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**OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN
JAPANESE SECTION**

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

PERSONAL INFORMATION

NAME: NISHIYAMA ASATO
HOME ADDRESS: CAMP 2 HOPKINS-PRINCETON ROAD PRINCETON B.C.
REGISTRATION NUMBER 07464 SEX: MALE AGE: 32
OCCUPATION: _____

(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: _____

MARRIED? No

NAME OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: _____

ADDRESS OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: _____

NAMES OF ANY LIVING CHILDREN: _____

ADDRESS OF CHILDREN: _____

AGE OF CHILDREN: _____

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:

2. LANDLORD'S NAME AND ADDRESS:

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

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:

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

3. GIVE THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF ANY PERSON HAVING ANY INTEREST IN, OR

CLAIM ON ANY SUCH PROPERTY

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) _____

2nd war loan bond One thousand Dollar War saving certificate.

8. BANK ACCOUNTS: _____

*Vancouver Royal Bank of Canada
Victoria Montreal Bank of Canada Port Alberni Montreal Bank of Canada*

9. LIFE INSURANCE: _____

San Life Insurance

10. INTEREST IN ANY ESTATES OR TRUSTS: _____

11. SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX: *Port Alberni Montreal Bank of Canada***LIABILITIES:**

1. PERSONAL DEBTS: _____

2. TRADE DEBTS: _____

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 *12th* day of *January* 194*2*

(Signature)

*H. Nishijima**M. Omar*
Witness

FOR DEPARTMENTAL USE _____

R. 23/1/43
INFORMATION FROM R.C.M.P.

Date Aug. 30/43.

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Full Name NISHIYAMA Asato
(Surname in Block Letters)

Registration No. 07464

Male - Female
(check)

Age Aug 19, 1910

Former Address Port Alberni, B.C.

Date Evacuated 10/3/42 Naturalized - Canadian-Born - National
(check)

Present Address

Princeton, B.C.

Married - Single
(check)

Name of Wife

Name of Husband

Name of Mother Sayo (Japan)

Name of Father Genroku (Japan)

Names of Children under 16

Requested by CCF

Registered with Custodian yes
(Yes or No)

Additional Information

Millard

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CLAIMS DEPARTMENT

April 6th, 1944.

Asato NISHIYAMA - Reg. No. 07464

CREDITORS:

NO CLAIMS ON FILE

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7th January, 1943.

Mr. Asato NISHIYAMA,
Camp 2,
Hope-Princeton Road,
Princeton, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Thank you for your letter dated December 31st regarding income tax refund. It is our pleasure to inform you that we have received for you the sum of \$4.60 from the Provincial Government of British Columbia and that this amount is standing to your credit on our books.

As we do not appear to have received your registration we are sending to you attached our Form Letter No. 51, and following receipt by this office of the "JP" registration forms mentioned therein duly completed we shall be pleased at that time to refer again to your request for a remittance.

Yours truly,

R. P. Alexander
Manager

RPA:LF

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January 25, 1943.

Mr. Asato NISHIYAMA,
Registration No. 07464,
Camp #2, Hope-Princeton Road,
Princeton, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Thank you very much for sending to us the JP
registration forms requested in our letter to you dated
January 7th.

Please find attached our cheque No. 1535 payable
to your order and amounting to \$4.60, the receipt of which
we would appreciate your acknowledging by return mail.
This represents refund we were able to obtain for you from
the Provincial Government of 1% wage deductions for the
period January 1st to June 30th, 1941.

When replying to this letter and in order that our
records may be complete, would you please indicate your
address when in the Protected Area and your occupation at
that time, also the name of your employers.

Thanking you in advance for this information,

Yours truly,

R. P. Alexander,
Manager.

RPA:MA
Enc.

File No. 12378
Registration No. 07464.

Re: A. Roy NISHIYAMA

Provincial Government of B. C. refund of 1% Wage Deduction
for the period Jan. 1/41 to June 30/41. - Cheque No. A-23865.....\$4.60.

VACATION SECTION
 FEB. 9 1943
 File No. 12325
 [Signature]
 [Signature]

Stock Camp L.
 Princeton B.C.
 Feb 5th 1943.

Custodian office
 Vancouver B.C.

Dear Sir

Thank you very much for sending to me
 the 1% Wage tax for the Provincial
 Government refund Cheque \$4.60

Same time your asking to me my old
 address and Occupation. also my employers.
 This information I write to under line

Occupation	Mill hand.
employer	B.C. Pulp Company Ltd
address	Port Alene B.C.

Yours Truly
 A. Nishiyama

No. 07464

This letter does not belong to 12378

Work Camp No. 2
Princeton B.C.
Feb 18th 1943.

RECEIVED	TO
FEB 29 1943	
FILE NO. 12378	
RECEIVED	

Custodian office
506 Royal Bank Building
Vancouver B.C.

Dear Sir

Thank you very much for sending to me
B.C. Provincial Government 1% tax refund,
Cheque \$5.34. I have received cheque end
in January. I should give a reply immediately, but
so far excuse me I have not received no answer.
My age - 26.

employers and address - B.C. Pulp Company Ltd
Port Alice B.C.

Occupation - mill hand.

Yours truly

File No. 12378

J. Nagayama.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	DEC 28 1943
File No.	5567
Ans.	62378
Referred	Green

Camp #1
Hope-Princeton Rd.
Princeton, B. C.
Dec. 15th, 1943

Office of the Custodian
506 Royal Bank Bldg.
VANCOUVER? B. C.

Dear Sir:

I am enclosing form G-165-A, Custodian Release form for one tool box, description as listed on the attached form.

This tool box was sent by Mr. K. Kusumoto formerly employed by the B. C. Pulp & Paper Co. of Pt. Alice to the Victoria Custodian. I am mentioning this because my tool box was sent together with Mr. Kusumoto's belongings and I thought you may get mixed up.

I will appreciate it very much if you can release this tool box for me and I will see that cost of transportation will be paid. Thanking you,

Yours truly,

A. R. Nishiyama

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January 3rd, 1944

TRANSPORTATION

The B. C. Security Commission,
The Dick Building,
340 Homer Street,
Vancouver, B. C.

Attention Mr. M. L. Brown

Dear Sirs:-

Re: A. Roy NISHIYAMA---Reg. No. 07464
Kusutaro KUSUMOTO---Reg. No. 10043

Mr. A. Roy Nishiyama has sent direct to us one copy only of the enclosed Release asking for shipment of his tool box. He advises that this was sent by Mr. Kusutaro Kusumoto, formerly of the B. C. Pulp and Paper Co. of Port Alice, to the Victoria Custodian and he believes that it is now in the latter's care, possibly stored with Kusutaro Kusumoto's belongings. It is not clear from our records whether this tool box is actually in storage at Victoria, but Mr. Hinton would doubtless know this.

Mr. Nishiyama says that he will pay the cost of transportation and under these circumstances, you may be prepared to request Mr. Hinton to make shipment by the cheapest method possible.

Yours truly,

H. F. Green
Protection Department

Enc.
HFG:IF
c/c to Mr. Nishiyama

Camp #1
Hope-Princeton Rd.
Princeton, B. C.
January 31st, 1944

Mr. H. F. Green
Protection Dept.
Office of the Custodian
506 Royal Bank Bldg.
Vancouver, B. C.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	FEB 5 1944
File No.	12378 524
Ans.	8/2
Referred	<i>Green</i>

Dear Sir:

Re: File 12378
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I have a copy of your letter to Mr. L. Brown, B. C. Security Commission, advising him to request Mr. Hinton to make shipment by cheapest method possible, one tool box as described on my application form.

As yet I have not received my tool box and would like to know whether this has already been sent. I am anxious to receive this since I have most of my tools that I need here in that box.

Would you be good enough to check up on this matter and take whatever action is necessary for a speedy delivery of my tool box? All charges will be paid by me.

Thanking you for your effort in this matter,
I remain,

Yours truly,

A. R. Nishijima

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February 9th, 1944

TRANSPORTATION

The B. C. Security Commission,
The Dick Building,
360 Homer Street,
Vancouver, B. C.

Attention Mr. M. L. Brown

Dear Sirs:-

Re: A. Roy NISHIYAMA--Reg. No. 07464

Further to ours of January 3rd, we have had another request from Mr. Nishiyama for the prompt shipment of his tool box. We have no doubt you have been holding this up because of the possible expense involved. In this connection, it was pointed out to the writer during his recent trip to Victoria, that our storage there is some miles from the City and by the time this is taken care of and the Bills of Lading prepared, a cost of several dollars is involved. Depending on the amount of deposit received from Mr. Nishiyama, you will doubtless decide as to whether shipment should be made.

Yours truly,

H. F. Green
Protection Department

HFG:IF
c/c to Mr. Nishiyama

DEPARTMENT OF
LABOUR



CANADA

EVACUATION SECTION

Rec'd *1944*

File No. *12378*

Ans. *HA*

Referred *Yucca*

BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION

360 Homer Street,
VANCOUVER, B.C.,
March 8th, 1944.

Mr. H. G. Hinton,
Bank of Toronto Bldg.,
VICTORIA, B.C.

Re: NISHIYAMA, A. Roy #07464
Camp #1, Princeton, B.C.

The above writes he has recently received a box from Victoria, probably shipped as a result of our letter of Feb. 25th, of which shipment we have had no advice. He says this box was his, but contained books and other articles of no value. He would like to have his tool box, which is made of plywood and is about 24 x 12 x 8. He gives permission to open same to verify that it contains tools. Have a small deposit to cover charges, which should be kept to the minimum.

BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION

CWF:FF

c.c. Gen. Files

Custodian of Alien Property ✓

C.W. Fisher

C.W. Fisher

Transportation

DEPARTMENT OF
LABOUR



EVACUATION SECTION

Rec'd MAR 10 1944

File No. 12378

Ans. *YAK*

Referred *Drain*

BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION

360 Homer Street,
VANCOUVER, B.C.,
March 9th, 1944.

*Nothing we
can do about him
except let C.W.F.
Summer 10.3.44*

Custodian of Alien Property,
506 Royal Bank Bldg.,
VANCOUVER, B.C.

Re: NISHIYAMA, A.Roy #07464
Camp #1, Princeton, B.C.

Wish to call your attention to a bill just received from your Custodian Agent at Victoria for \$1.50 as a fee for arranging the shipment of a 40 lb. box to the above. NISHIYAMA protests that while the box shipped belonged to him it was not a tool box and contained only some books and worthless belongings. Our letter of Jan. 7th to Mr. Hinton described the tool box, with the dimensions and colour. NISHIYAMA is now requesting that his tool box be sent. In view of the excessive charge made by your Agent for arranging the shipment of such a small article as this, being at the rate of nearly 4¢ a lb., we consider that there should be no charge made by him for the shipment of the proper box. While all expense is being made to the account of NISHIYAMA, it is unfair to expect anyone to pay such an exorbitant charge as this for simply instructing that shipment be made, in addition to which, of course, he has to pay the cartage and transportation charges. With all due respect for the value which your Agent places upon his time, it remains an indisputable fact that the value of the goods handled is not commensurate with the price he exacts for his services.

BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION

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Treasury

Mr. H.G. Hinton,

Bank of Toronto Bldg.,

Victoria, B.C.

C.W. Fisher

C.W. Fisher

Transportation

GEORGE A. TOUCHE & Co.
CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

DONOVAN M. TOUCHE E. JAMES BERNETT
JOHN PARTON GEORGE L. C. TOUCHE
FRANK P. TURVILLE J. HAYDN YOUNG
HAROLD G. HINTON

EDWARD S. READ

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EDMONTON, VANCOUVER, VICTORIA.
U. S. A., NEW YORK, CHICAGO, CLEVELAND, DETROIT, ST. LOUIS,
MINNEAPOLIS, LOS ANGELES.

BANK OF TORONTO BUILDING,
VICTORIA, B.C.

11th March 1944.

F. G. Shears, Esq.,
Acting Director,
Office of the Custodian,
506 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B. C.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	MAR 13 1944
File No.	14/1 k
Ans.	
Referred	Shears

Dear Mr. Shears:

I have received a copy of a letter to the Custodian of Alien Property from the B. C. Security Commission dated 9th March 1944 and I object very much to the tone of this.

Reference is made in this letter to the "price he exacts for his services" and an entirely wrong comparison is made between the price and the value of the goods handled.

I have, I think, been able to save a considerable sum of money for the Custodian's office in arranging for cheap storage of personal effects of Japanese at the Willows and so far as exacting a fee is concerned my services and those of Colonel Pope have been rendered at a very moderate cost indeed. The amount of my charge which has drawn Mr. Fisher's ire was \$1.50 you will note.

In this connection, I might point out that in the case forming the subject of this matter, a letter was originally received from the B. C. Security Commission, dated the 7th January last, giving the dimensions and colour of the box which was to be forwarded to one, Nishiyama, and would probably be found amongst the belongings of a Japanese by the name of Kusumoto.

Before engaging the services of a company to obtain this box, Colonel Pope made a special trip to the Willows to ascertain if it was actually there. He found a box answering in every detail the description given and only then had the box sent for. Colonel Pope therefore made two trips to the Willows, made arrangements for the dispatch of the box (which was padlocked and whose contents could not be ascertained), notified the representative of

F. G. Shears, Esq. - 2.

11th March 1944.

the B. C. Security Commission at Princeton as well as the B. C. Security Commission itself of the action taken. In view of this I do not think that a charge of \$1.50 can be considered as anything but very moderate.

I would also point out conflicting descriptions given by the B. C. Security Commission make identification very difficult.

In the letter referred to, ie. the 7th January the box was stated to be 25"x10"x16". In a letter received from the Commission and dated the 8th March the dimensions are now given as 24"x12"x8".

I think it might be advisable for Mr. Fisher to obtain the services of someone else to look after this rather messy and troublesome job and I would suggest to him to come over here and see for himself what we have to do when goods are shipped.

Yours faithfully,

H. G. Shears

HGH:MHK

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March 15th, 1944

Mr. H. G. Hinton,
Bank of Toronto Bldg.,
Victoria, B. C.

Dear Sir:-

Re: Roy A. NISHIYAMA

Thank you for your letter of March 11th from which I am sorry to see what has occurred. I am taking this up with the B. C. Security Commission and trust that you will not have any further cause for complaint. I hope in the not-too-distant future that we shall be able to dispose of all effects at your end and this will prevent the recurrence of cases such as the present.

Yours truly,

F. G. Shears
Director

HFG:IF

16th March, 1944.

The British Columbia Security Commission,
 Dick Building,
 360 Homer Street,
 Vancouver, B.C.

Attention: Mr. Fisher

Dear Sirs:

Re: A. Roy NISHIYAMA - Ref. #7764.

My attention has been drawn to your letter of the 9th March, a copy of which was sent to Mr. Hinton of Victoria. Mr. Hinton has written to us and objects very strenuously to the tone of your letter and the use of such phrases as "exorbitant charges" and "the price he exacts for his services". Mr. Hinton writes as follows:

"A letter was originally received from the B.C. Security Commission dated the 7th January last, giving the dimensions and colour of the box which was to be forwarded to one, Nishiyama, and would probably be found amongst the belongings of a Japanese by name of Kusumoto.

Before engaging the services of a company to obtain this box, Colonel Pope made a special trip to the Willows to ascertain if it was actually there. He found a box answering in every detail the description given and only then had the box sent for. Colonel Pope therefore made two trips to the Willows, made arrangements for the dispatch of the box (which was padlocked and whose contents could not be ascertained), notified the representative of the B.C. Security Commission at Princeton as well as the B.C. Security Commission itself of the action taken. In view of this, I do not think that a charge of \$1.50 can be considered as anything but very moderate.

I would also point out conflicting descriptions given by the B.C. Security Commission make identification very difficult.

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I think it might be advisable for Mr. Fisher to obtain the services of someone else to look after this rather messy and troublesome job and I would suggest to him to come over here and see for himself what we have to do when goods are shipped."

POS/PMH

F. O. Shears,
Director.

Yours truly,

He also points out that the value of the goods shipped is quite
irrelevant to the cost of shipping, this latter being dependent on the
weight of the goods and the time involved in arranging for shipment.
In the final analysis these shipments have to be made either
because of insufficient foresight on the part of the Japanese at the time
of evacuation, or insufficient advice being given to them as to where
they were going and what they would need.
This office and its agents have incurred very considerable
expense and trouble in connection with protection and shipment of chattels
and while I realize that there will sometimes be cause for complaint, I
think that Mr. Hinton may be justifiably upset at the tone of your letter
and that it would be desirable not to antagonize our agents but to main-
tain their co-operation.