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INFORMATION FROM R.C.M.P.

DATE April 2, 1945.

File No. 15097

11 Name HATO, Santaro (Mr.)
(Surname in Block Letters)

Registration No. 04500 Male - Female
(Check) Age Aug. 3, 1918

Former Address P. O. Box 416, Steveston, B. C.

Interned
Date ~~Resumed~~ June 19, 1943 Naturalized - Canadian-Born - National
(Check)

Present Address 34 Dagmar Avenue, Toronto, Ont.

78 Boulton Ave., Toronto, Ont. (13/5/47)

☒ Married - Single
(Check)

Name of Wife

Name of Husband

Name of Mother (Nee MORISHITA) Tayo
#04246

Name of Father Tatsujo (Deceased)

Names of Children under 16

Requested by ECT

Registered with Custodian
(Yes or No)

Additional Information Fisherman.

File No. 15097

Sept. 16, 1947.

REAL PROPERTY SUMMARY

CATALOGUE NO.:

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File No: 15097

REGN. NO: 04500

JAPANESE NAME:

(Mr.) Santaro HATO

CIVIC ADDRESS:

(52) Moncton St., Steveston, B. C.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION:

Lot 17 of Blk. 7, Sec. 10, Blk. 3N, Rge. 7W, Map 249,
Mun. of Richmond, Dist of New Westminster, B. C.

CLASSIFICATION:

Vacant Land at time of sale. (See History of Administration
for complete details of building which was demolished
June, 1943).

ASSESSED VALUE:

PRIOR TO DEMOLITION OF BUILDING:

(1942)	Value of Land	\$495.00	
	" " Imps.	2660.00	
	Taxable value	1825.00	
	1942 Rates Bylaw		\$40.15
	1942 Dyking Charge		1.30
	1942 TOTAL TAXES		41.45

SUBSEQUENT TO DEMOLITION OF BUILDING:

(1944)	Value of Land	495.00	
	" " Imps.	NIL	
	Taxable Value	495.00	
	1944 Rates Bylaw		10.89
	1944 Dyking Charge		1.30
	1944 TOTAL TAXES		12.19

APPRAISED VALUE:

Coulthard, Sutherland and Co. Ltd. appraisal dated 27/Apr/44
(subsequent to demolition of building) quotes a price of
\$220.00.

CERTIFICATE OF
TITLE:

No. 134275E dated 29/Nov/39 registered in name of Santaro
HATO. (LRO Search 20/Aug/42).

STATE OF TITLE:

Clear. No judgements, no registered Encumbrances. (LRO
Search 20/Aug/42)

WHEREABOUTS OF TITLE: In possession of George ROBINSON, 923 W. 21st Avenue, Vancouver, B. C. (LRO Search 20/Aug/42)

VESTED: In Custodian. Application filed 11/Sept./42 and Certificate of Vesting No. 24618 registered on Certificate of Encumbrance No. 51417 dated 19/Mar/43.

INSURANCE: Nil at date of sale.

CHATELS: Nil

SOLD

SOLD TO: Mike MASKAL and his wife, Jessie MASKAL (Joint Tenants), of 223 Maple Rd., R. R. # 1, Steveston, B. C.

APPROVED: By Advisory Committee 5/Mar/45.

DATE OF SALE: Sold as at 13/Mar/45. (Stat of Adj. 17/Apr/45)

PURCHASE PRICE & TERMS: \$225.00 Terms: Cash purchase.

DATE OF RECEIPT OF PURCHASE PRICE: 13/Mar/45.

DATE OF RECEIPT OF FINAL ADJUSTMENTS 23/Apr/45.

JAPANESE ADVISED & FUNDS RELEASED TO CREDIT OF: Letter and Statement re Sale 28/May/45.

CERTIFICATE OF TITLE: Application for regn. of Fee - simple No. 185771 dated 12/Apr/45.
(New Owners)
C of T No. 185771 acknowledged by New Owners on undated receipt.

JAP. COMMENTS RE SALE: None recorded on file.

**HISTORY OF
ADMINISTRATION:**

Santaro HATO was interned 19/June/42 and released 3/Aug/43. No Form "JP" is evident, but a pro forma (witnessed) declaration is on file. This pro forma is undated.

In the above mentioned declaration, Hato stated his Real Estate as "Hotel Commercial" on "West Moncton St." in Steveston, B. C.

A report on the property is contained in a letter dated 6/Nov/42 to this office from C. C. Robinson who managed the field office established by the Custodian at Steveston, B. C.

Two letters from T. C. King, realtor, of Steveston, B. C. are on file under dates of 8/Sept/42 and 16/Sept/42, reporting on the building.

NOTE: The reports contained in the letters above-mentioned should be read in order that a true picture of the condition of the building may be obtained.

As Hato was interned, he evidently left his affairs in the hands of his mother, Mrs. Toyio HATO (VG of C letter 20/Aug 42)

A letter to TOYIO Hato dated 21/Sept/42 is on file in which this office requests information re any existing rental arrangements or whether funds would be forthcoming in order that the property could be put in a suitable renting condition.

Further letters on 13/Oct/42 and 18/Dec/42 were required to elicit the information from TOYIO Hato on 24/Dec/42 THAT NO RENTAL ARRANGEMENTS HAD BEEN MADE AND THAT NO MONEY COULD BE EXPECTED. She suggested that the building be boarded up.

A similar letter was dispatched 18/Dec/42 for Santaro Hato's consideration, and a reply dated 29/Dec/42 divulged that he had previously arranged for a Mr. Nick KRYWEOKI to occupy one room in order that he might look after the building. Kryweoki was to have had the tenants vacate the building. He also stated THAT HE HAD NO INTENTION OF REPAIRING THE BUILDING AT PRESENT.

A letter from the Steveston office dated 6/Nov/42 provided further information in regard to the property and the people who were occupying rooms on a "squatter" basis.

This office letter of 5/Jan/43 directed the Steveston office to procure a statement from Kryweoki to the effect that he was the appointed caretaker of the property, and also for the Steveston office to either collect rent from the "squatters" or eject them and board up the premises.

An order from the Local Assistant Fire Marshall of the Mun. of Richmond dated 11/Mar/43 is on file. The Custodian was ordered to destroy the premises within 30 days as the building was considered a menace.

Two letters dated 16/Mar/43 were dispatched by this office to local salvage firms and a letter to the Steveston office directed Mr. Robinson to endeavour to find Steveston firms or persons who would submit estimates on the razing of the structure.

Robinson's letter of 20/Mar/43 stated that a Mr. Blackburn of Steveston had undertaken the job and had deposited a certified cheque in the amount of \$100.00 as evidence of good faith. The contract being that he would raze the building and remove the debris to the satisfaction of the Mun., his remuneration being the salvage.

A tender dated 24/Mar/43 was received from a Mr. F. Russell of Vancouver. He offered to pay \$25.00 for the salvage and to raze the building.

A letter from Robinson dated 29/Mar/43 points out the advantage of having a Steveston man do the job—even though it meant a loss of \$25.00, and this office letter to him of 31/Mar/43 authorizes Blackburn of Steveston to proceed.

An undertaking dated 1/Apr/43 signed by Blackburn is on file.

A letter signed by the Local Assistant Fire Marshall of Steveston dated 4/Jun/43 informs this office in reply to ours of 7/Apr/43 that the building has been disposed of and the grounds left in a condition acceptable to the Municipality.

An order to the Steveston office on 10/June/43 directs that office to return Blackburns security deposit and a receipt in acknowledgment of same appears under date of 4/June/43.

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A bid to purchase the lot for \$100.00 is contained in Robinson's letter of 1/Apr/43, and is rejected in this office letter of 13/May/43.

A letter to Mrs. J. MASKAL dated 5/Mar/45 refers to her letter of 1/Mar/45 in which she enclosed a cheque for \$25.00 to cover a bid to purchase in the amount of \$225.00.

The offer was accepted in our letter of 9/Mar/45, and a letter 13/Mar/45 acknowledges receipt of the balance of purchase price.

Hato was advised of the impending sale 16/Mar/45 and requested to forward C. of T if in his possession.

No answer from him is on file.

A revised statement of arrears of taxes and water rates is quoted in an inter-office memo dated 8/Mar/45, which explains the high charges placed against the purchase price and consequently the small amount eventually credited to Hato.

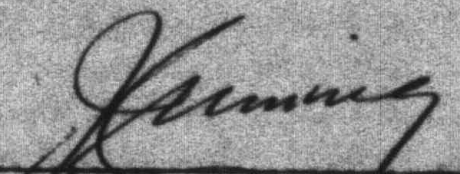
NOTE: The property was appraised by Coulthard, Sutherland & Co. Ltd., on 27/Apr/44 (copy of report on file), and this firm quoted a valuation of \$220.00.

C of T in the name of the new owners was mailed 9/May/45 and receipt acknowledged on an undated form to which the Postal Registration Slip is attached.

A letter and statement were supplied Hato 28/May/45.

No comments from either Hato or his mother appear on this file.

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


J. Gunning. 18/9/47

JG/JJW

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September 17, 1947.

FIRE INSURANCE SUMMARY

Re: Mr. Santaro HATO
Regn. No. 04500

Hato declared a \$1,000.00 policy placed with the "Wilson Insurance Agencies". Our letter to this firm dated 17/Aug/42 elicited a reply dated 19/Aug/42 with which they enclosed a Certified Copy of the policy for our records.

The Camp Comdt. of Hato's Internment Camp, in a letter dated 20/Aug/42 stated that the policy was held by Hato's mother, Mrs. TOYIO Hato.

A letter from Shallcross-Masmyth Adjusting Co., Vancouver, B. C., of 13/Apr/42 requests the authority of this office to pay the sum of \$35.00 to Mrs. T. Hato in payment of a claim for fire damage incurred on or about 3/Apr/42. As this date was prior to the Custodian being interested in the property authority was granted 17/Apr/42.

Endorsement for the existing fire policy No. 20797 of Liverpool-Manitoba Assurance Co. was received from Wilson Insurance Agencies Ltd. in their letter of 2/Dec/42, correcting the name of the beneficiary to the Custodian.

Notice of expiry dated 22/Apr/43 was received at this office, but due to the fact that the building was in the process of being demolished, the policy was allowed to lapse on 16/May/43 and the Insurance Agency notified in our letter of 30/Apr/43.

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


J. G. King. 18/9/47

File No. 15097

September 17, 1947.

PERSONAL PROPERTY SUMMARY

Re: Mr. Santaro HATO
Regn. No. 04500

Chattels:)

Bonds:)

Bank Account:)

Life Insurance:)

NONE DECLARED OR DISCLOSED ON FILE.

Accounts Receivable:

Stated as "nil" on Declaration.

Refund of Security Deposit in the amount of \$11.22 was received from the B. G. Electric Rly. Co.

Hato was notified July, 1945 and the ledger entry crediting his account appears under date of 6/Aug/45.

No further accounts receivable are disclosed on file.

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


J. Cumming.

18/9/47

JC/JJW

Sept. 17, 1947.

SPECIFIED ARTICLES SUMMARY

Re: Mr. Santaro HATO
Regn. No. 04500

Autos:)
Cameras:)
Firearms:)

NONE DECLARED OR DISCLOSED ON FILE.

Vessels:

One vessel as described in the brown-edged summary was sold through the JFVDC on 21/Apr/42 for a price of \$575.00.

The net proceeds of the sale were paid to Hato on 27/Apr/42.

The Custodian was not connected with either the sale or the funds involved.

Radios:

Hato did not declare the existence of a radio when making out his declaration.

R.C.M.P. form 246A dated 13/Dec/43 states that a radio, as per brown-edged Summary, was turned over to the Custodian on 17/Dec/43.

A letter from Hato dated 28/Dec/43 requests the radio be forwarded to him and our letter of 6/Jan/44 to the B. C. Sec. Com. was answered by them 12/Jan/44 to the effect that the radio had been sold at auction in Dec/43.

Evidently the radio was actually turned in to the Protection Department and disposed of by them by auction prior to the Chattel Department acquiring any knowledge of same.

Hato was advised of the sale in our letter of 20/Jan/44, and requested in our letter of 14/May/47 to produce the receipt which the R.C.M.P. gave him for the radio in order that the funds derived might be forwarded to him.

A letter (at date of this Summary) was forwarded 12/Sept/47 advising him that if the receipt as per previous paragraph was not received by 12/Oct/47, the funds accrued from the sale would be transferred to a Suspense Account.

As this Summary will be typed prior to expiration of the time limit imposed. it is requested that the reader find the facts relating to the final disposition of this case in correspondence subsequent to date of Summary.

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

J. Cuming.

JG/JJW

18/9/47

SUMMARY TAKEN FROM VESSELS RECORDS

Date: July 10, 1944

Name: HATO, Santaro

Reg. No. 04500 File: 15097

Boat File No.: JFVDC 471

Name of Vessel: "Gloria Jean"/"S.H.1202", 31'x7'x3' (1940) Fairbanks 6 HP

Lie. or Reg. No.: New Westminster 3292

Naval No.: NW.032-M

Owner's Valuation: \$1,000.00

JFVDC Valuation: None

Custodian Valuation: None

Date of Sale: April 21, 1942

Purchaser: Canadian Fishing Co. Ltd.

Signature on Sales Papers: Vendor: Santaro Hato, Copy unsigned

Selling Price: \$575.00

Paid to JFVDC ~~and Custodian~~: 575.00

Supervision Costs: 8.25

Balance due Owner: 566.75

Paid to: Santaro Hato, April 27, 1942

Location of Boat at Sale: New Westminster

Claims Against Canadian Govt.:

Claim #133- Canadian Fishing Co. Ltd. \$4.00 (Paid) *Frangh
Dept of Fisheries
FM*

Additional Information:

*Frangh
Sept 10/47*

File 15097

MEMORANDUM

May 21st, 1943.

To: File (Internee) 960.

From: Specified Articles Department

Re: HATO, Santaro - Reg. 04573

<u>ARTICLE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>APPRAISED VALUE</u>
RADIO	Westinghouse mantel Radio Model 527, Serial No. 130925.	\$ 15.00

Sold by Auction 20/10/43 Yamanawa Radio 1.

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Name: HATC Dantars Reg. No.: 04500 P/W/A-215.Home Address: Steverson Bk.

STATEMENT OF ALL REAL PROPERTY

1. Location and Description #52 Mcarston St. Steveston Bk.
Lot 17, Block 7, Section 10, Block 28, Range 14.
Temp 242, D of R. W. Vested Yes #24618
2. Buildings and Other Improvements Old Commercial Hotel, 3 Story
Frame Building (12 rooms on each floor) plus 2-room
apartment on each floor in front. (NOW DEMOLISHED)
3. Insurance Liverpool Mar. Fire Insurance #20797-\$1,000.00 Expires
May 16/43.
4. Taxes (amount and where payable) 1942- \$41.45.
5. Encumbrances None.
6. Occupancy and Leases (if vacant so state) Mr. Rich Krywicki occupying
premises and free to look after same.
7. State if any other person has any interest

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. Name and Address of any person having any claim on such Property
3. Insurance Carried on Personal Property
4. Bonds, Debentures, Shares, Stocks or other Securities
5. Bank Accounts and Disposition of same
6. Life Insurance
7. Liabilities other than items 4 and 5 River Fish Co. - \$21.38.
8. Remarks

Nov. 13/43.

04500

215-1470

SANTARO

DEPT. OF THE CUSTODIAN OF STATE
office of the custodian

Victoria Building, 7 O'Connor St.
Ottawa, Ont.

File No.....

Dear Sirs:

In order to assist this office in the administration of your property, kindly submit a complete statement covering the following with full particulars in each case; should you have nothing to report, insert the word "NIL", sign your name and please return this letter at once.

A BANK ACCOUNTS: 1. Name of Bank.....*NIL*.....

2. Branch.....

3. Cash Balance.....

B SECURITIES: 1 Description and quantity.....*NIL*.....

C REAL ESTATE: 1. Description.....*Commercial*
HOTEL MONCTON.....

2. Location.....*WEST MONCTON STREET*.....

3. Municipality.....*STEVENSON B.C.*.....

INSURANCE: 1. Name of Company.....*WILSON INSURANCE*
AGENCIES.....

2. Number of policies.....

3. Amount of each.....*1 - \$1000*.....

E CLAIMS: 1. Nature.....*NIL*.....

2. Amount.....

3. Name and address of debtor.....

F DEBTS: 1. Nature.....*NIL*.....

2. Amount.....

3. Name and address of creditor.....

Witness

Signature

If you have appointed a relative or a friend to look after your interests, kindly furnish his name and address.

NAME.....*Toyko Hata*.....

ADDRESS.....

Yours very truly,

(A.H.Mathieu)
Assistant Deputy Custodian

File

960.

501 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B.C.
August 17th, 1942.

Wilson Insurance Agencies Ltd.,
325 Howe Street,
VANCOUVER, B.C.

Re: P/W A-215 - NATO. Santaro

Dear Sirs:

According to information submitted by the above noted
internee, it appears that he holds a \$1,000.00 Life
Insurance Policy written by your Company.

If this information is correct, will you kindly file
Form "D" at your earliest convenience.

Yours truly,

(Miss F. Carroll)
For the Authorized Deputy of the Secretary
of State and/ or the Custodian.

PC:HW.

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501 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B.C.
August 17th, 1942.

Camp Commandant,
Angler Internment Camp,
ANGLER, Ontario.

Re: P/W A-215 - HATO. Santoro

Dear Sir:

According to his statement of assets and liabilities,
the above noted internee holds a Life Insurance
Policy for \$1,000.00 with the Wilson Insurance Agencies
Limited.

It would be appreciated if you would kindly parade
the internee and ascertain the Christian name, the
surname and the address of the party holding this
Insurance Policy on his behalf. It would also be
of assistance in notifying the Insurance Company if
you could let me have the internee's address at the
time this policy was taken out.

If the above noted policy is being held at the Camp,
it would be appreciated if you would kindly forward
it to this office.

Yours truly,

(Miss F. Carroll)
For the Authorized Deputy of the Secretary
of State and/ or the Custodian.

FC:HW.

Agency of
The Liverpool-Manitoba Assurance Company



WILSON INSURANCE AGENCIES LTD.
325 HOWE STREET
VANCOUVER, B. C.
TELEPHONE MARINE 5456

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August 19th, 1942.

Mr. G. W. McPherson,
Deputy Custodian,
Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:-

re Your File No. 960 - HATO

We have for acknowledgment your favor of the 17th instant and as advised you on the telephone this morning the Policy we hold in the name of Hato is a fire policy, and we enclose herewith Certified Copy of same which you will note we have endorsed to cover in your name on behalf of Mrs. T. Hato.

we remain

Trusting you will find this in order,

Yours very truly,

WILSON INSURANCE AGENCIES LIMITED.

John W. Wilson

X MANAGER.

KM
Enc.

For [unclear]

Quote: 101-P-215

DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENCE
-Army-

Internment Camp,
ANGLER, Ontario,
20th August 1942.

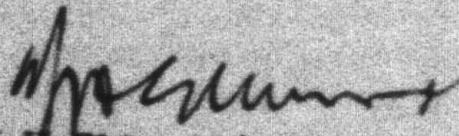
Authorized Deputy Custodian,
501 Royal Bank Bldg.,
VANCOUVER, B.C.

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Re: P/W A-215, HATO, Sentaro.

Reference your letter file 960 dated August 17th,
with regard to the m/n P/W.

2. The contents of your letter have been conveyed to
the above internee, and according to his statement, the
Life Insurance Policy in question, was taken out by him
at Steveston, B.C. and is held by his mother, Mrs Toyo HATO,
now residing at Kaslo, B.C. and with whom he wishes it to
remain for safe-keeping.


(W.J.H. Ellwood) Lieut-Colonel,
Commandant,
Angler Internment Camp,
Veterans Guard of Canada.

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COPY TO: C.I.O., Ottawa.

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Confined with Mrs Hato

Thomas C. King
REAL ESTATE AND INSURANCE
COMMISSIONER
FOR TAKING AFFIDAVITS

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER
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PHONE STEVESTON 138

78 GEORGIA STREET

Steveston, B.C.

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September 8th, 1942.

Mr. F. G. Shears,
Assistant Manager,
506 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B.C.

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Dear Sir:

Re: Santaro MATO.

There is a property situated in Steveston, which I have ascertained belongs to the above, and of which I have no record whatever. The description is as follows:

Lot 17, BLOCK 7, Section 3, block 3 North, Range 7 West, Map 249 in the District of New Westminster.

This is a very old property being known as the old Commercial Hotel, and which I believe has been or is about to be condemned by the authorities. This has lately been drawn to my notice by the fact that several Indians have taken possession without permission and are creating quite a rumpus. I have also been informed that this man Mato put in a foreigner, whose name I do not know, to take care of the place for him during his absence.

Have you got anything on this man, if so I would be pleased to know.

Thanking you,

I am,

Yours very truly,

Thomas C. King

Thomas C. King
REAL ESTATE AND INSURANCE
COMMISSIONER
FOR TAKING AFFIDAVITS

78 GEORGIA STREET

Steveson, B.C.

Sept. 16th, 1942.

Mr. K. W. Wright,
912 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B.C.

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Dear Sir:

Re: P/W A-215, HATO, Sentaro, file 960.

I have not much more to add in reference to this property to what I have already embodied in my letter of the 8th instant, but I would like to reiterate that the condition of the place is deplorable and only needs to be seen to be believed. The Indians, who moved in there without permission are still there, and in addition, there are three or four other people living there, presumably without paying any rent. Unless the place is thoroughly cleaned and fumigated, I would recommend that it be boarded up completely.

Yours very truly,

Thomas C. King

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912 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B. C.
September 21st, 1942.

Mrs. Toyio Hato,
Kaslo, B. C.

Dear Madam:

Re: P/N A-215, HATO, Sentaro.

The above mentioned has apparently left matters pretty much in your hands and we are therefore enclosing herewith copies of two letters we have received in regard to the Steveston property.

Please let us know if you have made any arrangements to rent these premises and you might also advise if you are in a position to furnish funds to have the building put in shape for rental.

Your early reply will be appreciated.

Yours truly,

K. W. WRIGHT
For the Authorized Deputy of the Secretary
of State and/or Custodian.

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Follow-up 13/10/42

912 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B. C.
September 21st, 1942.

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

Dear Mr. King:

Re: P/W A-215, HATO, Sontaro.

Replying to your communication of the 16th instant, we are writing Mrs. Hato to find out if she will give us funds to put the building in such shape so that some revenue may be made.

If she fails to reply, we will have it boarded up.

Yours truly,

K. W. WRIGHT
For the Authorized Deputy of the Secretary
of State and/or Custodian.

KWW/W

912 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B. C.
October 13th, 1942.

Mrs. Toyie Hato,
Kaslo, B. C.

Dear Madam: Re: P/W A-215, HATO, Sentaro.

We wrote you on the 21st ult. as follows:

"The above mentioned has apparently left matters pretty much in your hands and we are therefore enclosing herewith copies of two letters we have received in regard to the Steveston property.

Please let us know if you have made any arrangements to rent these premises and you might also advise if you are in a position to furnish funds to have the building put in shape for rental.

Your early reply will be appreciated."

Please let us hear from you.

Yours truly,

K. W. WRIGHT
For the Authorized Deputy of the Secretary
of State and/or Custodian.

KWW/W

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Legal Dept.

912 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B.C.
November 4th, 1942.

C.C. Robinson, Esq.,
STEVESTON, B.C.

Dear Sir:

Re: P/W A-215 - HATO, Sentaro

According to information in our file, the above noted internee owns property described as follows:

"Lot 17, Block 7, Section 3, Block 3 North, Range 7,
West, Map 249 in the District of New Westminster.

This property is known as the Commercial Hotel and, apparently, is about to be condemned by the authorities. It is now occupied by Indians and three or four other people, who are, presumably, not paying any rent.

Would you please examine this building and let me have your report as soon as possible.

Yours truly,

K.W. WRIGHT.
For the Authorized Deputy of the Secretary
of State and/ or the Custodian.

KWW:HW.

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CANADA
DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE
OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN
JAPANESE EVACUATION SECTION

PHONE PACIFIC 8131

PLEASE REFER TO

FILE NO. 960

Legal Dept.

OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN
JAPANESE SECTION
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806 ROYAL BANK BLDG.,
HASTINGS AND GRANVILLE
VANCOUVER, B.C.

Steveston, B.C.
6th November 1942.

Mr K.W.Wright,
Legal Department,
Office of the Custodian,
912 Royal Bank Bldg.,
Vancouver, B.C.

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Dear Sir:

Re: P/W A-215 Hato, Sentaro

Replying to your enquiry of the 4th inst.,
I visited this property yesterday and have to report as
follows:

It is a large two story frame building, and
consists of twelve rooms on each floor; also a two room
suite on each floor in front. The place is in a very bad
state of repair and is not inhabitable.

The water service is still on but the electric
light has been disconnected.

There are four people living in the premises *who are*
in an advanced state of squalor, namely: Jas. McCormack,
Eas. McGill, William Jamieson and a Slav, name unknown; each
party occupying a separate room.

Mr McGill stated that he paid \$2.50 per month
rental to Hato previous to the evacuation but, has paid
nothing to anyone since and is only remaining because the
tennancy is free. He stated that during the evening of
the recent wind storm he was in fear of the building
collapsing.

It would take \$1000. or more to fix this
place suitable for rental. In my opinion the authorities
should condemn the building and not permit anyone to live
in it.

Yours truly,

C.C. Robinson

CCR-HJS.

C.C. Robinson.

December 18, 1942.

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Mrs. Toyio Hato,

Kaslo, B. C.

Dear Madam: Re: P/W A-215, HATO, Sentaro. *Sentaro*

We wrote you on September 21st and again on October 13th, in connection with your husband's property at Steveston.

Unless we have some instructions from you by return mail, as to what you wish done in regard to this property, we shall be compelled to take whatever steps that are considered necessary.

We wrote Mr. Sentaro Hato in connect on with his life insurance policy and he advises that this is held by your good self, and we would therefore request you to forward it to us as soon as possible. *fine*

Yours truly,

K. W. WRIGHT.
Counsel for the Custodian.

WGB/MFP

December 18, 1942.

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Camp Commandant,
Internment Camp,
Angler, Ont.

Dear Sir: Re: P/W A-215, NATO, Santora

We attach hereto three letters which we have received in connection with the property owned by the above.

Will you kindly parade the above internee and ascertain from him particulars in regard to any arrangements that he may have made before his departure, and also ask him for his intentions covering the present situation concerning his property.

Yours truly,

K. W. WRIGHT.
Counsel for the Custodian.

WGB/MFP
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Rec'd	DEC 28 1942
File No.	
Ans.	
Referred	MR DEU

Kaslo, B.C.
Dec. 24/42

Mr. K. W. Wright
Counsel for the Custodian,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir: Re File No. 960

Mrs. Nato has requested me to answer your letter in regard to the building in Steveston. As she has no plan nor fund to furnish the building she would like to have the place boarded up. If you have any other plan she would be very glad to hear from you.

As to the life insurance policy of her son, Santaro, she believes that he is not insured, and consequently she has no policy with her.

Yours very truly
M. Nato

Rec'd	JAN 4 1943
File No.	
Ans.	
Referred	

Quote: 101.P. 215.

DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENCE
-Army-

Internment Camp,
Angler, Ontario,
29th December 1942

To:- Authorized Deputy Custodian.
912 Royal Bank Bldg.
VANCOUVER. B.C.

Re: P/W 215 HATO. Santaro

dated 18-12-42 Receipt is acknowledged of your letter file 960
regarding m/n.

The m/n internee was paraded and states that he asked Mr Nick Krywecki to look after his property mentioned when he left, also asked him to advise the tenants to vacate the building. He gave his permission to Mr Krywecki to occupy one room in order to look after the premises. He further stated that he had no intention to repair the building at present.

H. B. Campkin Capt.
Lt-Colonel

(R.D.B. Kippen) Major
Commandant,
Angler Internment Camp,
Veterans Guard of Canada.

HW.

Copy to C.I.O.

January 5, 1943.

960

Mr. C. C. Robinson,

Steveston, B. C.

Dear Sir: Ret P/W A-215 HATO, Santaro

Please refer to your letter of November 6th, outlining the situation in regard to property known as the Commercial Hotel at Steveston. We communicated with the internee as to his wishes with regard to this property, and we have had a reply as follows:

'The M/N internee was paraded and stated that he asked Mr. Nick Krywecki to look after his property mentioned when he left, also asked him to advise the tenants to vacate the building. He gave his permission to Mr. Krywecki to occupy one room in order to look after the premises. He further stated that he had no intention to repair the building at present.'

Will you kindly try to contact Mr. Krywecki and get something in writing from him to the effect that he is taking care of this property and that in doing so he is occupying one room on the premises. It must be noted also, that we cannot tolerate a situation where other people are living there free of rent. Mr. Krywecki will have to assume responsibility of seeing that no one lives there but himself, and if there is a prospect of renting other rooms, then the matter must again be referred to us. If these arrangements with Mr. Krywecki cannot be satisfactorily made, we will have no alternative but to board the premises up entirely. A report on this situation will be appreciated as soon as possible.

Yours truly,

K. E. BRIGHT.
Counsel to the Custodian.

WCB/MFP

960.

912 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B.C.
January 27th, 1943.

C.C. Robinson, Esq.,
STEVESTON, B.C.

Re: P/W A-215 - HATO, Santaro

Dear Sir:

We wrote you on January 5th with regard to the Commercial Hotel at Steveston, and asked that you let us have a report on the situation as soon as possible.

To date we do not appear to have received a reply to our letter and would appreciate it if you would give this matter your attention and let us have the necessary information.

Yours truly,

K.W. WRIGHT.
Counsel to the Custodian.

KWW:HW.

CANADA
DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE
OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN

JAPANESE EVACUATION SECTION

PHONE PACIFIC 6181
PLEASE REFER TO
FILE NO. 960

Rec'd	JAN 30 1943
File No.	
Ans.	
Referred	

P.O. Box 635,
Steveston, B.C.,
28th January 1943.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	JAN 29 1943
File No.	960
Ans.	
Referred	912

908 ROYAL BANK BLDG.,
HASTINGS AND GRANVILLE
VANCOUVER, B.C.

Mr. K.W. Wright,
Counsel to the Custodian,
912 Royal Bank Bldg.,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir:

Re: P/W A - 215 HATO, Santaro

Replying to your favour of the 27th inst., the writer gave this information to your Mr. Bell before he left the employ of the Custodian.

I visited this place again this morning and found that there were two occupants in small rooms upstairs: One old man very sick and the other supposed to be the caretaker, at present working in the cannery, could not be interviewed. The situation is as stated in our letter of 6th November last and should not be occupied by any more tenants.

I would recommend however that the present tenant be allowed to occupy the premises rent free.

Yours truly,

C.C. Robinson

C.C. Robinson

HJS.

File No. 960.

February 1st, 1943.

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mr. K.W. Wright

FROM: Miss H. Watkins

Re: P/W A-215 - HATO, Santaro

The property referred to in Mr. Robinson's letter, in which he recommended that the present tenant be allowed to occupy the premises rent free, is the old Commercial Hotel at Steveston, and, according to Mr. King's report, the condition of the place is "deplorable". It has been occupied by Indians and three or four other people, rent free, since the above was interned, and it was suggested that Mr. Nick Krywecki, who was left in charge by Mr. Hato, be allowed to stay on "rent free" to look after the premises and prevent other people from moving in, as the premises were not fit for human habitation.

HW.

980.
Legal Dept.

912 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B.C.
March 16th, 1943.

Water Rates Department,
Township of Richmond,
BRIDGEVIEW, B.C.

Dear Sirs:

Re: P/W A-215 - HATO, Santaro

We are in receipt of a Water Rates bill with regard to the property registered in the name of the above and described as Lot 17, Block 7, Section 10, Block 3 North, Range 7 West, Map 249.

This water rates bill covers the period up to June 30th of this year and, as this building has been condemned by the Municipality, we would ask you to kindly have the water disconnected at once and submit to us a revised water rates bill, covering the period up to this time.

Yours truly,

K.W. WRIGHT.
Counsel to the Custodian.

GHP:HN.

960.
Legal Dept.

912 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B.C.
March 16th, 1943.

H.A. Southwell, Esq.,
110 Water Street,
VANCOUVER, B.C.

Re: P/W A-215 - HATO, Santaro

Dear Sir:

We have been ordered to demolish the property located on Moncton Street, near 3rd Avenue, Steveston, and would be glad to have your estimate on this work. The building was formerly a hotel and consisted of approximately twenty-four (24) rooms.

Our Mr. Robinson of the Custodian Office in Steveston would be glad to show you over the premises at any time you wish, but we would suggest that you telephone him for an appointment, before going to Steveston.

Yours truly,

K.W. WRIGHT,
Counsel to the Custodian.

GHP:HW.

Not interested

960.
Legal Dept.

912 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B.C.
March 16th, 1943.

Frank Russell, Esq.,
522 East Hastings Street,
VANCOUVER, B.C.

Re: P/W A-215 - HATO, Santaro

Dear Sir:

We have been ordered to demolish the property located on Moncton Street, near 3rd Avenue, Steveston, and would be glad to have your estimate on this work. The building was formerly a hotel and consisted of approximately twenty-four (24) rooms.

Our Mr. Robinson of the Custodian Office in Steveston would be glad to show you over the premises at any time you wish, but we would suggest that you telephone him for an appointment, before going to Steveston.

Yours truly,

K.W. WRIGHT,
Counsel to the Custodian.

GHP:HW.

912 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B.C.
March 15th, 1943.

699.
Legal Dept.

G.C. Robinson, Esq.,
STEVESTON, B.C.

Re: P/W A-215 - HATO, Santaro

Dear Sir:

As advised in our telephone conversation today, the property of the above described as - Lot 17, Block 7, Section 10, Block 3 North, Range 7 West, Map 249, located on Moncton Street near Third Avenue, Steveston - has been condemned and we are ordered to have the building demolished not later than April 11th next.

We understand that there are several men living in this building, without permission, as well as one man who is said to be a caretaker, and we would ask you to kindly advise these people that the building has been ordered to be demolished and that they had better make other arrangements at once.

We have today written to the Municipality, asking them to disconnect the water.

We understand you are in touch with one or two people in Steveston who might be interested in removing this building, and we would be glad to have you obtain estimates on this work. We are today endeavoring to obtain estimates from two local salvage firms.

Yours truly,

K.W. WRIGHT,
Counsel to the Custodian.

GHP:HN.

CANADA
DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE
OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN
JAPANESE EVACUATION SECTION

PHONE PACIFIC 6131

PLEASE REFER TO

FILE NO.

960
Legal Dept.

806 ROYAL BANK BLDG.,
HASTINGS AND GRANVILLE
VANCOUVER, B.C.

P.O.Box 635,
Steveston, B.C.,
20th March 1943.

MAR 20 1943

File No. *[Signature]*
MR PEERS

Mr. K.W. Wright,
Counsel to the Custodian,
912 Royal Bank Bldg.,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir:

Re: P/W A-215 HATO, Santaro

Referring to your letter of the 16th inst., Mr. H.J. Blackburn, storekeeper of Steveston, will undertake to rase this building and remove all material from the lot by the 11th April next. All the salvage, no matter its nature, is to become his property.

As an evidence of his ability to complete the job to our satisfaction, he has deposited with us a certified cheque for \$100.00. This is to be returned when the work is finished.

We have already notified the men living in this building to vacate.

If the above meets with your approval, we should be glad of your confirmation.

Yours truly,

C.C. Robinson

HJS.

C.C. Robinson

Rec'd	MAR 24 1943
File No.	96
Ans.	MR Peers
Referred	

552 East Hastings Street,
Vancouver, B.C.
March 24th, 1943.

Office of The Custodian,
675 W. Hastings Street,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir:-

re Commercial Hotel - Steveston.

Am prepared to pay you the sum of \$25.00 for
salvage from these premises; salvage to include fixtures
and plumbing as it now stands.

Would be prepared to start work at once and
advise immediate action as the place is now in fair condition
and showing signs of being stripped of fixtures.

Yours very truly,

F. Russell
F. RUSSELL.

*Hold till CCR reports re
fishing Co's. on Mar 27/43*

CANADA
DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE
OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN

JAPANESE EVACUATION SECTION

PHONE PACIFIC 8131

PLEASE REFER TO

FILE NO. 96a

Stevenson PC

19 March 1943

808 ROYAL BANK BLDG.,
HASTINGS AND GRANVILLE
VANCOUVER, B.C.

Rec'd	MAR 20 1943
File No.	
Ans.	
Referred	MR PEERS

Mr K W Wright
Counsel of the Custodian
912 Royal Bank Bldg.
Vancouver

Dear Sir

Re P.W.A. - 215' Hato Sastaro

Confirming my conversation with you Saturday when considering tenders for the touching of the property of the above, it would be a decided advantage and help to me should the offer of a local contractor here be accepted.

There is so much trouble here with theft and piping unless an outsider remained here and slept on the job during operations I feel that I might have to employ a watchman whereas if a local man were doing the work he would be here and theft etc would be eliminated.

In my opinion the tender of a local man would work considerable both in time and money to the Custodian.

Sincerely

BB Robinson

Starting away today
Hence Longhand
cc

912 Royal Bank Bldg.,
Vancouver, B. C.
31st March, 1943.

960

Mr. F. Russell,
552 East Hastings St.,
VANCOUVER, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: P/W A-215 HATO, Santaro.

We regret to advise you that your offer to raise the premises known as Commercial Hotel, Steveston, has been rejected.

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

Yours truly,

K. W. WRIGHT,
Counsel to the Custodian.

GHP/mf

912 Royal Bank Bldg.,
Vancouver, B. C.
31st March, 1943.

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Mr. C. C. Robinson,
Custodian Agent,
STEVESTON, B. C.

Dear Sir: RE: P/W A-215 HATO. Santaro.

With reference to your letters of March 20th and March 29th this will be your authority to accept the offer of Mr. H.J. Blackburn to raise the building on Lot 17, Block 7, Section 10, Block 3 N., Range 7 W., Map 249, located on Moncton Street near Third Avenue, Steveston.

It is understood that he is to leave the grounds in a condition acceptable to the municipal health and fire authorities. He is to accept the salvage of the building as full payment for his work in this connection.

Please have Mr. Blackburn acknowledge his understanding of the conditions under which he is to do this work in writing.

We will hold Mr. Blackburn's cheque amounting to \$100.00 as a guarantee until we have the fire and health authorities' confirmation in writing that the condition of the property is satisfactory to them.

Yours truly,

K. W. WRIGHT,
Counsel to the Custodian.

GHP/mf

Steveston, B.C.,
1st April 1943.

To the Custodian of Enemy Alien Property:

I hereby undertake to rase the buildings located on Lot 17, Block 7, Section 10, Block 3 North, Range 7 West, Map 249, located on Moncton Street, Steveston, known locally as the Commercial Hotel and the property of HATO, Santaro.

It is understood that I will leave the grounds in a condition acceptable to the municipal health and fire authorities. Also that I will accept the salvage of the building as full payment for my work in this connection.

As an evidence of my undertaking to carry out the above work acceptable to the authorities, I have deposited with the Custodian a marked cheque for \$100.00. It is understood that on completion of the work my cheque will be returned.

J H Truholm
H Blackburn

witness
BB Robinson

CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE
OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN
JAPANESE EVACUATION SECTION

PHONE PACIFIC 6131

PLEASE REFER TO

FILE NO. 960

Rec'd	APR 3 1943
File No.	
Ans.	<i>MR. Peen</i>
HASTINGS AND GRANVILLE VANCOUVER, B.C.	

P.O.Box 635,
Steveston, B.C.,
1st April 1943.

Mr. K.W. Wright,
Counsel to the Custodian,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir:

Re: P/W A - 215 HATO, Santaro

Referring to your letter of the 31st ult., we have to-day advised Mr. Blackburn that his offer has been accepted.

We have secured from him an acknowledgment setting out the conditions of the contract. We enclose a copy of the signed agreement for your files. Mr. J.H. Trenholme is a contractor working with Mr. Blackburn.

In the above connection, Mr. Trenholme offers \$100.00 cash for the lot. Will you please submit this offer to the owner and advise us.

In the case of a sale being made, the contractor would then proceed to rebuild on the property using the salvaged lumber in construction.

Yours truly,

C.C. Robinson

CCR- HJS.

C.C. Robinson

912 Royal Bank Bldg.,
Vancouver, B. C.,
April 7, 1943.

Corp. of the District of Richmond,
City Hall,
Brighouse, B. C.

Attention: Mr. J. A. Dufresne

Dear Sir:

Re: P/W A-215, HATO, Santaro

With reference to your notice dated March 11th, 1943 ordering the demolition of the building located on Moncton Street near Third Avenue known as the Old Wolfe Hotel or Hato Building on land described as Lot 17, Block 7, Section 10, Block 3 N., Range 7 W., Map 249, we beg to advise you that we have let the contract for this work to H. Blackburn of Steveston.

We have asked Mr. Blackburn to notify us when this work is completed and we would be pleased to have your written notification that the property is left in a condition satisfactory to you.

Yours truly,

K. W. WRIGHT
Counsel for the Custodian.

GHP/ms

108-115 Yorkshire Building
VANCOUVER, B. C.
Telephone Pacific 2141-2-3

Not Recd
Cable Address: "SHALLCROSS"

520 Pemberton Building
VICTORIA, B. C.
Telephone Garden 1432

SHALLCROSS-NASMYTH ADJUSTING CO.
General Adjusters

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J. V. CARTER
R. M. GOSSE
J. K. CAMPBELL
E. BOYLE

Please refer to our No. F10408

VANCOUVER, B. C. April 13, 1942.

G. W. McPherson Esq.,
Authorized Deputy of the Secretary
of State and/or Custodian,
1404 Royal Bank Bldg.
Vancouver, B. C.

OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN
JAPANESE SECTION
RECEIVED
APR 14 1942

Dear Sir:

We are completing the adjustment of a loss in the sum of Thirty Five Dollars (\$35.00) for Mrs. T. Hato of Steveston, to pay for the damage sustained by fire on or about April 3rd 1942, to an apartment building owned by Mrs. Hato.

We are satisfied that the fire was of accidental origin.

The building is insured by the North Empire Fire Insurance Co. in the sum of One Thousand Dollars, (\$1000.00).

Would you please inform us whether or not the Company is authorized by your good self to pay Mrs. Hato.

Yours very truly,

SHALLCROSS-NASMYTH ADJUSTING COMPANY.

PGS/VMR

per: *Shallcross*

CANADA
DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE
OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN
JAPANESE EVACUATION SECTION

PHONE PACIFIC 6131
PLEASE REFER TO
FILE NO. 960

806 ROYAL BANK BLDG.,
HASTINGS AND GRANVILLE
VANCOUVER, B.C.

P.O. Box 635,
Steveston, B.C.,
16th April 1945.

Mr. K.W. Wright,
Counsel to the Custodian,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir:

Re: HATO, Santaro - P/W A -215

Please refer to our letter of the 1st
April last.

Mr. Trenholme is enquiring with reference
to his offer for purchase of this lot. If it is not
for sale he is anxious to obtain any other lot on which
to pile the salvaged lumber.

We should be glad of your advice.

Yours truly,

C.C. Robinson

C.C. Robinson

HJS.

Int. 960
Mr. Denton Hato
of Steveston

ckd 23 10 (11)

April 17, 1942.

Shallcross-Wasmyth Adjusting Co.,
General Adjusters,
108-115 Yorkshire Building,
Vancouver, B. C.

Attention: Mr. P. G. Shallcross

File #F10408

Dear Sir:

Thank you for your letter of April 13th with re-
ference to your file No. F10408 regarding Mrs. T. Hato
of Steveston, B. C.

The Custodian's office has no objection to you
paying said sum of \$35.00 to Mrs. Hato.

Yours truly,

R. P. Alexander,
Assistant Manager.

RPA:BM

*checked
possibilities
of this being
SATO
here could not
locate*

(9)

Int. 960

April 30th, 1943.

Messrs. Wilson Insurance Agencies Ltd.,
325 Howe Street,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sirs:

Re: Liverpool-Manitoba Policy No. 20777.

We wish to acknowledge your notice advising re
expiry of the above numbered policy on May 16th next.

This building is being demolished at the present
time, therefore, it will not be necessary to renew the
coverage.

As there is such a short time left until the
expiry of this policy, I do not consider it worth while to
cancel the coverage.

Yours truly,

S. M. Gibson,
Insurance Department.

SUG:MAI

960.
Legal Dept.

912 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B.C.
May 13th, 1943.

C.C. Robinson, Esq.,
STEVESTON, B.C.

Re: P/E A-215 - HATO, Santaro

Dear Sir:

In reply to your inquiry, regarding Mr. Trenholme's offer of \$100.00 for Lot 17, Block 7, Section 10, Block 3 North, Range 7 West, Map 249, nothing has been done in this matter, as the price offered seemed so small in comparison with the assessed value of \$495.00.

Should we offer this property for sale by tender at a later date, we will endeavor to notify Mr. Trenholme, so that he may submit his bid, should he so desire.

Yours truly,

K.W. WRIGHT,
Counsel to the Custodian.

GHP:HW.

CANADA
DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE
OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN
JAPANESE EVACUATION SECTION

PHONE PACIFIC 8131
PLEASE REFER TO
FILE NO.

960

Steveston B.C.

4 June 1943

HATO Sentaro

To the Custodian

In reference to the Commercial Hotel
situated on lot 17 block 7 sec 10 block 3 n
Range 7w Map 249 this has now been
demolished and the debris disposed of
to our satisfaction.

J. C. Dugan
Local Asst. Fire Marshal
Richmond, B.C.

JUN 6 1943
Rec'd
File No.
Ans.
Reference
SOS ROYAL BANK BLDG.,
HASTINGS AND GRANVILLE
VANCOUVER, B.C.

960,
Legal Dept.

912 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B.C.
June 10th, 1943.

C.C. Robinson, Esq.,
STEVESTON, B.C.

Re: P/W A-215 - HATO, Santaro

Dear Sir:

We note that the demolition of the premises on Lot 17, Block 7, Section 10, Block 3 North, Range 7 West, Map 249, has been completed to the satisfaction of the Fire Marshal for Richmond and it is, therefore, in order for you to return the certified cheque, amounting to \$100.00, which Mr. Blackburn deposited with you as a guarantee.

Yours truly,

K.W. WRIGHT,
Counsel to the Custodian.

GHP:HK.

NOTICE OF RELEASE

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	AUG 10 1943
File No.	960
Ans.	
Referred	

Internee's No. **J.215** Name **HATO, Santaro**

Camp **ANGLER, Ontario**

Residence:

At time of internment: **Moneton St., Steveston, B.C.**

To which proceeding on release: **TORONTO, Ontario.**

Date Released from Internment **3rd August, 1943.**

Authority **R.C.M.P. File No. C.11-19-2-13, dated 15th June, 1943.**

Conditions **Released conditionally upon his accepting employment offered him by Mr. Graham Pipher, Ontario representative of the B.C. Security Commission and that he comply with regulations issued affecting him.**

H. N. Streight
(H. N. Streight);
Colonel,
Director, Prisoners of War.

Ottawa, **6th August, 1943.**

Copy:

R.C.M.P.
Custodian
Dependents' Section
Chief Postal Censor
Fyle

POW 20

File No. 960

August 24th, 1943.

MEMORANDUM

Re: Santaro Hato (P/W A-215)

The above noted party was released from the Internment Camp, Angler, Ont., on August 3rd and the file may be transferred to the Evacuation Section without further attention by this Department.

Mrs. McArthur's Department should note the property known as #52 Moncton St., Steveston, B.C. (Lot 17, Block 7, Section 10, Block 3N, Range 7W, Map 249 D. of H.F.) on which was erected a 2 storey 12 room hotel which has been demolished.

Claims: \$21.38 to River Fish Co.

/DG

Claim

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	JAN 5 1944
File No.	15097
Ans.	FIN
Ref.	W. H. H. H.

Dec 28/43
34 Dagmar Ave,
Toronto, Ont.

I, Santaro. Hato, Reg #04500
wish to know if I could get
returned of my "radio." Which is
Westinghouse Mantel.

Model 527 - Ser. #1809250.

If so. I wish to ask you
a favor of sending it to my
former address.

I Thank you.

Yours Truly
Henry S. Hato.

15097

January 6, 1944.

Mr. M. L. Brown,
British Columbia Security Commission,
Dick Building,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Santaro HATO, Reg. 04500
34 Dagmar Avenue,
Toronto, Ontario.

We have received from the above-indicated man
a request for the return of his radio, described as follows:

Westinghouse Mantel
Model 527, Serial #1809250,
RCMP #591.

This request is hereby passed over to your
department for attention.

Yours very truly,

F. Matheson,
Specified Articles Department.



EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	JAN 13 1944
File No.	15097
Ans.	
Referred	<i>Matheson</i>

BRITISH COLUMBIA SECURITY COMMISSION
360 Homer Street,
Vancouver, B.C.
12th January, 1944.

Miss F. Matheson,
Specified Articles Department,
Office of the Custodian,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Madam:

Your File #15097
Re: Santaro HATO, #04500.
34 Dagmar Avenue, Toronto, Ont.

In reply to yours of January 6th re the above-noted Japanese's request for his radio, we have to advise that the Custodian did auction off this radio in December 1943.

We return this case for your consideration and reply to the Japanese in question.

Please note registration number of Hato is 04500 not 04573 as shown in your letter to this Commission.

Yours truly,

F. E. DesBrisay
F. E. DesBrisay

/Mc

*Sold for \$36.00 - 28.27 net will be credited
to Japanese.*

15097

January 20th, 1944

Mr. Santaro HATO,
Reg. No. 04500,
34 Dagmar Avenue,
Toronto, Ontario.

See follow-up d/13 Sept 47

Dear Sir:-

Thank you for your letter of December 28th asking for the shipment to you of your Westinghouse Mantel Radio. We are sorry to say that this has now been sold at auction for a net sum of \$28.87 after deducting expenses and the proceeds credited to your account here.

We are holding this sum for the time being as we notice that there are arrears of taxes on your property at Steveston. If this is later sold and the taxes paid to date, the proceeds will be made available to you. In this connection, however, we see on file a claim from the River Fish Company for \$21.38 and should be glad if you would advise us if this claim is in order and may be paid from your account here.

H. F. Green

Yours truly,

H. F. Green
Protection Department

*Mailed via Plains
Dept for their
attention - R.F.*

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HFG:IP

Rec'd	MAR 1 1945
File No.	15017
Ans.	
Referred	

March 1, 1945.

Cat 853

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

Dear Sirs:

I hereby wish to offer \$225.00 for Catalogue
No. 853, being Lot 17 Block 7, Section 10, Block 3 North, Range
7 West, Map 249. Enclosed you will find my cheque for \$25.00
as deposit.

Yours truly,

J Maskal.

Mrs. Jessie Maskal,
223 Maple Road,
Steveston, B. C.

15097

5th March, 1945.

Mrs. J. Maskal,
223 Maple Road,
Steveston, B.C.

Dear Madam:

Re: Catalogue No. 853
Lot 17, Blk. 7, Sec. 10,
BCH/RTE. Map 249

We are in receipt of your letter of the 1st instant in which you enclosed your cheque for \$25.00 and offered to purchase the above property for the sum of \$225.00.

This matter is receiving our attention and we will be writing you again in due course.

Yours truly,

F. G. Shears,
Director.

PMH

Date..... March 6th, 1945.

REAL PROPERTY MEMORANDUM

File No. 15097

Name..... Santaro HATO..... Registration No..... 04500

Re: Catalogue No. 853

Address: Moncton Street, Steveston, B. C.

Legal Description: Lot 17, Blk. 7, Sec. 10, B3N, R7W, Map 249
Vacant Land.

TITLE AND ENCUMBRANCES.

A. Certificate of Title No. 134275-E Whereabouts: Not known

Registered owner: Santaro HATO Reg. No. 04500

Property: Lot 17 Block 7 of Section 10
Block 3 North Range 7 West
Map 249 Municipality of Richmond
in the District of New Westminster

B. Charges.

Registered: None

Vesting: 24618 - Sept. 11/42

Unregistered: No evidence found.

Taxes: \$13.28 - 1944 taxes
Total arrears of taxes and water - \$201.34. ---not paid

Water: None

Insurance: None

Assessed Value: Land: \$495.00 Improvements: Nil

Valuation by Appraiser: \$220.00

Amount of Bid: \$225.00

Approved by Advisory Committee: March 5th, 1945.

Paid as shown in attached letter: \$225.00 paid in full

Name of transferee as attached letter: Mike . Maskal and Jessie Maskal, his wife,
223 Maple Road, R.R. #1, Steveston

ADMINISTRATION.

Tenancy: Monthly tenure (state consideration & whether including or excluding
furniture or equipment)

Nil

Leasehold: (State period, consideration & unusual clauses and whether
including or excluding furniture or equipment)

Nil

Chattels: Particulars of those stored on the premises.

Nil

Named Agent:


P. Douet.

MEMORANDUM

March 8th, 1945.

TO: Mr. Peters

FROM: Administration Department

Re: Catalogue No. 853
Moncton Street, Steveston, B. C.
File No. 15097

There is no Lease on the above property, same being vacant land. The buildings were demolished in 1943.

Attached is a revised statement for arrears of taxes and water, totalling \$201.34, as against the price of \$225.00 being obtained for this property. I queried with Mr. Palmer the charge for water for 1942 - \$78.75, but he said at the time there were five families living in the building, hence the high charge for water.

P. Douet.

PD/ER

15077

March 9th, 1945.

Mrs. J. Maskal,
223 Maple Road,
Steveston, B.C.

Dear Madam:-

Re:- Catalogue No. 853
Lot 17, Blk. 7, Sec. 10,
RTM/R73, Map 249

Your letter of March 1st enclosing cheque for \$25.00 and offer to purchase the above property for the sum of \$225.00 has been received and considered.

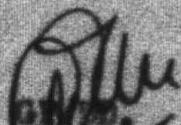
This is to advise you that we are prepared to recommend the acceptance of this offer. Will you please forward to us a certified cheque for the balance of the purchase price namely \$200.00.

Kindly advise the full name, address and occupation of the person in whose name this property is to be registered, and also state whether or not he or she is a British subject, using the enclosed form for your reply.

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

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

Yours truly,


F.G. Shears,
Director.

F.G. Shears,
Director.

15097

March 13th, 1945.

Mrs. J. Maskal,
223 Maple Road,
Steveston, B.C.

Dear Madam:-

Re: Catalogue No. 853,
Lot 17, Blk. 7, Sec. 10,
R.M. 272, Map 249

This will acknowledge receipt of cash in the amount of \$200.00. We have now received a total of \$295.00 being the full amount of the purchase price for the above property.

We note you request this property to be registered in the names of Mike Maskal, Carpenter, of 223 Maple Road, R.R. #1, Steveston, B.C., and his wife Jessie Maskal of the same address, as joint tenants, and that they are both British subjects.

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

Yours truly,



F.G. Shearn,
Director.

853.
TO THE PURCHASER

Kindly fill out the following information and return to this office:

Full name: *Jessie Maskel*
Mike Maskel

Address: *223 Maple Rd R.R.1. Esteveston B.C.*

Occupation: *House wife (husband) carpenter*

Nationality: *Canadian*

Joint Tenants

IMPORTANT

If Title is to be issued in the name of a wife only, please give full name, occupation and address of the husband as well. Also, if the title is to be issued in two names please state whether the ownership is a Joint Tenancy or a Tenancy in Common.

Rec'd	<u>MAR 13 1945</u>
File No.	<u>15077</u>
Ans.	
Noted	<u>Peter</u>

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15097

March 16, 1945.

Mr. Santaro HATO,
Reg. No. 04500,
254 Jones Ave.,
Toronto, Ontario.

Dear Sirs

Re: Catalogue No. 853,
Lot 17, Blk. 7, Sec. 10,
B.T.M. R7W. Map 249.

Please be informed that the above property is in course of sale on the basis of a valuation independently made and following directions issued from Ottawa. The price obtained is \$225.00 which will be subject to the usual charges for the sale of any real property. The net proceeds of this sale will be credited to your account and will be available to you when the sale is completed. A detailed statement of the transaction will be sent to you when the matter is concluded.

If you are holding title to this property in your possession we would request that you forward it to this office by registered mail using the enclosed envelope for this purpose. If however, you have placed the title in the hands of some other person for safe-keeping, kindly advise us in order that we may obtain same.

We will appreciate a reply from you at an early date.

Yours truly,

George Peters,
Administration Department.

GP:AS
encl.

15097

March 16, 1945.

Municipality of Richmond,
Richmond Town Hall,
Brighouse, B.C.

Attention: Mr. R.C. Palmer.

Dear Sir:

Re: Catalogue No. 853,
Lot 17, Blk. 7, Sec. 10,
B3W, R7W, Map 249.
RATO, Santaro.

Enclosed herewith our cheque in the sum of \$201.34 covering payment of arrears of taxes for 1942 and 1943, and 1944 taxes, plus interest, on the above described property. Kindly acknowledge receipt of this cheque and forward a 1944 tax certificate for registration purposes to this office at your early convenience.

Yours truly,

George Peters,
Administration Department.

GP:AS
encl.

15077

April 18, 1945.

Municipality of Richmond,
Richmond Town Hall,
Brighouse, B. C.

Dear Sirs:

Re: Catalogue No. 853
Monston St., Steveston
17/7/10/B3N/RTW/249
HATO. Santaro.

The above property has been sold to Mr. & Mrs. Mike
Haskal, 223 Maple Road, R. M. No. 1, Steveston, B. C. Please send
all assessment notices, tax statements and water bills to the new
owners instead of to this office.

Yours truly,

George Peters,
Administration Department.

GP:EB

15077

April 18, 1945.

Mr. & Mrs. Mike Maskal,
223 Maple Road,
R. R. No. 1,
Steveston, B. C.

Dear Sir and Madam:

Re: Catalogue No. 853
Moncton St., Steveston
17/7/40/B3H/RTB/249

Deed to the above described property has now been registered in your names and we are ready to deliver control to you. When the title has been received by us from the Land Registry Office it will be sent by registered mail to you or to any person designated by you.

Adjustments as of March 13th, 1945, as shown on the enclosed sheet, have been calculated and a balance of \$1.87 has been charged to you.

Please mail us a cheque for the above amount and at the same time return to us the attached control receipt, duly signed.

Yours truly,

George Peters,
Administration Department.

GP:EB
Enc.

Catalogue No. 893,
File No. 15077,
Moncton St., Steveston, B.C.
Lot 17, Block 7 of Sec. 10, Rik. North,
Range 7 west, Map 249, Municipality of
Richmond, B.C.

April 17th, 1945

MIKE BASKAL and JESSIE BASKAL

(purchasers)

In account with: The Custodian of Empty Property

STATEMENT OF ADJUSTMENTS

(as at March 13th, 1945)

	DEBIT	CREDIT
Purchase price	\$225.00	
Cherues received		225.00
Seller's proportion of 1945 taxes, 71/365 x 13.28		2.58
Registration fees on deed-\$225.00	6.45	
Balance owing by purchaser		1.87
	<u>\$229.45</u>	<u>229.45</u>

BALANCE OWING BY PURCHASER - \$1.87

15097

May 26th, 1945.

Mr. Santaro HATO,
Reg. No. 04500,
34 Bagnat Avenue,
Toronto, Ontario.

Dear Sir:

Re: Catalogue No. 853
Hendon St., Steveston, B.C.
17/7/49/REP/RTS/249.

Please be informed that the above property has been sold as of March 13th, 1945 for the sum of \$225.00. An independent appraisal of this property has been obtained and the sale approved by the Advisory Committee.

Arrears of taxes and water amounting to \$201.34, together with 1945 taxes to date of sale have been debited to your account.

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

Yours truly,

P. Doust,
Administration Department

PD/ER
Encl.
cc to B.C. Security Commission.

STATEMENT RE SALE OF:

Name: **HATO, Santoro**Catalogue No: **853**File No: **15097**Street Address: **Moncton St.
Steveston, B.C.**Reg. # **02500**Legal Description: **17/7/10/B31/R74/249**Date of Sale and Adjustments **May, 13/45**Sale Price \$ 225.00~~Real Estate Agents Commission~~ \$Charge for Valuation 5.00Charge for Advertising 4.00Land Registry Office Transmission Fee 2.50~~Encumbrances:~~~~Mortgage~~~~Mortgage~~Arrears of Taxes 201.34~~Other charges~~

Adjustments:

~~Fire Insurance~~Taxes to March 13/45 2.58~~Water~~215.42 \$ 225.00Net Proceeds credited to your account
as of March 13th, 19459.58Date:..... **May 23rd, 1945****Mr. George Peters**

Compiled by:.....

Santaro M.D.

File No. 15097
Reg. No. 04500

Date	Particulars	<u>Debit</u>	<u>Credit</u>	<u>Balance</u>
1944 January 26	Proceeds Auction Sale	\$	\$ 26.87	
November 29	Land Registry Office - Certificate of Discharge	1.00		
1945 March 13	Credit re Sale of Property		9.98	
		<u>\$ 1.00</u>	<u>\$ 36.85</u>	

CN \$ 37.45

Catalogue No. 853
File No. 15097
Monston Street, Steveston
17/7/10/B3N/R7W/249
Certificate of Title No. 185771

Control of property covered by Certificate of Title No. 185771 is by us
hereby acknowledged and we agree that all adjustments and incidents connected
with the sale to us of this property have been settled.

Dated at _____ B. C., this _____ day of _____ 1945.

Signed

Mike Maskal
Jessie Maskal

Return to the Custodian

File No. 15097

Reg. No. 04500

Date

July 1945

Name HATO, Santaro

6 Aug 45 Lodgement

Your Account has been ~~DEBITED~~ ^{CREDITED} as follows

Refund of B. C. Electric Railway Co. Ltd.,
Security Deposit for Light

\$5.00

5.00

1.22

Custodian of Enemy Property

MEMORANDUM

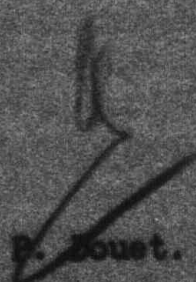
May 29th, 1945.

TO: File No. 15097

FROM: Administration Department

CHATELS

There are no chattels in connection with this file.


P. Douet.

PD/ ER

15097

May 14, 1947.

Mr. Santaro HATO,
Registration No. 04500,
78 Boulton Avenue,
Toronto, Ontario.

Dear Sir:

On March 17, 1942 one Westinghouse Mantel
radio, Model No. 527, was turned over to the R.C.M.P. by you.
This radio was auctioned by this office and the proceeds credited
to your account. However, before this money can be paid to you,
it will be necessary for you to send in the receipt, which you
obtained from the R.C.M.P. Kindly let us have this receipt by
return mail.

Yours truly,

George Peters,
Office of the Custodian.

GP/EL

15097

12th Sept., 1947.

Mr. Santaro HATO,
Regn. No. 04500,
78 Boulton Ave.,
Toronto, Ont.

Dear Sir:

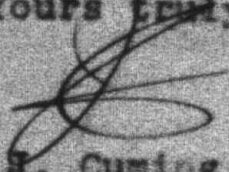
Further to our letter of 14 May 1947 in regard to one Westinghouse Mantel Radio, Model No. 527.

In view of the fact that you have not to date of this letter advised us as requested, and with the thought that possibly you had mislaid the R.C.M.P. receipt for the above-mentioned radio, we are enclosing herewith a Declaration as to LOST RADIO RECEIPT.

If you have lost the R.C.M.P. receipt requested in our letter of 14 May 1947, it will be in order for you to sign the enclosed Declaration on the line which we have marked with a red "X", and upon same being received at this office, the funds accrued from the sale of the radio will be released to you.

In the event that you fail to submit either the R.C.M.P. receipt or the Declaration supplied, notice is hereby served on you that all funds derived from the sale of the radio described heretofore in this letter, will be transferred from your credit at this office and placed in a Suspense Account, within one calendar month of date of this letter.

Yours truly,


S. Cuming
Office of the Custodian.

JC/..
Encl.1.

15097

8th October, 1948.

The New Canadian,
2496 Yonge St.,
TORONTO, ONT.

Dear Sirs,

This office is experiencing considerable difficulty in ascertaining the present whereabouts of numerous Japanese for whom small credit balances are held by the Custodian.

As your paper has been instrumental in aiding this office in locating various Japanese, may we presume once again upon your good offices in attempting to locate Mr. Santaro HATO, Page. No. 04500.

In order to eliminate superfluous correspondence we are enclosing herewith a stamped, addressed envelope directed to the above, and would request that you re-direct same if Hato's whereabouts are known to you, otherwise return it to this office.

Your co-operation is greatly appreciated.

Yours truly,

J. Cuming
OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN

JC/..

Encl.1

15097

8th October, 1948.

Mr. Santaro HATO,
c/o The New Canadian,
2498 Yonge St.,
Toronto, Ont.

Dear Sir,

For some considerable period this office has been trying to locate you in regard to two matters relative to the closing of your file at this office.

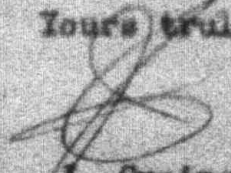
Firstly, the River Fish Co. claim that you are indebted to them in the amount of \$21.38. May this office be immediately advised as to whether it will be in order to pay this claim from funds held to your credit at this office.

Secondly, included with funds held at this office in your name we have the proceeds derived from the sale of your radio as per our letter of 20th Jan., 1944.

In order that we may forward your funds to you, it will be necessary that we receive full information in re the River Fish Co. claim and also the radio receipt given you by the R.C.M.P. In the event that you have mislaid the R.C.M.P. receipt, please execute the attached Declaration and return same to this office.

Your immediate attention to these matters is requested.

Yours truly,


J. Cuming
OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN

JG/..

Incl. 1

EVALUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	SEP 23 1949
File No.	15297
Ans.	
Referred	Suming

Sept 20/49
G. C. Naka
Westbank, B.C.

Dear Sir -

I've learned from your letter dated Oct 9/49, that you've sold my Westinghouse Radio (Model 527 - Serial No 180925)

I would be very appreciate if you could send me the exact amount of fund immediately to this following address -

Santoro State
G. C. Naka
Westbank, B.C.

I will contact the Pioneer Fish Co by my ownself. (I thank you).

Respectfully Yours
S. Hato.

15097

October 4th, 1949.

Mr. Santoro RATO,
c/o C. Hahn,
Westbank, B. C.

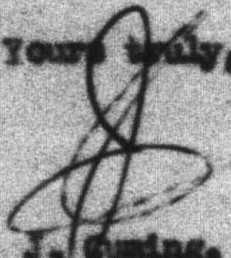
Dear Sirs

Receipt of your letter of the 20th ultimo
is acknowledged.

It will be necessary that you forward the
R.C.M.P. receipt or complete the enclosed pro forma
before any funds may be forwarded you.

In regard to the River Fish Co. claim, as we
did not receive any answer from you to our many letters
in this connection, a cheque in their favour was issued
20th December, 1948, and charged to your account upon
production by the Liquidators of that Company of the
necessary proof of claim. You may, therefore, consider
this account paid in full.

Yours truly,


J. Guming,
Office of the Custodian.

jc/js
encl.

20th December, 1948.

RE: Santaro MATO File 15097

FROM: J. Cuning

TO: Miss Matheson

Proceeds derived from sale of a Radio as per Auction Sheet "Vancouver Radio 1" amounted to \$28.87 net -- \$34.00 gross.

In view of the fact that the above Japanese since being notified of the sale of this radio has consistently refused to supply this office with either the R.C.M.P. receipt or a statement re loss of same, it is now necessary in order to close the account to transfer the funds to Chattel Suspense.

A debit balance in re the sale of real property has caused the original net proceeds from radio auction to decline to the amount of \$27.29 (In suspense)

On advice received this date from Mr. Reed of the Accounting Department it will be in order to transfer this balance to Chattel Suspense, and it is requested please that you proceed in this regard.

JC/..

J. Cuning
J. Cuning
Admin. Dept.

Dec. 21/48

To: Accounting Dept.

From: F. Matheson

Charge Account 15097 and credit G/181 as follows:

Vancouver Radio 1 Realized - \$34.00 Expenses - \$5.13 - Net Credit - \$28.87

/FM

Matheson

*minute II 4/27/49
See further correspondence*

File No. 15097

MEMORANDUM

October 27th, 1949.

TO: Accounting Department

FROM: J. Guming

Re: Santaro HATO - Proceeds from sale
of radio in chattel suspense acct.

It has now been determined that the \$27.29 held in
chattel suspense account (proceeds from sale of radio) belongs to
the above-mentioned Japanese. Would you, therefore, transfer this
amount to Santaro HATO'S account.

Charge Chattel Suspense Acct. G/181 and credit File No. 15097 as follows:

Vancouver Radio 1 Realized - \$32.42 Expenses - \$5.13 - Net Credit - \$27.29.

/js

A handwritten signature, possibly "J. Guming", is written in dark ink. It features a large, stylized initial "J" followed by a surname that appears to be "Guming". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

PHONE PACIFIC 6181

PLEASE REFER TO

FILE NO.

15097

CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN

JAPANESE EVACUATION SECTION

808 ROYAL BANK BLDG.

HASTINGS AND GRANVILLE

VANCOUVER, B. C.

EVACUATION SECTION

Rec'd OCT 11 1949

File No. 15097

Ans.

Referred *Crummey*

Oct. 7-49

J. C. Kato

Westbank, B.C.

Dear Sir -

I thank again for the letter dated Oct 4th, which I've acknowledged. I always kept my credentials in my wallet - but in the year 1946 I've lost my wallet some where in Toronto & haven't recovered it since. However all I want to know is - How they sold my radio without the owner's consent.

Yours Very Truly
J. Kato

15097

DECLARATION AS TO LOST RADIO RECEIPT

I, Santaro HATO of Westbank, B. C. do hereby declare:

That I owned Westinghouse Radio (mantel Model 527), Serial No. 180925, and that I delivered this radio to the ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE on the SEVENTEENTH day of MARCH, 1942, and obtained a receipt therefor.

That I have made a most diligent search for the said receipt. I have not found the same and the sole reason for the non-production of the receipt is that it has been lost or accidentally destroyed.

That I, Santaro HATO, the owner, am therefore now entitled to the proceeds of the sale of my radio.

DATE Oct 7-49

Sign here S. Hato

15097

October 27th, 1949.

Mr. Santaro HATO,
Reg. No. 04500,
c/o C. Haka,
Westbank, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Your letter of October 7th is acknowledged herewith.

Enclosed please find our cheque in the amount of
\$27.29 being the balance of your funds remaining in this office.

Kindly acknowledge receipt.

Yours truly,

J. Cuming,
Office of the Custodian.

/js
1 encl. - cheque \$27.29.