Name of Claimant GOTO, Yasukichi Case 1160

Custodian File 13566

REAL PROPERTY											Total
Greater Vancouver		Rural (except V.L.A.)			V.L.A. (except Mission Village)			V.L.A. Mission Village			
Sale Price	5% thereof & 12.50	Sale Price	10% there-of	Charges 12.50 & Comm.	Sale Price	Total Award 80% of all Sale Prices		Sale Price	Total Award 125% of all Sale Prices:		
						% of Total	Amount		% of Total	Amount	
					587.		738.10				115.00 738.10

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	

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								
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	

TOTAL RECOMMENDATION	853.10

1540

CLAIM NO; 1160

JAPANESE PROPERTY CLAIMS COMMISSION

Toronto, Ontario,

October 22, 1948.

IN THE MATTER OF THE CLAIM OF

YASUKICHI GOTO

PROCEEDINGS AT HEARING

Original.

IN THE MATTER OF THE "INQUIRIES ACT"

PART 1, REVISED STATUTES OF CANADA 1927, CHAPTER 99.

JAPANESE PROPERTY CLAIMS COMMISSION

B E F O R E

HIS HONOUR, JUDGE J.A.McGIBBON, SUB-COMMISSIONER.

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APPEARANCES:

K.A. CHRISTIE, ESQ., K.C.,	appearing for the Dominion Government,
R.A. BEST, ESQ.,	appearing for the Claimant.

A. SMITH, ESQ.,	Secretary,
G.N.R. UPTON, ESQ.,	Official Interpreter,
A.G. VEITCH, ESQ.,	Official Reporter.

MRS. MIYOSHI GOTO, being first duly sworn, testified as follows:

DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. BEST:

Q. Is that your signature (Indicating)?

A. Yes.

Q. And was that form prepared upon your instructions? A. Yes.

MR. BEST: I should explain that the claimant here is Yasukichi Goto but he is technically, I imagine, mentally incompetent, not so found, but he is confined to the Essendale Mental Institution at New West Minster and this witness is his wife.

(PARTICULARS OF REAL ESTATE FARM LAND, MARKED EXHIBIT NO.1)

Q. You are the wife of Yasukichi Goto?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. And your husband is in the hospital at New West Minster? A. Yes.

Q. And, I believe he went there early in 1942. Is that correct? A. Yes.

Q. Prior to evacuation you lived at Kennedy Station near New West Minster?

A. Yes.

Q. And you had a small holding there consisting of about five acres? A. Yes.

Q. And it is as a result of the sale of this property that you are making this claim now on your husband's behalf? Right?

A. Yes.

Q. Apparently your husband bought this property when it was vacant land from the municipality of Delta at a tax sale, for $237.50?

A. Yes.

Q. Do you remember that? A. Yes.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: $237.50?

MR. BEST: Yes. It was bought at a tax sale from the Municipality of Delta. Immediately after the purchase of the land apparently your husband built the house on the property. Is that correct?

A. After he had cleared away the bush he built the house.

Q. I see. Of the five acres apparently three and one-half acres are cleared now. Is that correct?

A. Yes.

Q. Did your husband do all of that clearing, himself, or did he hire someone else to do it?

A. He was working at the sawmill and sohe got other people to help him.

Q. I see. And, did other persons do this ditching and digging of the well, too?

A. Yes.

Q. Apparently your husband built the house entirely himself?

A. He built it himself with the aid of outside people.

Q. And he operated this property as a poultry farm, I understand? A. Yes.

MR. CHRISTIE: I am tendering as Exhibit 2 the

Farm Appraisal Report.

(FARM APPRAISAL REPORT, MARKED EXHIBIT NO.2)

MR. BEST: Q. In respect of these various hen-houses in which your husband kept his poultry, I notice there is one large one built in 1940. Would that be one hen-house 20 by 80, a feed house and a large hen-house, both built in 1940 and apparently in one case your husband did not do any work on it - I am sorry; he paid $150. for labour on each of those structures; can you tell us who helped him build those buildings?

A. They were built by outside help.

Q. Your house was a six-room house?

A. Six rooms and the kitchen, which would make seven rooms.

Q. How many people lived in the house?

A. Seven people in the house.

Q. Well, now, Mrs. Goto, apparently you had some strawberries and currants and gooseberries on this property as well as your chicken-runs. Is that correct? A. Yes; and some raspberries.

Q. Would they be included in the mixed garden which according to the appraisal occupied a little less than an acre? Apparently they must have been. There is no mention of them on the appraisal. How many strawberries and currants and gooseberries did you have? A. I am not certain about things of that sort. There were not too many.

MR. BEST: I think the son may be able to give us more assistance in these matters, your

honour.

THE WITNESS: We had a lot of currants.

Q. I think perhaps that is all I want to ask you, Mrs. Goto.

I will call the son as the next witness.

CROSS-EXAMINATION BY MR. CHRISTIE:

Q. I show you a J.P. Form dated December 19, 1942. Whose signature is that? A. I do not know.

Q. We will ask the son. You do not know your husband's signature? A. Is that what came to us at Slocan?

Q. Would you know your husband's signature?

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Q. Is that your husband's signature? A. If that is the case it was signed by my daughter.

MR. CHRISTIE: I think perhaps there is no use of pursuing any questions with the witness if the son is going to be put into the witness box.

All right, witness, that is all.

TERUJI GOTO, being first duly sworn, testified as follows:

DIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. BEST:

Q. Mr.Goto, you are the son of the claimant?

A. That is right, sir.

Q. And I take it you lived on this property

up until the time you were evacuated?

A. That is right.

Q. Well now, what have you to say about these strawberries and gooseberries and so on? Can you give us some estimate of just how many there were?

A. Well, there must have been about half an acre of strawberries, the rest gooseberries, currants and raspberries. There could not be more than that. There must have been about half an acre of them, too, that is, combined.

Q. Combined? A. Yes; that is, combined.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Speak up, please, witness, so we may hear you.

MR. BEST: Q. Well now, according to the claim your house was built in 1929 which, at the time of the appraisal, August 1, 1942, would make it 13 years old. The appraisal apparently estimates the house at 20 years. I take it you know the house was built in 1929?

A. That is right.

Q. And in respect of this beed shed, for instance, according to the claim it was built in 1940, together with one large hen-house 20 by 80. Do you know as a fact that they were built in 1940?

A. Yes.

Q. So that I take it you are saying that the estimate of their age at 5 and 10 years in the appraisal is wrong, are you? A. Yes.

Q. Can you tell us the names of any persons who helped your father build some of these hen-houses?

A. There was my uncles and cousins and surrounding neighbours.

Q. Your father operated this as a poultry farm on a fulltime bases? A. That is right, sir.

Q. That was his job? A. Yes, sir.

Q. And, apparently there were seven of you in the family, your mother and father and five children?

A. No. There were eight. My mother must have made a mistake. She forgot to include herself, most likely.

Q. And, were any of you old enough to assist in running this poultry business, or did you have other jobs? A. We were assisting, my two older sisters and myself and mother working at it, too.

Q. Can you tell us how many hens you had prior to evacuation?

A. I think we had about 1,000 hens.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: How many?

A. About 1,000 hens. We used to put in 1,600 yearly, that is, pullets and we would sell all the hens and keep the pullets.

MR. BEST:

Q. That was an annual procedure?

A. Yes.

Q. To start about 1,600 pullets per year, sell the older birds off?

A. Yes.

Q. Could you estimate for us what you think

your father's income from this business was ?

A. No, I do not think I could.

Q. On the appraisal there is a mention under water supply of two wells said to be of doubtful supply. What have you to say about the watersupply on this property? A. Well, on our property it was exceptionally good compared to the neighbours'. It never went dry.

Q. But some of the neighbouring wells did go dry? A. Yes.

Q. I see. Was there any particular reason for that, that your wells were better than your neighbours' or do you know? A. Well, I would say the neighbours had greater consumption. You see, we did not carry as many hens as our neighbours did.

Q. Your immediate neighbours were poultry raisers, too? A. Yes.

Q. Did the wells ever go dry in the middle of the summer on your property?

A. No.

Q. You mention something about an electric water pump. Was that left on the premises and sold with the house, do you know?

A. According to the letter from the Custodian, yes.

Q. I see. When did you and your parents leave this property? A. In June, 1942.

Q. In June? A. Yes.

Q. I see. And, according to the appraisal, which was made at the end of July, apparently you did

not attempt to grow anything that year because you were expecting evacuation?

A. That is right, sir.

Q. Is that the situation?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. All right, thank you.

MR. CHRISTIE: I file the Notice of Assessment as Exhibit 3.

(NOTICE OF ASSESSMENT, MARKED EXHIBIT NO.3)

CROSS-EXAMINATION BY MR. CHRISTIE:

Q. I am showing you a J.P. Form, dated December 19, 1942. Do you recognize that signature?

A. It could be any one of my sisters'. They are very much alike.

Q. It is not your father's signature, then?

A. No.

Q. But you think it is one of your sisters'?

A. Yes.

Q. Was your father ill at this time?

A. Yes, he was.

Q. He was ill in 1942? A. Yes.

MR. CHRISTIE: I file the Certificate of Encumbrance as Exhibit 4.

(CERTIFICATE OF ENCUMBRANCE MARKED EXHIBIT NO.4)

I will file the J.P. Form as Exhibit 5.

(J.P. FORM, MARKED EXHIBIT NO.5)

Q. I want to show you a diagram of this place.

It is on page four of the Farm Appraisal Report. Would you indicate now where the strawberries were?

A. We had our strawberries up around here and some down here (Indicating).

Q. You had strawberries in the part known as "mixed garden"? A. Yes.

Q. And, where were the gooseberries?

A. The gooseberries were up around here (Indicating).

Q. In the same part?

A. Running from around here right around here (Indicating).

Q. The gooseberries were partly in the area known as the mixed garden and also near the sheds?

A. That is right, sir.

Q. Had this house a basement?

A. No, sir.

Q. And, was it on posts? A. That is right, sir.

Q. And, of what kind of lumber was it made? Was it siding? A. Yes. The outside was siding.

Q. The outside was siding? A. Yes.

Q. And, how was it heated?

A. I guess with what you call Quebec heaters.

Q. Stoves? A. Yes.

Q. Did you have any fences on this property?

A. Yes. We did.

Q. That is where the poultry house was, I suppose. Were the poultry runs enclosed by fences?

A. Yes.

Q. Have you any idea as to the depth of these wells? A. About 12 or 15 feet.

Q. About 12 or 15 feet? A. That is right, sir.

Q. That is all, thank you.

MR. CHRISTIE: I have one more exhibit to file, your honour.

I am tendering as Exhibit 6 the Real Property Summary.

(REAL PROPERTY SUMMARY, MARKED EXHIBIT NO.6)

It is submitted, your honour, that the real property was sold at its fair market value.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: No tenders?

MR. CHRISTIE: No tenders, your honour. You see, in a case where these properties are sold to the Soldiers' Settlement Board I think very few of them ever have any tenders. They have just the Farm Appraisal Report.

MR. BEST: Actually the situation was the reverse. They decided the V.L.A. would buy them and they made out these appraisal report forms. In every case there were no tenders.

MR. CHRISTIE: I would not say in every case. I think I have noticed one or two. I say in the majority of the cases.

THE SUB- COMMISSIONER: That is all?

MR. CHRISTIE: Yes, your honour. That concludes the defence.

THE SUB-COMMISSIONER: Very well.

(PROCEEDINGS ADJOURNED SINE DIE)

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

A.G. Veitch.

"A.G. VEITCH"
Official Reporter.

I, J.A. McGibbon, Deputy Commissioner, appointed to hear a Commission to investigate claims of Japanese Canadians for property loss, do certify the foregoing is a true copy of the evidence heard on the within claim.

J.A. McGibbon

J.A. McGibbon,
Deputy Commissioner.

~~claim~~ 13566 Case no 1160.

FORM FOR CO-OPERATIVE COMMITTEE

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

This form containing the same material as the form to be sent to the Custodian's office is to be sent to either your National Japanese Canadian Citizens Association provincial chapter organization or the regional Co-operating Committee as listed.

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

(1) NAME YASUKICHI GOTO (Print) Surname Given Name (RCMP) Reg. No. 12603

(2) Pre-Evacuation Address R.R. No. 1, New Westminster, British Columbia

(3) Present Address 167 Duchess St., Toronto, Ontario.

(4) REAL ESTATE

(a) Street Address (if any) Gibson Road, New Westminster, B.C. City or Municipality, Province

(b) Legal description (lot number, block number, section number, etc.) Lots 113 Sections 25 and 36 Twp. 4 District Lot 440 Group two Map 1133 New Westminster

(c) Type of Real Property (cross out words which do not apply):

(i) Farm
(ii) Residence Type of business ~~Poultry~~ ~~Fruit farm~~
(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. Yasukichi committed to Essondale Hospital New Westminster, B.C. mentally incompetent not so found

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

(i) Land - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - $ 1125.00
(ii) Buildings - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - $ 3975.00
(iii) If business, put value on business as going concern (including land and buildings, tenancies, chattels, fixtures, stock-in-trade, goodwill and accounts receivable - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - $ 5100.00
(iv) Total value (if you cannot give separate values for lands and buildings just fill in total value) - $ 5100.00
(v) Amount at which Custodian sold property and credited your account - - $ not available

(f) Loss (This figure is arrived at by deducting item (v) from item (iv) - - - $ 5100.00

(5) PERSONAL PROPERTY

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

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

(c) How stored or packed at time of evacuation

(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") _____

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

1. _____ Estimated Value $_____
2. _____ Estimated Value $_____
3. _____ Estimated Value $_____
4. _____ Estimated Value $_____
5. _____ Estimated Value $_____
6. _____ Estimated Value $_____
7. _____ Estimated Value $_____
8. _____ Estimated Value $_____
9. _____ Estimated Value $_____
10. _____ Estimated Value $_____

TOTAL CLAIM FOR PROPERTY LOSS $_____

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) - $ 5100.00 less credit

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

(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)
of York)
TO WIT:)

I, Yasukichi Goto of the City
of Toronto in the Province of Ontario

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 Toronto)
in the County of York)
this 14th day of April)
A.D. 1948.)

A Commissioner &c. "MIYASKI GOTO"
wife of Yasukichi Goto and
next friend.

"R.A.BEST"

PROPERTY OF: GOTO, Yasukichi

Located: R.R. #1, New Westminster, B.C.
(Gibson Road)

Legal Description:
Lot 113, Sections 25 and 36, Twp. 4,
District Lot No. 440, Group 2, Map 1133,
New Westminster, B.C.

Description of property:

Land:	
5 acres ... 3½ acres cleared	$1,000.00
1½ " uncleared	125.00
Buildings:	
House (residence)	750.00
Storage and woodshed (comb.)	50.00
Water-pump and bath-house (comb.)	125.00
Incubator house	75.00
Chicken house and fixtures 18 x 100' (1929)	400.00
Chicken house and fixtures 20 x 110' (1933)	500.00
Chicken house and fixtures 18 x 60' (1935)	400.00
Chicken house and fixtures 20 x 60' (1937)	400.00
Chicken house and fixtures 22 x 80' (1940)	600.00
Storage house (2 storey)	400.00
3 Colony houses (chicken coop)	75.00
Electric Water pump and system	200.00
Total value	$5,100.00

GOTO, Yasukichi
(Claimant's Name)

REAL ESTATE
(Farm Land)

EXHIBIT No. 1160-1
DATE OCT 22 1948
FILLED BY R. Reek

12603
Reg. No.

LAND	Acres	Date of Purchase	From Whom	Cost Price	Cleared Uncleared or cultivated at date of Purchase	Improvements at date of Purchase	Estimated value at Date of Sale
Uncleared	1½						
Cultivated not planted	2½						
Cultivated and not in crop							
List Crops							
Strawberries	½	1929	Delta Municipality at a tax sale	$237.50	All bush land	None	$ 5,100.00
Currants and Gooseberries	½						
Total	5 acres						

IMPROVEMENTS SINCE PURCHASE OTHER THAN BUILDINGS (e.g. cultivation, plants, trees or special equipment)

Description	When Made	Cost
-- cleared and cultivated 1½ acres	1929-1935	$ 500.00
-- cleared but not cultivated 2 acres	1929-1935	500.00
-- fencing along the front	1930	50.00
-- digging of 2 wells 12' and 15'	1929 & 35	350.00
-- ditching for drainage 600'	1930-1939	150.00

BUILDINGS

Type	Size	Finish	Date Built	Cost Material	Paid for Labour	Value of Own Labour	Allowance for Depreciation	Estimated Value
House	18 x 30	Frame	1929	$1000.00		$ 500.00	$ 750.00	$ 750.00
Addition	12 x 30	"	1929					
Hen house	18 x 100	"	1929	550.00	$100.00	350.00	600.00	400.00
Hen house	18 x 60	"	1935	300.00	100.00	200.00	200.00	400.00
Feed Shed (2 stories)	18 x 20	"	1940	500.00	150.00	250.00		400.00
Hen house	20 x 80	"	1940	550.00	150.00	300.00	400.00	600.00
Hen house	20 x 100	"	1933	550.00	150.00	300.00	500.00	500.00
Hen house	20 x 60	"	1937	360.00		240.00	200.00	400.00
Shed	12 x 20	"	1929	175.00	25.00	50.00	200.00	50.00
4 Colony Houses	12 x 15	"	1929-37					100.00
Water shed	8 x 8	"	1933					100.00
								3700.00

Comments re Appraiser's report not covered by above information:

V.L.A. Appraisal $598.00

Summary

Estimated value	$ 5,100.00
Sold by Custodian	587.00
Amount of claim	$ 4,513.00

Misaoki Goto
Signature

BC-433-P
BC-1603-B

BC/433-P
BC/1603-B

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S.S. Form No. 43
(Sheet 1)

COPY

Farm Appraisal Report

EXHIBIT No. ____
DATE OCT 2 2 1948
FILED BY K. A. B. Kristie

File No. J.L.718

Land Description Lot 113 of S.E.¼ of Sec.36, D.L.440, Grp.2, Map 1133.

Containing 4.75 Acres

Owner's Name Yasukichi GOTO Post Office Address R.R.1, New Westminster, B.C.

Nearest Rail Point New Westminster - C.P.R. & shipping. Distance 3½ miles
Kennedy Station - B.C.E.Rly. Distance ¾ mile

Market Town New Westminster Distance 3½ "

Church (give denomination) New Westminster - All Denominations Distance 3½ "

Nearest School Kennedy Public School Distance ¾ "

State how property was identified: Map location and corner posts

Roads: State whether property has access to main road, the kind of road and its condition.

Has direct access to Gibson Road - fair gravel road.

Is this district a good one? Poor farming location; fairly good for poultry raising

Employment opportunity City industries at 3½ miles

Predominating Nationality and religion: Japanese owners predominate

Describe Fencing and its condition: No fencing Value $

Water supply: 2 wells, said to be doubtful supply Value $

Electricity: Power available - lights installed.

BUILDINGS ON FARM

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BUILDINGS	DIMENSIONS	MATERIAL	HEIGHT	ROOF	AGE	Foundation	REPAIR	VALUATION
HOUSE	18 x 30	Frame	1½ st.	Shgls.	20 yr.	Wood	Poor	$ 400.00
Addition	12 x 30	"	1 "	"	20 "	"	"	
Henhouse	18 x 100	"	1 "	"	20 "	"	"	200.00
"	18 x 60	"	1 "	"	10 "	"	Fair	175.00
Feed shed	18 x 20	"	1 "	"	5 "	"	Good	100.00
Henhouse	20 x 80	"	1 "	"	10 "	"	Fair	175.00
"	20 x 100	"	1 "	"	15 "	"	Poor	150.00
"	20 x 60	"	1 "	"	20 "	"	"	120.00
Shed	12 x 20	"	1 "	"	20 "	"	"	20.00
	x							
4 Colony Houses	12 x 15	"	1 "	"	15 "	"	@ $10 each	40.00
	x							

Total present day value $ 1380.00

Total Value Buildings add to farm $ 500.00

Is dwelling habitable without repairs? Yes If not what is your approximate estimate of cost to make it habitable?

$

Describe the basement and chimneys: No basement; chimney is stove pipe.

No. rooms downstairs? 4 Upstairs? 2 How finished Wood downstairs; not finished upstairs.

Are buildings painted? None Condition of paint -

Distance from nearst bush House approx. 100 yards; henhouse adjacent to bush.

Note: Particular care must be taken when examining and reporting on foundations, sills and roofs.

ACRES	LEVEL, UNDULATING, ROLLING OR HILLY	SOIL (State Depth)	SUB-SOIL	KIND AND QUALITY OF CROP	VALUE PER ACRE	TOTAL
.89	Level .89ac.	Sandy 8" to 10"	hardpan	Mixed garden	$50	$ 44.50
1.37	Slight rise 1.37ac.	Gravel and stone	Gravel over hardpan	Buildings & yards Some stumps & scrub	$30	41.10

Area which can be cultivated without cost other than for breaking.

LEVEL, UNDULATING, ROLLING OR HILLY	SOIL (State Depth)	SUB-SOIL		VALUE PER ACRE

Area which can be cultivated after a reasonable amount of clearing timber, stones, drainage, etc.

	LEVEL, UNDULATING, ROLLING OR HILLY	SOIL (State Depth)	SUB-SOIL	NATURE OF RECLAMATION NECESSARY	RECLAMATION COST PER ACRE	VALUE PER ACRE	
2.49	Slightly Undulating 2.49ac	Sandy to gravel	Gravel over hardpan	Clearing, stumping, breaking, stoning.	$75 to $150	$5	12.45

Area Unsuitable for Cultivation.

CHARACTER OF LAND E. G. HILLY, SWAMPY, ROCKY.	NATURE OF TIMBER IF ANY AND WHETHER MARKETABLE	VALUE OF LAND PER ACRE

4.75 acs. 4.75acs.

Total value of Land $ 98.05

Total added by buildings to value of farm $ 500.00

Total fruit trees add to value of farm (for use in orchard districts only) $

Total value of farm $ 598.05

Describe condition of farm commenting on tillage, length of time unoccupied or partly occupied:

Property occupied by tenant. Land in poor condition; little attempt at cultivation this year. Apparently very poor in fertility.

State most suitable type of agriculture for farm bearing in mind the district's limitations, if any.

Not suitable for farming, but fairly good for poultry raising.

Noxious weeds:

No serious weed condition

Give approximate detail and amount of all annual taxes and names of Taxing Authorities:

Corporation of Delta
Assessed - Improvements - $1500
Land - 261 Taxes 1942, $16.43

Date: July 30th, 1942.
Place: New Westminster, B.C.

I certify that the above report is based on a personal examination of the whole farm made on the 29th day of July 1942.

Inspector's Signature "D. DODDING"

Note: (Use Form 43 (Sheet 2) in connection with this form.)

S.S. Form No. 43
(*Sheet 2*)

Farm Appraisal Report

Remarks: This is a small holding with little land development, and equipped as a poultry proposition. The poultry houses are in fair condition but have never been first class structures. The dwelling is a very poor type of building and poorly constructed. The property lies on a rise of land which runs north and south through this area with a stone and gravel ridge protruding at the height of land which takes in most of this holding. The water situation is very poor here, and wells are said to go dry for a month or six weeks during the summer.

The property is rented to D. Hubbard for $10 a month, plus taxes, to the end of the current year.

(FOR ORCHARD LANDS ONLY)

REMARKS: re general lie of land, fertility of soil, irrigation, drainage or dyking and reclamation.

NIL

ANNUAL COST OF IRRIGATION, DYKING AND DRAINAGE.

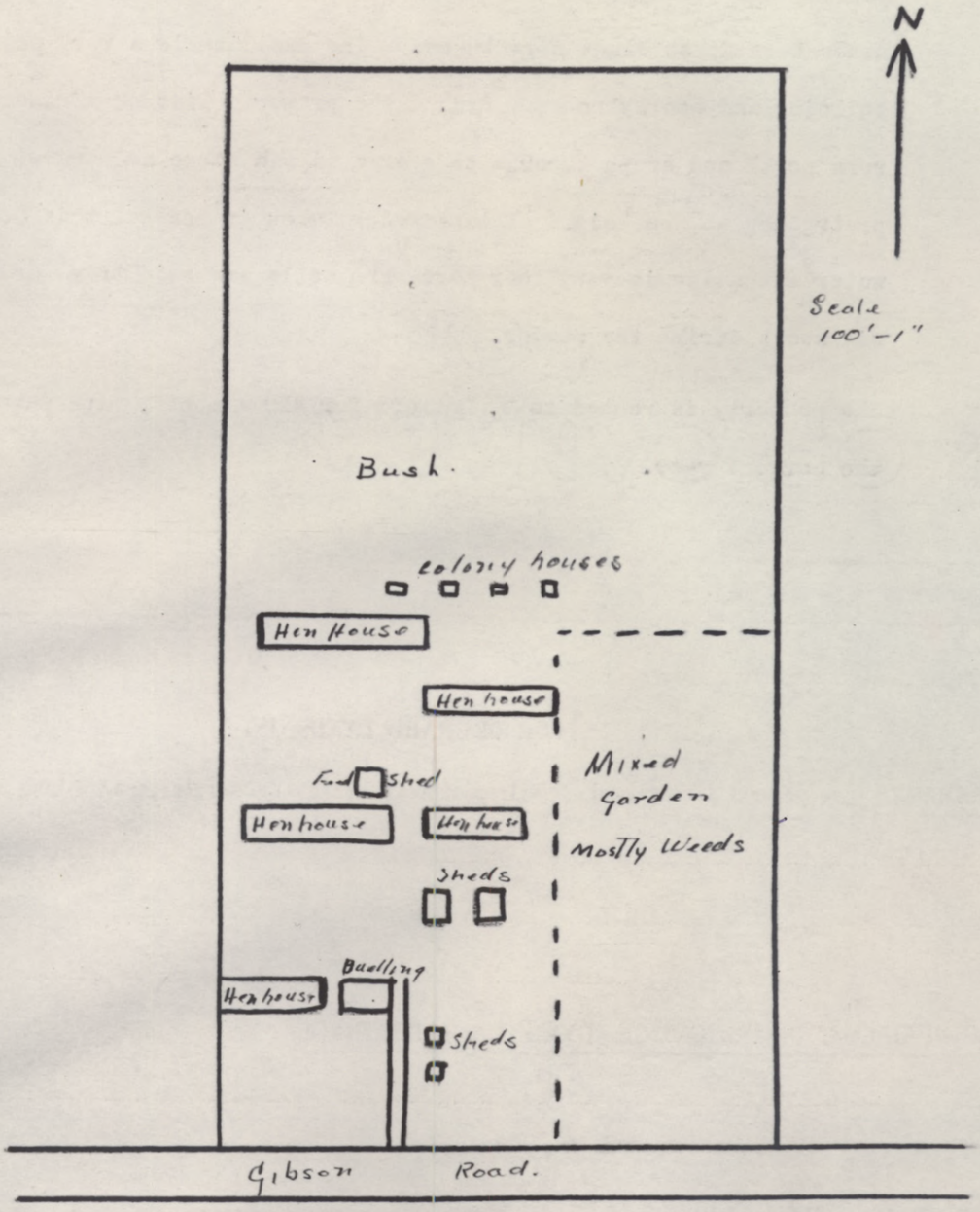
NIL

ORCHARDS, SMALL FRUIITS, ETC. (Give number, age, variety and condition of all tree fruits, condition and area of each kind of small fruits.)

		Present Value
Mixed garden - very poor - Buildings, yards, etc.	.89 ac.	$
A few stumps & considerable scrub -	1.37	$
Bush - -	2.49	$
	4.75 acres	$
		$
		$
		$
		$
		$
	Total	$

Amount fruit trees add to value of farm $

Diagram of Property



Lot 113 of SE¼ of Sec. 36. DL. 440.
Gp. 2. Map 1133- - 4.78 ac.
Yasukichi Goto.

Following careful review of this appraisal report, it is my opinion that the present value is $ 600

Date 1st August 19 42.

"I. T. BARNET"
District Superintendent.

File 13566
Regis # 12603

MUNICIPALITY OF DELTA ASSESSMENT ROLL FOR THE YEAR 1943

All Lands are Assessed as "Improved."

Date of Transmission of Notice, December 30th, 1942.

NAME OF TAXABLE PARTY AND ADDRESS	Roll No.	Description of Property								No. Acres or Lots	Value Per Acre or Lot	Value of Improvements	Value of Land Only
		Lot	Blk	Qtr.	Sec.	Twp.	D.L.	Gp.	Map				
Yasutichi Goto c/o Official Custodian	2495	113					440	2	1133	4.75	55.	1500.	261.

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EXHIBIT No. 1160-3
DATE OCT 22 1948
FILLED BY K. A. Christie

Take notice that the above property is assessed as above for the year 1943. Court of Revision will be held at the Municipal Hall, Ladner, B.C., on 8th February, 1943, at 10 A.M., see Section 234 of the Municipal Act on the back of this Notice.

J. P. SMITH, Assessor.

SECTION 234, MUNICIPAL ACT

1. If any person is of the opinion that an error or omission exists in or upon the assessment roll as prepared by the assessor, in that the name of any person has been wrongfully inserted in or omitted from the roll, or that any land or improvements within the municipality has or have been wrongfully entered upon or omitted from the roll, or that any lands or improvements has or have been valued at too high or too low an amount, or that any land has been improperly classified, he may, personally, or by means of a written communication over his signature, or by a solicitor, or an agent authorized by him in writing to appear on his behalf, come before the Court of Revision and make complaint of such error or omission, and may in general terms state his ground of complaint, and the Court shall either confirm the assessment or direct the alteration thereof.

2. The Municipal Council may, by its clerk, solicitor, or otherwise, make complaint against the said roll or any individual entry therein, and upon any ground whatever, and the Court of Revision shall deal with the matter of such complaint, and either confirm the assessment or direct the alteration thereof.

3. Every complaint shall be made in writing and shall be delivered to the assessor at least ten days prior to the first annual meeting of the Court of Revision.

4. Notwithstanding anything in this Act contained, no complaint to the Court of Revision as in this section provided, and no appeal to a Judge of the Supreme Court or to a County Court Judge as hereinafter provided, shall be sustained or allowed on the ground that any land has been valued at too high an amount in any case if the assessment of land complained of or appealed against is ten per centum or more less than the assessed value of the same land in and according to the revised assessment roll for the year immediately preceding, or on the ground that any improvements have been valued at too high an amount in any case if the assessment of improvements complained of or appealed against is five per centum or more less than the assessment of the same improvements in and according to the revised assessment roll for the year immediately preceding.

The first sitting of the Court of Revision will be held in the Municipal Hall on February 8th at 10 a.m.

EXHIBIT No. 1160-4
DATE Oct. 22/48
FILED BY K.A.Christie

No. 50880

Your file No. 13566

CERTIFICATE OF ENCUMBRANCE

LAND REGISTRY OFFICE

New Westminster, B. C.

minutes 10 o'clock 22nd day of December, 1942

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the following is the state of the title to - - - - - - - -

Lot 113 of Lot 440 Group 2 Map 1133 Municipality of Delta in the District of New Westminster

viz.

Reg. # 12603

Registered Owner: YASUKICHI GOTO A

Register of Indefeasible Fees Folio No. 82556E

Registered Charges: Certificate of Vesting in the Custodian Filed No. 25236

Applications for Registration None

Receiving Order or authorized Assignment under the "Bankruptcy Act": None

Assignment for benefit of Creditors: None

Judgments: None

Mechanics' Liens:

None

To Office of the Custodian

"E. S. Stokes"

Registrar.

I hereby certify the foregoing words to be a true copy of the original whereof they purport to be a copy.
Feb. 2/49 L. May
BP

FRASER VALLEY

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FORM "JP"

FILE No. 13566

DATE Oct. 22/48

FILED BY K.A.Christie

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: Yasukichi Goto

HOME ADDRESS: R. R. No. 1, Gibson Rd., New Westminster, B. C.

REGISTRATION NUMBER 12603 SEX: male AGE: 44

OCCUPATION: Farmer

(If any business or businesses carried on, state where, under what name and whether carried on by yourself or in partnership with anyone; if partnership, give partner's name.)

EMPLOYER:

MARRIED? Yes

NAME OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: Miyoshi Goto

ADDRESS OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: R. R. No. 1, Gibson Rd., New Westminster, B. C. now Slocan, B. C.

NAMES OF ANY LIVING CHILDREN:

Noae, Teruji, Tamoko, Sakae, Masaye Goto

ADDRESS OF CHILDREN: R.R. No. 1, New Westminster, B. C.

AGE OF CHILDREN: 18, 15, 14, 11, 8

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

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: Situated on Gibson Rd. Kennedy, District of Delta, New Westminster, Lot No. 113

2. BUILDINGS AND OTHER IMPROVEMENTS: house, 5 chicken house, Feed-house, Wood-shed, Incubator-house, Pump house with electric pump & tank & pipes to house & chicken house

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

4. TAXES (Amount and where payable) $16.43 Payable to Delta Municipality

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

6. OCCUPANCY AND LEASES (If vacant so state)

Leased to D. Hubbard at $10 a month and pay the taxes.

7. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF TITLE DOCUMENTS: Slocan

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

9. IF FARM LAND STATE CROPS SOWN Strawberries, Currants, goose-berries, & Fruit trees.

STATEMENT OF REAL PROPERTY OCCUPIED

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION:

2. LANDLORD'S NAME AND ADDRESS:

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

4. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF LEASE:

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

6. IF FARM LAND, PARTICULARS OF CROPS SOWN:

STATEMENT OF PERSONAL PROPERTY OWNED:

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

Electric water pump & tanks with pipes in pump house, 4 electric brooders, 3 incubators & farm tools in the incubator house, 3 coal brooders, 2 in straw-house, 1 in the egg grading room

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

3. GIVE THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF ANY PERSON HAVING ANY INTEREST IN, OR CLAIM ON ANY SUCH PROPERTY

FORM "JP

4. INSURAN

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8. BANK AC

9. LIFE INS
$1,000

10. INTEREST

11. SAFETY

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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: Sun Life Assurance Co. Policy No. 2205567 Fall of Policy $1,000

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 19 day of December 1942

(Signature) "Yasukichi Goto"

Witness

FOR DEPARTMENTAL USE

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

Feb. 2/49 [illegible]

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EXHIBIT No.

DATE Oct. 22/48

FILED BY K.A.Christie

REAL PROPERTY SUMMARY

JAPANESE NAME: Yasukichi GOTO Reg. No. 12603 File No. 13566.

CATALOGUE NO: Sold by Special Arrangement, The Director, The Veterans' Land Act. First Offer BC/433-P.

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 1327 Gibson Road, New Westminster, B. C.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Lot 113 of Lot 440, Group 2, Map 1133, Municipality of Delta, D.N.W.

TITLE: Registered in the name of Yasukichi GOTO.

ENCUMBRANCES: None registered. No indication of any unregistered charges.

Vesting Order file No. 25236, dated December 19th, 1942.

ASSESSED VALUES: Land $ 261.00
Improvements $1500.00 - $1761.00. Taxes - $16.43.

CLASSIFICATION: This is a small fruit farm with dwelling and out-buildings. The Custodian's representative reported July 7th, 1942, that this property had an area of 4.75 acres (mostly cleared) and planted to the following crops: 1 acre strawberries and black currants (Mixed). ⅛ acre raspberries and gooseberries (Mixed). 1 dozen mixed fruit trees.
1 - 1½ storey 7-room dwelling 30'x36'. 1 storage shed. 1 straw shed. 1 woodshed. 1 feed house (new 2 rooms) 18'x18'. 1 chicken house 120' 1 chicken house 72'. 1 chicken house 100'. 2 chicken houses 60'. 3 colony houses.
"Everything becoming grown over, most buildings becoming poor for lack of care. Upstairs of house unfinished".

HISTORY OF ADMINISTRATION: Miyoshi GOTO, file 7706 (Wife of Yasukichi GOTO), leased this property to Donald Palmer Hubbard, 8th June 1942, for a term of 1 year from June 8th, 1942. Consideration $120.00 - $50.00 paid in advance 8th June, 1942, and balance of $70.00 payable at rate of $10.00 monthly from November 8th, 1942. This lease was replaced by Lease No. 522 given by the Custodian to Donald P. Hubbard on May 13th, 1943, for a term of 1year and 207 days from June 8th, 1943, to December 31st, 1944 Consideration $188.00 payable $10.00 monthly for 18 months commencing July 8th, 1943, and final payment of $8.00 on December 8th, 1944, in addition $2.50 per month for taxes for years 1942, 1943 & 1944.

Original lease handed to The Director, The Veterans' Land Act, August 18th, 1943, and Lease No. 522 was handed to The Director, The Veterans Land Act, 29th July 1943.

SOLD: To The Director, The Veterans' Land Act for $587.00 as at 1st January 1943.
Approval of Advisory Committee - 1st June 1943.

Funds released to the credit of Yasukichi GOTO as at April17th, 1944, against which were the following charges: Registration Fees $3.00,

Legal Fees $15.00, Arrears of Taxes $18.88 - $36.88, leaving a net credit of $550.12 from said transaction.

In view of the rents having been collected by the Custodian up to August 8th, 1943, viz., $75.00, the following cheques covering same were issed by the Custodian: Cheque to Donald P. Hubbard, June 8th, 1943, $26.75 being payment in full of repairs to roof of GOTO's house, and cheque covering the balance of the rents collected, viz., $48.25, was issued to The Director, The Veterans' Land Act, 17th November, 1943.

Certificate of Title No. 168962E in the name of The Director, The Veterans' Land Act.

This summary is certified to be in accordance with information on file.

March 14th, 1947.

DAC:JS

"D. A. Cramer"
D. A. CRAMER

I hereby certify the foregoing words to be a true copy of the original whereof they purport to be a copy.
Feb. 3/49 [illegible]
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September 16th 1948.

Arthur Smith, Esq.,
Secretary, Japanese Property Claims
Sub-Commission,
134 Hopedale Ave.,
Toronto 6.

Dear Mr.Smith,

Re claim of Yasukichi GOTO

We enclose herewith claim of the above party, which please add to your list of claims to be presented by Mr.R.A.Best. The claim file was forwarded by the Custodian to Toronto on the 8th inst.

We have notified Mr.Best that the claim has been forwarded to you, and you might please advise Mr.Christie that the claim has been placed on your list.

Yours very truly,

Enc.

AW/W.

A. WATSON
Secretary.

September 16th 1948.

R. Alfred Best, Esq.,
Barrister and Solicitor,
15 Toronto St.
Toronto 1.

Dear Mr.Best,

Re claim of Yasukichi GOTO

Referring to your letter of the 8th inst.- We are forwarding this claim to our Secretary, Mr.Smith, with instructions to add it to the list of claims to be presented by you.

Mr.Hunter, Crown Counsel, had already agreed to this claim being filed late, and the claim file was forwarded by the Custodian to Toronto on the 8th inst.

Yours very truly,

A. WATSON
Secretary.

AW/W.

REID, ALLEN, HUNTER & CAMPBELL
BARRISTERS & SOLICITORS

THOMAS REID JOHN B. ALLEN
JOHN W. G. HUNTER ALAN R. CAMPBELL

38 KING STREET WEST
TELEPHONE ELGIN 3141

TORONTO 1

Room 506,
Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B.C.

14th September 1948.

Hon.Mr.Justice H.I. Bird,
The Court House,
Vancouver.

Dear Sir,

Re: Yasukichi Goto

I return herewith letter of Mr.R. Alfred Best dated 8th September 1948, together with claim form.

I find that I had already agreed to this claim being filed late and the claim file has already been prepared by the Custodian and was forwarded to Toronto on the 8th September.

Yours very truly,

John W.G. Hunter

John W.G. Hunter

JWGH/BP

Enc.

Re Yasukichi Goto

Please write Mr.Best in answer to his letter of September 8th advising that Government Counsel has consented to the extension of time requested.and that the file was sent forward to Toronto September 8th.

Please also advise the Secretary of the Toronto Sub-Commission to add the claim to his list, and send to him copy of the claim form.

H.I.BIRD

13566

R. ALFRED BEST, B.A.,
BARRISTER, SOLICITOR
NOTARY PUBLIC, ETC.

OFFICE: 15 TORONTO STREET

TORONTO 1, CANADA

TELEPHONE
ELGIN 4583

September 8th 1948

Japanese Property Claims Commission,
Court House,
Vancouver, British Columbia.

Attention: Mr. Watson

Dear Mr. Watson: Re: Claim of Yasukichi Goto

Sent to Toronto 8 Sept.

We first filed this claim together with a letter of explanation on April 16th last. In reply to our covering letter, we received a letter from the Commission signed by V. J. White informing us that the claim together with the letter was being sent to you as Secretary of the Commission at Fort William and that we would hear further from you. Having heard nothing further, we assumed that the Commissioner was prepared to accept the late filing of the claim.

We have searched through our records and cannot find the claim forms which you said you returned to us on April 23rd. Indeed, we have no record of any letter from you other than the one of April 21st. However, in order to expedite matters, we are enclosing herewith a claim form in duplicate including one of the original forms signed by the claimant and retained by us.

The reason for the late filing in this case was the illness of the claimant and his family's uncertainty as to his exact status. Mr. Goto was confined to the New Westminster Mental Hospital early in 1943 and, apparently, his condition has remained such that his family did not know whether he would be returned to them or not. They received very little information as to the disposal of Mr. Goto's assets and,

consequently, were confused as to the proper course to follow under the circumstances. We assume that the Public Trustee of British Columbia or a similar Official actually would have the information as to Mr. Goto's assets, but, unfortunately, his family has not yet obtained this information nor have they been notified that the Public Trustee has made any claim to the Commission. Mrs. Goto was never notified as to what, if anything, was obtained by the sale of the family farm.

Since the claimant never had received accurate information as to her rights, it was not until she attended my office on April 14th last that she was advised that she may file a claim as next friend of her husband. We realize, of course, that if the Commissioner should make any award to this claimant, the onus would rest on the family to take the proper steps to collect the money.

Yours very truly,

R.A. Best.

RAB/P
Enc.

September 2nd 1948.

R. A. Best, Esq.,
Barrister and Solicitor,
15 Toronto St.,
Toronto 1.

Dear Mr.Best,

Re claim of Yasukichi GOTO

With reference to our letter to you of April 23rd last, in which we returned to you the above claim and in which we requested you to make application to have the claim filed and at the same time to produce satisfactory reasons for the delay in filing,-
As this claim does not appear on the Toronto list it is assumed that you have not yet made application to have the claim filed.

Please let us hear from you in this connection.

Yours truly,

A. WATSON
Secretary.

AW/W.

Fort William, Ontario,

April 23rd, 1948.

R.A. Best, Esq.,
Solicitor,
15 Toronto Street,
Toronto 1, Ont.

Dear Sir: Re: Claim of Yasukichi Goto.

Referring to your letter of 16th instant, we are returning herewith the claim of the above-named party. The Commissioner desires that at the commencement of sittings of the Commission in Toronto on May 3rd next you make application to him to have this claim filed, and at the same time prove grounds by affidavit.

We are hoping that all the claims appearing on the short list will be represented by counsel at the hearings.

Yours truly,

A. WATSON,
Secretary.

AWW-s
Enc. - 1

HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE H. I. BIRD
COMMISSIONER

A. WATSON
SECRETARY

JAPANESE PROPERTY CLAIMS COMMISSION

COURT HOUSE
VANCOUVER, B.C.

April 21st 1948.

Mr. A. Watson,
c/o Royal Edward Hotel,
Fort William, Ont.

Dear Mr.Watson,

Re claim of Yasukichi GOTO

The enclosed claim of the above, together with letter from Mr.R.A.Best was received today, through the Custodian's office.
I have acknowledged receipt of it, as per copy of letter attached.

Re claim of Hideo TAMAKI

A letter has come today from Messrs.Cherniack & Cherniack of Winnipeg, stating that this claimant whose name is on the Winnipeg list has moved to Ontario, and his new address is: c/o Mr.E.L.Slacer, Clarkson, Ontario. He wishes his claim heard in Toronto. As Cherniack & Cherniack's letter was dated April 17th you may know of this and have the claim with you. However, I am writing Cherniack & Cherniack suggesting that they contact the Secretary of the Sub-Commission there requesting that he forward the claim to you at Fort William, if it is still in Winnipeg.
By the way, I have not had any advice from you regarding Sub-Commissioner or Secretary at Winnipeg.

Yours sincerely,

VW.

Air mail.

April 21st 1948.

R. Alfred Best, Esq.,
Barrister and Solicitor,
15 Toronto St.,
Toronto 1.

Dear Sir,

RE CLAIM OF YASUKICHI GOTO

Your letter of the 16th inst. enclosing claim of the above named Japanese received today, through the office of the Custodian.

We are forwarding the claim, together with your letter, to the Secretary of the Commission, presently at Fort William, and no doubt you will be hearing from him shortly, in reply.

Yours truly,

VW.

Air Mail.

R. ALFRED BEST, B.A.,
BARRISTER, SOLICITOR
NOTARY PUBLIC, ETC.

OFFICE: 15 TORONTO STREET

TORONTO 1, CANADA

TELEPHONE
ELGIN 4583

April 16th 1948.

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

Dear Sir :- RE CLAIM OF YASUKICHI Goto.

We enclose herewith in duplicate, the claim of the above named man.

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Under these special circumstances, and in view of the fact that the claimant, who is poor, and has apparently had no accurate advice about the Commission proceedings, we would ask you to consider allowing this claim to be held despite the late filing date. We would appreciate your favourable consideration to this request.

Yours very truly,

R A Best

RAB/M.
Encl.

Tell him to make his application on the opening day in Toronto prove formals by affdt.
HVB

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15 Toronto St.
Toronto 1,

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RAB/M.

R. A. BEST.

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