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BUREAU HASTINGS PARK
OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN
JAPANESE SECTION

FILE NO. 8025

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

PERSONAL INFORMATION

NAME: ONO, Yoshio Rev.

HOME ADDRESS: P. O. Box 633, Cumberland, B. C.

REGISTRATION NUMBER 03072

SEX: Male

AGE: 37

OCCUPATION: Clergyman

(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: United Church

MARRIED? No

NAME OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: None

ADDRESS OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: None

NAMES OF ANY LIVING CHILDREN: None

ADDRESS OF CHILDREN: None

AGE OF CHILDREN: None

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

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION:

2. BUILDINGS AND OTHER IMPROVEMENTS:

3. INSURANCE (Give particulars; state where policies are)

4. TAXES (Amount and where payable)

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

6. OCCUPANCY AND LEASES (If vacant so state)

STATEMENT OF REAL PROPERTY OCCUPIED

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: Manse at Cumberland, B. C.

2. LANDLORD'S NAME AND ADDRESS: United Church

3. PARTICULARS OF LEASE AND RENT AND DATE TO WHICH PAID: Rent Free

4. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF LEASE:

5. SUB-TENANTS, IF ANY (Give name, address, rent and to what date paid)

6. IF FARM LAND, PARTICULARS OF CROPS SOWN:

STATEMENT OF PERSONAL PROPERTY OWNED:

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

Ten Apple Boxes of Books (392 Volumes) Value \$1800.00 at

Cumberland Storage. In care of Custodian.

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: _____
5. MORTGAGES, LIENS AND OTHER CLAIMS ON PROPERTY IN POSSESSION OF OTHERS: _____
6. MONEYS OWING TO YOU (State if any of these debts assigned and if so, to whom) _____
7. BONDS, DEBENTURES, SHARES, STOCKS OR OTHER SECURITIES (State whereabouts) _____
8. BANK ACCOUNTS: _____
9. LIFE INSURANCE: _____
10. INTEREST IN ANY ESTATES OR TRUSTS. _____
11. SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX: _____

LIABILITIES:

1. PERSONAL DEBTS: _____
2. TRADE DEBTS: _____

REMARKS:

I, the undersigned, hereby voluntarily turn over to the Custodian all my property in the protected area as set out above, excepting fishing vessels, deposits of money, shares of stock, debentures, bonds or other securities, if any.

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 May 1942.

(Signature) Yoshio Ono

Witness

Witness

FOR DEPARTMENTAL USE

INFORMATION FROM R.C.M.P.

DATE Apr. 19/43

Our File No. 8025

Full Name ONO, Yoshio Rev.
(Surname in Block Letters)

Registration No. 03072 Male - Female
(Check) Age Aug. 23. 1904

Former Address P. O. Box 633, Cumberland, B. C.

Date Evacuated Aug. 21/42 Naturalized - Canadian-Born - National
(Check)

Present Address Tashme, B. C. Westmount, P. Q.
May 12/47.

Married - Single
(Check) Name of Wife _____

Name of Husband _____

Name of Mother ONO, Kimi In Japan Name of Father Zentaro - In Japan

Names of Children under 16 _____

Requested by ECT Registered with Custodian yes
(Yes or No)

Additional Information clergyman

August 5, 1946.

To: Mrs. McArthur

From: F. Matheson

Re: Rev. Yoshio ONO, Reg. No. 03072, File 8025

In the account of the Rev. Yoshio ONO, File 8025, is a credit balance of \$20.00. This money was sent to this office by the Rev. Mr. A. L. Anderson, formerly of Cumberland, to whom the money had been left by "the Japanese people to be used to keep their cemetery in a state of good repair." See letter to Matt Brown, October 16, 1943.

On November 9, 1943, we asked Mr. Matt Brown to find someone to undertake the caring for this cemetery. Nothing further appeared on the file, so we asked Mr. Brown if any work had been done in this connection. His reply of August 1st, 1946, is attached.

The \$20.00 in the account of the Rev. Mr. Yoshio ONO, would seem to be funds collected from members of his church or from persons interested in seeing that the cemetery was looked after. It would seem that these funds should not be used to settle liabilities of the Rev. Mr. ONO. Should we ask Mr. ONO what to do with the money?

F. Matheson

Box 231

Cumberland B.C.

June

EVACUATION SECTION	
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Ans.	Wm
Referred	Bill

Office of the Custodian
Vancouver B.C.

Dear Sir:

Yours of May 23rd received
and matter attended to as requested.

An inspection of the Japanese cemetery
showed not only long neglect but signs
of wilful damage amounting to large sums.
Repairs to stones etc could only be made
by proper stonemasons and at enormous
cost.

Mr. Matt Brown informed me your
office knew of the condition so I assumed
you wished the \$20 spent to best advantage
on the grounds.

Mr. James Whitelaw my church janitor
undertook the task and spent four
full days cutting and removing
brush and weeds and repairing fences.
The gates we did not restore.

No attempt was made, or could be,
to repair stones or tend individual graves
and of course the clearing work done
will be overgrown in comparatively short
time if no Japanese returns to this area
to care for the grounds.

Hoping the above arrangements were satisfactory
to your office I enclose receipt for the cheque
turned over to Mr. Whitelaw. Respectfully

Rev. Wesley R. B. Nixon
Minister United Church

Received From Rev. W. R. B. Nixon

Custodian of Enemy Property cheque

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no 4 account

amount \$20

for four days labor in Japanese cemetery

Cumberland B.C.

June 30 47

Signed

James Whitelaw

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July 16, 1947.

Rev. Mr. Wesley R. B. Nixon,
Minister, United Church,
Box 231,
Cumberland, B. C.

Dear Sir:

This is to acknowledge with thanks your letter of
June 30, 1947. We appreciate the attention you gave to our
request.

We realize that very little could be done with the
small sum of money sent to you, but it was the intention of the
persons who donated the money that it be spent on the cemetery,
and we are pleased that you looked after this matter so well.

Yours truly,

F. Matheson,
Office of the Custodian.

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May 23, 1947

Rev. Mr. W. R. B. Nixon,
United Church of Canada,
CUMBERLAND, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed is Custodian cheque for the sum of \$20.00. These funds represent donations paid by members of the Japanese community at Cumberland to the Rev. Mr. Yoshio Ono, minister of the United Church, Cumberland. The funds were to be used for the upkeep of the Japanese Cemetery at Cumberland, and were handed by Mr. Ono to the Rev. Mr. A. L. Anderson. When Mr. Anderson joined the Royal Canadian Air Force in 1943 he turned these funds over to the Custodian.

We would appreciate your having these funds spent to best advantage on the cemetery, and informing this office of what work has been done on the cemetery with the money.

Yours truly,

F. Matheson,
Office of the Custodian.

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Enclosures (2)

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August 5, 1946.

Mr. Matt Brown,
P. O. Box 431,
Cumberland, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Rev. Mr. Yoshio ONO #03072

Your several letters in regard to various Japanese properties have been received. Thank you for the information supplied.

In regard to the Japanese cemetery situated on the Courtenay-Cumberland Road, we note from your report that the cemetery is badly over-run by brush and that parts of the fence are down.

We look on the \$20.00 in our hands as trust funds provided by the Japanese congregation for a specific purpose, and if this small sum can be spent to any good purpose in connection with the cemetery, we would like to have whatever work can be completed for the sum of \$20.00 done. It is possible that this money would be sufficient to repair the fence. We do not wish to waste the money, and if it is totally inadequate, we shall communicate with the Rev. Mr. Yoshio ONO and endeavour to find out what he and his former congregation wish us to do with the money.

Yours truly,

F. Matheson,
Protection Department.

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P. O. Box 431,
Cumberland, B. C.
Aug. 1st. 1946.

Miss. F. Matheson,
Protection Dept.,
Office of the Custodian,
Vancouver, B. C.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	AUG 3 1946
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Ans.	
Referred	Matheson

Dear Madam:-

Re: Rev. Yoshio ONO Reg. # 03072.

In reply to your letter of July 19/46
pertaining to the upkeep of the Japanese
Cemetery. This cemetery is situated on the
Courtenay-Cumberland Road, 2 miles from
Cumberland.

The \$20.00 you received from Rev. A. L.
Anderson would not do very much to clean this
cemetery as it is badly over run with brush,
and parts of the fence are down.

Nothing has been done since the Japanese
were evacuated in April 1942, with the
exception of Const. Lashmar of the Provincial
Police and myself nailing up the gate and
parts of the fence that were down in June 1942.

I will check up on this and give you a
report before the end of the month. In the
meantime if you have anything further to
suggest regarding same, advise me at an early
date.

Yours very truly

Matt Brown

Matt Brown.
Custodian Agent.

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July 19, 1946.

Mr. Matt Brown,
P.O. Box 431,
Cumberland, B.C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Rev. Yoshio ONO - Reg. No. 03072

On October 30, 1943 you remitted to this office the sum of \$20.00 which you had received from Rev. A. L. Anderson who in turn had received it from Rev. ONO for the upkeep of the Japanese Cemetery at Cumberland. On November 9, 1943 we requested you to find someone to undertake this upkeep, suggesting Mr. Clive Banks; mentioned by Rev. Anderson.

We do not appear to have received a reply to this suggestion and we shall appreciate your advising if this cemetery has been kept up, if so by whom.

Yours truly,

F. Matheson,
Protection Department.

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November 9th, 1943.

Mr. Matt Brown,
P. O. Box 431,
Cumberland, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Rev. Yoshio ONO - Reg. 03072.

Thank you for yours of October 30th and
enclosure for which herewith is our receipt.

There is very little comment we can make
other than to request you to find someone who will undertake
any necessary upkeep work for payment not in excess of
\$20.00. Perhaps the Mr. Clive Banks to whom the Reverend
Anderson referred would do the work. Perhaps you could let
us have your report in due course and advise what the
condition of the cemetery is then and whether any further
funds will be required.

Yours truly,

H. F. Green,
Protection Department.

HFG/P.
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money for upkeep of cemetery mtd.

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P.O. Box 431,
Cumberland, B.C.
Oct. 30/43:

Mr. H.F. Green,
Protection Dept.,
Office of the Custodian,
Japanese Evacuation Section,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir:-

Kindly find enclosed letter and Postal
Order received from Rev. A.L. Anderson which speaks
for itself, also find enclosed copy of our letter
to Rev. Anderson regarding same.

We are sending this along to you, hoping
you can take care of same.

Awaiting your instructions regarding this
matter.

Yours truly

Matt Brown

Matt Brown.
Custodian Agent.

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P.O. Box 431,
Cumberland, B.C.
Oct. 29/43:

Mr. A.L. Anderson,
535- 3rd. Ave. North,
Saskatoon, Sask.

Dear Sir:-

We are in receipt of your letter of Oct. 16/43 enclosing Postal Order for \$20.00 which was left in your care by Rev. Y. One for the upkeep of the Japanese Cemetery. We are forwarding same on to Custodian Office, Vancouver, B.C. for their instructions regarding same. Hoping this will meet with your approval. I sincerely hope that you are enjoying your new vocation along with the R.C.A.F. Best of luck to you and yours.

Sincerely yours

Matt Brown.
Custodian Agent.

MB/MAB

No.1 O.T.S. R.C.A.F
Ste. Marguerite, Que.
Oct. 16/43:

Matt Brown, Custodian,
Japanese Property,
Cumberland, B.C.

Dear Mr. Brown:-

In the rush of leaving Union Bay, I neglected this bit of business with you. The Japanese people left twenty dollars with me to be used to keep their cemetery in a state of good repair. Mr. Ono, who was their agent in this matter, left it to me to determine how it would be spent in this purpose, and assured me that more money would be available at a later date if necessary. I did speak to Mr. Clive Banks about doing the work and he said he was willing. Beyond that, I have done nothing.

The Provincial Police in Courtenay said you are the one to handle this matter, so I am taking them at their word and am sending you the money (here enclosed in money order for \$20.00) Just to keep the matter straight I would be glad of a receipt from you, addressed to me at 535- 3rd Ave, North Saskatoon.

My course at this Officers Training School will be over in another ten days, and I'll be posted then to some R.C.A.F. station in Canada as chaplain. I am looking forward to beginning my work.

Please remember me to your family, I hope you are all well. Mrs. Anderson is staying with her people in Saskatoon until I receive my posting. We are hoping to be together.

Best regards, and thank you for relieving me of my duty.

Sincerely

(signed)

A.L. Anderson.

COPY

Tashme, Hope, B.C.
April 16th 1943.

Mr. Matt Brown,
Cumberland, B.C.

Dear Sir:-

Re: Stored Goods of Yoshio ONO # 03072.

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I have applied to release my goods, ten boxes of books for Custodian through B.C. Security Commission about a month ago, but have not heard anything about it yet. I wonder if you hear anything regards to this matter, and if so please make an early arrangement to send them over in your earliest convenience. And if not, would you please refer this matter to the Custodian's Head Office, thanks or if you know any other way to releasing those books please let me know immediately. And I also want to have those three boxes I personally asked you to store.

Everybody from Cumberland here are all well and all are recalling back a year before what you have done for us with your ever unchanged friendly spirit, for which I appreciate very much especially on this day.

With my kindest regards.

Yours truly

(signed)

Yoshio ONO.

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April 14th, 1943

TRANSPORTATION

The B. C. Security Commission,
The Marine Building,
Vancouver, B. C.

Attention Mr. M. L. Brown

Dear Sir:-

Re: Rev. Yoshio OKO--Reg. No. 03072

We have had a letter from Mr. Sutherland referring to his of February 26th enclosing a Custodian Release Form from the above. We cannot trace having received such a letter or release and think that this was probably sent to you. The application was one for books of which this Japanese has ten boxes now in Cumberland storage.

We expect you will refer to Mr. Sutherland if your records are not clear. We expect also that by the time Mr. Sutherland receives this, he will have understood from previous correspondence that such requests should be referred to you.

Yours truly,

H. F. Green
Protection Department

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EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	JUN 3 1943
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Ans.	
Referred	G-165-A

BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION.
CUSTODIAN RELEASE FORM

Address Tashme, B. C. Date February 26, 1943.

To: The Secretary of State, acting in his capacity as Custodian, Vancouver, B.C.

I, ONE, Yoshie, Police Registration No. 03592

hereby request you to release to me the under-noted property stored at CUSTODIAN, Mr. Matt Brown, Cumberland B.C.

in possession of Custodian

and I release you from any claim whatsoever with respect to such property.

Description of Property:

10 boxes #1 to 10

Original Address Cumberland, B. C.

Date Evacuated to Vancouver April 12, 1942

Date Evacuated to Present Address August 21, 1942.

Number in Family - 12 years and over 1

Number in Family - 5 to 11 years old

Number in Family - under 5

TOTAL NUMBER IN FAMILY One

I agree to pay all charges as required by the British Columbia Security Commission.

APPROVED:
 BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION

Per: [Signature] [Signature]
 Claimant Signs Here

SEE JUNE 2/43.

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September 29, 1942.

Mr. Matt Brown,
P. O. Box 431,
Cumberland, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Rev. Yoshio ONO

We wish to thank you for
your report of the 19th instant on the above.

We note that the only matter
declared by Rev. Ono was personal property
which has all been shipped to him on orders
of the B. C. Security Commission except ten
boxes of books which have been removed to
storage in Cumberland. No doubt Rev. Ono will
advise us as to the disposition of the books
when he is permanently located.

Thanking you for your co-operation
in this matter, we remain,

Yours truly,



G. H. Peers,
Administration Department.

GHP/P.

Re: closed pending
Rev. Ono's request for books



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Matt Brown
Peer

P.O. Box 431,

Cumberland, B.C.

Sept. 19/42.

Mr. R.P. Alexander, Manager,
Office of the Custodian,
Japanese Evacuation Section,
Vancouver, B.C.

OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN
JAPANESE SECTION
RECEIVED
SEP 22 1942

Dear Sir:-

Report on ONO. Yoshio Rev. Reg. # 03072.

1 & 2 Location and Nature of property. Japanese Mission,
5 Japanese Town, Cumberland, B.C. Built on property of
Canadian Celleries "D" Ltd. Rent free. Now vacant.

This property belongs to United Church Mission of Canada.
All fixtures and effects in hall as far as I know belong to
United Church.

3 All effects have been shipped out c/o B.C. security Commission,
Vancouver, B.C. on June 9/42. with the exception of 10 boxes
of books now in Cumberland Storage, valued at \$1800.00.

4 Insurances. None.

5 Liabilities and personal debts. None to date.

6 Recommendations. As all effects with the exception of 10
boxes of books which are in Cumberland Storage have been shipped
out. I would suggest you get in touch with Rev. ONO on same,
whereby he can send for them at an early date, cleaning up the
balance of goods left.

Hoping to have your comments on same, as to the value of
effects which is doubtful.

Yours truly

Matt Brown

Matt Brown.

Custodian Agent.

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OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN
JAPANESE SECTION

RECEIVED
JUL 27 1942

Hastings Park,
Vancouver, B. C.

July 24th, 1942.

Mr. H. F. Green, Manager,
Protecting Department,
Office of the Custodian,
506 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir: Re-8025

In answering to your letter of July 21st inst. I think it was mistaken to give you such information that I have drawn ten(10) boxes of books from Cumberland storage or some other articles out of there. I asked Mr. Brown to send me two(2) boxes of personal belongings those which were not registered by your officer, but had an arrangement with Mr. Brown to send those two when I have room to take them right after I arrived in Hastings Park. Those are really personal belongings which I could not take with me when I left Cumberland. There are still ten(10) boxes of books in Cumberland storage registered by your office.

Regarding to the liability I have with M. Furuya Co. (\$53.61) and Harwood Brothers, (\$61.84), I certainly will pay them in monthly after I could get the certain job with salary. But at the present I have no income from any source. Please let me know what step should I take to pay them off for them.

Hoping above will be satisfactorily with you, I remain,

Yours very sincerely

Yoshio Ono
Rev. Yoshio Ono
03072

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July 21, 1942.

Rev. Yoshio OHNO, #03072,
Hastings Park, Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Chattels, Cumberland, B.C.

On the 7th day of May you declared to the Custodian that you owned 10 boxes of books, then at the Cumberland Storage. We have been advised that certain goods have been shipped to you since that date, but are not quite clear whether you have received everything.

We have received claims against you from the following persons:

M. Furuya Co., Vancouver	\$53.61.
Horwood Brothers, Victoria,	61.84.

Would you please advise us whether these claims against you are correct and if so what plans you have made for their settlement.

Further, kindly state whether or not you have now received into your own possession all your personal property from Cumberland or any other part of the restricted area of British Columbia.

Yours truly,

H. F. Green,
Manager, Protection Department.

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Enclosed in letter to Mr. Spain.

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COPY OF A LETTER FROM H. G. HINTON, ESQ. TO ISLAND FINANCES
LIMITED, DATED 13th March 1942.

March 13, 1942.

Island Finances Limited,
1112 Broad Street,
Victoria, B. C.

Dear Sirs:

The Royal Canadian Mounted Police have shown me your letter to them dated 12th March 1942 with reference to three cars on which you had liens under Conditional Sale Agreements and asking them to eliminate the cars from their records.

If these cars were sold or taken into possession by you after 12th March-the date of the public notice to persons of the Japanese race to turn over to the Police their motor vehicles-I have to notify you that such sale or seizure is invalid and that you are considered to be the holder of such vehicle for the Custodian of Enemy Property.

I understand that the Custodian will reimburse you for any storage charges on these cars and that your liens will be considered when the vehicles are finally disposed of.

Will you be kind enough to inform me of the dates of sale, transfer and seizure of the three cars.

Yours faithfully,

"H. G. Hinton"

Agent for the Custodian of Enemy Property

RECEIVED
MAY 15 1942
CA**Dominion of Canada**
Province of British Columbia**In the Matter of**Account owing by one Yoshio Ono, late of
Cumberland, Vancouver Island, B. C., to
Horwood Brothers, Victoria, B. C.

To Wilit:

I, GORDON H. HORWOOD

Victoria

of the City of
in the province of British Columbia

do solemnly declare that I am one of the Partners of Horwood Brothers carrying on business as Service Station Operators in all its branches at the Northwest Corner of Yates & Quadra Streets in the City of Victoria, in the Province of British Columbia, and that the said Yoshio Ono, late of the town of Cumberland, Vancouver Island, B. C. is indebted to us Horwood Brothers above mentioned in the sum of Sixty-one Dollars and Eighty-four Cents (\$61.84) as set out in statement attached hereto and marked Exhibit "A".

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

Declared before me at **Victoria**in the Province of **British Columbia**this **13th** day of**May** A.D. 1942.

Gordon H. Horwood
Partner of Horwood Bros.

[Signature]
A Notary Public in and for the
Province of British Columbia

Province of British Columbia