell.

P/



THE GOVERNMENT OF
THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

OFFICE OF THE LOCAL ASSISTANT FIRE MARSHAL

ORDER TO

Burnhouse B.C.
Remove Special Fire Hazard
Issued under Section 16, Subsection (2), and Section 17, British Columbia "Fire Marshal Act"
"D" (R.S.B.C. 1936 and Amendments).

Date

Oct 7th

19*43*

Time

a.m.

p.m.

To

The Custodian

Japanese Evacuation Section

686 Neil Rd Steveston B.C.

Having inspected the premises located at *the N.W. Corner of Moncton St*
and 2nd Ave known as River Garage

I find that *a Special hazard exists there by reason*
of stove pipes passing through wooden partitions
unprotected -

You are hereby ordered to *either remove said stove pipes, or*
have them protected by passing through iron
thimble surrounded by 8 inches of brick work

You may, by registered letter posted within *30* (days) (~~hours~~) after the receipt of this
order, appeal therefrom to the Fire Marshal, 823 Vancouver Block, Vancouver, B.C.

(Signed)

Chris Jones

Local Assistant Fire Marshal

For City

Village

Municipality

Fire District

of

Richmond

, B.C.

BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION.

CUSTODIAN RELEASE FORM

Address s/o Mr. T. TrofimenkoDate Oct. 22nd, 1943.TURIN, Alberta.To: The Secretary of State, acting in his
capacity as Custodian, Vancouver, B.C.I, Hayao HIROTA, Police Registration No. 07828hereby request you to release to me the under-noted property
stored at No. 4in possession of STEVESTON, B.C.and I release you from any claim whatsoever with respect to
such property. *Cost No 22*

Description of Property:

1. Baby Bed with spring and mattress. *Item #5*
2. Dresser. *This belongs to C. Nakagawa. No. 5. Spring is like, see 2/43 in file*
3. Large Tin Box (Baby doll) *Item #30-31 cannot locate*

These goods were with Nijiro Hiroto, who has received his goods.

Original Address P.O. Box 81, Steveston, B.C.Date Evacuated to Vancouver May 15th, 1942.Date Evacuated to Present Address May 18th, 1941.Number in Family - 12 years and over 2Number in Family - 5 to 11 years old 1Number in Family - under 5 1TOTAL NUMBER IN FAMILY 4I agree to pay all charges as required by the British Columbia
Security Commission.APPROVED:
BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION

Per: _____

H. Hirota
Claimant Signs Here

Vancouver, B.C. October 29th, 1943.

Received on Oct. 22/43 \$10.00
payment of freight charges on above
goods and deposited on Oct. 26/43.Mr. C. E. Robinson
Custodian of Alien Property,
506 Royal Bank Bldg., Vancouver, B.C.O.K. to make shipment in the usual
manner, freight charges prepaid to our
account at Vancouver.

BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION

C. W. Fisher
C. W. Fisher, Transport*now 17/43
Best Anderson*

File No. 1761

November 8th, 1943.

MEMORANDUM

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	NOV 11 1943
File No.	1761
Ans.	
Referred	Peters

To: Mr. Geo. Peters.

From: Mr. C.C. Robinson.

Re: River Caran

An inspection this morning with the official
of the Health Department of the Corporation of Richmond
shows the following to be necessary:

New septic tank	\$60.00
1 sewage box	20.00
To raise old toilet & put on proper foundation and to connect with new tank.	\$9.00
	\$130.00

Please advise.

CC:CR

Office of the Custodian,
506 Royal Bank Bldg.,
Vancouver, B. C.

% J. Trofimenko,
Turin, Alta.,
Dec. 2. 1943.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	DEC 8 1943
File No	1761
Ans.	
Referred	P. H. S.

Dear Sir:-

Your File # 1761

A few days ago I received with thanks my articles sent out by you.

However among in the articles I found out a dresser that is not mine, but belongs to Mr. C. Nakagama of Iron Springs, Alta. As Mr. C. Nakagama happened to live a few miles from my house, I handed same over to him. In connection with this matter I would like you to make whatever necessary correction in your book.

The dresser I ordered to be sent out is not needed here right now, so please hold it until further notice.

Yours very truly,
Hayao Hirota

HAYAO HIROTA

Jap. Reg. # 07828

Mr. George Peters,
506 Royal Bank Bldg.,
Vancouver, B.C.

H. Hirata,
Y. T. Trofimenko,
Turin, Alta.,
Jan. 10, 1944.

Dear Sir:

your File # 1761

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	JAN 15 1944
File No.	1761
Ans.	
Referred	Peters

Last October Mr. G. E. Russell,
Alberta Representative of B.C.S.C., promised me to
write to you so that I can receive \$50.00 every
month starting October. I received the
first \$50.00 on October as he promised, but
failed to receive the following.

I would like you to send
me as soon as possible \$100.00 as November and
December allowance, and beg you to con-
tinue sending me \$50.00 every month here-
after as I was promised.

Yours very truly,

COULTHARD, SUTHERLAND & Co., LTD.
ESTATE AND INSURANCE AGENTS
CAR FINANCING

EXHIBIT No. 1306-6
DATE NOV 29 1943
FILLED BY K. A. B. Smith

TELEPHONE 108

609 COLUMBIA STREET,
NEW WESTMINSTER, B. C.

22nd. April, 1944.

Re Catalogue # 834

File #1761

Office of the Custodian,
Royal Bank Bldg.
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir:-

Re Lots 17 and 18, Block 4, Sec.10, B3N/7W
249. Steveston Townsite

This property is located at 47 Moncton Street on two 44' x 120' lots with 88' frontage on Moncton. Exceptionally good location. Garage and General Station with old shacks at rear, rented to D. Lumley and J. Springbett. The main building is known as River Garage, it is "L" shaped, one portion 36 x 42' and the other 36 x 56'. Divided into several sections and of the cheapest possible construction. The building is old and dilapidated and the foundations appear to be in very bad condition. The floors are rough plank and partitions shiplap. In our opinion it has served its time and would be an exceedingly expensive proposition to try and renovate same. If demolished there would be considerable salvage, and we are basing our valuation on this fact.

VALUATION:	Building \$	1500.
	#18 corner Lot	264.
	#17 "	220.
		<u>\$1984.</u>

Yours very truly,

Coulthard, Sutherland & Co., Ltd.

F. H. Coulthard
F. H. Coulthard.

April 22/44

312 Standard Bank
Bulldy
Hastings St

The Custodian
506 Royal Bank Bulldy

Rec'd APR 26 1944
File No. 1761
Ans.
Referred PETERS

Dear Sir

I would appreciate it if you will advise
me if a tender is made for the following
property. Would it be delivered free of
any encumbrance. If tender is accepted

Lot 834 17-18 4 10 B3K/7-W-249 M.P. File
1761

Yours Truly,
J. Elphick

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1761

July 12th, 1944

Mr. Nisiro HIROTA,
Registration Number No. 03390,
c/o V. R. Rowley,
Tuxin, Alberta.

Dear Sir:

We moved a lot of chattels in your name
on July 21st, 1942, from the Great West Cannery, house #10,
to our Storage Warehouse #4.

We understand you received your goods,
so believe these must belong to Mr. Hayao HIROTA, and shall so
assume, unless we hear from you to the contrary.

Mr. Hayao HIROTA declared that he left
his goods at the Great West Cannery and we have no record of
having moved any in his name.

Will you let us know what relation you
bear to Hayao.

reply.

Thanking you in advance for your prompt

Yours very truly,

RMM/MHG

R. M. Mackenzie.
Protection Dept.

JUL 26 1944

File No. 1761

Referred Hanaf

EXHIBIT No. 1506-14

DATE NOV 29 1948

FILLED BY

R A Brinkley 49 West 8th Ave
Vancouver

The Custodian of
Enemy Alien Property.

Dear Sirs

I herewith submit a
bid on catalogue no 834 of
Twelve Hundred + fifty dollars.
(\$1250⁰⁰/-)

This property is located at
47 Mountain Rd. Stevenson
comprising of a garage ect.

Yours Truly
James Reid.

1761

July 29, 1944.

Mr. James Reid,
4549 West 8th Avenue,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Catalogue No. 834
47 Moncton Street
17.18/1/10/BW/R76/249

We are in receipt of your letter of the 24th instant in which you submit an offer to purchase the above property for the sum of \$1,350.00.

This property has been independently appraised and the Custodian will not be interested in any sum less than \$1,985.00.

If you should wish to submit another offer, subject to prior sale and other bids which may be received, we will be pleased to consider same.

Yours truly,

F. G. Shears,
Director.

FGB:HA

Rec'd	AUG 24 1944
File No.	1761
Ans.	W.H.
Referred	Harrop

Aug 23rd 1944
 1979 3rd St. Vancouver B.C.
 Phone NW 1339R

Inspection of Japanese Property 434
 Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir

Re Russo Garage, Vancouver B.C.

I would be willing to accept
 your offer to purchase property,
 Lot # 834, located at 47 Main Street
 Vancouver, B.C.

The application for a License
 to operate has been submitted and
 pending receipt of same I would
 like to rent the premises for three
 months, as I have the license
 to operate the repair shop, but it
 will take sometime to receive the
 license for the sale of gasoline.

As I have had your and a
 half years of over a service I expect
 to receive this license very shortly.

Yours Truly
 J. R. Frisby per B.C.

1761

David

August 26th, 1944

Mr. J.R. Frisby,
1979 West 35th Avenue,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Catalogue No. 534
47 Houston Street,
Lot 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22.

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of August 23rd in which you offer to purchase the above property.

This is to advise you that another offer on this property has been recommended for acceptance and we cannot therefore accept your offer.

Yours truly,

F.G. Shears,
Director

FCS:ln

Rec'd SEP 2 1944
 File No. 1761
 Ans. _____
 Referred Stanford

4649 West 8th Ave
 Vancouver

Aug 28th 1944

EXHIBIT NO. _____
 DATE NOV 2 9 1944

FILLED BY K. A. G. Smith
File No 1761

The Custodian
 Japanese Section

Mr. Mears

Dear Sir,

Re catalogue No 834

47 Moncton Street 17.18/4/10/03N/07W/249
 Please accept my bid on this property
 of \$1985.00 with an initial payment
 25% cash balance to be arranged or
 any such similar terms

Yours Truly
 James Reid

No deposit received

September 1st, 1944.

The Corporation of the
Township of Richmond,
Town Hall,
Brighouse, B. C.

Dear Sirs:

Re: Hayao HIROTA and
47 Moncton Street,
Steveston, B. C.

With reference to the attached 1944 Tax Notice relating to the above, we observe that you show arrears of water for 1943 in the amount of \$15.00. According to our records July/December 1943 water account was paid in full, namely \$30.00, your receipt October 9th, 1943. *OK*

Further, the water account for January/June 1944 in the amount of \$45.00 less \$9.00 discount, being \$36.00 net, was paid by us in March—your receipt March 23rd, 1944.

In this connection we would point out that we advised you in our letter of March 13th, 1944 that there were two, not three, families living at these premises, namely Lumley and Springbett. Further, Lumley vacated on March 31st, 1944, leaving only one tenant on the premises, Mr. Springbett.

OK
8.15
corrected
apc ✓
In view of the above we shall be glad to have revised water account for July/December 1944 in place of the enclosed account which is for \$45.00. As this property is in the course of sale your prompt attention to this matter will be appreciated.

Kindly see that the revised accounts show our file number and are sent to the undersigned.

Yours truly,

P. Douet,
Administration Department

PD/ER
Enc.

1761

September 7, 1944.

Mr. H. A. Beckett,
1112 Southwest Marine Drive,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Catalogue No. 834
47 Moncton Street
17.18/A/10/B31/ETW/249

Your letter of August 21st, enclosing cheque for \$200.00 and offer to purchase the above property for the sum of \$2,000.00 has been received and considered.

This is to advise you that we are prepared to recommend the acceptance of this offer. Will you please forward to us a certified cheque for the balance of the purchase price, namely, \$1,800.00.

Kindly advise the full name, address and occupation of the person in whose name this property is to be registered and also state whether or not the proposed registered owner is a British Subject.

The necessary documents will then be prepared and forwarded to the Secretary of State at Ottawa, and if our recommendation is acted upon, the documents will be signed and returned.

After the documents have been registered a statement of adjustments of taxes, etc. will be prepared, including registration fees, and forwarded to you.

Enclosed herein you will find a copy of a registered lease between the Home Oil Distributors Limited and Hayao Hirota. The purchase of the above property is subject to this tenancy, and it must be understood that the purchase of this property does not include any equipment on the property.

Yours truly,

F. G. Shears,
Director.

GP:EB
Enc.

1761

September 9th, 1944

Mr. James Reid,
4649 West 8th Avenue,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Catalogue No. 834.
Lots 17, 18, Blk. 4 D.L. 10,
47 Moncton Street, Richmond.

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of August 29th in which you offer to purchase the above property for the sum of \$1,985.00.

We wish to advise you that another offer on this property has been recommended for acceptance and we cannot therefore consider your offer.

Yours truly,

F.G. Shears,
Director

FGB:lm

Rec'd	SEP 13 1944
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Referred	to file

September 12, 1944.

834

Office of the Custodian,
506 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sirs:

Attached you will find the balance of purchase price
namely, \$1,800.00, for Catalogue No. 834 - 47 Moncton Street, Steveston,
B. C. The property is to be registered in the name of Henry Arthur
Beckett, Mechanic, of 1112 Southwest Marine Drive, Vancouver, B. C.,
British Subject.

Yours truly,

H. A. Beckett.

Deposit of \$200 received

1761

September 13, 1944.

Mr. H. A. Beckett,
1112 Southwest Marine Drive,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Catalogue No. 834
47 Moncton Street
17-18/A/OO/B3W/BTW/2A9

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of September 12th in which you enclosed your certified cheque for \$1,800.00. We have now received \$2,000.00 the full amount of the purchase price for the above property.

We note that you wish this property to be registered in the name of Henry Arthur Beckett, Mechanic, of 1112 Southwest Marine Drive, Vancouver, B. C., British Subject.

As previously advised, conveyance will be prepared and forwarded to Ottawa with our recommendation for acceptance, and if accepted, adjustments will be calculated as of the date of this letter.

Yours truly,

F. G. Shearn,
Director.

GP:ED



HOME OIL DISTRIBUTORS LIMITED

555 BURNARD ST
VANCOUVER, B. C.

September 18, 1944.

MB 9131

EXECUTION SECTION	
Date	SEP 20 1944
File No.	1761
Ans.	
Referred	Douet

Auto Cramer

Mr. Peters

Department of the Secretary of State,
Office of the Custodian,
Room 506 - 685 West Hastings St.,
Vancouver, B. C.

Attention - Mr. P. Douet

Dear Sirs:

Re - Your file No. 1761

Confirming our telephone conversation, we have checked with the original suppliers of the equipment installed at the Rivers Garage, Steveston, and obtained the following present-day resale values:

2 Boyle-Dayton 10-gallon gasoline pumps	\$ 75.00 each
2 Underground gasoline storage tanks -	
including installation charges	40.00 - 45.00 each
excluding installation charges	20.00 - 25.00 each
1 $\frac{1}{2}$ H. P. Compressor unit	75.00 - 80.00.

These are approximate values, of course, as the equipment has not been examined, but we believe the figures given will assist you in determining a sale price.

Yours very truly,

HOME OIL DISTRIBUTORS LIMITED,

H. W. Hamilton
H. W. Hamilton,
Comptroller.

AA*JB

Antifave

File No. 1744.
Catalogue No. 434.

October 12th, 1914.

MEMORANDUM

To: Mr. J. H. Wright.

From: Mr. J. H. Wright.

Re: 1744 - Reg. No. 4744
Indemnity of Richard
L. J. H. W. J. of Reg. No.
1744 - Reg. No. 4744, Indemnity
of Richard L. J. H. W. J.

We submit herewith the following documents in
connection with the sale of the above described property:

1. Original Certificate of Indemnity.
2. Translation in duplicate.
3. Map in duplicate.
4. Copy of letter showing to whom sold and price
paid for the property.
5. Indemnity from the Administration Department
showing valuation, and approval of Admin.
Commission.
6. Real Property Indemnity from Administration Dept.

Certificate of Indefeasible Title Number 1744 is
in the Land Registry Office.

J. H. Wright

1744
1744.

Mr. Harris telephoned to say that he had inspected the garage and there was no Compressor Unit there. He said that the man who rented the place, Mr. Webb, stated he was quite sure this Compressor was sent with the other stuff taken two years ago. (He will confirm this).

2/20/64
→ Walter

Jb.

Not Sub

1761

November 1st, 1944.

Mr. G. M. Harris,
P. O. Box 635,
Steveston, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Hayao Hirota
River Garage

With reference to the above property which is in course of sale to Mr. Harry A. Beckett, we understand that the $\frac{1}{2}$ H.P. Compressor Unit was removed about two years ago when some tools were removed from underneath the flooring.

We have no record on our file of the removal of this small Compressor and shall be glad if you will confirm that this equipment has been removed, and if you can throw any light at all on the circumstances of its removal we shall be much obliged.

Yours truly,

P. Douet,
Administration Department.

PD/ER

1761

November 10th, 1944.

Mr. G. M. Harris,
P. O. Box 635,
Stevenson, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Hayao Hirota
River Garage

With reference to the attached letter of November 1st we have been unable to obtain any satisfactory information regarding this H.P. Compressor Unit at the above, and after discussing the matter further with Mr. Peters will you please go along to the above premises and ascertain whether or not the Unit is there and inform us accordingly.

Your prompt attention will oblige.

Yours truly,

P. Douet,
Administration Department

PD/ER
Enc.

1761

November 17th, 1944

Mr. H. A. Beckett,
1112 Southwest Marine Drive,
Vancouver, B.C.

Re: 47 Moncton St.

Dear Sir:

With reference to the chattels on the above property. After investigating we find that there is no compressor on the premises. The chattels comprise of two pumps, two underground storage tanks.

Kindly let us know at the earliest possible moment if you wish to purchase these chattels.

Yours truly,

GP/MED

George Peters,
Administration Department.

WESTERN CANADA DIRECTORS
A. S. ADAMSON
W. H. SMITH

NORTH EMPIRE FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY

POLICIES GUARANTEED BY ASSETS OF OVER TWO HUNDRED MILLION DOLLARS

WESTERN CANADA REPRESENTATIVE
FESS & SMITH LTD.
GENERAL AGENTS
WINNIPEG

THE YORKSHIRE & PACIFIC SECURITIES, LIMITED
AGENTS
VANCOUVER, B. C.

EVACUATION SECTION
Rec'd NOV 17 1944
FILE No. 1761
Referred to Gibson
Mrs. Gibson

November 16th, 1944.

Dept. of the Secretary of State of Canada,
Office of the Custodian,
Japanese Evacuation Section,
506 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B. C.

Attention Mr. S.M. Gibson
Insurance Dept.

Dear Sir:-

re File #1761 - North Empire Policy #70314
HAYAO HIROTA

We have for acknowledgment your favor of the
14th instant, and return herewith the above mentioned policy
with Transfer & Consent form attached thereto and duly con-
sented to in connection with the sale of the property to
Henry Arthur Beckett.

Trusting you will find same in order, we remain

Yours very truly,

THE YORKSHIRE & PACIFIC SECURITIES LTD.
WITH WHICH IS AMALGAMATED THE
WILSON INSURANCE AGENCIES LIMITED.

John Wilson
AGENTS.

KM
Enc.

Catalogue No. 834
File No. 1761

To The Office of the Custodian,
506 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sirs:-

Re: 47 Moncton St. Richmond

I understand that any Japanese effects and furniture on the premises are not included in the sale. These will be removed by the Custodian as soon as possible but in cases where the furniture is included in the lease to the present tenant it cannot, of course, be removed until he is ready to vacate the premises. I undertake to give the Custodian at least two weeks notice of the date on which the tenant is vacating the premises and to allow the Custodian access to the premises in order to remove the furniture at a reasonable and convenient time following the termination of the lease.

Yours faithfully,

H. G. Beckett Signed

File No. 1761.
Catalogue No. 834.

December 30th, 1944.

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mr. George Peters

FROM: Mr. D. A. Cramer

Hayao HIROTA
Wm. of Richmond
Lots 17 & 18, Blk. 4 of Sec.
10, Blk. 3 N., Range 7 W.,
Map 249, D. N. W.

With reference to the above property which was recorded
in the New Westminster Land Registry Office, dated November 10th,
1944, we attach herewith the following documents in connection
therewith.

1. Copy of application number 180031-E, dated November 8th,
1944, registering the property in the name of the
Custodian (Transmission).
2. Copy of application number 180032-E, dated November 8th,
1944, registering the property in the name of Henry Arthur
Beckett (Deed).
3. Duplicate of Transmission dated October 11th, 1944.
4. Duplicate of Deed dated October 11th, 1944 - Secretary
of State to Henry Arthur Beckett.
5. Certificate of Indefeasible Title number 180032-E, dated
December 18th, 1944, covering the above property in the
name of Henry Arthur Beckett.

D. A. Cramer

DAC:JS
Atch.

1761

March 12th, 1945.

Mr. H. A. Beckett,
1112 S. W. Marine Drive,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Catalogue No. 834,
47 Moncton St., Steveston, B.C.

Respecting the above real property which you have purchased and referring to our letter of November 17th, we do not appear to have heard anything further from you regarding the two pumps on the property and the two underground storage tanks, and unless we hear from you by return we shall assume that you are not interested in purchasing this equipment.

Yours truly,

P. Douet,
Administration Department

Fd/ Bn
P.S.:

In any event we should like to have a line from you on this matter.

1761

March 27th, 1945.

Mr. Hayao HIROTA,
Registration No. 07828,
C/o T. Tsoufanenko,
Tuxedo, Alberta.

*40 C.P.R.
Chapman Out.*

Dear Sir:

Re: Catalogue No. 834
47 Moncton St., Steveston, B.C.
17.18/4/19/838/RTN/249

Please be informed that the above property has been sold as of September 13th, 1944 for the sum of \$2000.00. An independent appraisal of this property has been obtained and the sale approved by the Advisory Committee.

Rents, less expenses, up to the mentioned date, have been credited to your account and adjustments of unearned taxes and any insurance premiums have also been credited to you.

The net result of this sale appears on an attached statement, and the proceeds have been credited to your account. We are also enclosing a general statement of your account up to date which includes the net figure to which reference has already been made.

Yours truly,

P. Doust,
Administration Department.

PD/ER

Enc.

cc to B. C. Security Commission.

March 27th, 1945.

Mr. Hayao HIROTA,
Reg. No. 07828,
C/o C. P. R.,
Chapleau, Ontario.

Dear Sir:

Re: 47 Moncton Street,
Steveston, B.C.

With reference to the enclosed letter it does not appear from our file that you were advised in September last that your property at Steveston was in course of sale, but you will of course have known and realized that in line with the policy adopted by the Government, sooner or later your property would come up for sale as is the case with all properties owned by Evacuees.

As stated in the attached letter, your property was sold for \$2000.00, which figure was just slightly in excess of an appraisal made by an independent valuer of this City.

Funds standing to your credit, as shown in your statement, are available to you in the usual manner.

Yours truly,

P. Doust,
Administration Department

PD/ER

File
Mr. P. Dacet,
506 Royal Bank Bldg.,
Vancouver, B.C.

H. Hirota,
Chapleau, Ont.,
April 30, 1945.

Dear Sir:

Your File 1761

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	MAY 9 1945
File No.	1761
Ans.	
Referred	Dacet

On April 2nd I have received your detailed ^{memo} report regarding the sale of my property in Sheslton B.C. and a general statement of my account up to September 13th.

According to the report my cash balance in your hand amounts to \$1988.58. The money amounting to nearly two thousand dollars will be very useful if it is in my hand not just to spend it but to invest in a useful cause or deposit in the bank to bear interest.

If it is possible for you to send me the money, I will be very grateful.

Trusting your kind consideration on this matter, I am,

Yours very truly,

H. Hirota

HAYAO HIROTA
Reg. No. 07828.

File No. 1761

1
Mint. II 7/9/48
Dunbar refused to buy
the tanks & as they were
over 9 yrs old it would have
cost more than their worth
to remove same.
Still on premises
this date.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Date	JUN 15 1945
File No.	1761
Ans.	
Referred	Pluse

MEMORANDUM

MR. H. H. HARRIS

June 13, 1945.

Re: River Garage

It appears that a Mr. Dunbar has purchased the River Garage from Mr. Beckett and has dismantled the pumps. Would you kindly pick these up and place them in storage.

We are at present in discussion with Mr. Dunbar with reference to the tanks under the ground and it would be best not to say anything to him about these.

2 Pumps sold 2/9/45

Stevenson

CP:ED

Get
pick up after
1 p.m. today. Sure

2 gas pumps
Brought in June 14/45
#1 what

OK.

J. Smith

1761

August 11, 1945.

Mr. E. Elston,
Box 444,
Pleasanton, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Hayao HIROTA, Reg. No. 07628

In reply to your letter of August 9th, we would advise that the Custodian has no objection to your shipping the radio to Mr. Hirota, at Chapleau, Ontario.

Arrangements in regard to shipping and the payment of costs should be made direct with Mr. Hirota.

In order that our records may be complete, we would appreciate your notifying this office when shipment has been made.

Yours truly,

F. Matheson,
Specified Articles Department.

CC: Mr. Hayao HIROTA, Chapleau, Ontario.

File

K. Elston Box 444
Sturgeon, Sept. 3/45.

Mr. Z. Matheson: 2ile # 1761

Dear Sir:

Re. Hayao Hirota, Reg. No. 07828

For your record (re letter of Aug 9)
I have shipped the 9 tube Phonola
radio to Hayao Hirota Box 444 Chaplain
Antario. Complete cost of freight etc
via C.P.R. have been paid. Hoping this
is satisfactory.

Yours truly
K. Elston.

INVESTIGATION SECTION	
Recd	SEP 6 1945
File No.	PM
Ans.	PM
Referred	Matheson

sent to Charlotte

MEMORANDUM

File No. 4825

January 29, 1946.

TO: Mr. R. B. Mackenzie

FROM: Mr. George Peters

Re: Mrs. Yasu YAMANAKA
Registration No. 04327

With reference to your memorandum of January 22nd the writer investigated the chattels you mention and find that '47 Moncton Street' was the premises of the River Garage at Steveston. To the writer's knowledge, these chattels were removed over a year and a half ago from this property, and we might suggest that you look through File No. 1761, Hayao HIROTA the owner of the real property and see if the chattels mentioned in your memorandum have been wrongfully credited.

GP

GP:DMcI.

Box 24.
Chapleau, Ont.
June 23, 1946

Curator's Office,
506 Royal Bank Bldg.,
Hartings and Danville,
Vancouver, B.C.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd.	JUN 28 1946
File No.	1761
Ans.	
Referred	Peter

Dear Sir:

In letter of May 18th 1945 you wrote to me saying there was a credit balance of \$240.05. Enclosed in the same letter was a list and prices obtained for chattels sold too. I would like to have all my remaining balance forwarded to me as soon as possible. Thank-you.

Yours Truly,

HAYAO HIROTA

REG. NO. 01521

Hayao Hirota

SIGNATURE

Files 3911
1761

September 4, 1946.

MEMORANDUM

To: Files

From: C. Girard

Re: Custodian No. 512 - 1 Skiff - "Chiyoko". - \$12.50
from the Phoenix Cannery - In net Suspense.

It is noted that a fishing boat named Chiyoko was licensed in the name of Gtokichi MURAKAMI, File 3911, and sold by HIRATA, Hayo, File 1761. It is possible therefore that the above mentioned skiff belongs to the owner of the vessel "Chiyoko".

This information is being placed on both files in the event that one of the Japanese, neither of whom declared a skiff, should, at some later date, claim ownership of one.

CG

C.G.
9/3/46 - checked
Custodian No. 512 - skiff
certain to belong to
MURAKAMI. of

Registered

July 24, 1947.

Mr. Hayao HIROTA,
P.O. Box 24,
Chapleau, Ontario.

Dear Sir:

With reference to your letter of July 15th, we have forwarded by airmail a cheque for \$100.00 to your wife to assist in covering her hospital expenses. As you mentioned in your letter that your wife was expected out in ten days from the date of your letter, it was thought best to forward her this amount immediately and in the meantime, we would complete your affairs. This has now been done and we are enclosing a cheque for \$84.42 covering the balance of your credit account.

From time to time you have been advised in regard to the administration of your affairs, and, this now being completed, it is felt that you would appreciate being supplied with a brief summary.

As you are aware, the policies in regard to the management and subsequent liquidation of your property were decided upon by the Government of Canada, and while the problem was a difficult one for all concerned, we can assure you that it has been the aim of this office to carry out these policies in as careful and fair a manner as possible.

As you will recall, in your declaration of real property, the property was leased by you to the Home Oil Distributors Ltd. on Nov. 16, 1936 for a period of ten years at \$10.00 a year. Home Oil then sublet the property in Dec. 10, 1936 for a period of ten years at the same rent plus two cents (2¢) for every gallon purchased by the lessee, with an overall stipulation of a minimum monthly rental agreement of \$25.00.

As this building was divided into three stores with living quarters at the rear of each, these were rented by the Custodian to various tenants on a monthly basis, rentals running from \$7.00 per month for the living quarters to \$15.00 a month for the store. Rents collected amounted to \$482.50 against which was a charge of \$22.93 for sundry repairs.

With reference to the liquidation of the property, it should be pointed out that this was in line with the general policy covering all types of property, including many that were substandard and

July 24, 1947.

Mr. Hayao HIROTA,-

required considerable upkeep. With reference to your property in particular, the advice of our valuator was obtained and after efforts were made to secure favorable results through wide publicity by advertising, tenders were called and finally an offer of \$2000.00 which exceeded the valuation placed on the property was accepted.

After advertising, registration and valuation fees were paid, your account was credited with \$1983.50. Adjustments of unexpired Fire Insurance premiums, purchaser's share of 1944 taxes and water rates amounting in all to \$18.60 were also placed in your account.

The personal property which was declared by you included household items as well as fishing equipment. This was checked shortly afterwards and a fairly substantial number of items were then found and added to your declaration. An 80 H.P. Chrysler engine, and a 2 H.P. Compressor unit in addition to household items were among the items found and after careful consideration as to their value, were disposed of. In some cases, offers were received below their valuation and considerable time elapsed before an acceptable offer was secured.

It has been noted that the Phonola radio belonging to you was forwarded as you requested, as were the items you requested on October 22, 1943.

It would now 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 your convenience in replying.

Yours truly,

A.S. Jackson

A.S. Jackson
Office of the Custodian.

ASJ/BM

1 enc. - cheque for \$84.42

IN THE MATTER OF THE "INDIAN ACT"
PART I. INDIAN ACTS OF CANADA, CHAPTER 12.

INDIAN ACTS CLAIMS COMMISSION

REPORT

HIS HONOUR, JUDGE J.A. McLEOD, CHIEF COMMISSIONER.

Toronto, Ontario,

November 22, 1943.

IN THE MATTER OF THE CLAIM OF

MARY KIRBY

RESIDING AT TORONTO

APPEARANCES:

MR. GIBSON, B.A., L.C.,

appearing for the
Dominion Government,

P.A. BROWN, B.A.,

appearing for the
Claimant.

A. SMITH, B.A.,

Secretary,

G.E.B. WYCK, B.A.,

Official Interpreter,

A.D. VANCE, B.A.,

Official Reporter.

M. H. H. H.,
M.P.

THE COURT: The plaintiff herein, being
first duly sworn, testified
through the interpreter as
follows:

MR. HENRY: Your honor, in the original
claim which was made in this matter there was a
claim made for two fishing boats. If I correctly
understand by instructions these two fishing boats
were not sold by the defendant at all.

MR. COUNSELLOR: They were sold by the I.F.V.B.S.

MR. HENRY: At the present time they cannot be
made the subject matter of claim. That item of
claim for the two fishing boats will, therefore, be
withdrawn.

Also, the fifth item in the personal property
claim is withdrawn. The said item Alberta to Ontario, also
is within the terms of reference, so that that would
have to be withdrawn.

MR. COUNSELLOR: We say the fourth item is outside
the terms of reference.

MR. HENRY: The log house?

MR. COUNSELLOR: Yes.

MR. HENRY: We will let you prove that.

The first part of this claim is in respect to real
estate. It is two lots with a building and a garage
on them, situated at Sherwood, B.C.

EXHIBIT EXAMINATION BY MR. HENRY:

Q. Is this your signature on the document
entitled Real Estate Other than Farm?

A. Yes.

E. H. H. H.,
M.D.

Q. And the facts represented to be in this form
were supplied by you to your solicitors?

A. Yes.

Q. And they are correct?

A. Yes.

MR. HENRY: I will submit that as Exhibit A.

(THE COURT: EXHIBIT A. WILL BE RECEIVED, EXHIBIT NO. 1.)

Mr. Henry might at this stage produce the valuation
which was made by Mr. Goulthard.

MR. CHRISTIE: I tender as Exhibit B the
appraisal of Goulthard, Goulthard & Company, Limited,
dated April 22, 1944. The appraised amount is \$1,500.

(APPROPRIATE, APRIL 22, 1944, EXHIBIT NO. 2.)

MR. CHRISTIE: Have you a copy of that?

MR. HENRY: Yes. I would ask my friend to also
produce the photograph of the garage.

MR. CHRISTIE: Yes.

MR. HENRY: Q. I am showing you a picture.
Can you identify it as that is a picture?

A. That is a photograph of my garage. There is
a further section to this side. It is not complete.

Q. There is a further section to the right of
the photograph? A. Therefore, to show it was —

Q. Where are you putting it?

A. From the corner of the garage to here is 50
feet, and therefore, from the same point to the back is
125, and it went right to the end of the lot, to the
full extent.

Q. This picture apparently was taken April 12,

E. H. H. H.
H. H. H.

1 1943. How it look with the same as it did at the time
2 of your examination?

3 A. At the time I was examined I covered all
4 the windows with ship lap.

5 MR. HENRY: I will ask that that be marked as
6 Exhibit 2.

7 (REPRODUCTION OF CLAIMANT'S EXHIBITS, MARKED
8 EXHIBIT NO. 2)

9 Q. I see that Mr. Southard says that that
10 was an exceptionally good location. I suppose that
11 means for a service station. Can you tell us why it
12 was a good location?

13 A. It was a double garage situated in the best
14 portion of Houston opposite the post office and the
15 main business centre.

16 Q. How many years were you, yourself, in business
17 there? A. November 1936 I started.

18 Q. November 1936?

19 A. Yes.

20 Q. And this garage was put in there, built there
21 for you by the Home Gas and Oil Company?

22 A. I had a loan from the Home Gas Company for
23 \$1,000. and they put in the pump and the equipment for
24 that and that was paid off gradually at the rate of
25 two cents a gallon and I had freed the place of debt
26 in the course of two or three years.

27 Q. Can you give us any idea of what would be
28 the annual income from the gasoline and oil business
29 there? A. Income?

30 Q. Yes?

H. H. H. H.
H. H. H.

THE INTERVIEWER: If you do not know, say so.
THE WITNESS: I was not running this business,
myself. It was a partnership.

THE INTERVIEWER: He seems to be a little doubtful
about what he says.

Q. There was the garage and in the
garage I suppose you had tanks installed?

A. Yes.

Q. And gas pump? A. Yes.

Q. And they were included in that sum which you
paid \$1,500. A. Yes. The air tank and the gas
pump was included in the \$1,500.

Q. Yes. And then I saw you say here that there
was a poolroom and a small general store. Was that on
the same lot? Or, was that on the other lot?

A. On the same lot. It was in the same lot.

Q. Was it behind the garage or a separate
building?

A. From there to that half section there was
the general store and from there to the back and running
right to the rear was the poolroom.

Q. Now are showing the photograph and on the
right-hand part of the photograph there is a built-in
section which you say was the store and further over
it was the poolroom to what would be the right of the
picture here (indicating)? A. Yes.

Q. Well, who occupied the store and the poolroom
when you were there at the time of the event?

A. I rented the poolroom to Mrs. Thompson and
the furniture store to a man called Singleton. I have

H. Hirsch,
Director.

1 Corporation has taken care.

2 Q. How much took all they pay for it?

3 A. They were paid \$11, a month.

4 Q. Now, you said, operated the manager?

5 A. Yes.

6 Q. I notice Mr. Hirschman says:

7 "The building is old and dilapidated and the

8 conditions appear to be in very bad condition."

9 Was that statement correct as to all or any part of the

10 building at the time you left?

11 A. The building was an old one but I had

12 repaired it and put it into good condition. The

13 conditions were not much but they were in pretty

14 good condition and I had repaired some of the parts which

15 needed repairing and when I left the building was in

16 good condition.

17 Q. And, there is also a statement made here

18 that the floors are rough planks. What do you say

19 about that? A. The flooring was made of oak by

20 five ply lay and it was not rough; it had been all

21 smooth and well finished.

22 Q. To go on to a different part of your claim,

23 I notice that you are claiming altogether \$200, or

24 roughly that, for fishing nets and fishing gear?

25 A. Yes.

26 Q. I had thought that a detailed list of the

27 items and so on had been made out and prepared as a

28 personal statement form but it does not seem to have

29 been and I have on file here a list of nets and gear.

30 Is that the list of nets and gear for which you

H. Hirsch,
Hr. 100

Q. And on this list you have put your valuation?

A. Yes. These were the prices which I reported to the Custodian prior to auctioning.

Q. And you have also put at the bottom here the fact you understood the Custodian sold the goods

A. Yes.

MR. HENRY: That will be Exhibit 4.

MR. CHRISTIE: Well, now, in your claim form it is \$485.44. You cannot check now.

MR. HENRY: We are claiming one seventy-five more than before. We will readily withdraw the one seventy-five.

MR. CHRISTIE: This is your total claim?

MR. HENRY: Yes.

MR. CHRISTIE: All right.

MR. HENRY: These forms were signed up in England, and they are claiming a net amount instead of the claim amount for which it was sold. The net amount is the same amount for \$1.75 before.

MR. CHRISTIE: This personal property was not called on. Now my friend tells me the amount is the same within \$1.75.

(PARTICULARS OF PERSONAL GEAR AND EFFECTS,
DANIEL HENRY NO. 4)

MR. HENRY: Q. Now, all of these items set out in this Exhibit 4 were all stored in the Great West Canada Company Limited at Vancouver, were they not?

A. Yes.

Q. And, were they reported to the Custodian?

1 A. Yes.

2 Q. And you reported to the Controller that you
3 had left them at the Great West Cannery Company?

4 A. Yes.

5 Q. And each one of the nets and the lines
6 and other items had a value put against them?

7 A. Yes. They were tagged.

8 Q. And the tags showed a value?

9 A. Yes.

10 Q. And that is the same value that you are
11 claiming now?

12 A. Yes.

13 Q. And you tagged the nets and left them
14 with the Great West Cannery Company. Did you do anything
15 else to preserve the nets?

16 A. After I had finished using them I washed them
17 so that they would not rot.

18 Q. Would you bluestone them?

19 A. Yes.

20 Q. As to these values I see in each case you
21 have put out how old the individual net was. How did
22 you arrive at the value?

23 A. I have made a deduction of 30 to 35 percent
24 for each year, and when I say "a year" if it had been
25 used for two seasons it would be the time of fishing
26 for a year, it would really mean a season rather than
27 a year. For instance, this first item here, and the
28 value of that net now would be \$100. It is three years
29 old and therefore I have reduced it to \$55.

E. H. HARRIS,
Sgt. 1st Class

Q. That is the case all the way through?

A. Yes.

Q. Now, I think I will go on to another item of your claim, for a Chrysler engine.

You are claiming \$75. for that. Is this your signature on a document entitled Personal Chattels and which deals with a Chrysler engine?

A. Yes.

Q. Are the facts there correct?

A. Yes.

(PARTICULARS OF PERSONAL CHATTELS, SERIALIZED
ENGINE NO. 3)

Q. You are claiming, I notice, \$75., made up of estimated value of this engine of \$275., and sold by the Custodian for \$200.

A. Yes.

Q. Now, what type of engine was this, for use in a boat, a boat engine?

A. It was a car engine.

Q. It was a car?

A. A car engine.

Q. A car engine? A. Yes.

Q. Where did you leave it, at the time of evacuation?

A. I left it at the Alexander Cannery. It could either be called the Alexander Cannery or the Great West Cannery, but the Great West is the new name.

Q. At any rate, apparently the Custodian sold it. You refer to an offer being made by the Great West Cannery to buy the engine at \$275?

A. The manager of the Great West Cannery offered

E. Hirose,
Witness.

The engine which had been stored in our cannery,
and which was the property of E. Hirose.

The price spoken of at that time was \$500.00,
and the engine was a Chevrolet Auto Engine
to be used as a marine engine.

To supply and install this engine is not
more than \$100.00 not including his own
time, and we would respectfully suggest that the
original price be mailed down, as the sum is not
great for this type of engine.

Truly,
Yours Truly,

Great West Packing Co., Inc.

And suddenly she writes in pencil it looks very much
like to me like the writing of Mr. Green, saying

"Green's letter - but might have Japanese."

MR. GREEN: Maybe my friend put that on.

MR. GREEN: No, I did not.

And, it says "Sold for \$500."

(Two letters, marked EXHIBIT NO. 5)

I think we will deal now with the float house.

Q. You are making a claim in respect to a float

house? A. Yes.

Q. Where was the float house?

A. It was at the side of the Great West Cannery
building, quite close.

Q. And I take it that a float house is a sort
of house in the water. Was it actually in the water?

A. Yes, it was in the water.

Q. And did you, yourself, live there?

15
H. HENSON,
SIX-ONE,

1 What would be--I bought the boat and the house for \$500.,
2 and \$500. would be about the price.

3 Q. And you spent some \$500. in 1945 in putting
4 in two rooms and a bathroom?

5 A. About \$500., yes.

6 Q. I see the Custodian's file described it as
7 being damp and unsalvageable. Have you any comment to
8 make on that?

9 A. During the winter when it was not in occupation
10 it might have been slightly damp.

11 Q. Now, the last item with which we have to deal
12 is a claim in respect to furniture. The claim is slightly
13 amended and reduced in respect of this. The original
14 claim was for \$170.00, and at present we are claiming
15 that the value of the furniture was \$250.00, sold by the
16 Custodian for \$115.15, making a total claim on this item
17 of furniture of \$134.85.

18 MR. CHRISTIE: Are you not bound by the original
19 value?

20 MR. HENSON: Do you not prefer us to claim less?
21 All of these items were not. It is really a reduction.

22 Q. Is this your signature on a document entitled
23 Personal Effects, Household Furniture and Personal
24 effects (Indicating)? A. Yes.

25 Q. Are the facts stated there correct?

26 A. Yes.

27 MR. HENSON: I submit that as Exhibit C.

28 (PARTICULARS OF PERSONAL EFFECTS, MARKED EXHIBIT
29 C, 6)

Q. Did you have a detailed list of the furniture
to be sold with your estimate of the value of each item?

A. Yes.

MR. HUGHES: And I wonder whether Exhibit 1,

LIST OF FURNITURE, SHOWS YOUR OWN PRICES?

Q. How did you arrive at your estimated value?

A. I calculated these prices according to the
time I had had the goods and I put them down at what
I considered the lowest possible price.

Q. You reported this to the Canadian?

A. I reported it to the lady representative of
the Canadian. I gave her my book and I asked her to
type it out.

Q. Thank you.

CROSS-EXAMINATION BY MR. CHRISTIE:

Q. I am showing you a J.P. Form dated April 7,
1942. Is that your signature (indicating)?

A. Yes.

Q. I note this J.P. Form is signed April 7, 1942?

A. Yes.

Q. And as of that date in the J.P. Form you
make a statement "Because the Elson house is too damp."
That was not in the winter time?

A. It is damp in the winter time, too, the wet
house.

Q. Did you say it was too damp in the Spring,

too? A. I never said anything of the kind. I never
said - this has been written in afterwards - I never
said that the Elson house was too damp.

Mr. [Name]
[Address]

Q. Are you telling this Commission this morning that you signed this J.P. form and that this was signed after you signed it?

A. I signed it but I did not say that.

Q. Well, did you not make a statement of your personal property owned in your J.P. form?

A. I think that must have been put in after-wards. I did not say anything of that sort.

Q. Well, did you not read that over before you signed it?

A. No.

MR. [Name]: I tender that as Exhibit 9.

(J.P. form, Exhibit 9, 10, 11)

Q. In regard to this garage, you rented it in 1934, November 10, to the Home Oil Distributors Limited.

MR. [Name]: He said it was a partnership.

MR. [Name]: I have a lease book.

MR. [Name]: That lease was made for the protection of the oil company for the lease.

Q. I am not concerned with that for the moment. I am showing you a copy of a lease dated November 10, 1934, between Hayes Hirste, lessor and the Home Oil Distributors Limited. The rental is \$10. on the 15th of each and every month. Did you sign the original of that lease? This is just a typewritten copy here.

A. Yes. I did that but I do not know too much about the contents of the lease.

Q. Well, I notice that there is no other signature here of a partner, or anything.

E. H. HARRIS,
Chairman.

1 A. It was my property. The property was sold
2 and for that reason I signed the lease, myself.

3 MR. HARRIS: I will file this copy of a lease
4 as Exhibit 12. It is a copy of a lease dated November 10
5 1933.

6 (Exhibit, November 10, 1933, HARRIS TRUST CO. 12)

7 It is between the HARRIS TRUST CO., Lessor and New
8 Oil Distributors, Limited, Lessee.

9 Q. Well now, of your own knowledge did you
10 know whether the New Oil Distributors leased this
11 property to Mr. Frank Harris?

12 A. Yes.

13 Q. You know about that? A. Yes.

14 MR. HARRIS: I think perhaps as part of the
15 same exhibit, to give us a complete record, we will
16 file a copy of a lease dated November 10, 1933,
17 between the New Oil Distributors, Limited, as Lessor
18 and Frank Harris, as Lessee.

19 -- (See Ex. 12, 13)

20 Q. Why was not your name mentioned as Lessee
21 on this lease?

22 A. Because?

23 Q. Why was not your name there as Lessee?
24 If you do not know, please say so. Did you get any share
25 in the profits after the New Oil leased this property?
26 They submitted to Harris. Did you get any profits in
27 the business after that? A. Yes. I received a
28 share of the profits.

29 Q. Have you no explanation why your name did
30

1 not appear there?

2 I will file that as part of Exhibit 10.

3 With respect to this loss of which you are
4 making a note on your form, was this note made between
5 the Home Gas and Oil Company with this man Shining or
6 was it made with yourself?

7 A. It was issued to us both.

8 Q. Well, I will have to leave it at that.

9 A. The property was originally mine and the tools
10 were Shining's.

11 Q. Do you know what happened to the gas pump?
12 Was it sold with the real property or was it removed?

13 A. I do not know.

14 Q. In this appraisal of Condit, Scotland
15 & Company it says that the foundations were in bad
16 condition. What do you say about that?

17 A. I had repaired any place that was needing
18 repairing prior to evacuation.

19 MR. CHRISTEN: I will tender at this stage the
20 analysis of Personal Property claim as Exhibit 11.

21 (ANALYSIS OF PERSONAL PROPERTY CLAIM,
22 MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 11)

23 Q. In respect of these notes for which you are
24 claiming, what would you say as their life? How long
25 do they last, normally?

26 A. There are kinds which would make it different.
27 There are four or five kinds.

28 Q. What would be the range of life for these
29 notes for which you are claiming?

30 A. The first is as --

Mr. Shinn,
St. Louis, Mo.

Q. Tell me roughly if it is about five years?

A. Perhaps more, about three years; Spring
more, up to five years. The seven-inch work and leading
about five years.

Q. All right. With respect to this machinery
and dishes, were they bought over a period of time?

A. There were some old ones and there were some
new ones.

Q. That is all, thank you.

RE-EXAMINATION BY MR. SHINN:

Q. You were fishing in the summer, which is in
that time of the year, the summer, usually?

A. Yes; July and September.

Q. And did you work at the gasoline station --

A. Yes.

Q. -- during the winter? A. Yes.

Q. And were you paid by the owner as wages or
on what basis?

A. No. We have a share. We got a share of the
profits.

Q. "We got". Who is "We"?

A. That is myself and my partner.

Q. Apparently you leased the property to the
New Oil Refineries on a 10-year lease and they
made a sublease to Mr. Shinn for which they were to
pay \$100., plus two cents a gallon with a minimum of \$25.
a month; and did you have some separate arrangement with
Mr. Shinn that if you worked during part of the year
you would be paid part of the profits -- or what?

H. H. H. H.

18 MR. CHAIRMAN: The total value of land \$1,510.,
19 value of improvements \$5,120., on the Assessment Notice
20 for 1943.

21 (ASSESSMENT NOTICE, 1943, TAX NOTICE, 1943,
22 ORDER NUMBER NO. 15)

23 And on the Tax Notice, the value of land is
24 \$1,510., the value of improvements \$5,120., and it's
25 taxable value \$6,630.

26 And I have two offers to purchase the property,
27 one dated July 24, 1944, by James Reid. The amount bid
28 is \$1,500.

29 And there is one August 21, 1944, an offer for
30 \$2,000., made by Henry Arthur Beckwith. This property

MR. CHRISTIE: No evidence but the act statement.

(PROCEEDINGS ADJUTANT GENERAL)

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct statement of the proceedings herein.

W. C. Vetter

W. C. Vetter,
Official Reporter.

I, John A. McElhenny, Deputy Commissioner, authorized to have a Commission to investigate claims of Japanese Exclusion for property loss, to certify the foregoing is a true copy of the evidence heard on the within claim.

John A. McElhenny
John A. McElhenny,
Deputy Commissioner.

Defence Brief

TORONTO
29 November 1948

Mayao MINOTA

File No. 1761

Case No. 1306

REAL PROPERTY CLAIM

(All claims shown are Gross)

Claim 1 Land & Buildings, including Garage & Gas Station,
Pool Room & Store

Lots 17 & 18 Block 4 of Sec. 10 Block 3, N. Range 7 Map 249
47 Moncton Road, Steveston.

<u>Claim</u>	<u>Appraised at</u>	<u>Sale Price</u>
\$3500.	\$1984.	\$2000.

Witness: Appraisers, Coulthard Sutherland.

Claimant stated that he was in partnership in connection with the Garage and Gas Station and he rented a furniture store at \$10. a month for each of them. These premises were all vacant when taken over by the Custodian.

Three offers were received for this property \$1250., \$1985. and \$2000., the last one being accepted.

Appraisers (Coulthard Sutherland) reported - Exceptionally good location. Building is old and dilapidated and the foundations appear to be in very bad condition. In our opinion it has served its time. If demolished, there would be considerable salvage and we are basing our valuation on this fact.

It was submitted that the real property was sold for its fair market value.

PERSONAL PROPERTY CLAIM

(All claims shown are Gross)

Claim 2

Fishing Nets & Lines	\$770.
Chrysler Engine	275.
Float House	250.
Furniture	201.30
	<u>\$1496.30</u>

The claim for 2 fishing boats value \$210. was withdrawn as these were sold by the J.F.V.D.C. and the claim for fees paid from Alberta to Ontario \$210. was also withdrawn.
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Fishing Nets & Lines (a)

Claim

\$770.

Sold by Tender for

\$295.

Claimant stated that these nets were stored at the Great West Cannery.

Nets value	\$533.00
"	15.00
"	222.00
	<u>\$770.00</u>

Sold by tender for \$295.
Abandoned
Not accounted for

Claimant stated that the life of Sockeye Nets was up to 5 years and the Cork & Lead Lines 5 years.

Chrysler Engine (b)

Claim

\$275.

Sold by Tender for

\$200.

Claimant stated that this engine was left with the Great West Cannery and the Manager there had offered him \$275. but he died before the transaction could be carried out.

Custodian informed claimant of the offer of \$200. which he agreed to accept.

Float House (c)

Claim

\$250.

Not Sold

Claimant stated that he bought the float house in 1934 for \$250. and spent a further \$200. by adding 2 rooms and a bathroom.

These floathouses were usually damp, dilapidated and unsanitary and for these reasons, it was usually impossible to sell them. This one is presumably still at Steveston unless destroyed by the Municipal authorities.

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Furniture (d)

Claim

\$201.30

Sold by Auction

\$119.15

Claimant declared that his furniture was stored at the Great West Cannery because the float house was too damp.

Claimant now denies ever having stated that and he said that it must have been added after he had signed the form.

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It was submitted that those articles of personal property which were sold, including the furniture, fishing nets and gear, and the Chrysler Engine were all sold at their fair market value.

It was also submitted that the claim for the float house, it not being sold by the Custodian, is not within the terms of reference.

Summary of Defence Witnesses

Where required

Coulthard Sutherland	1	Appraisers
Thompson & Co.	2 (d)	Auctioneers
Mr. Harris	2 (d)	Staff
Mr. Wills	2 (d)	Staff
J. D. Nather	2 (a)	Staff

BMP/mw

Name of Claimant **MICOTA, Hayes**
Custodian File **1761**

Case **1706**

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		Sale Price	Total Award 125% of all Sale Prices		
						% of Total	Amount		% of Total		Amount
		2000.00								1200.00	
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 & Recorded Now Missing	45% of amount in next preceding column				
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			
						405.00 365.00	539.00	228.00	251.00		
MISCELLANEOUS CHATTELS											
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	Application of % ratio to amount in next preceding column	Sale Price of goods Sold by Tender	12% of Sale Price				
127.00	84.35	25.30	56%	54.00	35.64	200.00	24.00		34.94		
TOTAL RECOMMENDATION										1575.94	

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October 13th, 1950.

Mr. Hayao HIROTA,
P. O. Box 24,
Chapleau, Ontario.

Dear Sir:

Re: Japanese Property Claims Commission

Case No. 1306

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 ... \$1,535.94.

Cheque in your favour is enclosed for \$1,448.02
and we have paid the Co-Operative Committee .. \$ 87.92
for legal fees as authorized by you.

Yours truly,

F.G. Shears
Director

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1 encl.