

Name of Claimant

HIKITA, Takeo

Case 618

Custodian File

4703

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
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 & Recorded Now Missing	45% of amount in next preceding column			
510.00	127.50									127.50
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
							850.00 290.00	798.	560.00	238.00
MISCELLANEOUS CHATTELS										
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			
			46%	525.00	241.50					241.50
TOTAL RECOMMENDATION										607.00

CASE NO: 618.

JAPANESE PROPERTY CLAIMS COMMISSION

Lethbridge, Alberta,

August 26th, 1948.

IN THE MATTER OF THE CLAIM OF  
TAKEO HIKITA.

PROCEEDINGS AT HEARING.

Original.

IN THE MATTER OF THE "INQUIRIES ACT"  
PART 1, REVISED STATUTES OF CANADA 1927, CHAPTER 99.

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B E F O R E  
 (HIS HONOUR JUDGE L.H. STACK, SUB-COMMISSIONER).

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APPEARANCES:

G.E.A. RICE, Esq., K.C., appearing for the  
 Dominion Government.

L.S. TURCOTTE, Esq., appearing for the  
 Claimant.

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MISS LILLIE THOMAS, Secretary.  
 MRS. LUCIE HANDFORD, Official Interpreter.  
 S.R. HOWARD, Esq., Official Reporter.

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T. Hikita,  
In Chief.

THE SECRETARY: Case No. 618, Takeo Hikita.

TAKEO HIKITA, the claimant herein, being first duly sworn, testified through the Interpreter as follows:

MR. TURCOTTE: Your Honour, the first part of the claim with reference to a fishing boat which was sold through the Smith Committee, that part of the claim, therefore, under the present terms of reference is withdrawn.

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DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. TURCOTTE:

Q Mr. Hikita, you are making a claim for loss arising out of the sale of your fishing nets?

A Yes.

Q And I am showing you a statement setting out a description of the nets, their age, what you valued them at, and what they were sold for, with the resulting claim of \$575.00?

A Yes.

20 Q Is that correct to the best of your knowledge and memory?

A: Yes.

MR. TURCOTTE: I tender that as Exhibit 1.

(STATEMENT MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 1).

MR. TURCOTTE: Q: I have something in my file here. I don't quite remember what it is. What is that, (indicating)?

A: This is

the original of the list.

Q The list of nets? A: The original list of the nets I had.

30 Q When did you make the list of the nets?

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In Chief.

A When we were evacuated.

Q When you were evacuated? A: Yes.

Q At the Coast? A: Yes.

Q You made it before you came here?

A Yes, before I came here.

MR. TURCOTTE: I would like to have that marked as an exhibit, your Honour.

(LIST MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 2).

MR. TURCOTTE: Q: Did you write that out yourself?

10 A Yes.

Q And where did you write it out?

A Over in Steveston.

Q Over in Steveston? A: Yes.

Q Well in your house or in the cannery or where?

A Yes, it was in the net house.

Q In the net house? A: Yes.

Q Well, at the time that you put the nets in the net house? A: Yes, and they were all packed.

20 Q Pardon? A: It was all packed.

Q The nets were all packed?

A Yes.

Q And the list was made out at the time?

A Yes.

Q I see. And those values were put on at the time?

A Yes.

Q Is that correct? A: Yes.

Q And those are the values that you are claiming for now?

30 A: Yes, just the same.

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In Chief.

Q Just the same? A: Yes.

Q Now you are also claiming for the loss arising out of the sale of an automobile, some furniture, and utensils?

A Yes.

Q I am showing you a statement with regard to them?

A Yes.

Q And are the statements in that true to the best of your memory and belief?

10 A Yes.

MR. TURCOTTE: I will tender that as an exhibit.

(STATEMENT MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 3).

MR. TURCOTTE: Q: What year was this automobile?

What model? A: '37.

Q '37? A: Yes.

Q And when did you buy it?

A In the fall.

Q In the fall of '37? A: Yes, in the fall of '37.

20 Q What did you pay for it?

A \$1180.00.

Q \$1180.00. You have \$1280.00 in your form. Which is right? A: \$1280.00.

Q \$1280.00? A: Yes.

Q And now did you receive any offers to buy that automobile before you left British Columbia?

A Someone from the States came up and offered me \$625.00 for the car, and I wasn't satisfied with the price so I reported the car to the Custodians and they told me that I could have the car.

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I was told by the Custodians that when I evacuated I could turn the car in at any time, and at the time I evacuated I wanted to turn the car in but I was told to go to this person and that person, and therefore I wasn't able to.

Q Well, the Custodian got the car, didn't he?

A Yes.

10 Q Well, are you trying to tell us that there was some suggestion that the Custodian told you that just before you were evacuated that you would be able to sell the car privately?

A The Custodian had taken custody of the car, but they had told me that I could have the car at any time I wanted to have it.

20 Q That has nothing to do with the value or sale. Now you are claiming \$300.00 --- Just before going on with that, your Honour, I note that the analysis of personal property form is not filed and I would ask my learned friend to file it at this moment.

(ANALYSIS MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 4).

MR. TURCOTTE: I notice on that form that it says that this man's wife declared the chesterfield, the dishes and the kitchenware. Now, possibly, the wife should be added as a claimant.

Q Who owned the chesterfield and the dishes and the kitchen ware?

A: Well, part of them was mine and part of them hers. We got them as wedding presents.

30 Q You got them as wedding presents?

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In Chief.

A Yes.

MR. TURCOTTE: Perhaps, your Honour, I could make a formal application to have her name added to this claim, Shizue Hikita, to this claim.

THE SBB-COMMISSIONER: Yes, I think she should be added as a claimant.

MR. RICE: Subject to objection, of course, your Honour.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Very well.

MR. TURCOTTE: Q: Now you are claiming \$300.00 for  
10 kitchen utensils, dishes and cutlery. How do you arrive at that figure? What did you have?

A I am afraid I can't put a value, a set value on the items, as they were mostly wedding presents.

Q Well, how do you arrive at \$300.00? Why do you ask for \$300.00 for your kitchen utensils, dishes, dinner sets, and cutlery?

A My wife and I decided that would be about the right amount.

Q Well what did you have? Now I heard the word  
20 "Rogers" and I would like to get that. Will the Interpreter just carry on and let us have it?

A Could I give it little by little?

Q Yes, give it little by little and I think we will get much more.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: I think that would be better.

MR. TURCOTTE: Q: Let us have what he has told you already?

A: A set of eleven of Rogers' silverware, an electric toaster, a dinner set for eight, a Pyrex coffee set, a  
30 two piece Pyrex set, pots and pans, kitchenware,



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and there was also glassware.

Q Glassware? A: Yes, also some glassware.

Q Can you think of anymore, or is that pretty well the list?

A I think there are some little things like a carving set.

Q A carving set? A: Yes.

Q Well besides this dinner set, did you have the  
10 ordinary run of plates and cups and saucers, or is that the only thing you had?

A Yes, miscellaneous chinaware.

Q Because you wouldn't use your good set every day?

A No. And we all left the good things up in the warehouse. We were told that we would find all we needed here when we were evacuated and, therefore, we only brought our clothing and personal belongings and left everything else behind in B.C.

Q Now where did you leave all these things?

20 A In the Winch Cannery warehouse, in the Winch Cannery Company.

Q Who told you to leave it there, or how did you come to leave it there?

A We were told by the Custodian to leave our belongings at the cannery.

Q At the cannery? A: Yes.

Q Now you referred to the Custodian. It wouldn't be the big Custodian; it would be, I presume, some official of the Custodian?

30 A I don't remember exactly who it was, but it was a

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representative of the Custodian.

Q A representative of the Custodian?

A Yes.

Q I see. Now then, how much did you pay for your  
bedroom suite?

A I don't know, because it belonged to my wife.

Q Well, is she here?

A She was, but she went down shopping.

Q The only thing is we should have her to establish  
10 the value. I think she told me the value of it.  
I thought maybe you would know.

A She is the one that bought it so that I don't know,  
or she got it from somebody.

Q Perhaps you should get her, so that we can call  
her after one of these other cases is over.

A Okay.

Q All right, that is all.

MR. RICE: I am submitting, your Honour, that the  
20 property sold by the Custodian was sold at its  
fair market value. The other property that is  
claimed here was not declared and the Custodian  
is not responsible for the same, and any property  
that may have been lost or the Custodian is  
responsible for, whatever claim there is I say  
that it is exorbitant.

I would point out, your Honour, that in  
the declaration form signed by the claimant he  
declared he had approximately ten fish nets stored  
and one rowboat with oars. In the claim that he has  
30 sworn to this morning, I think he totals up

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sixteen nets while the claim filed as Exhibit 2,  
or the list filed as Exhibit 2, shows 17 nets.

CROSS-EXAMINATION BY MR. RICE:

Q Why did you say you had approximately ten nets  
and now say you have got 17?

A I had claimed 17 in the first place.

Q You claimed approximately 10 in the first place.

MR. TURCOTTE: That is the J.P. form.

10 MR. RICE: Yes.

MR. TURCOTTE: In most of these cases, your Honour,  
there are the three distinct claims. There is  
the J.P. form, then there is a reply to a letter  
which the Custodian sent out, in which he makes  
his claim in the first place, and then there is  
this claim.

MR. RICE: Q: I show you the J.P. form, dated April  
18th, 1942. Is that your signature?

A Yes.

20 Q That is your signature? A: Yes.

Q And when you completed that, you stated in the  
statement of the personal property owned by you  
that you had approximately ten fish nets at the  
B.C. Packers warehouse, Steveston, B.C., and  
one rowboat complete with oars. Ten nets only.

A The correct number is listed on the form written  
in red ink. That piece of paper (indicating).

MR. RICE: Exhibit 2. That would be --- is that  
dated? Is that form dated, Exhibit 2?

30 A April 24th, 1942. This was written on April 24th,

1942.

Q Written on April 24th, 1942?

A Yes, two days before I was evacuated.

Q And on April 18th, six days before that, you said you had only ten nets, ten fish nets?

MR. TURCOTTE: Approximately.

MR. RICE: Approximately.

A I don't know how that comes in there, the ten nets.

10 Q There is quite a difference between 10 and 17 nets that you value at \$100.00 apiece.

A I don't know how come that ten nets.

Q That is your statement. You have already admitted it was your signature to it.

A I have wrote this statement.

Q That is March 14th, 1944. Was your memory better about your nets in 1944?

MR. TURCOTTE: 1943.

20 MR. RICE: No, I think his year is wrong here. This letter was received in March, '44, according to the stamped date on it in two places.

MR. TURCOTTE: There are 17 nets there.

MR. RICE: Yes.

Q In March, apparently, 1944, you wrote the Custodian's office giving him a copy of Exhibit 2?

A: It is March, 1943, isn't it?

30 Q Yes, but it was received in March, 1944. Apparently you are out a year on your dates. When did you write the letter, or do you know? The Custodian

undoubtedly received a letter in March, 1944.

MR. TURCOTTE: And then he reports how the nets were sold on December 18th, 1943.

MR. RICE: That is when they may have been sold.

MR. TURCOTTE: Here is a net statement, after this receipt he sends out a statement setting out the 17 nets in December of 1943 or at least the statement is dated December 18th, and the letter is dated March 14th, '44, so that I don't  
10 know whether his stamp is wrong or right.

MR. RICE: I don't either, but I just mention that this letter was received in the Custodian's office, I take it, in the ordinary course of mail, bearing a letter received stamp as of March, 1944.

MR. TURCOTTE: Yes, and then three months previously they sent out a statement showing how the 17 nets were accounted for, if that is right.

MR. RICE: They probably had another statement on it.  
20 How many are on that, 16?

MR. TURCOTTE: Sixteen.

MR. RICE: In this one there are seventeen, so that it can't be a copy. I observe from the list filed as Exhibit 2 that the value placed on the same is \$1185.00, whereas the claim values the same at \$1140.00. I take it that the claim is really \$1140.00, not \$1185.00 for the nets.

MR. TURCOTTE: That is apparently an error in addition, \$1140.00 is right.

30 THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: There is an error, is there not,

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in the additions, Mr. Rice?

MR. RICE: I don't know whose error it is; whose error is it? Well that is a matter of mathematics.

I wish to file as an exhibit, your Honour, a net statement.

(NET STATEMENT MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 5).

MR. RICE: Q: The Custodian never prohibited you from selling your automobile, did he?

10 A No.

MR. RICE: I wish to submit as an exhibit, your Honour, the Royal Canadian Mounted Police report on the sedan, to which I will attach a memorandum respecting the appraisal and sale. The automobile was apparently appraised by the Consolidated Motor Company, Limited, at \$600.00 and sold to Cyril P. Pitt for \$510.00.

(DOCUMENTS MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 6).

MR. RICE: That is all.

20 MR. TURCOTTE: Q: Will you find your wife and bring her back as soon as you can?

A Okay.

(Witness aside)

(HEARING RESUMED AFTER SHORT ADJOURNMENT)

(MRS). SHIZUE HIKITA, a witness called on behalf of the claimant herein, being first duly sworn, testified as follows:

DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. TURCOTTE:

Q Mrs. Hikita, you are the wife of the claimant, Takeo Hikita?

30 A Yes.

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In Chief.

- Q I understand that you filed a J.P. form in which you set out that you were the owner of the chesterfield suite, the dishes and the kitchen ware?  
A: Yes.
- Q Now your husband has included that in his claim?  
A Yes.
- Q That is all right with you, is it?  
A Yes.
- Q Now your husband didn't know very much about these things, so that we thought we would find out from you a little more about them. The bedroom suite, do you know when you bought that?  
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- A No, that wasn't bought. It was given to me as a wedding present.
- Q Oh, the bedroom suite, too?  
A Yes.
- Q And I have down the chesterfield suite, too.  
A The chesterfield suite was given from his friends and relatives, but the bedroom suite was given to me from my friends.  
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- Q I see. Have you any idea what it cost your friends?  
A: There was about fifteen people donated for the bedroom suite, and I figured they donated about \$10.00 apiece and that comes to about \$150.00, and then for the time I used it, I took off about \$25.00 for it, and then I wrote it down there; what I wrote down there was \$125.00.
- Q \$125.00?  
A: Yes, that is what I wrote down so that I took off \$25.00 for  
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In Chief.

the time I used it.

Q What about the chesterfield suite?

A That was one long chesterfield and one chair to go with it, you know; that is an arm chair, like,

Q It would be a chesterfield plus a chair?

A Yes.

Q A two piece? A: Yes.

Q And then the \$100.00 for that; how do you arrive at that? A: Well, that

10 was given to us from his friends and what he figured was that that was about the price, you know.

Q Now I think that we went fairly well over the kitchen. Were you here when he was giving his evidence? A: Yes.

Q You heard him give a description of the kitchen-ware? A: No, I wasn't here. I was out shopping so that I didn't hear it.

20 Q He told us about the Rogers silver?

A Yes.

Q A toaster. A: Yes.

Q A set of dishes? A: Yes.

Q And pots and pans? A: Yes.

Q And the ordinary things in the kitchen?

A Yes.

Q Can you tell us anything else besides that?

A We had a dinner set, you know.

Q You told us about that.

30 A And then there was a lot of little things, pictures,



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In Chief.  
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and things like that, picture frames that were given, and things we had stored.

Q Yes. A: And sandwich sets.

Q Sandwich sets? A: Yes, like six plates and little sandwich plates that go with it and those were all included in that and we figured that is what it was about.

10 Q That is, you sort of ran over in your mind over all the things you had and you came to the conclusion that \$300.00 was a fair price; is that right?

A Yes.

Q I see; that is all, thank you, Mrs. Hikita.

CROSS-EXAMINATION BY MR. RICE:

Q When were you evacuated?

A I think it was in 1942, wasn't it? 1942.

Q You never filed your J.P. form until 1943, did you?

A Yes.

20 Q You mean "yes", that it was in 1943 that you filed it? A: Yes.

Q I notice that it is dated on the 2nd of September, 1943? A: I guess so.

Q And you had been evacuated then over a year?

A Yes. Well, since the date of evacuation, you know.

Q But in your statement form you didn't mention any bedroom suite? A: No, because my husband's folks stayed behind and I asked them if they have any chance to sell it for me, I want them to sell it for me, but they couldn't so they

put it back in the storage place.

Q As a matter of fact when you left you turned your property over to your mother, did you not, to your mother-in-law?

A Yes.

MR. TURCOTTE: What property?

MR. RICE: Q All your property?

10 A Just the bedroom suite. We stored all the rest of the things, but the bedroom suite were left behind because we wanted to have it sold if they were able to sell it for me, but they couldn't so they just put it in the storage room when they left, but we stored all the kitchen things, my kitchen things, and the chesterfield, and things like that.

Q That was stored with your mother-in-law?

A No, it was stored in a warehouse. It is called the Winch Cannery.

Q Did you store it there?

20 A My husband and we all stored it down there. Everybody stored their things at the same place, but only the bedroom suite I wanted my folks to sell it for me if they could, but they couldn't, so they put it back at the same storehouse.

Q Do you recall writing the Custodian and mailing this J.P. form to him from Raymond?

A Yes, we wrote from Raymond.

Q You wrote from Raymond? A: Yes.

Q And your letter reads, I am reading from a copy.

A Yes.

30 MR. TURCOTTE: Have you got the original?

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MR. RICE: I haven't got the original here.

Q But if you don't recollect this, you can say so.

A Yes.

MR. RICE: "Enclosed herewith are two forms which I have filled. The kitchenware are stored with my mother-in-law's things. I guess my chesterfield and ~~dolls~~ are stored at the same place, for I don't know anything about. She took responsibility for my things as I left that part of country long before she evacuated. We lived in the same house with her, therefore I guess my things be with hers. My mother-in-law's name is Ito Hikita, her registered number 03462. Will you kindly look up my Japanese doll stored in building No. 4, Steveston, B.C.? I would like to have it sent out here. Please let me know the cost before sending. The description, 4 feet long, 28 inches square paper box. Written on box either Takeo Hikita or T. Hikita. Hoping to have your earliest attention, Your truly, Shizue Hikita."

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A Yes, that is right.

Q That is your letter? That is a copy of the original letter that you wrote the Custodian?

A Yes, that is right.

MR. RICE: I would like to submit that as an exhibit, your Honour, to which is attached a copy of the J.P. form.

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THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: That will be Exhibit 7, is that right?

THE SECRETARY: Yes.

MR. RICE: I will just put the letter in.

(LETTER MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 7).

MR. TURCOTTE: What is the date of that?

THE SECRETARY: The 2nd of September, 1943.

MR. TURCOTTE: That is the date of the J.P. form.

MR. RICE: Yes.

10 MR. TURCOTTE: Apparently it was sent in with the letter, was it?

MR. RICE: Yes, I think so. I will put in this J.P. form, if you wish.

MR. TURCOTTE: I think possibly it should go in.

MR. RICE: I will put that in, the J.P. form, as an exhibit.

(J.P. FORM MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 8).

MR. RICE: That is all, thanks.

MR. TURCOTTE: May I just have a look at those last  
20 two exhibits, please?

(Exhibits to Mr. Turcotte).

RE-DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. TURCOTTE:

Q Mrs. Hikita, "The kitchenware are stored with my mother-in-law's things. I guess my chesterfield and dolls are stored at the same place", reading from your letter.

A Yes.

Q What did you mean by that?

30 A Well we had a box to put all the stuff which was

to be stored in there, you know.

Q Well, where were they stored?

A It was stored in a place called the Winch Cannery but they only had one warehouse, and everybody was supposed to store in that one building, all the people of the Winch Cannery, and we were supposed to store everything in the same building.

Q Was that where your mother-in-law's things were stored?

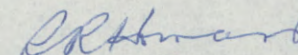
10 A Yes, everybody that lived with the cannery there, it was all stored in the same building.

Q I see, all right. That is all, thanks.

(Witness aside)

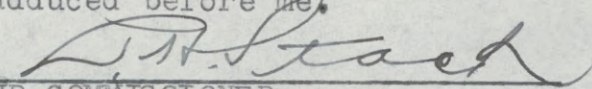
(PROCEEDINGS ADJOURNED SINE DIE)

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

  
"S.R. HOWARD"  
Official Reporter.

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

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SUB-COMMISSIONER.

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

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

ACKNOWLEDGED

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*Lehmann*

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

(1) NAME HIKITA TAKEO (RCMP) Reg. No. 05474  
(Print) Surname Given Name

(2) Pre-Evacuation Address Steveston B.C.

(3) Present Address Box 81 Raymond Alta

(4) REAL ESTATE

(a) Street Address (if any) \_\_\_\_\_  
City or Municipality, Province

(b) Legal description (lot number, block number, section number, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

(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.) \_\_\_\_\_

(e) Fair market value at date of sale (estimate this to the best of your ability):

- (i) Land - - - - - \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- (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) - - - - - \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- (v) Amount at which Custodian sold property and credited your account - - - \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- (f) Loss (This figure is arrived at by deducting item (v) from item (iv) - - - \$ \_\_\_\_\_

(5) PERSONAL PROPERTY

(a) Place or places at which property was left by the claimant at date of evacuation \_\_\_\_\_

Car in Hastings Park Other property in Steveston

(b) Type of premises in which property left (e.g., house, warehouse, garage, shed, church basement, etc.)  
Furniture in house of Winch Canneries

(c) How stored or packed at time of evacuation  
in rooms

SUPPLEMENT

Fishing Vessel

Type of boat -----  
 Length ----- 30 feet      Beam 6 feet 10 inches  
 Engine make Esthope      Horsepower----- 15  
 Estimated Market Value----- \$1100  
 Forced Sale Price----- 550  
 -----  
 Loss ----- \$ 550

Fishing Gear		Description	Estimated Value	Custodian Selling Price
Custodian No.	No.			
I2I0	1/4	4 x 6 x 50 - 100 Fathoms	\$ 25.00	\$10.00
I2hI		4 x 5 7/8 x 50-200" ""	15.00	10.00
I2h4		4x5/8x50x300      "	75.00	8.00
I2h3		5x7 1/2 x 60x100      "	40.00	20.00
I2I2		5x7 1/2 x 60x150      " (poor)	175.00	67.00
I2I0		5x7x45x150      "	150.00	60.00
I2Ih		lead and cork line		8.00
2h2I		pc. net 6" mesh	10.00	2.00
2h2I		skiff		5.00
I2I3		4x5 1/2 x 55x50      fathoms	10.00	5.00
Gannery		4x6 1/2 x 60x150      "		170.00
"		4x6x50x200      "	200.00	200.00

Lost, destroyed or stolen:

4x5 1/2 x 50x200	50.00
5x7 1/2 x 0x200	75.00
5x7x45x50	50.00
8x8 1/2 x 30x60	10.00
5x7x45x100	75.00
5x7 1/2 x 45x100	30.00

Loss on fishing gear: 575.00

AUTOMOBILE

Make and model: 37 Chevrolet sedan  
 Serial No. 7I2I9I2965      Cust. S.P.  
 Engine no. I09902  
 Condition: fair  
 Extra equipment; spotlite, heater, 2 rugs      475.00

Estimated value      ~~600.00~~ 600.00

Loss on auto:      125.  
 125.00

household goods:

I bedroom suite	125.00
<del>Exhaust</del>	
I chesterfield suite	100.00
Kitchen utensils, dishes, cutlery, etc.:	<u>300.00</u>
	525.00

TOTAL LOSS:      1775.00

Takeo, Hikida  
(Claimant's Name)

**PERSONAL PROPERTY**  
(Fishing Vessels, gear and equipment)

05474  
Reg. No.

NETS:

<u>Type</u>	<u>Size</u>	<u>Mesh</u>	<u>Fathoms</u>	<u>Age at Evacuation</u>	<u>Original Value</u>	<u>Estimated value at Evacuation</u>
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As per schedule attached

\$575.00

VESSELS SOLD BY CUSTODIAN

<u>NAME</u>	<u>Reg. No.</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Date Purchased</u>	<u>New or Used</u>	<u>Price Paid</u>	<u>Maintenance Work</u>	<u>Condition When Evacuated</u>	<u>With whom Left</u>	<u>Estimated Value</u>
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Improvements to Vessel since date of purchase:

<u>Type</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Cost</u>
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OTHER GEAR:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Date Purchased</u>	<u>New or Used</u>	<u>Price Paid</u>	<u>Condition when Evacuated</u>	<u>Estimated value at date of evacuation</u>
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Arrangements made for storage when evacuated: The nets were stored in the Winch Cannery Net House.

Additional Comments, if any:

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 DATE August 26/48  
 FILED BY R. S. Lucette

*T. Hikida*

Signature



TAKEO HIKITA  
(Nets)

<u>Size</u>	<u>Mesh</u>	<u>Fathoms</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Original Value</u>	<u>Value at Evacuation</u>	<u>Sold For</u>
1210 4x6	50	100	3 yrs.		\$25.00	\$10.00
2421	pc. net 6" mesh		3 yrs.		10.00	2.00
1241 4x5 $\frac{7}{8}$	50	200	3 yrs.		15.00	10.00
	5x7 $\frac{1}{2}$	200	2 yrs.		75.00	lost
	8x8 $\frac{1}{2}$	60	2 yrs.		10.00	lost
1244 4x5 $\frac{7}{8}$	50	300	2 yrs.		75.00	8.00
	5x7	100	2 yrs.		75.00	lost
1213 4x5 $\frac{1}{4}$	55	50	3 yrs.		10.00	5.00
1243 5x7 $\frac{1}{4}$	60	100	2 yrs.		40.00	20.00
	5x7 $\frac{1}{4}$	100	2 yrs.		30.00	lost
1212 5x7 $\frac{1}{2}$	60	150	new		175.00	67.00
	4x6 $\frac{1}{2}$	150	new		150.00	170.00
	5x7	50	2 yrs.		50.00	lost
	4x6	200	new		200.00	200.00
1210 5x7	45	150	new		150.00	60.00
1214	lead and cork line					8.00
2421	skiff					5.00
	4x5 $\frac{1}{2}$	200	2 yrs.		50.00	lost
					\$1140.00	\$565.00
Sold for					565.00	
Claim					\$575.00	

正田武男

T. Hiseicta

No 1	6 inches	4 ply	50 meshes	100	fathom	25.00
" 2	5 7/8 "	4 "	50 "	30	"	10.00
" 3	5 7/8 "	4 "	50 "	200	"	75.00
" 4	7 1/2 "	5 "	60 "	200	"	75.00
" 5	8 1/2 "	8 "	30 "	60	"	10.00
" 6	5 7/8 "	4 "	50 "	300	"	75.00
" 7	5 1/2 "	4 "	50 "	200	"	50.00
No 13	7 "	5 "	45 "	100	"	75.00
" 14	5 1/4 "	4 "	50 "	10	"	5.00
" 15	5 1/4 "	4 "	55 "	50	"	10.00
" 16	7 1/4 "	5 "	60 "	180	"	40.00
" 17	7 1/4 "	5 "	45 "	100	"	30.00

With cork and Lead

No 8	7 1/2 "	5 "	60 "	150	"	<del>175.00</del> 175.00
" 9	6 1/2 "	4 "	60 "	150	"	150.00
" 10	7 "	5 "	45 "	50	"	50.00
" 11	6 "	4 "	50 "	200	"	200.00
" 12	7 "	5 "	45 "	150	"	150.00

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\$1185.00

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 FILED BY L. S. Turcotte

Takeo, Hikida  
(Claimant's Name)

PERSONAL CHATTELS

05474

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	Sold For
1937 Chevrolet Sedan Ser. #7121912965, Motor #7121912965	Nov. 1937	New	\$1280.00	Fair	\$600.00	\$510.00
Bedroom suite (3 pieces) Chesterfield (2 pieces)	1939 1939	New New	129.00 Wedding present	Good	125.00 100.00	
Kitchen Utensils dishes, cutlery, dinner sets	1939-41	New	300.00	Good	300.00	
					\$1125.00	
				Sold for	510.00	
				Claim	\$615.00	

Description of Storage of Goods:

Automobile turned over to R. C. M. P. Furniture was stored in Winch Cannery warehouse on instructions of Custodian Official. We were told that the furniture was later moved to another warehouse and mixed up with other furniture.

EXHIBIT No. 618-3  
DATE Aug. 26/48  
FILED BY R. S. Lucette

General Statement as to Chattels not Described above: My father remained in our house after we were evacuated. We stored everything in Winch Cannery Warehouse except bed room suite (3 pieces) which we left for parents to use. When they were evacuated they stored bed room suite in same warehouse.

Additional Comments, if any:

I was offered \$625.00 for the automobile before I left British Columbia. Car was appraised by Consolidated Motor Co. Ltd. on March 26th, 1942 at \$600.00.

T. Hikida

Signature

# ANALYSIS OF PERSONAL PROPERTY CLAIM

FILE NO. 4703.

EXHIBIT No. \_\_\_\_\_

NAME HIKITA, Takeo (Mr.)

REG. No. 05474.

DATE	INVENTORY	DETAILS OF CLAIM	SALES		SOLD WITH REAL PROP.	DECL NOT FOUND
			AUCTION	TENDER &c		
DECLARATION <u>Apr. 18/42.</u> EVACUATION <u>Apr. 26/42.</u>	TAKEN BY _____ DATE _____					
Approx. 10 Fish Nets 1 row boat complete with oars - B.C. Packers Warehouse, Steveston, B.C.		Fishing Vessel - L.30', B.6'10", Engine make Esthope, 15 H.P.	1100.00		550.00	
Reported in letter Mar.9/43:		Fishing Gear				
#1 6x4ply x50x100 fa. \$25.00	#1210	4x6x50 - 100 fa.	25.00		10.00	
#2 5 7/8x4ply x50x30fa. 10.00	#2421	pc. net 6" mesh	10.00		2.00	
#3 5 7/8x4ply x50x200fa. 75.00	#1241	4x5 7/8x50 - 200 fa.	15.00		10.00	
#4 7x5ply x60x200fa. 75.00		5x7 1/2x60x200	75.00			75.
#5 8x8ply x30x60fa. 10.00		8x8 1/2x30x60	10.00			10.
#6 5 7/8x4ply x50x300fa. 50.00	#1244	4x5 7/8x50 - 300 fa.	75.00		8.00	
#13 7x5ply x45x100fa. 75.00		5x7x45x100	75.00			75.
#14 5x4ply x50x10fa. 5.00						
#15 5x4ply x55x50fa. 10.00	#1213	4x5 1/2x55 - 50 fa.	10.00		5.00	
#16 7x5x60x100fa. 40.00	#1243	5x7 1/2x60 - 100 fa.	40.00		20.00	
#17 7x5plyx45x100fa. 30.00		5x7 1/2x45x100	30.00			30.
With Cork & Lead						
#8 7x5ply x60x150fa. 175.00	#1212	5x7 1/2x60 - 150 fa. (poor)	175.00		67.00	
#9 6x4ply x60x150fa. 150.00	Cannery	4x6 1/2x60 - 150 fa.			170.00	
#10 7x5ply x45x50fa. 50.00		5x7x45x50	50.00			
#11 6x4ply x50x200fa. 200.00	Cannery	4x6x50 - 200 fa.	200.00		200.00	
#12 7x5plyx45x150fa. 150.00	#1210	5x7x45 - 150 fa.	150.00		60.00	
<u>1185.00</u>	#1214	lead and cork line			8.00	
	#2421	skiff			5.00	
		4x5 1/2x50x200	50.00			
Takeo's wife, Shizue HIKITA, declared on her JP Form Sept.2/43:		37 Chevrolet Sedan, Serial #7121912965, extra equip., spotlite, heater, 2 rugs	600.00		510.00	
11 or 12 Japanese doll value - \$90.00 packed in strong paper box 4' long 28" square.		Household goods:				
Chesterfield suite		1 bedroom suite	125.00			125.
Dishes		1 chesterfield suite	100.00			100.
Kitchenware		Kitchen utensils, dishes, cutlery, etc.	300.00			300.
			<u>3215.00</u>		<u>1625.00</u>	<u>715.</u>
		RECAP OF CLAIM:				
		\$2,400.00 - Sold Tender, etc.	\$1,625.00			
		715.00 - Decl. not found				
		100.00 - No account.				
		<u>\$3,215.00</u> Credit	<u>\$1,625.00</u>			

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EXHIBIT No.

CASE No.

05474.

VENUE **LETHBRIDGE**

SALES		SOLD WITH REAL PROP.	DECL. NOT FOUND	NO RECORD AT ANYTIME	ABANDONED	NO ACCOUNT, THEFT &c	UNSOLD	REMARKS
TENDER &c								
550.00								Sold through JFVDC by claimant.
10.00								
2.00								
10.00								
			75.00					
			10.00					
8.00								
			75.00					
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						50.00		
510.00								
			125.00					
			100.00					
			300.00					
			715.00					
<u>1625.00</u>						<u>100.00</u>		

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 DATE August 26/48  
 FILED BY J. Spratt

*J. Spratt*

EXHIBIT No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 DATE \_\_\_\_\_ Aug. 26/48  
 FILED BY \_\_\_\_\_ G.E.A.Rice

HIKITA, Takeo,  
 Reg. No. 05474,  
 File No. 4703.

December 18, 1943.

NET STATEMENT

<u>Cust. No.</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Japanese Value</u>	<u>Purchase Price</u>	
1210	4 x 6 x 50 - 100	\$ 25.00	\$ 10.00	"1"
1241	4 x 5 <sup>7</sup> / <sub>8</sub> x 50 - 200	15.00	10.00	"3"
1244	4 x 5 <sup>7</sup> / <sub>8</sub> x 50 - 300	75.00	8.00	"6"
1243	5 x 7 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> x 60 - 100	40.00	20.00	"16"
1212	5 x 7 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> x 60 - 150 (poor)	175.00	67.00	"8"
1210	5 x 7 x 45 - 150	150.00	60.00	"12"
1214	lead & cork line		8.00	
2421	pc. net 6"	10.00	2.00	"2"
2421	skiff		5.00	
1213	4 x 5 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> x 55 - 50	10.00	5.00	"15"
Cannery	4 x 6 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> x 60 - 150	150.00	170.00	"9"
Cannery	4 x 6 x 50 - 200	200.00	<u>200.00</u>	"11"
TOTAL SALES. . . . .			\$565.00	

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1236	x	4 x 5 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> x 50 - 200	\$ 50.00	) assume no value
		"4" 5 x 7 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> x 60 - 200	75.00	
1211	x	"10" 5 x 7 x 45 - 50	50.00	) Never found by Custodian. "G.P."
		"5" 8 x 8 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> x 30 - 60	10.00	
		"13" 5 x 7 x 45 - 100	75.00	
		"17" 5 x 7 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> x 45 - 100	30.00	

x Not removed to Custodian storage in final inventory. Left with B.C.Packers, Canadian Pacific Net House.

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

September 30, 1948.

*[Signature]*  
 m.a.

ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE

EXHIBIT No. ....

Aug. 26/48

## EXHIBIT REPORT

Detachment

DATE.....

FILED BY

G.E.A.Rice

Seizure No. 32

for use when applicable

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

Detachment  
 Sub-Division  
 Division  
 Date

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RE:- HIKITA, Takeo No. 2 Rd. Steveston, B.C.  
 On March 9th 1942, I H.F.Price RCMP  
 Came into possession of the following goods by:-

state briefly authority, etc., whether by search warrant, etc.

LICENSE NO. (42) 65853 TIRE NUMBERS 5  
 MAKE & MODEL 37 Chev. sedan  
 SERIAL NO. 7121912965  
 ENGINE NO. 109902  
 SPEEDOMETER READING 47229  
 CONDITION appears fair

## EXTRA EQUIPMENT

spot light heater 2 rugs.

DESCRIPTION & CONDITION  
VERIFIED

"Takeo Hikita" # 05474

Signature of Owner  
 Japanese Registration No.

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

"E.A.Cruise"

March 9/42

DATE:

"H.F.Price"

Signature of Member submitting Report.

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

Sept. 30/48

*H.F. Price*  
 m.a.

MEMORANDUM

To: File 4703

From: Specified Articles Department

25th June, 1943.

Re: HIKITA, Takeo - Reg. 05474

<u>ARTICLE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>APPRAISED VALUE</u>
CAR	1937 Chevrolet Sedan No. C-32 License No. (42) 65853	\$600.00

Sold to: Cyril T. Pitt

Date: 1st. December, 1942.

Selling Price: \$510.00

"K.L."

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

Sept. 30/48

*[Signature]*  
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Original on File 14968.

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DATE..... Aug. 26/48  
FILED BY G.E.A.Rice

Sept. 2nd, 1943.  
Box 231,  
Raymond, Alta.

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

Dear Sirs:

Inclosed herewith are the two forms which I have filled. The kitchen ware are stored with my mother-in-laws things. I guess my chesterfield and dollsr are stored at the same place, for I don't know anything about she took responsible for my things, as I left that part of country long before she evacuate. We lived in the same house with her, therefore I guess my things be with hers. My mother in laws name is Ito Hikida, her registered No. 03462. Will you kindly look up my Japanese doll stored in Building No. 4, Steveston, B. C. I would like to have it sent out here. Please let me know the cost before sending. Description - 4 ft. long 28" square paper box. Written on box either Takeo Hikita or T. Hikita.

Hoping to have your earliest attention.

Yours truly,

"Shizue Hikita"

I hereby certify the foregoing words are a true copy of the original whereof they purport to be a copy.  
September 30, 1948.

*[Signature]*  
m.a.

OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN

EXHIBIT No.

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JAPANESE SECTION

DATE

FILED BY

G.E.A.Rice

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: Shizui Hikita

HOME ADDRESS: Box 130 Steveston, B. C.

REGISTRATION NUMBER 05476 SEX: Female AGE: 27

OCCUPATION: Beet worker

(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: W. A. Heninger

MARRIED? yes

NAME OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: Takeo Hikita

ADDRESS OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: Box 231 Raymond Alta.

NAMES OF ANY LIVING CHILDREN: Daniel Hikita

Muriel Hikita

ADDRESS OF CHILDREN: Box 231 Raymond Alta.

AGE OF CHILDREN: 2 year 8 month, 5 month

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

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: 11 or 12 Japanese doll value \$90.00

packed in strong paper box 4 ft. long 28" square. Chesterfield suite, dishes, kitchen ware

2. BUILDINGS AND OTHER IMPROVEMENTS:

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

4. TAXES (Amount and where payable)

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

6. OCCUPANCY AND LEASES (If vacant so state)

7. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF TITLE DOCUMENTS: .....

8. STATE IF ANY OTHER PERSON HAS ANY INTEREST: .....

9. IF FARM LAND STATE CROPS SOWN.....  
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**STATEMENT OF REAL PROPERTY OCCUPIED**

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION:.....  
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2. LANDLORD'S NAME AND ADDRESS:.....  
.....

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

5. SUB-TENANTS, IF ANY (Give name, address, rent and to what date paid).....  
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6. IF FARM LAND, PARTICULARS OF CROPS SOWN:.....  
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**STATEMENT OF PERSONAL PROPERTY OWNED:**

1. GIVE BRIEF DESCRIPTION AND STATE LOCATION OF FURNITURE, FIXTURES,  
EQUIPMENT AND MACHINERY, STOCK IN TRADE AND PERSONAL EFFECTS:.....  
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2. HORSES, LIVESTOCK AND OTHER ANIMALS, POULTRY AND PETS.....  
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3. GIVE THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF ANY PERSON HAVING ANY INTEREST IN, OR  
CLAIM ON ANY SUCH PROPERTY.....  
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- 4. INSURANCE CARRIED ON ABOVE PROPERTY: .....
- 5. MORTGAGES, LIENS AND OTHER CLAIMS ON PROPERTY IN POSSESSION OF OTHERS: .....
- 6. MONEYS OWING TO YOU (State if any of these debts assigned and if so, to whom) .....
- 7. BONDS, DEBENTURES, SHARES, STOCKS OR OTHER SECURITIES (State whereabouts) .....
- 8. BANK ACCOUNTS: .....
- 9. LIFE INSURANCE: .....
- 10. INTEREST IN ANY ESTATES OR TRUSTS .....
- 11. SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX: .....

**LIABILITIES:**

- 1. PERSONAL DEBTS: .....
- 2. TRADE DEBTS: .....

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 2nd day of September 1943

(Signature) "Shizue Hikita"

"Takeo Hikita"  
Witness

FOR DEPARTMENTAL USE

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

Sept. 30/48.

m.a. 