Name of Claimant SAIMOTO, Kunimatsu Case 211

Custodian File 0609

REAL PROPERTY

Greater Vancouver		Rural (except V.L.A.)			V.L.A. (except Mission Village)			V.L.A. Mission Village			Total
Sale Price	5% thereof & 12.50	Sale Price	10% thereof	Charges 12.50 & Comm.	Sale Price	Total Award 80% of all Sale Prices: % of Total	Amount	Sale Price	Total Award 125% of all Sale Prices: % of Total	Amount	
		3950	395	00 12.50							407.50

PERSONAL PROPERTY

Motor Vehicles		Boats and Boat Gear						
Sale Price	25% thereof	Sale Price	Nelson Bros. 23.5% of Sale Price	Other Sales 28.5% of Sale Price	Equipment charges paid to purchasers in error. Repay to owners	Amount of Claims for Boat Gear Declared & Not Found & Recorded Now Missing	45% of amount in next preceding column	
600	125 150 275	135 225	33.21 55,37		34.85 52.85			451.28

NETS

Total award for Nets plus Sale Price	Total Claim for Nets Sold, Declared Not Found and Recorded Now Missing	Percentage Total Award to Total Claim	Claim for Nets Sold Declared Not Found, & Recorded Now Missing	Apply % ratio to Claim	Deduct Custodian Sale Price	

MISCELLANEOUS CHATTELS

MARINE ENGINE 200.00

Claim for goods Sold By Auction	Sale Price of Goods Sold By Auction	Rebates of charges 30% of Sale Price	Ratio in % of Sale Price to Claim	Claim for goods Declared Not Found, Recorded Now Missing, & Sold Not Paid	Application of % ratio to amount in next preceding column	Sale Price of goods Sold by Tender	12% of Sale Price	
						12.00	1.44	1.44

TOTAL RECOMMENDATION 1060.22

Mr. Justice H. I. Bird,
Commissioner,
Japanese Property Claims
Commission,
Court House,
Vancouver, B. C.

Re: Case 211 - Kunimatsu SAIMOTO.
Claim for charter money.

This claim relates to the vessel "May S." which was appraised upon the instructions of the J.F.V.D.C. for $8,750.00 and was requisitioned for charter by the Department of Munitions and Supply on or about the 15th day of February, 1942. The vessel was subsequently requisitioned for purchase by the same Department on or about August 1st, 1942. We are advised by Government Counsel that the appraisal was made as of the date of taking for charter.

The boat was requisitioned for purchase on or about August 1st, 1942 and therefore was effectively under the requisition for charter for a period of 168 days. The claimant gave evidence that prior to evacuation he had chartered his boat at a rate of $32.00 per day bare boat when used for certain purposes and at a rate of $25.00 per day when used for other purposes. However, when chartered at $25.00 a day it included two crew men. We would therefore respectfully suggest that the rate should have been fixed at at least $15.00 per day which would have resulted in the payment of charter money in the amount of $2520. We would suggest that it would be proper to deduct therefrom depreciation at the rate of 5% per annum based on the valuation obtained from the Government which would amount to $201.35 and that there ought to have been paid to the claimant the sum of $2318.65 as compensation for the charter.

In this case as in other cases of requisition for charter, the charter rate apparently was never fixed by the Government.

In this case there also arises the factor that an inventory was taken by the Navy in or about March, 1942 and it was ascertained that there was gear missing which the claimant values at $179.60. While there may be some question as to whether it can be said that this gear vested in the Custodian it does appear that the claimant should have been paid compensation for this loss while in the hands of the Government and I would respectfully submit that it would be proper for your Lordship to recommend to the Executive Council payment to the claimant of at least 45% of the claim value of this gear which has been the over-all basis of dealing with lost gear in relation to other cases where the boat had clearly vested in the Custodian.

Respectfully submitted.

Counsel for the claimants represented by the Co-operative Committee.

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(HIS HONOUR, JUDGE M.M. COLQUHOUN, SUB-COMMISSIONER)

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APPEARANCES:

D.S. McTAVISH, Esq.,	appearing for the Dominion Government.
R.J. McMASTER, Esq.,	appearing for the Claimant.
T.J. MARRION, Esq.,	Secretary to Vernon Sub-Commission.
G.N.R. UPTON, Esq.,	Official Interpreter
G. HAMBLETON, Esq.,	Official Reporter.

MR. McMASTER: Kunimatsu Saimoto, No. 214 on the original list.

KUNIMATSU SAIMOTO, the Claimant herein, being first duly sworn, testified through the Official interpreter as follows:

MR. McMASTER: Your honour, the only amendment I would ask to make in this case is with regard to item No. 7 on the back of the claim form, "Inventory missing on boat "May S". The claimant asks leave to withdraw that claim for $179.60.

DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. McMASTER:

Q: Witness, with respect to the real property on which you are making a claim, I understand that the property was registered in your name jointly with your wife, Kiku Saimoto? A: Yes.

Q: And is this an authority which your wife gave you to make the claim on her behalf as well as your own? A: Yes.

MR. McMASTER: I would ask to file that, your honour. It is dated at Revelstoke, B.C., April 16th, 1948:

"To Whom It May Concern: This will authorize my husband, Kunimatsu Saimoto, to appear on my behalf and do anything necessary on my behalf in connection with my claim against the Custodian of Enemy Property for property sold after our evacuation from Steveston, B.C."

It purports to be signed by Kiku Saimoto, and witnessed by Fleming, a Commissioner for taking affidavits within British Columbia.

Q¢ That is your wfie's signature on this document?

A: Yes.

MR. McMASTER: I ask to file that.

(DOCUMENT MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 1)

MR. McMASTER: Your honour, the rest of the claim relates to property that is the property of this witness, and, rather than make two cases out of this, I think it should be sufficient if we note that the real property was their joint property and that the balance of the property is this witness' own property.

THE COMMISSIONER: All right.

MR. McMASTER: Q: Witness, I produce to you a statement with regard to the real estate with respect to which you are claiming on behalf of yourself and your wife. Did you instruct me to draw this statement and is this your signature on it?

A: Yes.

Q: Are the statements contained therein true to the best of your knowledge and recollection?

A: Yes.

MR. McMASTER: I ask to file that as Exhibit No. 2.

(STATEMENT MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 2)

MR. McMASTER: I file on behalf of my learned friend as the next exhibit what purports to be an appraisal by Coulthard Sutherland and Company Limited dated April 22, 1944 with respect to these premises, and what purports to be an appraisal by J.W. Fairhall dated November 26, 1944 with respect to these premises. The appraisal by Coulthard

in April, '44 was for $3940.00, and the appraisal by Fairhall in November, '44, was for $4250.00.

(APPRAISALS MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 3)

Q: Witness, I produce to you a picture; can you identify that picture? A: That is a picture of my house.

Q: On the property with respect to which you are claiming? A: Yes.

Q: Approximately when was that picture taken?

A: 1940 or '41, I think.

Q: And that is a side view of the house on the premises? A: Side view.

MR. McMASTER: I ask to file that as the next exhibit.

(PICTURE MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 4)

MR. McMASTER: If I might refer to the statement which was filed as Exhibit No. 2. The premises were situated at 644 - 2nd Avenue, Steveston, B.C. It was a house. The main floor had 7 rooms and the upstairs 5 rooms. The building was frame, two storeys, stucco finish on the outside, a shingle roof, concrete foundation, full concrete basement, a garage in front of the basement, gyproc walls inside excepting in the kitchen where there was three-ply and fir flooring. There were nine lots altogether, each 33 feet by 120 feet. The claimant states that he purchased the premises on December 29th, 1946 for $2,000.00, and at the time of purchase there was a six-room house on the premises 32 feet by 30 feet.

THE COMMISSIONER: Was the date of purchase 1946?

MR. McMASTER: I am sorry, it is the wrong year.

Q: Witness, what year did you purchase these premises?

A: Is it the old house?

Q: The buildings, when did he buy the land?

A: 1926.

MR. McMASTER: I would ask the secretary to be good enough to correct that on the statement, Exhibit 2.

The property was situated in a good residential district and the claimant shows that in 1940 he made an addition to the house -- two additions -- one 16 feet by 32 feet in the front, and one 10 feet by 32 feet in the back. He jacked up the house and put in concrete foundations and a full cement basement. He constructed the garage in the basement, put on the gyproc inside, and stuccoed the whole house. He renovated the wiring and plumbing, installed a new furnace, and put in cement runways to the garage and walks at the front and side of the house. He estimates that the cost of labour and material was about $4500.00. On the left-hand side of Exhibit 2 there is a little plan drawn showing, with the marks across it, the original house and also showing the additions that were made to the house and the cement walk and runway.

He states that the adjacent lots were all cleared and that he had about thirty mixed fruit trees planted, all bearing. The front yard was fenced and partly in garden. I see on this statement the word "garden" has been put down as "good."

As indicated in the appraisor's report, the

premises were in good condition, and the claimant states that having regard to the cost of the premises to him, the good location and the improved market as at the date of sale, that is, February 16, 1945, he considers a fair market value would have been $5500.00.

Q: Witness, I produce to you a statement with regard to your 1938 Dodge sedan automobile with respect to which you are making a claim, and which also refers to a marine diesel engine with respect to which you are making a claim. Did you instruct me to prepare this statement and is that your signature on it? A: Yes.

Q: And are the contents of that statement true to the best of your knowledge and recollection?

A: Yes.

MR. McMASTER: I would ask to file that statement with regard to the automobile and marine engine as the next exhibit.

(STATEMENT MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 5)

Q: Witness, I produce to you a Royal Canadian Mounted Police receipt dated March 9, 1942. Is that the receipt for the automobile with respect to which you are claiming? A: Yes.

MR. McMASTER: This, your honour, is a receipt from the Royal Canadian Mounted Police dated as stated with respect to this car. It shows the speedometer reading as 29,780 miles, five tires and a heater as extra equipment. It states the condition of the car is good and notes on it that the hind

fender is dented, paint scratched. I ask to file that as the next exhibit.

(RCMP RECEIPT MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 6)

MR. McMASTER: I might refer to Exhibit No. 5, your honour, the statement with regard to the automobile and the marine engine. The statement shows that the claimant purchased this automobile in July, 1939, new, and paid $1640.00 for it. In 1941 he states that he put four new six-ply tires on, which cost about $80.00 and put in a new heater, which, as shown by the receipt, was delivered with the car. The claimant considers that the value at the date of evacuation was $1,000.00.

The other item is a marine diesel engine. The description is given here. It was imported from Japan new in 1939 and cost $900.00. The claimant states that when he evacuated the engine was complete and it had not been used other than to test it. With regard to the engine, Exhibit 5 also shows that he had purchased the marine engine for a new boat which he intended to build and states that if the engine was incomplete when the Custodian had it appraised, someone must have stolen parts from it.

With respect to the automobile, it was handed to the R.C.M.P., and he states that the engine was left in part of B.C. Packers premises, Pacific Coast Salteries Building, rented by him for business purposes.

I would ask my friend toproduce the tenders

which the Custodian received on the sale of this automobile.

THE COMMISSIONER: Was the ceiling price in force at the date of that sale?

MR. McMASTER: I am not sure of that, your honour. That is something that both the Custodian and ourselves, I think, have not yet checked up on.

THE COMMISSIONER: All right.

MR. McMASTER: I produce from the Custodian's files a number of tenders which appear to refer to the automobile in question, and I draw your honour's attention to a tender, or what purports to be a tender, included therein from McKim Bros. No. 9 Road, Lulu Island, B.C., dated July 23, 1942 for $700.00. There appears to be a pencil notation, which is not identified by a signature and doesn't appear to be part of the tender, to the effect, "withdrawn, August 10." I would ask my learned friend to admit that a tender was received on this automobile for $700.00.

MR. McTAVISH: That is correct, your honour, but as the pencil note states, the tender was withdrawn on August 10, 1942.

MR. McMASTER: Subject to my friend proving that, I presume.

I would ask my friend to advise me as to what happened to the $70.00 deposit that was made on that tender.

MR. McTAVISH: There is nothing on my file to show.

MR. McMASTER: If it was withdrawn, I presume it would

be returned.

MR. McTAVISH: I have nothing to show that.

MR. McMASTER: Now the other thing I would like to draw your honour's attention to is the number of extremely low tenders which are included in this large number of tenders with respect to this car.

I would ask to file those tenders as the next exhibit.

(TENDERS MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 7)

THE COMMISSIONER: What was the car sold for?

MR. McMASTER: I beg your pardon?

THE COMMISSIONER: What was the car sold for?

MR. McMASTER: It was sold for $600.00, if I am not mistaken.

MR. McTAVISH: That is correct, your honour.

MR. McMASTER: In that respect, perhaps my friend would admit that there were two tenders for $600.00.

MR. McTAVISH: That is correct, your honour, yes.

MR. McMASTER: Q: Now, witness, I produce to you a statement with respect to your boat, the "May S". Did you instruct me to prepare that statement and is that your signature on it?

A: Yes.

MR. McTAVISH: Your honour, I must object to this claim going in. My grounds for objection are: firstly, that the boat was sold through the Japanese Fishing Vessels Disposal Committee; secondly, that a bill of sale was signed by the owner. The vessel never at any time vested in the Custodian and therefore the claim does not come within the

Terms of Reference.

Now, I would like to refer to a ruling of Mr. Justice Bird with regard to that in a list of rulings of his which I obtained: "Claims relating to losses sustained in respect of fishing vessels or gear from such vessels will not be considered unless the vessel had not been disposed of by the Vessels Disposal Committee prior to August 1st, 1942 and consequently became vested in the Custodian as at August 1st, 1942."

Your honour, I claim this vessel was disposed of by the Fishing Vessels Disposal Committee and that the bill of sale to the vessel was signed by the owner of the vessel and that this claim should not be admitted.

THE COMMISSIONER: Your ovjection is noted. I will allow it, subject to objection.

MR. McMASTER: I might say, your honour, that subsequent to the ruling that my friend has referred to we had several cases at Lytton where the vessels had been disposed of by the Fishing Vessels Disposal Committee. Subsequent to that, Mr. Hunter, the Crown Counsel on the chief Commission, filed a statement with regard to the activities of the Fishing Vessels Disposal Committee, and argument with respect to that statement and as to the position of vessels sold by the Committee has been reserved, as I understand it, to Vancouver.

At Lytton we also had a case where the Navy had chartered or requisitioned the claimant's

vessel for charter and subsequently the Department of Munitions and Supply requisitioned the boat for purchase. In that case the claimant had been cajoled or otherwise into signing a bill of sale, but the Commissioner's attention was drawn to the fact that no charter money was ever paid to the claimant. He claimed that his boat was undersold and furthermore that he had received no charter money.

At that time, if my memory serves me correctly, the Commissioner asked Crown Counsel to take the matter up with Ottawa concerning charter money which had not been paid, and do date I have received no report.

So that quite aside as to the question whether the signing of the bill of sale relieved the Custodian from any responsibility in this case, I would like to draw to the Commissioner's attention the fact that this is another case where the boat apparently was chartered and no charter money was ever paid.

Q: Now, witness, you identified this statement. Are the statements contained therein true to the best of your knowledge and recollection?

A: Yes.

MR. McMASTER: I would ask to file that statement with regard to the vessel "May S." as the next exhibit.

(STATEMENT MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 8)

MR. McMASTER: Now, if I might refer to that statement, your honour. The description of the vessel

is given. It was a large seiner with a full diesel engine, 60 B.H.P., built in 1937 at a cost of $16,587.60. Improvements were made to the pilot house in 1930. The claimant states that he had it up on the ways every year to be scraped and painted. The engine was kept in good order and was overhauled each year. After it came into possession of the Navy, $600.00 worth of work was done on the engine at the time of being requisitioned for charter and the bill was paid by this claimant. He states that it was in A-1 condition when he evacuated, that he left it with the Navy and that the boat was fully equipped when it was delivered. He estimates the value at date of sale at $10,500.00.

He states, "After I delivered this boat, as required by law, I believe the Navy requisitioned it for charter on a bare boat basis. By letter April 30, 1942, the requisitioning officer requested certain information relating to the establishment of a charter rate. I had my son prepare the necessary information for me and write to the officer as per letter May 5, 1942."

I will file both those letters, your honour.

"It appears that I signed an inventory of equipment on March 10, 1942. However, my son checked over the equipment with a Mr. Galloway -- I believe a Navy man -- on March 16, 1942 and found some of the equipment to be missing.

"Prior to evacuation in 1940 and 1941, I chartered the boat to B.C. Packers Limitedat

$32.00 perday, bare boat, when used as a seiner, and at $25.00 per day including two crew when used as a packer. The Department of Munitions and Supply requisitioned my boat some time in August, 1942. I never received any charter money.

I did not want to sell my boat for $8,750.00, but was advised by my son, who looked after all correspondence, that if I did not sign the bill of sale I would not get my money. Unfortunately my son died in October, 1944, and I cannot locate the correspondence relating to the sale."

Now, I would ask my learned friend if he would be good enough to undertake, if it is within his power to do so, to obtain copies of all correspondence and documents relating to the chartering of this boat and to its sale.

MR. McTAVISH: I will attempt to obtain that, your honour, but I think it will be almost impossible.

THE COMMISSIONER: Well, you will try to do it.

MR. McMASTER: Witness, before I proceed with the other boats that you had, I produce to you a letter dated April 30, 1942 purporting to be from the Treasury Office, National Harbours Board, the Secretary, Advisory Board on Requisitioning. Is that a letter which you received?

A: Yes, I received this letter.

MR. McMASTER: That, your honour, is a letter dated April 30, as stated, with respect to this boat, the "May S.", requesting information concerning the original cost of the boat and the rates at which

it had been chartered and the insurance carried, and advising that the Advisory Board on Requisitioning "will meet sometime next week to consider this boat and I would be glad if you would have this information in my hands as early as possible."

I will file some other correspondence with that.

Q: Witness, is this a copy of the reply which you had your son make to the Secretary of the Advisory Board on Requisitioning?

A: Yes, this is a copy.

Q: And did you instruct him to enclose the inventory that appears with that showing the cost of the boat?

A: Yes.

MR. McMASTER: I will file the letter from the Secretary of the Board and the reply as one exhibit.

(LETTERS MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 9)

MR. McMASTER: Would my friend be good enough to produce from his file an inventory of the equipment on this boat signed by the claimant?

(Handed to Mr. McMASTER)

MR. McMASTER: I produce from the Custodian's file what purports to be a copy of an inventory of the motor vessel "May S." dated March 10, 1942, and purports to have been signed by Saimoto as the owner, together with a covering letter to the Executive Assistant of the Japanese Fishing Vessels Disposal Committee from the Department of National Defence dated May 19, 1942.

(LETTER AND INVENTORY MARKED EXHIBIT 10)

Q; I produce to you, witness, a copy of a letter dated May 6, 1942 addressed to Lieutenant Commander Smith, Naval Control Board, Marine Building, Vancouver, B.C., which has attached thereto an inventory. Did you instruct your son to send that letter and a copy of the inventory to Lieutenant Commander Smith?

A: Yes.

MR. McMASTER: This is a copy of a letter dated May 6, 1942 addressed to Lieutenant Commander Smith, Naval Control Board: "Dear Sir: I beg to enclose herewith the list of missing inventory from my boat "May S."

Attached is an inventory which is headed at the top, "Inventories missing from May S on March 16, 1942," and there is a note typewritten at the bottom, "March 10th, 1942. Above found short when checked by A.R. Golloway Esq., and Y. Saimoto, son of Owner."

I file that as the next exhibit.

(LETTER AND INVENTORY MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 11)

Q: Now, witness, did you instruct me to prepare this statement with respect to two gillnet boats with respect to which you are making a claim and is that your signature on the statement?

A: Yes.

Q: Are the contents of that statement true to the best of your knowledge and recollection?

A: Yes.

MR. McMASTER: I would ask to file that statement with

respect to the vessels "K.S." and "J.E." as the next exhibit.

(STATEMENT MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 12)

MR. McMASTER: I would ask my friend to admit that these two vessels were sold by the Custodian.

MR. McTAVISH: That is correct, your honour.

MR. McMASTER: I might refer to the last exhibit, your honour. The boats are gillnetters. The sizes are shown in the statement, the type of engine, the date of purchase in each case, and the claimant states, with regard to the boats that he scraped and painted and copper painted twice, and overhauled the engine.

Q: Witness, with regard to the boat "J.E." You owned that since 1945? A: I bought it in 1945.

Q: And did you scrape and paint it each year?

A: Yes.

Q: And copper paint it twice a year?

A: Yes.

Q: And did you have the engine overhauled each year?

A: Yes.

MR. McMASTER: Both boats were delivered to the Navy. The only additional comment made on the statement is that the claimant has no recollection of ever stating that the value of the Boat "J.E." was less than $600.00.

Now I would ask my friend to produce from his file a document which is written in Japanese with respect to this boat.

MR. McTAVISH: Which one is that?

MR. McMASTER: The only one there in Japanese.

MR. McTAVISH: Is this the one?

MR. McMASTER: Yes.

I produce from the Custodian's file the License for Gas Boat, New Westminster Registry 1797, dated November 15th, 1929, showing J. Ezaki, Steveston, B.C. as the owner; and attached thereto is a document written in Japanese.

Q: Would you be good enough to advise his honour what the document in Japanese purports to be?

A: That is a bill of sale.

Q: What is the purchase price shown in the bill of sale? A: $700.00.

Q: And what is the date of the sale shown in the bill of sale? A: June, L935.

Q: And does that bill of sale -- is that bill of sale from J. Ezaki to him for the boat "J.E."?

A: Yes.

MR. McMASTER: I would ask to file that as the next exhibit.

(DOCUMENTS MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 13)

MR. McMASTER: Your witness.

MR. McTAVISH: It is submitted, your honour, that the real property was sold for its fair market value. It is submitted that the car and engine claimed for were both sold for their fair market value. It is further submitted that the fishing vessel "May S" was disposed of by either the Japanese Fishing Vessels Disposal Committee or the claim-

ant and not by the Custodian. Alternatively, it is submitted that the fishing vessel "May S" was sold for its fair market value. It is further submitted that the vessels "K.S." and "J.E." were both sold for their fair market value.

I would ask my friend to admit the assessed value of the real estate. The property is assessed at $803.00, and the improvements for $3300.00.

MR. McMASTER: What year is that?

MR. McTAVISH: That is for both the years 1943 and 1944.

MR. McMASTER: That appears to be correct.

CROSS EXAMINATION BY MR. McTAVISH:

Q: Witness what was the population of Steveston at the time of evacuation? A: Japanese or white people?

Q: The entire population. A: About 2,000.

Q: What proportion of that was Japanese?

A: About 800.

Q: How many of these owned their own houses?

A: About 30 owned their own houses -- 20 or 30. The others were living in cannery houses.

Q: That is to say, which they rented?

A: No, the cannery supplied the houses.

Q: Steveston was mainly a fishing city, was it not?

A: Yes.

Q: Witness, before you evacuated, did you rent this house?

A: I received $10.00 a month nominal rent for watching the house.

Q: You made this arrangement yourself, did you, before you were evacuated? A: Yes.

Q: To Owen Burdett? A: Yes.

MR. McTAVISH: With regard to the car, your honour, I think that is merely a question of value.

Q: Witness, what other engines did you have besides the engine for which you are claiming?

A: No, I didn't have any more.

MR. McMASTER: Your honour, I meant to speak to that when I was speaking to the amendment of the claim. The engine is wrongly described in the claim form. It was property described in the J.P. form originally, and it is properly described in the statement which was filed. It is described in the claim form as a "Uyeda" engine, and in fact it is a "Makita" engine, and I would ask leave to amend the claim form in that respect.

THE COMMISSIONER: The record will be amended accordingly.

MR. McTAVISH: Q: This is the only engine which you owned, was it? A: Yes, that was the only engine I owned.

Q: When you stored this engine, how was it prepared for storage? A: I left it in the warehouse. It was a locked warehouse. It was left in a box, but there was no lid.

Q: Did you grease it preparatory to storing it?

A: Until the time of evacuation I greased it and looked after it.

Q: When you were evacuated did you grease it at that time?

MR. McMASTER: My friend means at the date of evacuation, I think.

THE INTERPRETER: A: Up to the time I was evacuated, I looked after it and greased it.

MR. McTAVISH: Q: Was it specially prepared for storage before you were evacuated? A: Yes.

Q: How did you prepare it?

A: I greased it and looked after it.

Q: Was this shed it was stored in open to other people?

A: It was locked.

Q: Who had access to the building?

A: I had the key up to the time of evacuation, but afterwards, I don't know what happened to it.

Q: You don't remember who you gave the key to?

A: This was not my property; it was the property of the B.C. Packers.

Q: Could employees of the B.C. Packers go in and out of the building? A: No.

Q: After you left, who could go in and out of the building? A: The B.C. Packers. It was their own building.

Q: Employees of the B.C. Packers could go in and out?

A: The people in the B.C. Packers could go.

Q: I notice that this is a Japanese engine. Did you purchase it in Japan? A: Yes.

Q: Where would you have had to purchase parts for the engine? A: The engine itself was all complete.

Q: If you had needed new parts for the engine, where would you have purchased parts for the engine?

A: I would have to order them from Japan.

Q: Were you aware of the valuation placed on the vessel "May S" by Lloyds?

A: I don't know.

Q: Could you identify this document?

A: Yes, I know what it is.

Q: What is this document? A: This gave details of the price and was made out in 1942 and has reference to the "May S."

Q: Is that a copy of a document for which you supplied the information? A: Yes.

MR. McTAVISH: I put in this document.

THE INTERPRETER: A: That is the boat's register taken to the Navy.

MR. McTAVISH: I put in the boat's register as an exhibit.

(BOAT'S REGISTER MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 14)

Q: Is the information you supplied for that document correct? A: Yes, there is no mistake.

Q: In that document you value the "May S" at $10,000.00. Would that be a correct valuation at that time?

A: Yes. Over and above that there were repairs made at Boeings of $600.00 which I paid which were made on account of the Navy.

Q: I show you a statutory declaration dated the 21 day of February, 1942. Is that your signature on that declaration? A: Yes, I signed that.

MR. McTAVISH: I put this document in as Exhibit No. 15.

(STATUTORY DECLARATION MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 15)

Q: Was the information in that document correct?

MR. McMASTER: I suggest he refresh the man's memory as to

what is in the document?

THE COMMISSIONER: I beg your pardon?

MR. McMASTER: I think my friend ought to refresh the witness' memory as to what is in the document.

THE COMMISSIONER: Does he know what the document is about?

MR. McTAVISH: Would you read the document to the witness?

(Interpreter to witness)

THE INTERPRETER: A: This $300.00 is the price at that time. I have two boats, of which this is the "K.S."

MR. McTAVISH: Q: Well, are the contents of this document correct? A: Yes.

MR. McMASTER: What is the date of that?

MR. McTAVISH: This document, your honour, is a statutory declaration sworn to by the claimant, dated the 21st day of February, 1942, in which he shows, in paragraph 2 the vessel "K.S." as having been built in 1919 and places a value on the vessel of $300.00.

(STATUTORY DECLARATION MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 15)

Q: In what condition was the hull of this vessel?

A: It was not bad.

Q: And the engine? A: The engine was in good condition. It was running.

Q: Does he mean it was running and because of that it was in good condition?

A: No, the engine was in good condition.

Q: How old was the fishing vessel "J.E."?

A: I bought it in 1935, but I don't know when it was built.

Q: You bought it as a second-hand boat, did you?

A: Yes, it was second-hand. If it was new, it would have cost $1500.00.

Q: In what condition was the hull of the "J.E.?"

A: It was in good condition.

Q: At the time you were evacuated, was the steering wheel on the "J.E." missing?

A: I took it to the Navy and after that I don't know. The Navy took it away and I don't know what happened to it after that.

MR. McTAVISH: Your honour, the Custodian sold the vessel "K.S." for $135.00 and the vessel "J.E." for $225.00.

MR. McMASTER: What date?

MR. McTAVISH: The "K.S." was sold on the 13th of February, 1943. The "J.E." was sold on the 13th of February, 1943 for $225.00. The vessel "May S" was sold for $8,750.00. The Makita marine diesel engine was sold for $12.00, the claimant claims $900.00. The car, as has already been stated, sold for $600.00.

That is all, your honour.

MR. McMASTER: With regard to the Makita engine, will my friend admit that some of the parts were missing when it was sold?

MR. McTAVISH: According to the record that I have, your honour, the engine was not complete. It states: "Engine was not complete and in a rusty condition." That is all I have on my file with regard to it.

RE-DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. McMASTER:

Q: Witness, I produce to you what is known as a J.P. form. This is the form that the Japanese were required to fill in at the time of their evacuation. Is that your signature on that document? A: Yes.

Q: And did you give the information that is contained therein? A: Yes.

MR. McMASTER: I file the J.P. form dated May 19, 1942 as the next exhibit.

(J.P. FORM MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 16)

MR. McMASTER: I would draw your honour's attention to the fact that this Makita engine is disclosed in the J.P. form, and to the statement in red type appearing at the end of the J.P. form just above the date and signature: "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."

Q: Now, witness, when you signed that J.P. form with that statement that appears there in red ink,which I would like you to translate to him, did you expect the Custodian to take protective care of your property?

A: It was because I thought that the Custodian would look after my things that I signed it.

Q: Thank you. Now, witness, can you recall what were the circumstances that led up to your being asked

to swear this statutory declaration, Exhibit No. 15?

A: (Question interpreted)

Q: Does he remember who asked him to swear that declaration? A: I was asked to -- King made this up and asked me to sign it.

Q: And is King a representative from the Custodian's office? A: King was a notary.

Q: Why did Mr. King ask him to sign it?

A: I was told that if I signed this and the vessel was sold, I would be able to obtain the money.

Q: Was there some question as to the title of the boat, as to whether it belonged to you or belonged to Nojima? A: Yes, there was some question.

Q: Yes. And was the purpose of this declaration to determine whether you owned the boat or not?

A: I signed this because it was my vessel.

Q: Yes. Now, witness, I produce to you a form from the Custodian's file. Can you tell whether you gave the information that is contained in that form with respect to the vessel, "J.E."?

A: It is written according to information given by myself.

Q: Yes. And I produce to you another form of like nature. Can you advise me whether you gave the information that is contained in that form with regard to the "K.S."? A: Generally speaking, that is correct, the same as this.

Q: Well, now, does he recall giving that information to any person that put it on a form like that?

A: This was made up under the auspices of the Smith

Committee and this was the selling price.

Q: Yes. Now that was known as the Japanese Fishing Vessels Disposal Committee, was it?

A: No -- Smith Committee.

Q: I think we will find that is the same thing, but that is all right, the Smith Committee. And you gave the information on these two pieces of paper to some person representing the Smith Committee?

A: Yes.

Q: And were you asked to indicate to that Committee what you would be prepared to say was a fair sale price for your boats?

A: Yes.

MR. McMASTER: I would ask to file those two documents as the next exhibit.

(DOCUMENTS MARKED EXHIBIT No. 17)

MR. McMASTER: That is all, your honour.

MR. McTAVISH: No further questions, your honour.

THE COMMISSIONER: That is all, thank you.

(Witness aside)

(PROCEEDINGS ADJOURNED SINE DIE)

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and accurate transcript of the proceedings herein.

Gordon Hambleton

G. Hambleton,
Official Reporter

I hereby certify that the foregoing transcript purports to be an accurate record of the evidence adduced before me.

Sub-Commissioner.

CASE No 211

DEC - 2 1947

NOTIFIED

IN THE MATTER OF a Commission to Investigate Claims of Japanese Canadians for Property Losses.

ACKNOWLEDGED

TO: The Commissioner,
Office of the Custodian,
Royal Bank Bldg.,
Vancouver, B.C.

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Vernon

Pursuant to the notice issued on the 26th day of September, 1947, I submit the following claim:

(1) NAME SAIMOTO (Print) Surname KUNIMATSU Given Name (RCMP) Reg. No. ~~05071~~ 04471 male

(2) Pre-Evacuation Address Box 451, Steveston, B. C.

(3) Present Address Box 412, Revelstoke, B. C.

(4) REAL ESTATE

(a) Street Address (if any) 644 Second Ave., Steveston, B. C.
City or Municipality, Province

(b) Legal description (lot number, block number, section number, etc.)
Lots 1 to 9 inclusive, Block 57, Section 3, Block 3N, Range 7W
Map 249, Municipality of Richmond, New Westminster District

(c) Type of Real Property (cross out words which do not apply):
(i) ~~Farm~~
(ii) Residence Type of business
(iii) ~~Business~~
(iv) ~~Any other type of property~~ (describe)

(d) What was your interest in the property (e.g., sole owner, life tenant, joint tenant, owner of one half or one third interest, leasehold, etc.) Joint owner with wife (Kiku Saimoto)

(e) Fair market value at date of sale (estimate this to the best of your ability):
(i) Land - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - $ 5,500.00
(ii) Buildings - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - $
(iii) If business, put value on business as going concern (including land and buildings, tenancies, chattels, fixtures, stock-in-trade, goodwill and accounts receivable) - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - $
(iv) Total value (if you cannot give separate values for lands and buildings just fill in total value) - $ 5,500.00
(v) Amount at which Custodian sold property and credited your account - - $ 3,950.00

(f) Loss (This figure is arrived at by deducting item (v) from item (iv) - - - $ 1,550.00

(5) PERSONAL PROPERTY

(a) Place or places at which property was left by the claimant at date of evacuation (engine)
Hastings Park-(cars); New Westminster-(boats); Can. Pac. Saltery

(b) Type of premises in which property left (e.g., house, warehouse, garage, shed, church basement, etc.)
Hastings Park Race Track-car; Navy jetty-boats; Saltery premises

(c) How stored or packed at time of evacuation
Left as was

(over)

(d) In whose care was property left at date of evacuation by the claimant. (This question refers to the terms of reference which exclude claims where the property was lost, destroyed or stolen while under the custody, control or management of any person other than the Custodian appointed by the owner of the property. It involves some definite arrangement whereby you appointed someone to take care of the property and such person accepted the responsibility of so doing. Unless such an arrangement was made the question should be answered "in no one's care") To Custodian

(e) Itemized description of personal property which is the subject of the claim:

1.	1939 Custom Dodge Sedan	Estimated Value $ 1,000.00
2.	18 H.P. "Uyeda" diesal engine	Estimated Value $ 900.00
3.	Seiner or Packer "May S"	Estimated Value $ 10,500.00
4.	Fishing boat "K S"	Estimated Value $ 400.00
5.	Fishing boat "J E"	Estimated Value $ 600.00
6.		Estimated Value $ 13,400.00
7.	Inventory missing on boat "May S"	Estimated Value $ 179.60
8.	Total-----	Estimated Value $ 13,579.60
9.	Gross proceeds - $9722.00 Net proceeds	Estimated Value $ 9,542.61
10.		Estimated Value $

TOTAL CLAIM FOR PROPERTY LOSS $ 4,036.39

N.B.—If you cannot list all the items here prepare a separate list with values set out opposite each item and attach it to the form. The item "personal property" includes shares, bonds, mortgages, loans, notes and all other forms of property not included in real estate.

(f) Total claim including real and personal property (this figure can be arrived at by adding items 4(f) and 5(e) - $ 5,586.39

(6) (a) Place at which claimant prefers to be heard. (Vancouver, Kamloops, Nelson, Lethbridge, Moose Jaw, Winnipeg, Toronto or Montreal.) Vernon preferred

(b) Do you require the services of an interpreter at the hearing? Yes or no Yes

N.B.—This Declaration must be sworn before a Commissioner, Notary Public or other person entitled to take declarations. All lawyers are qualified to do so.

DOMINION OF CANADA)
Prov. of B. C.)
TO WIT:)

I, Kunimatsu Saimoto of the City of Revelstoke in the Province of British Columbia

DO SOLEMNLY DECLARE THAT:

The information set out in the form above is true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing it to be true, and knowing that it is of the same force and effect as if made under oath, and by virtue of 'The Canada Evidence Act".

DECLARED before me at the City of Revelstoke in the Province of British Columbia this 17th day of November A.D. 1947.

Kunimatsu Saimoto

A Commissioner &c. A Commissioner for Taking Affidavits within British Columbia

N.B. — THIS FORM FULLY COMPLETED AND SWORN BEFORE A COMMISSIONER SHOULD BE MAILED BY REGISTERED MAIL TO THE COMMISSIONER, c/o THE OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN, ROYAL BANK BLDG., VANCOUVER, B.C., BEFORE NOVEMBER 30th, 1947. IF YOU CANNOT MAIL IT BEFORE THIS DATE SET OUT BELOW REASONS FOR THE DELAY.

Revelstoke, B. C.,
April 16th, 1948.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:-

This will authorize my husband, KUNIMATSU SAIMOTO, to appear on my behalf and do anything necessary on my behalf in connection with my claim against the Custodian of Enemy Alien Property for property sold after our evacuation from Steveston, B.C..

Kiku Saimoto

Witness. A Commissioner for Taking Affidavits within British Columbia.

GD.

EXHIBIT No. 211-1
DATE 28 April 1948
FILLED BY Claimant

KUNIMATSU SAIMOTO
AND
KIKU SAIMOTO
644 - 2nd Ave. Steveston B.C.
(Claimant's Name)

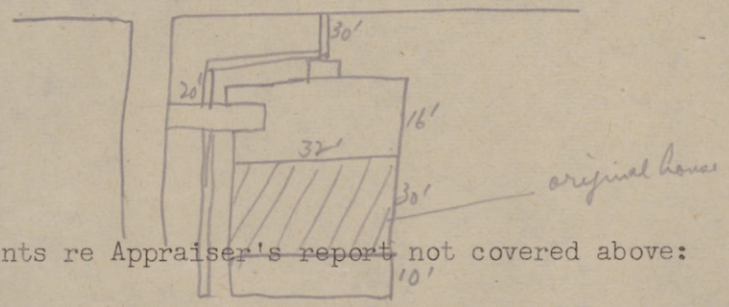
REAL ESTATE
(Other than farm)

04471
Reg. No.

Type of Premises (e.g. House, Store, etc.)	No. of Rooms	Type of Finish	Use of Premises	Size of Lot	When Purchased	Date of Purchase
HOUSE	MAIN 7 Rooms UPSTAIRS 5 Rooms	FRAME 2 STORIES STUCCO - SHINGLE ROOF CONCRETE FOUNDATION FULL CONCRETE BASEMENT GARAGE IN FRONT BASEMENT GYPROCK WALLS except Kitchen (3-Ply) FIR FLOORING	Dwelling	9 lots each 33'x120'	6 room House 32'x30'	Dec. 29/26

Type of Locality	Cost Price	Improvements made by Claimant	Estimated Value Date of Sale
Good residential district.	$2000.00	1940 Addition To House 16'x32' in front } main floor 4 rooms 10'x32' in back } upstairs 2 rooms. Jacked up the house and put in Concrete foundation, full concrete basement Constructed garage in basement. Put on Gyprock Stucco whole house Renovating wiring: Renovating plumbing Installing new furnace Put in cement runways and walks. Cost for labour & materials about $4500.00	$6500.00

Comments re upkeep of premises:



Comments re Appraiser's report not covered above:

The adjacent lots were all cleared and about 30 mixed fruit trees planted (all bearing) Front yard was fenced and partly in good. As indicated in the appraisers report the premises were in good condition.

Having regard to the cost of the premises to me, the good location and the improved market as at the date of sale (i.e) Feb 16/45 I consider a fair market value would have been $6500.00

EXAMINED DATE FILED BY

K. Saimoto
SIGNATURE

EXHIBIT No. 211-2
DATE 28 April 1948
FILLED BY Claimant

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

TELEPHONE 106

609 COLUMBIA STREET,
NEW WESTMINSTER, B. C.

RP 4

22nd.April,1944.

Catalogue #801

File #9609/9608

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

Dear Sir:-

Re: Lot 1-9, Blk. 57, Sec. 3, B3N/7W, Map 249
Steveston Townsite

This property is located at 644 2nd.Ave., being on the corner of Pleasant and 2nd.Ave. and is a modern stucco house 30 x 44', on Lots 1 to 9, lots being 33 x 120' each. The exterior of the house is pink stucco, roof in fair condition. The interior is finished with laminated wall board and painted, living room, dining room, two bedrooms, also full bathroom and sun porch, pantry with tile sink, four rooms up-stairs, two finished in wall board and two with building paper tacked on. Full concrete basement, laundry tubs and drum furnace, fair construction with fairly good material. Fir floors in good condition. City light and water.

This property is in a good location and good surroundings on paved street.

Garden with privet hedge, maple trees and lawn, cement walk.

Rented to Mrs. Burdett for $10.00 per month, which is no indication of its value.

VALUATION: House $2790.
Lot 9 150.
Lots 1 to 8-1000.

$3940.

EXHIBIT No. 211-3
DATE 28 April 1948
FILLED BY Claimant - on behalf of Crown

average 4.95

Yours very truly,

COULTHARD, SUTHERLAND & CO.LTD.

F.H.Coulthard.

Office Telephone, LAngara 0037

House Telephone, LAngara 0675
" " Kerr. 4690-L

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J. W. FAIRHALL

Notary Public

REAL ESTATE - INSURANCE - CONVEYANCING
LOANS - RENTALS

1318 Southwest Marine Drive
VANCOUVER, B. C.

File No. 9608/9609
Catalogue No. 801,
Pleasant between 1st. & 2nd.
Steveston, B. C.

Nov. 28, 1944.

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Valuation

There are 9 lots in this preoperty, each one is 33 by 120 feet. 1st. Avenue and Pleasant Streets are not opened up, therefore the only lot with access to a street is Lot 9 which flanks 2nd. Avenue, the only street which touches the property. They are all cleared and in grass. There are several fruit trees. Values - Lot 9 - $150, balance $75.00 each, total-$750.00.

The house has eleven rooms, 7 downstairs and 4 upstairs. It is evidently and old house that has been added to both front and rear and the whole structure covered with new stucco. It has a good appearance, but it is not plastered, merely being covered with wall-board and painted. There is a full cement basement with laundry tubs. Garage is in basement. There is furnace and also fireplace and full plumbing. Everything seems to be in good condition, except the grounds which are grown up in grass. There are two out-buildings, but they are in very poor shape. This property is situated across the street from a public school, is two blocks from the main highway to Steveston and nine blocks from Steveston Station on the Interrurban. This building is worth about $3,500.00 which with the lots at $750.00 make a total of $4250.00 for the whole property.

J. W. Fairhall

per

GOVERNMENT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

Return to
GOVERNMENT AGENT
AT POINT OF MAILING

EXHIBIT No. 211-4
DATE 28 April 1948
FILLED BY Claimant



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THE VIEW ON SIDE.

EXHIBIT NO. 211-4

DATE 28 April 1948

FILLED BY Claimant

KUNIMATSU SAIMOTO
(Claimant's Name)

PERSONAL CHATTELS

Automobile & marine engine.

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Reg. No.

Description of Major Items (and particularly of goods lost, stolen or destroyed)	Approximate Date Purchase	New or Used When Purchased	Price Paid	Condition when Evacuated	Estimated value at Date of Evacuation
1938 Dodge Sedan Automobile	July 1939	new Put 4 new 6 ply tires in 1941 cost about $80.00 Put in new heater.	$1640.00	Good	$1000.00
Marine Diesel Engine 18-20 H.P. 2 cylinders Makita Engine	1939	new Imported from Japan	$900.00	Complete & not used other than to test it.	$900.00

Description of Storage of Goods:

Auto handed to R.C.M.P.
Engine left in part of B.C. Packers premises (Pacific Coast Salteries Bldg.) rented by him for business purposes.

EXHIBIT No. _____
DATE _____
FILED _____

General Statement as to Chattels not Described above:

Additional Comments, if any: I had purchased the marine engine for a new boat which I intended to build. If the engine was in complete when the Custodian had it appraised someone must have stolen parts from it.

K. Saimoto
SIGNATURE

EXHIBIT No. 211-5
DATE 28 April 1948
FILLED BY Claimant

Form 246

ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE

EXHIBIT REPORT

Detachment 42
Seizure No.
FOR USE WHEN APPLICABLE

Detachment File No.
Sub-Division File No.
Division File No.
Headquarters File No.

Detachment
Sub-Division
Division
Date 19

RE:- Kunimatsu SAIMOTO 664 Second Ave Steveston B C
NAME OF FILE

On Mar 9 19 42, I Goodfellow K E
MEMBER'S NAME

Came into possession of the following goods by:-

STATE BRIEFLY AUTHORITY, ETC., WHETHER BY SEARCH WARRANT, ETC.

NO. OF PKGS.	CAPACITY OR SIZE	DESCRIPTION OF CONTENTS DETAILS TO BE GIVEN IN FULL
		(42) 70458 5
		LICENSE NO. Dodge (38) TIRE NUMBERS
		MAKE & MODEL 9416899
		SERIAL NO. D11C1250
		ENGINE NO. 29780
		SPEEDOMETER READING Good
		CONDITION
		Heater
		EXTRA EQUIPMENT
		Hind Fenders Dented
		Paint Scratched
		DESCRIPTION & CONDITION VERIFIED

X K. Saimoto 04471

Signature of Owner
Japanese Registration No.

Handed over to representative of Custodian whose signature in receipt thereof appears hereunder

E A Cruise

Mar 9/42

DATE:

EXHIBIT No. 211-6
DATE 28 April 1948
FILLED BY Claimant.

K. E. Goodfellow

SIGNATURE OF MEMBER SUBMITTING REPORT

FILE 9609

Kunimatsu SAIMOTO

TENDERS FOR DODGE CAR

(Custodian No. C.42)

EXHIBIT No. 211-7
DATE 28 April 1948
FILED BY Claimant

Phone. Bayview 0746Y

1786 W 5th Ave
July. 23 - 42

To the Custodian

I submit bid of $600.00 on Dodge 1939 Sedan. D 11. Custodian No. 42. and enclose the 10% of tender as required.

Enc. M.O. $60.00

Yours truly
Albert Flavell

Accept.

No liens

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RAY ELLIS MOTORS

#42

1344 Granville Street,
Vancouver, B. C.
July 25th, 1942.

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We hereby tender the following offers on the motor vehicles offered by you for sale.

Chevrolet	A	Ind.	1931	Sedan	6	Heater	41,448	No. 71	$101.00
Dodge A	A	D-20	1941	Coupe	5		1,553	84	637.00
"	A	D-11	1939	Sedan	5	Heater	29,780	42	467.00
"	A	DP	1934	Sedan	5	Metal Tire cover, 2 seat covers, dual horns	33,254	62	221.00
Ford	A	01A	1939	Coupe	5		8,910	93	461.00
"	A	A	1931	Sedan	5	Heater	84,084	116	57.00
"	A	A	1930	Tudor	5		71,940	33	53,00
"	A	A	1930	Tudor	5	Front Seat cover	62,040	72	57.00
"	A	A	1930	Tudor	5		30,605	74	61.00
"	B	A	1930	Sedan	5		53,617	47	53.00
"	C	A	1930	Sedan	4	Fog light	42,844	1	53.00
"	B	A	1930	Sedan	4		62,608	110	53.00
"	A	A	1930	Tudor	5		80,285	19	53.00
"	C	A	1930	Tudor	5		66,817	34	53.00
"	C	A	1930	Sedan	5	Trunk	59,821	37	53.00
Packard	A	640	1929	Sedan	6	Heater, Fog Light	86,897	124	46.00
Studebaker	A		1938	Sedan	5	radio, heater clock	20,617	16	341.00

RAY ELLIS MOTORS.

Per: (signed) Ray. B. Ellis

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#42

660 Howe Street,
Vancouver, B. C.
July 25th, 1942.

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Custodian of Enemy Property,
Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B. C.

Gentlemen:

We submit herein, cash offer, for the purchase of the following automobiles:

1939 Dodge Sedan	Custodian No.	81	$558.00
1941 Dodge Coupe	" "	84	753.00
1939 Dodge Sedan	" "	42	508.00
1937 Dodge Sedan	" "	97	308.00
1937 Dodge Sedan	" "	119	288.00
1936 Dodge Sedan	" "	117	258.00
1936 Dodge Sedan	" "	137	268.00
1935 Dodge Sedan	" "	76	215.00
1934 Dodge Sedan	" "	62	208.00
1934 De Soto Sedan	" "	127	152.00
1939 Ford Coupe	" "	93	408.00
1939 Ford Sedan	" "	28	408.00
1939 Ford Coach	" "	45	358.00
1938 Ford Sedan	" "	123	328.00
1938 Ford Sedan	" "	94	308.00
1936 Ford Sedan	" "	36	236.00
1936 Ford Sedan	" "	140	215.00
1935 Ford Sedan	" "	99	208.00
1938 Studebaker Sedan	" "	16	358.00
1937 Terraplane Sedan	" "	51	258.00

The above offer is make for immediate acceptance only, and we will appreciate a prompt reply.

Yours very truly,

SOUTHARD MOTOR COMPANY LIMITED.

(Signed) A. Southard

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MOUNT PLEASANT AUTO SALES LTD. #42

395 Kingsway,
Vancouver, B. C.
July 24, 1942.

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MAKE	LOCATION	MODEL & YEAR		STYLE	TIRES	EXTRA EQUIP.	SPEEDOMETER	CUST NO.	TENDER
Dodge	A	D-15	1939	Sedan	5	Heater	33,257	81	$490.00
	A	D-20	1941	Coupe	5		1,553	84	625.00
	A	D-11	1939	Sedan	5	Heater	29,780	42	390.00
	A	D-7	1937	Sedan	5	Heater	50,298	97	325.00
	A	D-7	1937	Sedan	5	Heater	69,122	119	300.00
	A	D-5	1936	Sedan	5	Heat, fog light	66,039	117	350.00
	A	D-3	1936	Sedan	5	Heater	29,492	50	240.00
	A	D-4	1936	Sedan	5	Heater	51,085	137	300.00
	A	D-4	1935	Tour.	5	Heater, radio lighter	64,032	76	250.00
	A	DP	1934	Sedan	5	Metal tire-cover, two seat-covers, dual horns	33,264	62	250.00

MOUNT PLEASANT AUTO SALES LTD.

Per: (Signed) J.F. MacLeod.

Excerpt taken from Original File No. 429

Vancouver B.C.
1336-Pendrell St
July 23rd, 42.

#42

The Custodian
506-Royal Bank Bldg.
Vancouver. B.C.

Dear Sir.

I wish to submit my tender of $460.00 for 1939 Dodge Sedan. Custodian No. "42."

Enclosed please find a certified check for $460.00

Sincerely yours

Ed. Bredrick

Test

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1518 E. 33rd Ave.
Vancouver B.C.
July 24/42.

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

#42

Copies Made and Filed

Dear Sir:

Re your sale of enemy owned automobiles. I beg to make application for a bid on same.

My first choice is a Dodge Sedan, Model D 11, Custodian number 42 & my offer for same is $412.50.

Second choice, if so allowed, is Dodge Sedan, Custodian number 81, & my bid is $300.00 — Three hundred dollars.

Third choice, if so allowed, is the Oldsmobile Sedan, Custodian number 17, & my bid is $350.00 Three hundred and fifty dollars.

Enclosed please find check for $11.25 to cover 10% of these bids.

Yours truly,
A. M. Thomson.

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Vernon, B. C.
July 24th, 1942.

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G. W. McPherson, Esq.,
506 Royal Bank Building,
VANCOUVER, B. C.

Dear Sir:

We submit the following tenders for cars and trucks per your printed list. Numbers shown are those as shown on your list as Custodian numbers of July 10th, 1942:

Tenders on Cars.

No. A, 24	$250.00
32	235.00
21	220.00
70	175.00
71	135.00
81	340.00
42	300.00
91	250.00
76	200.00
74	100.00
132	275.00
51	175.00

Yours very truly,

BLOOM & SIGALET LIMITED.

Per: (Signed) Wm. A. Sigalet

Taken from original File 378

#42

3841 Inverness St.,
Vancouver, B.C.
July 24th 1942.

Mr. W.G. McPherson
506 Royal Bank Bldg.,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir:

I wish to submit a tender for Japanese cars in your custody. The following is a list of cars which I have selected. I wish to obtain one car but have chosen three as follows:

1st choice	1939 Dodge	#42	$400.00 ✓
2nd choice	1939 Ford	#28	$400.00 ✓
3rd choice	1938 Ford	#123 ✓	$300.00 ✓

Reject
Reject
Reject

Enclosed please find cheque for $40.00 to cover initial payment.

Yours sincerely,

N. Slade

Copies made and filed

400 ✓

1145 Lilly St.
Vancouver B.C.
July 24. 1942.

The Custodian of Enemy Property,
675 W. Hastings St.,
Vancouver, B.C.

#42

Dear Sirs,

I herewith submit a tender of three hundred dollars ($300.00) for 1939 Dodge Sedan, Model D-11, Custodian's No. 42.

Also please find enclosed a certified cheque in the amount of thirty dollars ($30.00) payable to the Custodian.

Yours truly,
(Mrs) Helena E. Snall

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#42

July-23, 1942

The Custodian
506 Royal Bank Bld

2-Second; Choice - car no (42)
Forty two)
We offer - $400.00 - Four.
Hundred Dollar.
Enclose find a cheque of.
$40.00.

S. Martis
438. W. Pender St.
Vancouver. B.C

P.A.-0921

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Second choice

2027- 43rd Ave. East.
Vancouver. B. C.
June 24th. 1942.

#42

Mr. G. W. McPherson.

Dear Sir.

Please find enclosed cheque for $55.00. deposit. for tender of $550.+/- 100. on Car. Dodge. Sedan. 4. D-11. 1939. Custodian No. 42.

Thanking You in advance.

Mrs. S. J. Lewis.
2027- 43rd Ave. East
Vancouver.

Phone Fraser 3543.

2nd choice

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6975 Balaclava

#42 Vancouver B.C.

Dear Sir

Am making you an offer of $ 600. (six hundred) dollars for car at 929 Main Street Vancouver

The car is a-39 Dodge Sedan

No- 42.

Sincerly G Willis

$ 700-

2 bids $ 600- each

Letter 140.

146.

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#42

541
942 Robson Street,
Vancouver, B. C.
July 22nd, 1942.

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

Dear Sirs: Re: Tender.

Location A
Model & Year 1939 Dodge D 11
Custodian No. 42

I, herewith offer Five Hundred Dollars
as full payment on the above vehicle, and enclose marked
cheque for $ 50.00 being 10% of the amount offered.

Yours truly,

A. E. Stephens

A. E. Stephens.

file

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Tender

#42

Car No 42

Tender _____ $400.00

Four Hundred

Charles R. Yates
2453 - E - 28th
Tucson

E. G. McKIM H. W. McKIM A. M. McKIM

McKIM BROS.

No. 9 ROAD, LULU ISLAND, B.C.

MAIL R.R. 1, STEVESTON, B.C.

BERRY GROWERS
CERTIFIED NETTED GEM SEED & Potatoes

PHONE STEVESTON 57F

July 23 - 42.

Custodian of Enemy property.
Royal Bank Building
Van B.C.

#42

Dear Sir -

I wish to bid $700.00 xx on 1939 Dodge Sedan lot #42 model 10.11. - also together please find certified C.K. for $70.00 xx yours Very Truly.

A. M. McKim

Withdrawn
Aug. 10.
Telephone
M. Steveston
57F.
By

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·SUN·LIFE·ASSURANCE·COMPANY·OF·CANADA·
·HEAD·OFFICE: MONTREAL·

#42

Van. B.C. July 24-42
805 Royal Bank Bldg

Dear Sir.

Tender for 1939 Dodge Sedan
Custodian No. 42 ✓ - $455.00

Enclosed marked Check $45.50

J. F. Witteck
805 Royal Bank Bldg.

Fein

✓
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IN ALL CORRESPONDENCE ABOUT POLICIES PLEASE REFER TO THEIR NUMBERS

#42

4267 W 15th
Vanc. B.C.
July 25/42

Dept. of the Secy. of State
Office of the Custodian
Royal Bank Bldg.

I tender my bid of $300.00
on Dodge sedan custodian No.
42 stored at 929 Main St.
Enclosed find Marked Check for
$30.00.

Geo. E. Taylor
4267 W 15
City.

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July 24/12
3404 Kingsway
Vancouver B.C.

#42

Dear Sir.

Find enclosed check for ($48.00)
Forty Eight Dollars. Tender on #42
Full Price ($480.00) Four Hundred Eighty Dollars

File

R. C. Chatwin

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#42

R.R.#1 Milner, B.C.
July 22nd, 1942.

Mr. G. W. McPherson,
Custodian of Alien Property,
506 Royal Bank Bldg.,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir:

Please find enclosed certified cheque for $70.50, being deposit covering bids on the following cars:

1st choice	No. 42	Bid $450.00	Deposit $45.00
2nd choice	No.132	Bid $255.00	Deposit $25.50

Yours very truly,

E. A. Lightfoot

Copy Made and Filed

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KUNIMATSU SAIMOTO
(Claimant's Name)

PERSONAL CHATTELS

VESSEL

04471
Reg. No.

Description of Major Items (and particularly of goods lost, stolen or destroyed)	Approximate Date Purchase	New or Used When Purchased	Price Paid	Condition when Evacuated	Estimated value at Date of Evacuation
NAME "MAY S" Reg No. 154437 TYPE SEINER DESCRIPTION Length 52' Keel 2 @ 60' Width 14' 6" Depth 7' Engine Washington Estep Full Diesel 60 BHP				Built 1927	COST #16,587.60
IMPROVEMENTS 1930 Pilot House, control installations etc Celtic shipyards #238.20					
MAINTENANCE Up on the ways every year to be scraped + painted Engine kept in good order overhauled each year Pd $600 to Boeing in Mar 1942 for work on engine (I believe this was just before navy requisitioned for charter)				CONDITION WHEN EVACUATED A-1	
WITH WHOM LEFT NAVY BOAT FULLY EQUIPPED WHEN DELIVERED					ESTIMATED VALUE DATE OF SALE #10,500.00

Description of Storage of Goods:

General Statement as to Chattels not Described above:

After I delivered this boat as required by law, I believe the Navy requisitioned it for charter on a bare boat basis. By letter Sept. 30/42 the requisitioning officer requested certain information relating to the establishment of a charter rate. I had my son prepare the necessary information for me and write to the officer as per letter May 5/42. It appears that I signed an inventory of equipment on Mar 10/42. However, my son, checked over the equipment with a Mr. Galloway (I believe a navy man) on March 16/42 and found some of the equipment to be missing.

Additional Comments, if any:

Prior to evacuation in 1940+1941 I chartered the boat to B.C. Packers Ltd at #32.00 per day (bare boat) when used as a seiner and at #25.00 per day including two crew when used as a packer. The Dept of Munitions & Supplies requisitioned my boat some time in Aug 1942. I never received any charter money. I did not want to sell my boat for #7500.00 but was advised by my son who looked after all correspondence that if I did not sign the bill of sale I would not get my money. Unfortunately my son died in Oct 1944 and I cannot locate the correspondence relating to the sale.

K. Saimoto
SIGNATURE

EXHIBIT No. 211-8
DATE 28 April 1948
FILLED BY Claimant.

TREASURY OFFICE

NATIONAL HARBOURS BOARD

VANCOUVER

~~OTTAWA,~~

CANADA

Ft. Dunlevy Avenue,
Vancouver, B. C.,
April 30th, 1942.

Mr. Kunimatsu Saimoto,
P.O. Box 451,
Steveston, B. C.

Dear Sir: Re: "May S"

With reference to your letter of February 22nd, in connection with the M.V. "May S", in which you give a value of $16,500.00 on this boat when it was built in 1927. In order to substantiate this amount, it will be necessary for you to file with me the builder's statement of value and also a copy of balance sheet showing the value of this boat at the present time.

If this boat has been chartered to any outside party or parties, I would also ask that you give me a list together with rates. Also, the amount of marine insurance you have been carrying and with whom placed.

It is anticipated the Advisory Board on Requisitioning will meet sometime next week to consider this boat and I would be glad if you would have this information in my hands as early as possible.

Yours truly,

W. G. STICKNEY,
Secretary, Advisory Board
on Requisitioning.

WGS:DA

37.00

75.00
incl. 2 crews.

EXHIBIT No. 211-9
DATE 28 April 1948
FILED BY Claimant

P. O. Box 45,
Steveston, B. C.

May 5th, 1942.

W. G. Stickney, Esq.,
Secretary, Advisory Board
on Requisitioning,
Ft. Dunlevy Avenue,
Vancouver, B. C.

Sir:

In compliance with your enquiry of 30th ult., I beg to enclose you herewith detailed statement covering construction cost of the vessel in question.

Since our construction for nearly every season, B. C. Packers had been chartering her. The charter rates being between $32.00 (bare boat) and $25.00 including two crews. The difference in charter rates depend on the current conditions plus the way of her use, that is to say, Seiner or Packer.

As I have never taken depreciation allowances in case of my income tax returns, I have no balance sheet showing the value of this boat as at present. And may I also add that lately because of me supplying two crews and the charter agreement, I have never applied for the Marine Insurance Covering for the vessel.

Trusting that these are the informations you require.

Yours very truly,

Kunimatsu Saimoto.

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DATE 28 April 1948
FILLED BY Claimant

M. V. "MAY S"

CONSTRUCTIVE COST (BUILT IN 1927)

Kishi Bros. Boat Works for Hull	$5,100.00
Vancouver Machinery Depot Ltd. for Engine	5,719.00
do. for Extras	172.35
Stevestion Machine Shop for an auxiliary Engine and installation	2,525.63
Steveston Sheet Metal Works for Tanks etc.	240.60
Edward Lipsett for ship chandlery	130.75
McLennan, McFeely for Accessories	2,029.52
Akimoto Hardward Co. for ship chandlery	325.25
T. Howard for Blacksmith jobs	189.00
Mikado Transfer for Cartage charges	155.50
Sub-Total	$16,587.60
Additional Cost (Installation in 1930)	
Celtic Shipyards for Pilot House	
Control installations, etc.	238.20
TOTAL COST	$16,825.80

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DATE 28 April 1948
FILLED BY Claimant

PHS/LH.

CANADA

RECEIVED
MAY 26 1942
ANSWERED

Department of National Defence

IN REPLY PLEASE QUOTE
No. G.13-33.

Naval Service H.M.C.S. "GIVENCHY",
Esquimalt, B. C.
19th May, 1942 1942.

May. S
Sewer
Reg. for navy

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Dear Sir:

MISSING STORES - H.M.C.S. "CREST".
(Formerly M/V. "MAY "S".)

The Inventory of this vessel was taken on 10th March, 1942, and was signed without protest by the Owner, K. Saimoto (Copy of Inventory attached).

2. A list of missing stores has now been received in the amount of $179.60, and is forwarded herewith for your information and consideration.

Yours very truly,

for Chas H Hudson
A/COMMANDER, R.C.N.,
Commanding Officer,
Auxiliary Vessels.

A. E. McMaster, Esq.,
Executive Assistant,
Japanese Fishing Vessels Disposal Committee,
1528 Marine Building,
VANCOUVER, B. C.

Encl. 2.

REFERRED TO
JAM
A. E. McMASTER
45-36-5-44

EXHIBIT No. 211-10
DATE 28 April 1948
FILLED BY Claimant

D 2258
1500M—11-40 (7828)
N.S. 815-5-2258

10th March, 1942.

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INVENTORY OF M/V "MAY S".

TOP OF WHEEL HOUSE

1 Steering Wheel
2 Main Engine Controls
1 Starboard Running Light
1 Port Running Light
1 Spot Light
1 3/8" Air Whistle
1 1/2" " "
2 Flood Lights
1 Stove Oil Tank
1 Mast with 3 mast lights and radio antenna
1 Cargo Boom complete with falls and guy lines

MAIN DECK

2 150-lb. anchors.
1 100 " "
[illegible] 75 " "
4 fathoms 3/8" Gal. chain
55 " 4½ " Manila
5 " 5/16" Ga. Anchor Chain
7 Fenders (used tires)
1 Cork Life Ring
11 Fathoms 5" Manila
12 " 3½" "
15 " 5¾" "
1 Deck Winch
1 #3 Deck Bilge Pump
1 Galv. Bucket
1 Toilet Bowl
8 Light Fixtures
3 Fish peughs

FORECASTLE

5 Fish peughs
1 Broom
1 Hatch Cover Canvas.
50 ft. 1" Manila.
3 Life Belts Kapok
5 Bunks, 1 light fixture.

HOLD

1 Turk's Head (used)
1 Mop
2 Deck Brushes
1 Mattock
2 Shovels
1 Galv. Wash tub.
1 Wash Board
80 lbs. Rock Sale
4 Lengths of 1¼" deck hose Approx. 50 feet (used)
Assortment of 2" Gal. Pipe fittings (used)
1 Set Pen Boards

WHEEL HOUSE

3 Light Fixtures
6 Snap On Switches
1 Knife Switch
2 Main Engine Controls
1 Steering Wheel
1 Bunk
1 Pyrene Hanging Bracket
1 Cupboard
3 Drawers
1 Bell Switch
4 Engine Room Signal Bell Handles
1 Chart Table

GALLEY

1 14" x 21" sink
1 1¼" fresh water hand pump
1 Columbia galley stove equipped for oil burning
1 Pyrene Bracket
1 Light Fixture
1 Snap-on Wall Switch
1 Table
1 Stool

EXHIBIT No. 211-10
DATE 28 April 1948
FILLED BY Claimant

ENGINE ROOM

1 Switchboard with ammeter & rheostat
1 Spare injection Nozzle.
1 1-Gal. Jar for battery water
1 Signal Bell
5 Light Fixtures
1 Tubing for Testing Nozzles
12 Piston Rings (used)
5 Gland Wrenches
1 Gauge Glass with Fittings
1 Hand-made Off-set Wrench
1 Lub. Tank - 30 gallons
2 Rolls of 3/8" Packing
2 Oar Locks
2 Small Sheaves
3 feet 3/8" Chain
18" of 3/4" stern gland packing
Assortment of used pipe fitting and valves.

5 - 6-volt batteries
1 Flywheel bar
1 Hydrometer
1 Signal gong
1 Pyrene Bracket
3 Hand Oilers
1 - 8-ga. fuel service tank
1 4" Bench vise
1 ½" open end wrench
1 14" Monkey Wrench
1 Gasoline tank - 15 gallons.
1 Gal. Lub. Oil Measure
1 Small Hand Axe
1 Large Filler
2 lbs. cup grease
3 Injection Nozzle Bodies (used)
1 Injection nozzle tube

J.F.V.D.C.

Covering letter from Dept. of National Defence, dated 19/5/42
Also list of missing Inventory amt. $179.60 on claim file. JF

ENGINE ROOM(Cont'd)

1 Valve Puller
½ Roll tar paper
1 Small filler
3 Spare light bulbs
5 lbs. asbestos flour
1 Spare Main Eng. Valve & Cage Complete (used)
Assortment of used nuts, bolts, etc.
1 Compass
2 Pyrene Extinguishers
2 Single End Spanner (large)
1 Double " " " 1¼" x 1½"

The above inventory was mustered and found correct.

(sgd.) "W. E. ADAMSON",
Pay Lieut.Comdr. R.C.N.R.
S.O.A.V.

(sgd.) "C. HAITHWAITE",
Cd.Eng., R.C.N.
A/E.O.A.V.

(sgd.) "K. SAIMOTO"
Owner.

May 6th, 1942.

Lieutenant Commander Smith,
Naval Control B oard,
Marine Building,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

I beg to enclose you herewith, the list of missing inventory from my boat "MAY S"

Yours very truly,

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KS:M

Encl.

EXHIBIT No. 211-11
DATE 28 April 1948
FILLED BY Claimant

INVENTORIES MISSING FROM MAY S.

on March 16, 1942.

PILOT HOUSE.

1 ship clock	25.00
1 Barometer	22.50
1 Pyrene Fire Extinguish	12.50
1 Chart Rule	1.00
1 Binocular	35.00
4 Chart	4.00
1 Stool	3.00
1 Mattress	2.50
12 Light Bulbs (32 V)	4.80
	$ 110.30

ENGINE ROOM

1 Fire Axe	3.00
1 Lantern	1.25
1 Hammer	1.00
1 18 inches Screwdriver	.75
3 10 " "	1.25
1 24 inches Stillson Wrench	3.00
1 18 " " "	2.50
1 12 " " "	1.50
1 6 " " "	.50
1 12 " Cresent "	1.50
1 8 " " "	1.00
2 6 " " "	.75
1 16 " Monkey "	2.00
	22.00

FOCSLE

1 Canvas Tent	10.00
4 Mattress	10.00
	20.00

DECK

1 pike pole (14 ')	3.00
1 Life Bouy	5.00
1 Wash Basin	.50
1 Water Bucket	.30
	8.80

GALLEY

2 Tea Pots	2.00
3 Cups	.30
3 Plates	.75
4 Knives	1.50
3 Forks	.90
4 Teaspoons	1.00
4 Table Spoons	1.40
2 Cook Knives	1.50
2 Double Boilers	2.80
1 Roasting Pan Appro 10" x 20 "	2.00
1 Dish Pan	1.35
1 Iron Pot	2.50
2 Frying Pan	.50
	18.50

TOTAL AMOUNT $ 179.60

MARCH 10th, 1942.

Above found short when checked by A. R. Golloway Esq., and Y. Saimoto, son of Owner.

KUNIMATSU SAIMOTO
(Claimant's Name)

PERSONAL CHATTELS
Vessels II

04471
Reg. No.

Description of Major Items (and particularly of goods lost, stolen or destroyed)	Approximate Date Purchase	New or Used When Purchased	Price Paid	Condition when Evacuated	Estimated value at Date of Evacuation
Boat "K.S" Type Gill-netter Description Length 30' Width 7' Depth 3' Engine Palmer Gas 8 H.P.	1940	Used	$450.00	Scraped & painted copper painted Engine Overhauled	$400.00
"J.E" Gill-netter Length 31' Width 7' Depth 3'4" Official # NW 1797	Canadian Standard 8 H.P. 1935	Used	$700.00	as above	$600.00

Description of Storage of Goods:

~~Both stationed~~ to the Navy.

General Statement as to Chattels not Described above:

Additional Comments , if any: I have no recollection of ever stating that the value of the boat "J.E." was less than $600.00

EXHIBIT No. 211-12
DATE 28 April 1948
FILLED BY Claimant.

K. Saimoto
SIGNATURE

EXHIBIT No. 211-12
DATE 28 April 1948
FILLED BY Claimant.

Boat J.E. (K.S.)

$700.00

賣渡証

此度少々所有船長サ三拾呎幅七呎
深サ三呎機械八王力カナデヤンスタンタート
ガスエンジン船（LICENSE No 1997）
右正ニ貴殿ヘ賣却仕ル段確実ニ也

昭和拾年六月二十二日　江崎甚四郎

新東國松殿

証人　岸朝治

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Reg. Sh. (C)
Of Schedule to Chap. 113 R.S. of Canada 1916.

LICENSE

No. N.W.1797

Port of Registry,

New Westminster, B.C.

*(Ship or Vessel as the case may be. And state her name.)

†(Collector or Principal Officer as the case may be.)

‡(Name of Port.)

This is to Certify that the* Gas Boat

of which the particulars are herein contained, was this day licensed by me, the† Collector of National Revenue of Customs at‡ New Westminster, B.C. under the provisions of part I of the *Canada Shipping Act.*

MEASUREMENT	FEET	INCHES	TONNAGE	NUMBER OF TONS
Length	31	--	Approximate	3
Breadth	7	--	Canadian Stamdard	
Depth	3	4	8 H.P.	

NAMES OF OWNERS (OR NAME OF OWNER)	NUMBER OF SHARES HELD BY EACH §
J. Ezaki	64
Steveston, B.C.	

§ (If the property in the Ship or Vessel be not divided into shares this column need not be filled up.)

Signature J. Ezaki

For Collector

NATIONAL REVENUE CANADA
CUSTOMS and EXCISE
NOV 15 1929
LONG ROOM
New Westminster, B. C.

Dated at New Westminster, B.C.

this 15th day of Nov. 19 29.

EXHIBIT No. 211-13
DATE 28 April 1948
FILLED BY Claimant

MAY 5

REQUISITIONED

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Name of Vessel (船名)	MAY S	Official Number (登記番號)	154437	Naval Control Number (海軍省ノ番號)	NW 099 H
Port of Registry (登記港名)	New Westminster, B. C.	Date of Registry (登記期日)	June 13, 1927		
Length ⊙ (長サ)	52' Keel Top 60'	Width ⊙ (幅)	14' 6"	Depth ⊙ (深サ)	7'
Make of Engine (Present) (機械ノ名) (現在ノ)	Washington Estep Full Diesel	Date When Re-Installed (若シ入替ヘタ場合ハ其ノ期日)			
Horse Power (馬力)	60 B.H.P.	Knot (Speed) (速力)	7 Knots		
When Hull Built (船体建造期日)	1927	When Hull Rebuilt (若シ改造ノ場合ハ其ノ期日)			
Type of Vessel: (船ノ型)	Seiner (セイナー) [X]	Packer (パッカー) [ ]	Gill-Netter (ギルネット) [ ]	Troller (トローラー) [ ]	Trawler (底引キ) [ ] Other (其他) [ ] ✓
Formerly Used as (從來ノ使途)	Packer	Value (Replacement) (船價)(建造スル場合)	$18,000.00		
Date When Surveyed Last (最近ノサーベイサレタル期日)		Value (Present) (船價)(現在ノ)	$10,000.00	claim 10,500	
Pace of Operation (使用區域)	Namu to Steveston, B. C.	Value (Insured) (船價)(保險ヲ附スル場合)	$11,000.00		
Charter Rate: 1940 (傭船料金率)	$25.00 with 2 Crew	Chartered To: 1940 (傭船先)	B. C. Packers Ltd.		
1941	" " " "	1941	do.		
Amount of Mortgage, If Any (抵當權ノ金額)	Nil	Mortgaged To: (抵當權書入先)			
Registered Owner's Name (登錄船主名)	Kunimatsu Saimoto	Actual Owner's Name (現實所有者名)	Kunimatsu Saimoto		
ADDRESS (住所)	P.O.Box 451, Steveston, B. C.	ADDRESS (住所)	P.O.Box 451, Steveston, B. C.		

⊙ *Please refer to "Certificate" of British Registry" in filling this blank; special attention is required in cases of "Length" "Width" and "Depth"*
此ノ書式ヲ御記入前ニ充分『登錄證』ヲ御覽下サイ 特ニ『長サ』『幅』及『深サ』ニ御注意願ヒマス

Gross Tonnage: 39.01 Tons

Net Tonnage: 26.53 Tons

EXHIBIT No. 211-1L

DATE 28 April 1948

FILED BY Crown

Known as "T.N."

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DOMINION OF CANADA)
)
PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA) RE MOTOR VESSEL "K.S."
)
TO WIT:)

I, KUNIMATSU SAIMOTO, Fish Buyer, of Steveston, in the Province of British Columbia, do solemnly declare:

1. That I am the owner of the Gasoline Fishing Vessel "K.S.", powered with 8 H.P. Palmer Engine, the approximate dimensions of the vessel being:

Length: 30 Feet Breadth: 7 Feet Depth: 3 Feet

2. That the said Fishing Vessel was built at Steveston, B. C., in or about the year 1919, and all work and materials for the construction of the same vessel has been paid for by me in full.

3. That the said Fishing Vessel was rented to one, Teizo Nojima in 1932, with the understanding that said Nojima was to deliver all his catches to me at the current prevailing price, and that said Nojima has been fishing with the said vessel in District One, Fraser River, until summer of 1940.

4. That the said Fishing Vessel has never been registered with the Registrar of Shipping, although the vessel's Naval Control Number is N.W. 081-H, for which I permitted said Nojima to apply for it to the Naval Control Board in 1940.

5. That the said Fishing Vessel has been tied up since summer of 1940 at a place known as, Yewen Slough, Western HAM Island, Fraser River, until the time of immobilization order issued by the Government of the Dominion of Canada, upon which the Navy has taken the said vessel under its custody.

6. That the said Fishing Vessel has no distinguishing markings and that the said vessel's present value may be approximately Three Hundred Dollars ($300.00)

AND I MAKE THIS SOLEMN DECLARATION conscientiously believing it to be true and knowing that it is of the same force and effect as if made under oath and by virtue of the "Canada Evidence Act".

Declared before me at Steveston, in)
the Province of British Columbia, this)
21st day of February, A.D. 1942.) K. Saimoto

Thomas E. Tang)

A Commissioner for taking affidavits)
within British Columbia.)

EXHIBIT No. 211-15
DATE 28 April 1948
FILLED BY Crown

mother

FORM "JP" BUREAU POWELL STREET FILE No. 9609

REAL ESTATE

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: SAIMOTO, Kunimatsu

HOME ADDRESS: 644 2nd Ave., Steveston, B.C.

REGISTRATION NUMBER 04471 SEX: Male AGE: 52

OCCUPATION: Fish broker

(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: Self

MARRIED? Yes

NAME OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: Kiku 9608 (declares no personal property)

ADDRESS OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: 644 2nd Ave., Steveston, B.C.

NAMES OF ANY LIVING CHILDREN: 9861 YUKIO (M) 9610 Nobuko (F) 9607 Fumio (M)
Suyeko (F) Hisao (M) Mikio (M) Toyeko (F) Shigeo (M)
Sayoko (F)

ADDRESS OF CHILDREN: All at 644 2nd Ave., Steveston, B.C.

AGE OF CHILDREN: 22, 20, 18, 15, 14, 12, 9, 7, 4

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

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: 644 2nd Ave., Steveston, B.C.
Lot No. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9. Block 57, Sec. 3
Block North 3, Range West 4 Map 249 ~~should be 27~~ ? - see C.E.
Registered in name of Saimoto and Kikio

2. BUILDINGS AND OTHER IMPROVEMENTS: 1 10 roomed wooden house
1 barn, Declarant doesn't know which of the lots this house is on.

3. INSURANCE (Give particulars; state where policies are) $3000, Hobson & Christie, Vancouver, B.C. policy in owner's possession.

4. TAXES (Amount and where payable) About $40. Paid for 1941, payable at Municipal Hall, Brighouse.

5. ENCUMBRANCES (Including any unregistered claims or deposit of title deed)
None

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6. OCCUPANCY AND LEASES (If vacant so state)
Occupied by owner at present. Declarant wants to lease house upon evacuation. Mr. Owen Burdett will be the new tenant.
Steveston, B.C.

Agent T.H. King Steveston

7. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF TITLE DOCUMENTS: In owner's possession.

8. STATE IF ANY OTHER PERSON HAS ANY INTEREST: None

9. IF FARM LAND STATE CROPS SOWN None

STATEMENT OF REAL PROPERTY OCCUPIED

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: None

2. LANDLORD'S NAME AND ADDRESS:

None

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

None

4. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF LEASE: None

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

None

6. IF FARM LAND, PARTICULARS OF CROPS SOWN:

None

STATEMENT OF PERSONAL PROPERTY OWNED:

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

None

Sold see "MAIL" 8/3/44

1 Boat, 60' x 14½' 60 H.P. Washington Estep Diesel, in custody of Navy. Whereabouts unknown.

1 Japanese Diesel, 18-20 H.P. Makita Engine, at Pacific Coast Saltery, Steveston, B.C.

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

None

3. GIVE THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF ANY PERSON HAVING ANY INTEREST IN, OR CLAIM ON ANY SUCH PROPERTY None

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4. INSURANCE CARRIED ON ABOVE PROPERTY: None

5. MORTGAGES, LIENS AND OTHER CLAIMS ON PROPERTY IN POSSESSION OF OTHERS: None

6. MONEYS OWING TO YOU (State if any of these debts assigned and if so, to whom) None

7. BONDS, DEBENTURES, SHARES, STOCKS OR OTHER SECURITIES (State whereabouts) 7 $100 Victory Bonds, 1941 & 1942, in owner's possession.

8. BANK ACCOUNTS: None

9. LIFE INSURANCE: $2000 Sun Life Assurance Co., Vancouver, B.C. Pol. No. unknown, Policy in owner's possession.

10. INTEREST IN ANY ESTATES OR TRUSTS. None

11. SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX: None

LIABILITIES:

1. PERSONAL DEBTS: None

2. TRADE DEBTS: None

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 19th day of May 1942.

(Signature) K. Saimoto

A J McArthur
Witness

FOR DEPARTMENTAL USE

File 9609 Saimoto. K.

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Name of Vessel (船 名)	K.S. (T.N.)	Official Number (登記番號)	Naval Control Number (海軍省ノ番號) N.W. 081 H.
Port of Registry (登記港名)		Date of Registry (登記期日)	
Length ⊙ (長サ)	30'	Width ⊙ (幅) 7'	Depth ⊙ (深サ) 3'
Make of Engine (Present) (機械ノ名) (現在ノ)	Palmer Gas Engine	Date When Re-Installed (若シ入替ヘタ場合ハ其ノ期日)	
Horse Power (馬力)	8 H.P.	Knot (Speed) (速力)	4 Knots
When Hull Built (船体建造期日)	1919	When Hull Rebuilt (若シ改造ノ場合ハ其ノ期日)	
Type of Vessel: (船ノ型)	Seiner セイナー ☐ Packer パッカー ☐ Gill-Netter ギルネット ☒ Troller トローラー ☐ Trawler 底引キ ☐ Other 其他 ☐ ✓		
Formerly Used as (從來ノ使途)	Fishing	Value (Replacement) (船價)(建造スル場合)	$1,200.00
Date When Surveyed Last (最近ノサーベイサレタル期日)		Value (Present) (船價)(現在ノ)	$400.00
Pace of Operation (使用區域)	Steveston, B. C.	Value (Insured) (船價)(保險ヲ附スル場合)	$400.00
Charter Rate: 1940 (傭船料金率)		Chartered To: 1940 (傭船先)	
1941		1941	
Amount of Mortgage, If Any (抵當權ノ金額)	Nil	Mortgaged To: (抵當權書入先)	
Registered Owner's Name (登錄船主名)	Teizo Nojima	Actual Owner's Name (現實所有者名)	Kunimatsu Saimoto
ADDRESS (住所)	Steveston, B. C.	ADDRESS (住所)	P.O. Box 451, Steveston, B.C.

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DATE 28 April 1948
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⊙ *Please refer to "Certificate" of British Registry" in filling this blank; special attention is required in cases of "Length" "Width" and "Depth"*
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Name of Vessel (船名)	J. E.	Official Number (登記番號)	~~NW~~ 1797	Naval Control Number (海軍省ノ番號)	
Port of Registry (登記港名)	New Westminster	Date of Registry (登記期日)			
Length ⊙ (長サ)	31'	Width ⊙ (幅)	7'	Depth ⊙ (深サ)	3'4"
Make of Engine (Present) (機械ノ名) (現在ノ)	~~Canadian~~ Standard	Date When Re-Installed (若シ入替ヘタ場合ハ其ノ期日)			
Horse Power (馬力)	8	Knot (Speed) (速力)			
When Hull Built (船体建造期日)	1929	When Hull Rebuilt (若シ改造ノ場合ハ其ノ期日)			
Type of Vessel: (船ノ型)	Seiner セイナー ☐	Packer パッカー ☐	Gill-Netter ギルネット ☒	Troller トローラー ☐	Trawler 底引キ ☐ Other 其他 ☐
Formerly Used as (從來ノ使途)		Value (Replacement) (船價)(建造スル場合)			
Date When Surveyed Last (最近ノサーベイサレタル期日)		Value (Present) (船價)(現在ノ)	$ 600.00		
Pace of Operation (使用區域)	Fraser River	Value (Insured) (船價)(保險ヲ附スル場合)			
Charter Rate: 1940 (傭船料金率)		Chartered To: 1940 (傭船先)			
1941		1941			
Amount of Mortgage, If Any (抵當權ノ金額)		Mortgaged To: (抵當權書入先)			
Registered Owner's Name (登錄船主名)	Ezaki, J	Actual Owner's Name (現實所有者名)	~~Ezaki, J~~ K SAIMOTO.		
ADDRESS (住所)	Steveston, B. C.	ADDRESS (住所)	Steveston, B. C.		

Application with No Name / NW - 1797

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JOHN GOULD

Marine Surveyor and Appraiser
Ship Broker

423 Hamilton Street,
VANCOUVER, B. C.

EXHIBIT No. 211 - 18
DATE 12 Sept 1949
FILED BY D.T.Braidwood

July 25th, 1949

Messrs Sutton, Braidwood & Morris
Barristers & Solicitors,
506 Royal Bank Bldg,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sirs:

re Case No. 211 - K. Saimoto

Answering yours of the 21st inst.

In conjunction with my letter of the 19th inst. I note that the increase in price of Diesel engines is approximately 33&1/3% since 1939, Price to-day of a 20 H.P. 2 Cyl Diesel engine manufactured in Canada is $1500.00. i.e. $1000.00 in 1939 New Japanese Diesel engine of 2- H.P. 2 Cyl Value in 1939 $500.00. Value in 1943 $500.00. Buyers doubtful.

Faithfully yours,

sgd. John Gould.

JG/M

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

November 26th 1949

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Attached to Exhibit 211 - 18

Mr John Gould
423 Hamilton Street,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Mr. Gould,

Japanese Property Claims Commission
Case No. 211 - K. Saimoto

Thank you for your letter of the 19th July.

If you will look at the last paragraph of my letter of the 12th July, you will see that what we wish to know is the value you would have placed on the Japanese diesel engine in March 1943 if you had found it complete in all its parts and you had been given to understand that it was imported new from Japan in 1939 and had not been used.

Yours very truly,

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

November 26th 1949

M. Sands

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JOHN GOULD
Marine Surveyor and Appraiser
Ship Broker

423 Hamilton Street, VANCOUVER, B.C.

July 19th, 1949.

Messrs. Sutton, Braidwood & Morris,
Barristers & Solicitors,
506 Royal Bank Bldg,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sirs:

re Case No. 211, Kumimtsu Saimoto

When I examined this particular Japanese Diesel Engine at the Pacific Coast Cannery, Steveston B. C., on 17th March 1943. The engine was incomplete with no possibility of obtaining the parts missing, it was also in a rusty condition and was useless as an engine in its then present condition.

On making enquiries at that time, I was given to understand that the Japanese had been trying to sell these new Diesel engines for $900.00 to $1000.00. This engine had been up for sale for four years, no buyers, as the general opinion of Diesel Engineers at that time was that they were most unreliable engines.

My considered opinion at that time was that as a diesel engine it was useless, but as spare parts for any other Japanese engine of the same model and horsepower it was worth $75.00.

Faithfully yours

Sgd. John Gould.

JG/M

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November 26th 1949

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506 Royal Bank Building,

12th July 1949.

Mr.J. Gould,
423 Hamilton Street,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir,

Japanese Property Claims Commission
Case No. 211 - Kunimatsu SAIMOTO

On March 17th 1943 you appraised a Japanese make diesel engine as follows:

Owner:	K. Saimoto
Engine	Diesel
Make:	Japanese
H.P.	20, two cylinders
Remarks	This engine is not complete and is in a rusty condition.
Value	$75.00, as is.
Inspection:	Mr Robinson, Custodian Agent, Steveston, B. C.

You stated that the engine was not in good condition and was incomplete, and valued it at $75.00 as it was. Assuming that it had been, as the claimant says, imported new from Japan in 1939, had not been used, and was complete with all parts at the time you made your appraisel, could you let us have your opinion as to what its value would have been on March 17th 1943.

Yours very truly,

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

November 26th 1949 M. Sands