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FORM "J"

BUREAU HASTINGS PARK
OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN
JAPANESE SECTION

FILE NO.

10509

To be completed by persons of the Japanese race having no property in any protected area.

NAME: OTA Minoru
HOME ADDRESS: 229 Ewen Ave., New Westminster, B. C. REGISTRATION No. 08372
SEX: Male AGE: 21 MARRIED? No
OCCUPATION AND EMPLOYER: Shoe Repairer, Self
NAME OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: None ADDRESS: None
NAMES OF LIVING CHILDREN: None ADDRESS: None
ADDRESS: _____

I certify that the above information is true and complete and state that I have no property of any kind whatsoever in any protected area in British Columbia.

Dated this 8th day of June 1942.

(Signature)

WITNESS

LIST OF LIABILITIES:

None

HOW DO YOU PROPOSE TO PAY THESE OFF?

None

FOR DEPARTMENTAL USE

INFORMATION FROM R.C.M.P.

Date

Aug 26/43

Our File No.

10509

Full Name

OTA, Minoru

(Surname in Block Letters)

Registration No.

08372

Male - Female
(check)

Age

Aug. 13, 1920

Former Address

229 Ewen Ave., New Westminster, B.C.

Date Evacuated

13/6/42

Naturalized - Canadian-Born - National
(check)

Present Address

10498 Prudhomme Ave.
Hamon, B.C. - Montreal, Que.

Married - Single
(check)

See Ltr July 23/47. "P.O. Box 6, Station N, Montreal, P.Q."

Name of Wife

Name of Husband

Name of Mother

(see Ltr) (see)

Name of Father

Heisei 1901/68 (see)

Names of Children under 16

Requested by

D.M.

Registered with Custodian

(Yes or No)

Additional Information

Shoe Repairer - Part Owner of
shoe business.

ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE

Form 240A

EXHIBIT REPORT

No. 375

HEADQUARTERS File No.

SUB-DIV'N and File No. Vancouver.

DIVISION and File No.

DETACHMENT and File No. C.I.B.

J.R. 08572.

DATE Feb. 15th, 1944.

Re: Miners OTA, New Westminster, B.C. - 227 Esplanade.

On Mar. 10th, 1942. 1 D.B. McLaren, Cst.

(Date)

(Name of File)

(Member's Name)

Came into possession of the following described goods by

Handed over by Mitsubishi INECANI.

(State Authority from whom seized and place of seizure)

No. OF EXHIBIT	No. OF PACKAGES	CAPACITY OR SIZE	DESCRIPTION OF EXHIBITS
	1		Radio - Stromber Carson Chassis 2137, Serial No. 330894.
			10509

REMARKS: Handed over to the Custodian of Alien Property.

DATE FEB 17 1944

(State briefly disposition)

Yes B. Spain for Custodian.

CERTIFIED CORRECT

F.R. Jefferson, Insp. No. 10559.

ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE

Form 301

No. 429

EXHIBIT REPORT

HEADQUARTERS File No.

SUB-DIV'N and File No. Vancouver CIB

DIVISION and File No.
J.R. 08372

DETACHMENT and File No.

DATE August 16, 1944

Re: Minora OTA, 229 Bown Ave., New Westminster, B.C.

On Mar. 10th, 1944 D.H. McLaren, Cst.

(Date)

(Member's Name)

Came into possession of the following described goods by

Handed over by Mitsuhihi Ikegami

(State Authority from whom seized and place of seizure)

No. OF EXHIBIT	No. OF PACKAGES	CAPACITY OR SIZE	DESCRIPTION OF EXHIBITS
	1		Box Camera Rainbow hawk-eye Model C (1)
	(1 missing)		Miniature Camera Univex Model A (2) (poor condition)
			<i>He will be advised July 17/47. Missing Model A, missing a Rainbow hawk-eye Model C in storage 118</i> <i>10509</i> <i>Reported missing June/45</i> <i>Miniature camera found July 17/47 & found to Japanese July 17/47. B.</i>

REMARKS: Handed over to Custodian of Alien Property

DATE August 16, 1944

(State briefly disposition)

Chas B. Smith for Custodian

(Signature of Recipient or Witness)

CERTIFIED CORRECT
J.R. Jefferson, Cst. 10350.

(Signature of Member)

No.

* M.T. OTA says Radio belonged to Minora Woff

F. 112

Royal Canadian Mounted Police

\$

Vancouver March 10 1942

Received from Mitsuhiko Ikegami on behalf of

* Minora OTA of New Westminster

329 Linden Ave

One Radio Stromberg Carson

Chassis 24239 Serial 330894

Dollars,

100

Signature

H. Miko. Cst.
V. Reg No. 13648

* Mr. T. O. A. says camera belonged to minor

No.

P. 112

Royal Canadian Mounted Police

\$

Van couver March 10 1942

Received from

Mitsubishi IKGAMI &

501 Boyne St, New York on behalf of

* Minor OIA of 229 Green Ave,
New York minister

One box camera Rainbowbank eye
model C

Dollars,

* One miniature camera Unives Model A (non condition)

Reported missing

Signature

J. F. Miles C. A.

Dated July 17/47.

Ry. No. 13648

File No. 10509

July 11, 1947.

MEMORANDUM

TO: Filing Room

FROM: Mr. W. J. Johnston

Re: 1 Box Camera, Rainbow
hawk-eye Model C
R. C. M. P. No. 429

Please forward the above described camera to Mr. Minora OTA,
Registration No. 06372, at 1049A Prudhomme Avenue, Montreal 28, P.Q.

Kindly insure said camera for the sum of \$5.00.

/ES

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W. J. Johnston
per. R.S.

File No. 10509

July 19, 1947.

MEMORANDUM

TO: Filing Room

FROM: Mr. W. J. Johnston

Re: 1 Miniature Camera,
Univex Model A.
R. C. M. P. No. 429

Please forward the above described camera to Mr. Minora
OTA, Registration No. 08372, at 1049A Prudhomme Avenue, Montreal 28, P.Q.

Kindly insure said camera for the sum of \$3.00.

/MB

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W. J. Johnston
per. H.S.

GENERAL SUMMARY

File No. 10509

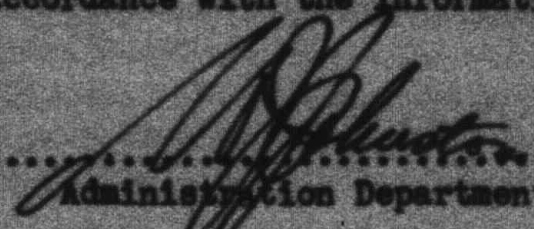
July 16, 1947.

Re: (Mr.) Minoru OTA
Registration No. 08372
231 (formerly 229) Ewen Ave.,
Lot 2 of Lot 31, Blk. "A" of
Lot 757, Gp. 1, Map 2904,
City of New Westminster.

The Real Property covered by this file was sold direct by the four registered owners, as set out in Memorandum to Mr. Shears dated January 30, 1947.

All matters pertaining to the affairs of the above-mentioned Evacuee have been reported to him and, as there is no evidence of any dissatisfaction or claim the file may be closed.

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


.....
Administration Department.

WJJ/HMS

File No. 10509

July 11, 1947.

LIABILITIES SUMMARY

Re: (Mr.) Minoru OTA
Registration No. 08372

The above-mentioned Japanese did not declare owing any debts in his "J" form dated June 8, 1942, and none have been filed against him.

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


.....
ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT.

WJ/BMS

Minoru OTA
Registration No. 08372
P.O. Box 6
Station H.
Montreal P.Q.

October 28, 1947.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	NOV 3 1947
File No.	10509
Ans.	
Referred	Johnston

Mr. W. J. Johnston
Office of the Custodian of Enemy Property
506 Royal Bank Building
Vancouver B.C.

Dear Sir:

This is in reply to your letter of October 7, 1947.

Mrs. Matsue Murata has now assured us that the cheque has been received.

It was a false statement at this end which caused me to ask such an embarrassing question. Please forgive me for not clarifying the situation here, and without further explanation, may we consider the case, concerning the receiving of the cheques, closed.

I appreciate your prompt reply very much and thank you for keeping at the thankless work that you are carrying on.

Yours very truly,

Minoru OTA
Minoru OTA.

*Copy made per
file # 8997*

NAME OTA, Minoru

REGISTRATION NO. 08372

FILE NO. 10509

The following chattels were sold by public
auction at 333 Powell, Vancouver, B.C. on March 14, 1944.

/ Strawberry Carlson mantel

\$ 31.50

Total:

\$ 31.50

Less Expenses: (Storage: \$1.00
(Auctioneer's Fee: 3.15
(Advertising: 0.47
(Movings: 0.25

\$ 4.87

Net Proceeds Credited:

\$ 26.63

Members of Custodian Staff Present. Mr. Wills

Extracted from Auctioneering list No. Vancouver 13

Remarks.

MEMORANDUM

July 29, 1943

To: File 10509

From: Specified Articles Department

Re: OTA, Minoru - Reg. 08372

<u>ARTICLE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>APPRAISED VALUE</u>
RADIO	✓ Stromberg Carlson Chassis 24239, Serial No. 330894.	\$15.00
CAMERA	→ Box Camera Rainbow Hawk-eye Model C	.75
	* Miniature Camera Univex Model A (Poor condition)	.50

LF

✓ - Sold by auction 11/3/44. Yancarrow 12
* - Forwarded to Japanese.
July 1/47.

TELEPHONE: MARINE 8840

HAMILTON READ & PATERSON
HAMILTON READ
BARRISTERS AND
SOLICITORS

OFFICE OF THE
JAPANESE
CUSTODIAN

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1011-1014 ROGERS BUILDING
470 GRANVILLE STREET.

VANCOUVER, B. C.
CANADA

December 5th 1942

The Custodian of Japanese Property
506 Royal Bank Building
Vancouver B.C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Toshiyasu Ota and Minoru Ota now of Kaslo B.C.

We are solicitors for the above named two Japanese and also solicitor for Mr. Lionel H. Collins of the Metropolitan Building, Vancouver, and beg to inform you as follows:

Some time prior to the 28th April 1942, we were consulted by the above named Japanese and their two sisters with reference to the estates of their parents Kenichi Ota (father) and Tai Ota (mother). Kenichi Ota had died on the 2nd day of April 1942 and Tai Ota had predeceased her husband on the 10th day of May 1940.

Both Kenichi Ota and Tai Ota had died intestate and we accordingly advised that Letters of Administration would have to be obtained in both estates. On the 28th April 1942, Letters of Administration were granted by the Supreme Court of British Columbia to the above named Toshiyasu Ota and Minoru Ota and the respective probate numbers are 28616 and 28617 Vancouver Registry.

The estate of Tai Ota (died first) consisted of an undivided one-half interest in and to Lot 2 of Lot 31 Block A Lot 757 G.1 N.W.D. Map 2904 situate in the city of New Westminster and the value is shown in the probate papers as \$500.00.

The estate of Kenichi Ota is shown as follows:-

An undivided one-half interest in said real estate	\$500.00
An undivided one-sixth interest in " " "	166.66
Cash on deposit with Japanese & Canada Trusts Savings Company	5.40
Cash in Royal Bank of Canada, New Westminster	104.41
Policy of Insurance of Manufacturers' Life Insurance Company	1000.00
1 Canadian Bond	50.00
Household goods and furniture	650.00
Total gross estate	\$2474.17.

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Forward

\$2474.17

The debts as shown in Inventory X

394.05

Leaving a net estate of

\$2080.12

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Toshiyasu Ota

Minoru Ota

9997 Matsue Murata described as of 138-6th Avenue West,
Vancouver B.C.

9808 and Shizue Higuchi, whose address we do not appear to have.

By two deeds dated respectively the 16th day of May 1942 the said Toshiyasu Ota and Minoru Ota as administrators respectively of Kenichi Ota and Tai Ota conveyed respectively an undivided one-half interest in the said real estate to the said Lionel Hector Collins. By Trust Deed dated the 19th May 1942 and executed by Mr. Collins and after reciting the said debts and the ownership of the lands and the respective administrations and the Renunciation by the two daughters referred to in the preceding paragraph of this letter, and that the said lands were conveyed to the said Lionel H. Collins as trustee for the four children, the said Lionel H. Collins declared that he held the said lands and premises in trust for the four children.

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Mr. Collins then handed the amount to us in order that a special trust account should be opened by him. We paid the amount into our trust account and the same is still there. The real estate in question is rented to a Chinese by the name of W. Lee Quong at a rental of \$10.00 per month and these rents are being paid to us and we have them on hand for payment to Mr. Collins.

We believe that we have fully disclosed to you the circumstances re the two estates and the facts subsequent to the administration but if there is any further information we can furnish you, we shall be pleased to do so.

Yours truly

HAMILTON READ & PATERSON

Per

Hamilton Read

HR/GAP

Copy.

December 5th, 1942.

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Yours truly,

HAMILTON READ & PATTERSON

Per

"Hamilton Read"

HR/

COPY

CONFIRMATION OF OWNERSHIP

Name of Registrant: **OTA, Toshiyasu**

Former Address:

Legal Description of Land:

City of New Westminster.

Lot 2 of Lot 31, Block "A" of Lot 757, Group 1, Map 2904.

Title in name of:

**Lionel Hector Collins
(In Trust Filing 24095)**

Encumbrances:

Confirmed by Land Registry Search:

January 21st, 1943.

C. of T. **150956-E**

Dated

May 23rd, 1942.

In possession of:

January 28th, 1943.

File No. **10510**

Police Registration No. **08279**

Required - Vesting Certificate covering the above described property.

Approved: _____

Registered as No. _____

10510 & 10509.

August 20th, 1943.

Messrs. Hamilton Read & Paterson,
Barristers and Solicitors,
1011-1014 Rogers Building,
470 Granville Street,
VANCOUVER, B. C.

Dear Sirs:

Re: Toshiyasu OTA

In reply to your letter of the 14th instant and with reference to our telephone conversation of even date, we would suggest that further particulars be obtained from Mr. Ota at Kaslo regarding the storage of goods by other Japanese at his house in New Westminster.

It is quite possible that an Evacuee named Murakami, registration number 08207, now at Kaslo, B. C., has requested certain personal goods to be shipped to him from 229 Ewen Avenue, New Westminster.

On receipt of further information from you, we will be in a better position to answer your enquiry.

Yours very truly,

W. J. Johnston,
Administration Department.

WJJ/P.

10510 & 10509.

September 7th, 1943.

Messrs. Hamilton Read & Paterson,
Barristers and Solicitors,
1021-1024 Rogers Building,
470 Granville Street,
VANCOUVER, B. C.

Dear Sirs:

Re: Ota Estate.

We are in receipt of your letter of the 1st instant and note that you have received a letter from Mr. Toshiyasa Ota which seems to satisfactorily explain the removal of goods from 229 Dean Avenue, New Westminster.

We are glad to have been of some assistance in having this matter straightened out.

Yours very truly,

W. J. Johnston,
Administration Department.

WJ/P.

Files 14019, 10310, 10309,
0777, 9028

January 12, 1945.

MEMORANDUM

To: Mr. Wright.

From: A. E. MacFarlane.

Re: Kenichi Ota, 08163, formerly of 229 Dean
Ave., New Westminster, Deceased April 2, 1942,
prior to Emigration, and
Tai Ota, his wife, pre-deceased him on May 10,
1942.

Kenichi Ota did not declare property to the Custodian
nor was he emigrated.

Both he and his wife died intestate leaving four
surviving children, namely - all women:

Estiko Ota (Mrs. Kiyoshi MINAYA) age 32 yrs.
Shime Ota (Mrs. Yoshikazu HIGUCHI) age 30 yrs.
Toshiyasu Ota, age 29 years.
Minora Ota, age 24 years.

Administration of the Estates of Kenichi Ota and his
wife was applied for by Hamilton Reid and Patterson, Barristers, and
Letters of Administration were granted to the same Toshiyasu and Minora
on April 26, 1942. The four children were named beneficiaries in equal
shares. The estate of the mother Tai, consisted of a half interest in
Lot 2, Blk. 11, of Div. A, Lot 777, S.1, Map 2904, City of New Westminster,
valued at \$200.00. The estate of the father Kenichi, consisted of a
half interest in the above described property and other assets which less
certain liabilities left a total net estate of \$2083.12 according to the
inventory supplied to the Court.

The two administrators joined in a conveyance to Lionel
Reuter Collins, In Trust for these four beneficiaries, and according to
the Certificate of Emigration dated 17th March, 1943, the property now
stands in the name of Lionel Reuter Collins "In Trust".

The administrators provided Collins with funds for
payment of taxes etc. and the rents from the property, namely \$10 per
month, have been paid in to Reuter, Hamilton Reid & Patterson for the
credit of Collins "In Trust". A copy of the Trust filing 24095 appears on
our File 10310, Toshiyasu Ota. The title is subject to vesting No. 25285
filed March 18, 1943 covering the interest of Toshiyasu Ota, #08279. This
property has not been advertised.

Please advise as to the Custodian's right to act with
regard to these estates.

AM:AS

14019, 10510,
10509, 8997,
9806

January 15th, 1945.

Messrs. Hamilton Read & Paterson,
Rogers Building,
470 Granville Street,
Vancouver, B. C.

Attention Mr. Read

Dear Sirs:

Re: 231 (formerly 229) Eden Ave.,
New Westminster, B. C.

We have been advised that one or more evacuated Japanese, other than Mr. OTA, have chattels stored in the premises at the above-mentioned address. It is the desire of the Custodian that his representative make a list of same and, if possible, determine their ownership, but the present tenant is hesitant to co-operate in view of the fact the Mr. L. H. Collins is holding the property "In Trust".

We would, therefore, appreciate receiving from you a letter authorizing an agent of the Custodian to enter the premises for the purpose above-mentioned.

Thanking you in anticipation of your assistance in this matter, we remain

Yours very truly,

W. J. Johnston,
Administration Department.

WJJ/HMS

8937, 9808,
10529, 10510,
8 11019

February 24th, 1945.

Messrs Hamilton Reid and Peterson,
Barristers and Solicitors,
Pogers Building,
470 Granville Street,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sirs:

Box 231 (formerly 229) Ross Avenue,
New Westminster, B. C.

With further reference to our letter of
January 15th 1945, and your reply of January 16th
1945, enclosing a letter to Mr. W. Lee Quon, we
now wish to advise you that we have inspected the
chattels and have found that goods are stored in
a shed at the rear belonging to the following
Japanese, namely:

File No. 7771, Gentaro MIYABARA.
7747, Sokichi KURASAKI.
7988, Susie IROHARA.
7856, Tsuyo MIYABARA.
7947, Fusayo HARAHA.
7855, Satsuki TAKEMUCHI.

It is our intention to remove these chattels
in a few days and in order to avoid any difficulty with
Mr. Quon we would appreciate receiving from you a
further letter, addressed to Mr. Quon, stating that it
will be in order for him to permit said removal.

Again thanking you for your co-operation,
we remain

Yours very truly,

W. J. Johnston,
Administration Department.

WJJ/WHS

8997, 9808,
10509, 10510,
A 11019

February 8th, 1945.

Messrs. Hamilton Read and Paterson,
Barristers and Solicitors,
Rogers Building,
470 Granville Street,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sirs:

Re: 231 (formerly 239) Esen Ave.,
New Westminster, B. C.
Lot 2 of Lot 31, Blk. "A" of
Lot 757, Gr. 1, Map 2904.
Hatsue OTA (Mrs. Kiyoshi MURATA),
Shisue OTA (Mrs. Yoshikazu HIGUCHI),
Toshiyasu OTA and Minoru OTA.

This office is proceeding with the orderly liquidation of Japanese owned properties in the Protected Area and it is the desire of the Custodian that the above-mentioned property, presently registered in the name of Lionel Hector Collins, "In Trust", be conveyed to the above four evacuated children of Kenichi OTA, deceased, and Tai OTA, his wife, deceased, beneficiaries in equal shares under the Letters of Administration granted to the sons Toshiyasu and Minoru, who subsequently joined in the conveyance to said Lionel Hector Collins.

The interest of the beneficiaries, including Toshiyasu and Minoru, are vested in the Custodian by virtue of P. C. 1665 and 2483, and the Custodian therefore requires an itemized statement of all rents received in connection with this property, together with a record of disbursements and any other transactions which may have been made. In this connection we might refer you to "Revised Regulations Respecting Trading with the Enemy (1943)" with special reference to Regulation 28, Sections 1, 2 and 5.

As we wish to include this property in an advertisement for tenders at an early date would you kindly arrange to have your client, Mr. L. H. Collins, make this conveyance as soon as possible.

P.T.O.

Messrs. Hamilton Read and Paterson.

Feb. 8th, 1945.

If you should wish to have further information in connection with the position of the Custodian regarding this matter, Mr. E. W. Wright of this office, Counsel to the Custodian, will be glad to discuss same with you.

Yours very truly,

W. J. Johnston,
Administration Department.

WJJ/HMB

10510, 8977,
10530, 10522,
10519.

April 23rd 1945.

Messrs. Hamilton Reid and Paterson,
Barristers and Solicitors,
Bogers Building,
470 Granville Street,
Vancouver, B. C.

Attention Mr. Reid

Dear Sirs

Lot 231 (formerly 229) Dean Ave.,
New Westminster, B. C.
Lot 2 of Lot 31, Bldg. "A" of
Lot 777, Sp. 1, Map 2904.
Mitsuo OTA (Mrs. Kiyomi OYATA),
Suzuko OTA (Mrs. Tomiko OYATA),
Toshiyuki OTA and Kinako OTA.

We wish to confirm our conversation of even date,
in which you advised us that you would let us have an item-
ized statement of receipts and disbursements in connection
with the above-mentioned property and also that you would
proceed at once to convey this property to the four above-
mentioned children of Kenichi OTA, deceased, and Tai OTA,
his wife, deceased.

Your co-operation in the early settlement of this
matter will be very much appreciated by our office.

Yours very truly,

H. J. Johnston,
Administration Department.

HJJ/HSS

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10509

October 17th, 1945.

Mrs. Satsuki TAKEUCHI,
Registration No. 08454,
Bay Farm,
SLOCAN, B.C.

Dear Madam:

In reviewing your file, we note that you declared
a four piece bedroom suite being stored with Mr. Minoru OTA at
229 Esplanade, New Westminster.

Will you kindly advise whether this suite was sub-
sequently shipped to you or whether it was taken away with you
at the time of your evacuation.

Yours truly,

H. J. Iverson
Protection Department

HJI:LBA

Encl.

File # 11509.

1977, 1986,
1990, 1991,
& 1992.

November 28th 1945.

PROTESTANT

Mr. L. R. Collins,
Metropolitan Building,
537 West Hastings Street,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: 21A (formerly 219) Dean Ave.,
New Westminster, B. C.
Lot 2 of Lot 34, Blk. "A" of
Lot 777, Op. 1, Map 2904.
Estate of (Mrs. Kiyochi NISHIDA),
Estate of (Mrs. Yoshikazu NISHIDA),
Yoshikazu NISHIDA and Kiyochi NISHIDA.

On February 8th 1945, we wrote to Messrs. Hamilton Ross and
Paterson, Barristers and Solicitors, as follows:

"This office is proceeding with the orderly liquidation of
Japanese owned properties in the Protected Area and it is the desire of
the Custodian that the above-mentioned property, presently registered in
the name of Lionel Hector Collins, 'In Trust', be conveyed to the above
four evicted children of Kiyochi NISHIDA, deceased, and Tai NISHIDA, his wife,
deceased, beneficiaries in equal shares under the Letters of Administration
granted to the sons Yoshikazu and Kiyochi, who subsequently joined in the
conveyance to said Lionel Hector Collins.

"The interest of the beneficiaries, including Yoshikazu and
Kiyochi, are vested in the Custodian by virtue of P. C. 1865 and 2453, and
the Custodian therefore requires an itemized statement of all rents re-
ceived in connection with this property, together with a record of dis-
bursements and any other transactions which may have been made. In this
connection we might refer you to 'Revised Regulations Respecting Trading
with the Enemy (1945)' with special reference to Regulation 25, Sections
1, 2 and 5.

"As we wish to include this property in an advertisement for
tenders at an early date could you kindly arrange to have your client,
Mr. L. R. Collins, make this conveyance as soon as possible."

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10509, 10510,
& 14819

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Mr. L. H. Collins.

November 25th 1945.

From time to time since the date of the above letter we have been in communication with Mr. Head and he has stated on several occasions that you would be calling at his office and he would present a card to you for your signature. In view of the fact that we stated to give you every opportunity to co-operate with this office we have not pressed the matter, but as action cannot be further delayed, we are writing to inform you that unless a signed document is made available to us by Friday, December 3rd, 1945, we will presume that you refuse to sign a card and will consequently take whatever steps we deem necessary under the Revised Regulations, which govern such cases.

Yours truly,

W. J. JOHNSON
ADMINISTRATIVE DEPARTMENT

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10510, 10519,
9808, 10019

January 25th, 1946.

MEMORANDUM

To: Mr. Moore,

From: Ian Macpherson.

Re: Lot 2 of Lot 31, Blk. "A" of
Lot 757, Qc. 1, Rm 2304.

Title to this property stands in the name of
LIONEL HECTOR COLLINS, in Trust, for the interest of four
Japanese beneficiaries in the Estates of Kenichi OTA, Reg-
istration number 08163 who died 2nd April 1942 intestate,
and his wife Tai OTA who died 10th May 1940, intestate.

The four beneficiaries, Toshiyasu, son, Minoru, son,
Matsuo, daughter and Shinuo, daughter, applied for Letters of
Administration, the daughters renouncing their right to
Administer. Letters were granted appointing the two sons
Toshiyasu and Minoru as Administrators who conveyed by Deed
to Lionel Hector Collins, in Trust, (1) the Estate of Tai
OTA to Kenichi OTA.

We now have from Mr. COLLINS a Deed conveying this
property from himself in Trust to the four beneficiaries. The
interest of Toshiyasu OTA has already been vested in order
to prevent any transaction in connection with the property and
a Vesting of the interests of the other three heirs is attached
for your signature, and this Vesting will be filed along with
the Deed from Mr. COLLINS.

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File Nos. 8997, 9008, 10909,
and 10910.

April 16th, 1946.

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mr. E. J. Johnston.

FROM: Mr. D. A. Cramer

MITSUE OTA (Mrs. Kiyoshi Murata),
SHIHO OTA (Mrs. Yoshikazu Higuchi),
TOSHIYASU OTA and KINOKU OTA.
City of New Westminster
Lot 2 of Lot 24, Blk. "A" of Lot 77,
Sp. 1, Map 2204.

With reference to the registration of the above described
property in the New Westminster Land Registry Office, we attach
herewith the following documents:

1. Copy of application number 198933-E, dated February 15th,
1945, registering Deed from Lionel Hector Collins "In
Trust" to MITSUE OTA (Mrs. Kiyoshi Murata), SHIHO OTA
(Mrs. Yoshikazu Higuchi), TOSHIYASU OTA and KINOKU OTA.
2. Duplicate of Deed dated December 11th, 1945, covering
the above application.
3. Certificate of Indefeasible Title No. 198933-E, dated
April 16th, 1946, covering the above property in the
names of MITSUE MURATA, SHIHO HIGUCHI, TOSHIYASU OTA and
KINOKU OTA.

D. A. Cramer

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June 19th 1946.

Messrs. Hamilton Ross and Paterson,
Solicitors and Barristers,
Rogers Building,
478 Granville Street,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sirs:

Re: 231 (formerly 229) Dean Avenue
New Westminster, B. C.
Lot 2 of Lot 31, Blk. "A" of Lot
777, Group 1, Map 2904.
Messrs. Ota (Mrs. Kiyoshi MURATA),
Messrs. Ota (Mrs. Yoshikazu HIGUCHI),
Yoshikazu Ota and Kiyoshi Ota.

On several occasions, both by letter and verbally,
we have requested that a statement showing all receipts and
disbursements in connection with the above-mentioned property,
together with your cheque covering funds in your hands, be
forwarded to this Office, but to date same has not been received
by us.

We telephoned you on April 15th 1946, and you promised
to send us a statement and cheque after the Easter holidays. We
would ask you to kindly give this matter your immediate attention.

Yours truly,

H. J. JOHNSON
ADMINISTRATIVE DEPARTMENT

HJJ/MS

May 17th 1946.

Department of Labour,
Japanese Division,
300 Essex Street,
Washington, D. C.

Attention: Mr. E. L. Brown

Dear Sirs:

Re: Toshiyuki Ota (Mr)
Registration No. 06273

We are in receipt of your letter of the 14th instant, and in reply wish to advise you that the property relating to the above-mentioned has not yet been liquidated. We have, however, obtained a Decree in favour of the four living beneficiaries of the Estate of his Father and Mother and we are, therefore, now in a position to sell the property which is located at 238 Dean Avenue, New Westminster, B. C.

The tenant of the premises, who is personally acquainted with the above, is endeavouring to arrange to purchase it direct and provided his offer is equal to, or exceeds an independent valuation which will be obtained by us, we will approve of the sale.

We should be in a position to advise you further regarding this matter in the course of the next thirty days.

Yours truly,

V. J. JORDON
ADMINISTRATIVE DEPARTMENT

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212 Metropolitan Bldg.,
Vancouver, B. C.,
Dec. 27, 1946.

Messrs. Hamilton Reed & Paterson,
470 Granville Street,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Mr. Reed:

RE: Ota Estate

Mr. Johnston of the Custodian Dept. called me up this A.M. and suggested that you, being so familiar with all details etc., draw up the document necessary and conclude the deal between Lee Quon and the Ota family.

So I beg to enclose the following five papers, i.e. offer of Lee Quon, of New Westminster, together with four letters of acceptance, one from each member of the family.

You will notice it is an all cash deal and Lee Quon is quite anxious to have it concluded.

Will you attend to this for all parties, at your convenience?

Yours truly,

"Lionel H. Collins"

L. H. Collins

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3458 Jeanne Mance,
Montreal, P. Q.,
Dec. 15/46.

Mr. Lee Quon,
229 Even Ave.
New Westminster, B. C.

Dear Mr. Lee,

Re: Ota Estate,
229 Even Ave.,
New Westminster, B. C.

Your offer of November 25, 1946 for the above property is
acceptable to me.

Yours truly,

"Minoru Ota"

File No. 10010, 10011,
10012, 10013, 10014, 10015, 10016, 10017.

January 12, 1937.

MEMORANDUM

To: Mr. F. C. Moore
From: Mr. V. J. Johnston

Re: Special sale of real property at
201 Ross Avenue (formerly 209 Ross
Avenue), being lot 2 of lot 11,
Block "B" of lot 777, Group 1, Map
2011, City of New Brunswick.

With reference to our discussion with Mrs. MacArthur on Thursday, the 12th instant, at which time it was agreed that, in view of the fact the tenant, Mr. Lee Goss, had made an offer to purchase this property direct from the registered owner through Mr. Lionel Hector Collins, the sale should be completed by Mr. Hamilton Reed, Solicitor for Mr. Collins and also for the Estates of the deceased parents of said owner, I wish to advise you of the progress made at this date in bringing this matter to a successful conclusion.

The above real property consists of a city lot, 66' by 157', on which is situated a large frame dwelling with a shed at the rear of same. This property has never been advertised or catalogued by us for the reason that until recently it was held in trust by said Hector Lionel Collins for the four children of Kenneth OJA and Tai OJA, his wife, who both died prior to his death. These children are presently all over the age of 21 years and their names, registration numbers and addresses are as follows:

HEATH, Esther (Mrs. Kiyoshi)	Reg. No. 11614	189 Denville Street, Croydon, P. C.
KIYOSHI, Shino (Mrs. Toshiyama)	Reg. No. 08094	Fingal Hotel, Fingal, ONTARIO.
OJA, Minoru	Reg. No. 08372	1438 Jeanne Mance, Montreal, P. C.
OJA, Toshiyama	Reg. No. 08373	New Denver, B. C.

Certificates of Residency on file dated May 17, 1935, showed the registered owner at that time as being Hector Lionel Collins in Trust, subject to Certificate of Vesting in Custodian filed No. 25385, covering the interest of Toshiyama OJA, only. All four of the above children applied for letters of Administration but the two daughters renounced their right to administer. Letters were granted appointing the two sons, Toshiyama and Minoru, as Administrators who conveyed by Deed to Lionel Hector Collins, in Trust. After considerable delay we were successful in having Mr. Lee Goss deed the property to the above four deceased children, beneficiaries in

Hamilton Road, New Westminster

January 24, 1947

equal shares, being respectively the said interest-free.

This land was landed to us by Mr. Hamilton Road and we registered same at the Land Registry Office, New Westminster. An additional Certificate of Voting was filed covering the interests of all four children under No. 2551.

In consequence of the above, a new Certificate of Encumbrance dated December 27, 1946, showed this property registered in the name of William HENRY, Shione HENRY, Yoshigasa OJA and Shione OJA and subject to Certificate of Voting in the Dominion filed Nos. 2550 (old voting) and 2551.

No other registered charges appear on the Certificate of Encumbrance and relation filed do not reveal any unregistered interests.

Mr. L. R. Collins, who has well known to the OJA Family, advised us some considerable time ago that Mr. Lee Chen, tenant of the above property since termination and who is purported to have shown the OJA Family for approximately 20 years, would like to purchase said property and we stated we had no objection to his forwarding Mr. Chen's offer to the four OJA children for their approval.

Mr. Collins accordingly forwarded Mr. Chen's offer to Mr. Yoshigasa OJA, who likewise communicated with the other three interested children regarding the matter, and we now have on file the originals of the following letters which were landed to the writer by Mr. Hamilton Road, Solicitor for Mr. L. R. Collins:

1. Mr. Lee Chen's offer to purchase dated November 25, 1946.
2. Mr. Yoshigasa OJA's acceptance of said offer dated December 1, 1946.
3. Mrs. Helen HENRY's acceptance dated December 15, 1946.
4. Mr. Shione OJA's acceptance dated December 15, 1946.
5. Mrs. Shione HENRY's acceptance dated December 19, 1946.
6. Mr. L. R. Collins' letter dated December 27, 1946, to Mr. Hamilton Road requesting him to conclude the above transaction.

We also have on file a copy of a letter dated December 1946, sent to this Office from the original letter produced by Mr. Collins, to whom it was addressed, in which Mr. Yoshigasa OJA acknowledged having received an offer to purchase from Mr. Chen and expressed his willingness to conclude a sale if same were possible.

Mr. Lee Chen called at our Office on January 24, 1947, and landed us his cheque for the sum of \$1,700.00 in payment of the full purchase price of the property at 232 East Avenue, New Westminster, which is the sum on the offer contained in his letter dated November 25, 1946. A copy of our receipt appears on File No. 12510 and the above funds are being held in Real Property Disburse Account.

P.T.D.

File No. 1000
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January 12, 1947

That, on January 11, 1947, we were advised by Mr. Hamilton Reed that a deed in favor of Lee Chan had been drawn and forwarded to Mr. Hamilton Reed for his signature with instructions regarding completion of the document by the other three trustees.

When the above deed is completed and returned to Mr. Hamilton Reed, it will be registered by him at the Land Registry Office, New Westminster, after we have vacated our premises.

Subsequent to the above registration, the funds held in suspense account will be released to the Joint Account of the four above-named beneficiaries and, from the Joint Account, each beneficiary will have one fourth of said funds transferred to his or her personal account. Respective files are then to be reviewed and if no outstanding liabilities are found, amounts standing funds in which they are entitled will be forwarded to them after the approval of the Department of Labor, Japanese Division has been obtained, where necessary.

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Administration Department

P.S. The assessed values of the above-mentioned property as shown in the 1947 Assessment Notice received from the City of New Westminster are as follows:

Land.....	\$875.00
Improvements.....	725.00
Sum.....	\$1,600.00
Purchase Price.....	\$1,700.00

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February 21, 1947.

Mr. Minoru OTA,
Registration No. 08372,
3458 Jeanne Mance,
Montreal, P. Q.

Dear Sir:

We wish to advise you that we have sold your
Stromberg Cadson Chassis 24239, Serial No. 330894, radio
and the net proceeds received from same, amounting to
\$26.63, have been credited to your account in this Office.

We also wish to advise you that we have in
storage a Box Camera, Rainbow Hawk-eye Model C belonging
to you and we are prepared to forward this camera and the
above funds at your request. However, before doing so
we must have the receipts for the camera and radio which
you received from the Royal Canadian Mounted Police when
you surrendered same to them.

Your early attention to this matter will be
appreciated.

Yours truly,

W. J. JOHNSTON
OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN

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10510, 9808,
10509, 8977.

February 26, 1947.

Messrs. Hamilton Read and Paterson,
Barristers and Solicitors,
Rogers Building,
470 Granville Street,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sirs:

Re: 231 (formerly 229) Even Avenue,
New Westminster, B. C.
Lot 2 of Lot 31, Blk. "A" of Lot
757, Group 1, Map 2904.
Matsue OTA (Mrs. Kiyoshi MURATA),
Shisue OTA (Mrs. Yoshikazu HIGUCHI),
Toshivazu OTA and Minoru OTA.

We duly received your letter of the 4th instant
enclosing your cheque for the sum of \$190.09, being the balance
held by you in connection with the Ota trust account and also
statement regarding said account and a memorandum of your fees,
which we note have been paid.

It would appear from your statement that Mr. Lee Quon,
the tenant at 231 Even Avenue, omitted to pay his rent for the
month of October, 1943, and we will be referring this matter to
him at the first opportunity.

On receipt of advice that the Deed has been returned
duly completed we will file Vacating Certificates at the Land
Registry Office in connection with our Vestings, Nos. 25585
and 28511.

Yours truly,

W. J. JOHNSTON
OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN

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File # 10509.

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HAMILTON READ & PATERSON

Barristers and Solicitors

1011-1014 Rogers Building,
470 Granville Street,
VANCOUVER, B. C.

The Custodian of Enemy Alien Property,
Department of Secretary of State,
506 Royal Bank Building,
VANCOUVER, B. C.

March 15/47

Attention: Mr. Johnston

Dear Sirs:

Re: Ota

Re: 231 Ewen Avenue, New Westminster.

We have at length received the Deed from the four members of the Ota family to Lee Quon duly executed by the four Grantors and with the acknowledgments completed. The deed was forwarded by Minoru Ota from Montreal with a covering letter which states that adverse weather conditions and illness prevented one of the sisters attending to the matter, hence the delay.

Lee Quon's daughter telephoned us several days ago and enquired whether we had received the deed and requested us to register the same if it should come to our hands. We were not aware whether you had made any arrangement as to registration. In any event, we enclose the deed as you will no doubt wish to inspect it before crediting the purchase price to the Ota account.

If you have not made any arrangement for registration, we shall be pleased if you will return the deed to us.

Yours truly,

HAMILTON READ & PATERSON

Per: "E.L.P."

ELP/LS
Enc.

Original on File #10510

10510, 9808,
10509, 8997.

March 18, 1947.

REGISTERED

Messrs. Hamilton Read and Paterson,
Barristers and Solicitors,
Rogers Building,
470 Granville Street,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sirs: Re: 231 (formerly 229) Even Avenue,
New Westminster, B. C.
Lot 2 of Lot 31, Blk. "A" of Lot
757, Group 1, Map 2904.
Matsue OTA (Mrs. Kiyoshi MURATA),
Shimue OTA (Mrs. Yoshikazu HIGUCHI),
Toshiyasu OTA and Minora OTA.

We are in receipt of your letter of the 15th instant
enclosing Deed from the four registered owners of the above-
mentioned property, as shown above, to Mr. Lee Quon, and we are
returning same to you for registration as we have made no arrange-
ments to complete this transaction.

The following information is being forwarded to you in
connection with the necessary adjustments to be made between the
Vendors and purchaser:

Taxes: January 1 to December 31, 1946, paid in full.....\$49.92
(Tax Certificate enclosed herewith).

Water: Paid by tenant.

Rent: Monthly rental, \$13.00. Paid to January 31, 1947.

Insurance: "Home Fire and Marine" Policy No. 176675 for \$2,000.00;
3 years from January 27, 1946 to January 27, 1949.
Premium, \$15.60.

Date of Sale: Full purchase price received by Custodian on January
24, 1947.

As soon as we are in receipt of advice that Title has been
delivered to Mr. Quon, we will have the name of the Assured in the
above Fire Insurance Policy changed to his name and forward said
Policy to him. Kindly notify Mr. Quon accordingly.

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10510, 7808,
10509, 8977.

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March 18, 1947.

Messrs. Hamilton Read and Paterson.

We will be vacating our Vestings in the next day or two and will telephone you as soon as Certificates have been filed at the Land Registry Office.

Yours very truly,

W. J. JOHNSTON
OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN

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10510, 10522,
9808 and 8997.

March 21st, 1947.

Messrs. Hamilton Read and Paterson,
Barristers and Solicitors,
Rogers Building,
470 Granville Street,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sirs:

Re: Lot 2 of Lot 31, Blk. "A" of
Lot 757, Qs. 1, Map 2904.

To permit registration of deed covering the above described land to Mr. Lee Quon, we enclose original Vacating Certificate, relinquishing any right of the Custodian of Enemy Property in the above, with three copies thereof.

The original should be filed concurrently with application to register conveyance, two copies to accompany the original. We would ask you to instruct the Registrar to indicate on one copy the date of filing and registration number and return to us. The fourth copy is for your file.

Yours truly,

Ian Macpherson,
Office of the Custodian.

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Encl.- Vacating Cert.

Storey & Campbell Limited

TELEPHONE
PACIFIC 7535518 BEATTY STREET
Vancouver, B.C.

March 24, 1947.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	MAR 25 1947
File No.	10509
By	Johnston

Custodian of Enemy Property,
675 West Hastings Street,
Vancouver, B. C.Attention: Mr. Johnston.

Dear Sir:

Re: M. Ota formerly of Ewan Ave.,
New Westminster, B. C.

Further to our telephone conversation of a recent date; please be advised that we have shipped the shoe machinery which has been stored in our warehouse for the above Japanese. The shipment was consigned to M. Ota, c/o J. B. Baillergeon Ltd., Montreal, Quebec.

Trusting this is the information you require, we are,

Yours truly,

STOREY & CAMPBELL LIMITED.

A. Mitchell

AM:SB

Findings Manager.

Copy made file #10510.

1049A PRUDHOMME AVENUE
Montreal 28 P.Q.
May 5, 1947.

Office of the Custodian of Enemy Property
Royal Bank Building
Vancouver B.C.

Attention Mr. Johnston

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	MAY 12 1947
File No.	10510 10509
Referred	<i>Johnston</i>

RE.

Minoru OTA Reg. #08372
231 Ewen Avenue
New Westminster B.C.

This is in regards to the sale of the property located at 231 Ewen Avenue, New Westminster, B.C. to Mr. Lee Quon of the same address.

I understand that the transaction has been settled and that a few outstanding claims remained to be taken care of.

May I inquire as to how the proceedings have progressed because I wish to have the case completely settled as soon as can be managed.

Trusting that you will look into the matter for me, I remain,

Yours truly,

Minoru. Ota.

Minoru OTA.

What claims?
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June 23/47

10510, 10509,
9808, 8997.

May 27, 1947.

Messrs. Hamilton Read and Paterson,
Barristers and Solicitors,
Rogers Building,
470 Granville Street,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sirs:

Ret 231 (formerly 229) Esplanade,
New Westminster, B. C.

We wish to thank you for your letter of the 21st instant and confirm that copy of Vacating Certificate referred to therein was duly received by us.

In accordance with your request we have had Home Fire and Marine Insurance Policy No. 175675 transferred to the name of Mr. Lee Cuen, and we are enclosing same herewith.

During Mr. Toshiyasu OTA's visit to our office on March 13, 1947, we showed him your statement of receipts and disbursements dated February 4, 1947, in connection with the above property, and he stated the various amounts paid by Mr. Cuen for rent during 1942 were correct, as he did not have occupancy of the entire house at that time.

The writer has not found it possible to communicate with Mr. Cuen personally in connection with the \$13.00 which he omitted to pay for the month of October 1943, and we would appreciate your writing him regarding this matter when forwarding the enclosed Policy.

Yours very truly,

W. J. JOHNSTON
OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN

WJJ/HMS
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File No. 1000, 1000,
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MEMORANDUM

TO: Mr. C. Peters

FROM: Mr. F. J. Johnston

For Direct Sale of Real Property at 231 Dean Avenue,
(formerly 229 Dean Ave.), described as Lot 2 of
Lot B, Bldg. "B" of Lot 757, Spcl. Map 2904, in the
City of New Westminster. (Detailed).

In view of the fact that the above-mentioned property
was registered in the name of Edward Herbert Collins "In Trust", it was
not advertised or offered for sale in any way, by the Custodian.

It was, however, instrumental in having said Trustee
convey this property from himself in Trust to the under-mentioned four
children, who were the heirs-at-law of the Estates of Kenneth OSA and
Pat OSA, his wife, who both died prior to Evacuations.

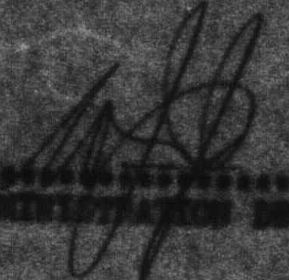
MR. OSA, Kenneth (New-Britain)	Reg. No. 11611,	File No. 8997
MR. OSA, Edwin (New-Britain)	Reg. No. 08281,	File No. 9008
MR. OSA, Henry	Reg. No. 08372,	File No. 10009
MR. OSA, Frederick	Reg. No. 08379,	File No. 10010

Mr. Lee OSA, tenant of this property, made an offer to
purchase same for \$1,700.00 cash through the agency of Mr. Collins, who
forwarded same to the four beneficiaries for their approval. Written
consent in each case was obtained by Mr. Collins and these letters were
forwarded to this office.

The full purchase price of \$1,700.00 was paid into this
office by Mr. Lee OSA on January 24, 1947.

Messrs. Hamilton Reid and Paterson, Solicitors for Mr.
Collins and the above Estates, completed this transaction, including
adjustments. They have advised us that relative Certificate of
Discharge has been delivered to Mr. Lee OSA, 231 Dean Avenue, New
Westminster, B. C.

Further particulars regarding this matter are contained
in memoranda dated January 20, 1947, to Mr. F. C. Moore, who approved
of the above sale as shown in copy of said memoranda on File No. 10010.


ADMINISTRATIVE DEPARTMENT

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CC for Mr. A. B. B. B.

10509 & 10510.

June 2nd, 1947.

Mr. Minoru OTA,
Registration No. 08372,
1049A Prudhomme Avenue,
Montreal 28, Que.

Dear Sirs

Re: Lot 2 of Lot 31, Block "A" of Lot 777,
Group 1, Map 2904, in the City of
New Westminster. (231 Esplan Avenue).

We are in receipt of your letter of the 5th
ultimo and in reply wish to advise you that Messrs. Hamilton Read
& Paterson have notified us that the sale of the above property has
been completed and title delivered to Mr. Lee Quon.

We are, however, awaiting for a more full report
in writing from the above solicitors.

We have also requested information regarding claims
against the Estates of your father and mother, Kenichi and Tai OTA,
deceased. We believe these are the claims which you refer to in your
letter but if such is not the case, kindly advise us by return mail.

Yours truly,

W. J. Johnston,
Office of the Custodian.

WJ/P.

File Nos. 10510, 10509, 9008 & 8977.

June 12, 1947.

MEMORANDUM

TO: Accounting Department

FROM: Mr. W. J. Johnston

Re: Toshiyasu OTA, Minoru OTA, Shizuo HIGUCHI,
and Matsuo HIRATA.
Special sale of real property at 231 Ewen
Avenue (formerly 229 Ewen Avenue), being
Lot 2 of Lot 31, Block "A" of Lot 777,
Block 1, Map 284, City of New Westminster.

We have been advised by Messrs. Hamilton Reid and Peterson,
Barristers and Solicitors, in letter dated June 11, 1947, that the
transfer of lands and premises from the above-mentioned to Mr. Lee CHAN
has now been completed and it will, therefore, be in order to release
funds in the sum of \$1,700.00, presently held in Property Suspense
Account under File No. 10510, to the open credit of the following:

Toshiyasu OTA,	Reg. No. 08279,	File No. 10510	} Joint Account.
Minoru OTA,	Reg. No. 08372,	File No. 10509	
Shizuo HIGUCHI,	Reg. No. 08094,	File No. 9008	
Matsuo HIRATA,	Reg. No. 11614,	File No. 8977	

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Administration Department.

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EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	JUN 17 1947
File No.	10509/10510
Ans.	
Referred	<i>Johnston</i>

Minoru OTA.
 Registration No. 08372
 1049A Prudhomme Avenue
 Montreal 28 P.Q.
 June 12, 1947.

Mr. W. J. Johnston
 Office of the Custodian of Enemy Property
 506 Royal Bank Bldg.
 Vancouver B.C.

Dear Sir:

Re: File No. 10509 & 10510

In reply to your letter of June 2, 1947, I wish to state that the outstanding claims I mentioned are bills from our solicitor and from the party who took care of our property. All claims to my parents' estate were, as you may be aware, settled by our lawyer years previously.

Hamilton Read and Paterson are very thorough and efficient in their transactions and for this reason I am sure you will have received satisfactory replies to your inquiries. If, however, you are delaying for some other reason kindly state them.

I will appreciate it very much if you would speed up the process and conclude this matter as soon as possible.

Yours very truly,

Minoru. Ota.

Minoru OTA.

June 17/47. Miss Paterson advised me by 'phone today that all claims against Estates paid. Also, Mr. Collins stated today on 'phone that his account has been paid in full. 10/11

File # 10509.

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HAMILTON READ & PATERSON
Barristers and Solicitors

1011-1014 Rogers Building,
470 Granville Street,
VANCOUVER, B. C.
Canada

June 23/47.

The Office of the Custodian
Department of the Secretary of State,
Japanese Evacuation Section,
505 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B. C.

Your File No. 10510, 10509,
9808, 8997.

Dear Sir:

RE: OTA - 231 Even Avenue,
New Westminster, B. C.

With further reference to our letter written the 16th inst., and which we had deferred forwarding in order to add a statement as to the debts of the deceased Kenichi Ota and Tai Ota.

We have checked our files in this regard and now have to advise you that the debts disclosed upon the application for grant of Probate and administration, respectively, of the estates of these two persons have been paid.

With further reference to the sum of \$13.00 payable in respect of rent for October, 1943, we have now checked this matter with Lee Quon and he has reminded us that this payment was made and has forwarded to us his cancelled cheque. The amount was deposited to another account to provide for disbursements being made herein and was overlooked.

We greatly regret these circumstances and we now enclose our cheque for \$13.00 in settlement of the amount.

Lee Quon has forwarded to us a cheque for \$4.22 in settlement of the balance due of the adjustments at the date of the sale of the property, and we enclose this cheque also.

Yours truly,

HAMILTON READ & PATERSON

Per. "E. L. P."

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July 11, 1947.

Mr. Toshiyasu OTA,
Registration No. 08279,
New Denver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: 231 (formerly 229) Even Ave.,
Lot 2 of Lot 31, Blk. "A" of
Lot 757, Cp. I, Map 2904,
City of New Westminster.

We wish to advise you that the sale of the above-mentioned property has now been completed and your personal account credited with the sum of \$497.78, being one-fourth of the funds in the Joint Account, which were derived from the rental and sale of said property.

All funds in your account have been transferred to the account of your brother, Minoru OTA, in accordance with the Assignment dated March 4, 1947, which you handed into this Office.

We are enclosing herewith, for your information, copy of letter dated June 23, 1947, received from Messrs. Hamilton Read and Paterson, and you will note the matter of one month's rent, viz. \$13.00, has been straightened out.

We believe all matters relating to your affairs have now been attended to and, if such is the case, we would be pleased to receive a letter from you to this effect.

Yours truly,

W. J. JOHNSTON
OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN.

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P.S. We are also enclosing herewith a statement of your Joint Account.

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July 19, 1947.

REGISTERED

Mr. Minoru OTA,
Registration No. 06372,
1049A Prudhomme Avenue,
Montreal 28, P. Q.

*Now at
P.O. Box 6,
Station N,
Montreal, P.Q.
Letter July 23/47*

Dear Sirs

Re: 231 (formerly 229) Even Ave.,
Lot 2 of Lot 31, Blk. "A" of
Lot 757, Op. 1, Map 2904,
City of New Westminster.

With further reference to our letter of the 2nd ultimo, we wish to advise you that the full amount of the purchase price received from the sale of the property at the above-mentioned address has now been credited to your Joint Account, as shown in the attached statement.

Adjustments in connection with the sale were completed by Messrs. Hamilton Read and Paterson and they have forwarded us the sum of \$4.22, which they received from Mr. Lee Cuen in connection with this matter. They also forwarded us their cheque for the sum of \$13.00 covering rent for the month of October, 1943, which inadvertently had not been credited to your account at that time.

We have paid Messrs. Hamilton Read and Paterson their final account amounting to \$10.50, and Mr. Lionel Hector Collins has advised us that he has no further account to submit.

The Joint Account in our Office has been divided among the four registered owners of the property and you received one-quarter of these funds, viz. \$497.77.

Mr. Toshiyasu OTA's share of \$497.78 has been transferred to your account, in accordance with the Assignment dated March 4, 1947, which he handed into this Office on a recent visit to Vancouver. The total funds in your personal account, therefore, are included in the enclosed cheque for the sum of \$995.55.

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Mr. Minoru OTA

July 19, 1947.

We forwarded you our cheque for the sum of \$26.63, being credit derived from sale of your Stromberg Carlson Radio, with our letter dated May 6, 1947. On July 12, 1947, we forwarded you, prepaid, under separate cover, your Rainbow Hawk-eye Box Camera, and today we are forwarding you your Miniature Camera, Univex Model A, which we trust you will receive in good order.

We believe all matters relating to your affairs have now been attended to and, if such is the case, we would be pleased to receive a letter from you to this effect.

Yours truly,

W. J. JOHNSTON
OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN

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Enc. (3)

P.S. We are also enclosing herewith copy of letter dated June 23, 1947, received from Messrs. Hamilton Read and Paterson.

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Date	Particulars	Debit	Credit	Balance
1917 February 6	Rental of 211 West Avenue from June, 1917, to December, 1917. (Including rental for October, 1917).	8	9912.00	
February 6	Cash from R. & T. 394 for L.R. Collins		75.00	
February 6	Fire Insurance Premium	11.50		
February 6	1917, 1918, 1919 and 1920 Taxes	185.51		
February 6	Paid to L. R. Collins, Agent in Trust.	170.00		
February 6	Shallan Reed and Patterson's Legal Fees.	75.00		
April 25	Long distance telephone calls to New Westminster	.35		
June 15	Shallan Reed and Patterson's Legal Fees.	10.50		
June 16	Sale of 211 West Avenue, New Westminster		1,902.00	
June 16	J. Lee Clark's rent for October, 1917.		11.00	
June 17	Closing adjustment re 211 West Avenue		4.27	
July 7	Transferring Elaine Hurd's portion of joint account No. 3922.	197.77		
July 7	Transferring Elaine Hurd's portion of joint account to her account No. 3922	197.77		
July 7	Transferring Elaine Hurd's portion of joint account to his account No. 3929	197.77		
July 7	Transferring Vaughan's portion of joint account to his account No. 3929	197.70		
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Date	Description	Debit	Credit	Balance	File No. 8977	Page No. 11416
1945 April 27	Certificate of Ownership, New York State	1.00				
1945 January 15	R. Lee Case's rent for January, 1945.		13.00			
February 15	Registration Fee-Less/24/10/1945/1/200.	6.99				
February 15	R. Lee Case's rent for February, 1945.		13.00			
February 15	Payment of premium on Fire Insurance policy No. 100-170075.	15.00				
March 20	R. Lee Case's rent for March, 1945.		13.00			
April 17	R. Lee Case's rent for April, 1945.		13.00			
May 15	R. Lee Case's rent for May, 1945.		13.00			
June 20	R. Lee Case's rent for June, 1945.		13.00			
July 15	R. Lee Case's rent for July, 1945.		13.00			
August 15	R. Lee Case's rent for August, 1945.		13.00			
September 17	R. Lee Case's rent for September, 1945.		13.00			
October 1	Payment of 1945 Taxes on property at 251 East 100th St, New York City, N. Y.	40.00				
October 15	R. Lee Case's rent for October, 1945.		13.00			
November 15	R. Lee Case's rent for November, 1945.		13.00			
December 15	R. Lee Case's rent for December, 1945.		13.00			
December 15	Certificate of Ownership covering lot 24/10/1945/1/200.	1.00				
1946 January 17	R. Lee Case's rent for January, 1946.		13.00			

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MEMORANDUM

July 8, 1947.

TO: Mr. W. J. Johnston

FROM: Miss F. Matheson

RE: File No. 10509 Minora OTA, Reg. No. 08372 & Camera - RCMP No. 429

The Box Camera, Rainbow Hawkeye Model C, referred to in this file was reported on the inventory taken by Mr. Wills at 604 East Cordova St. last January. The Miniature Camera, Univex Model A was reported missing.

As we are anxious to get rid of the cameras on hand, would you please write to Mr. OTA asking him to request shipment of his Rainbow Hawkeye Model Camera?

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F. Matheson

July 11/47.

*Received Hawkeye
Model C Camera
for shipment.*

W. Johnston

** Miniature camera found
July 17/47 & found to Japanese
on July 17/47.
J.S.*

File # 10509.

Minoru Ota
Registration No. 08372
P.O. Box 6
Station H
Montreal P.Q.

September 29, 1947.

Mr. W. J. Johnston
Office of the Custodian of Enemy Property
508 Royal Bank Building
Vancouver B.C.

Dear Sir:

Re: 251 Ewen Avenue
New Westminster B.C.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	OCT 6 1947
File No.	10509-8997
Ans.	
Referred	<i>Johnston</i>

I received my share plus Teshiyasu's share from the sale of the property and Mrs. Higuchi of Toronto states she has received hers.

Mrs. Matsue Murata, however, does not seem to have received her share, therefore, may I ask you to send the cheque to her address at

185 Donville Street
Groyden P.Q.

Or kindly state the reason for delay.

Yours truly,

Minoru Ota
Minoru Ota.

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Bank of Montreal
at Montreal
University & St. Catherine Branch
on Aug 8/47

Copy made
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October 7, 1947.

Mr. Minoru OTA,
Registration No. 08372,
P. O. Box 6,
Station W.
Montreal, P. Q.

Dear Sir:

Re: 231 Even Avenue,
New Westminster, B. C.

We are in receipt of your letter of the 29th instant and in reply wish to advise you that we forwarded our cheque by registered mail, for the sum of \$497.77, to Mrs. Matsue MURATA with our letter dated July 16, 1947, addressed to 185 Dowville Street, St. Lambert Annex, Montreal, P. Q. Said cheque was cashed at the Bank of Montreal, University and St. Catherine's Branch, Montreal, Quebec, on August 8, 1947.

The aforementioned cheque, duly endorsed by Mrs. MURATA, is now in our Office.

Yours truly,

W. J. JOHNSTON
OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN

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