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February 24, 1953.

Mr. G. G. Beckett, Vice Chairman,  
Administration Board and Associate Counsel,  
Office of the Custodian,  
Department of the Secretary of State,  
Victoria Building, 7 O'Connor Street,  
Ottawa 4, Ontario.

Dear Sir:

Re Your File 19262 Vol. 1,  
Legal Section,  
Jisaburo Kasho.

I have received your letter of February 3rd regarding Jisaburo Kasho.

I draw your attention to the fact that the application for release of assets is made by Mr. Jisaburo Kasho, and in it he claims to be a Canadian citizen. He makes no representations regarding one, Jisabura Rashio. The letter from the Department of Citizenship and Immigration of May 22nd, 1951, notifies Mr. Kasho that his Canadian citizenship is not revoked. This was the decision of a commission of inquiry held under Section 19 of the Canadian Citizenship Act.

This matter would be aided if you would state what you consider as further evidence that Jisaburo Kasho and Jisabura Rashio are one and the same person. Such evidence is likely to be held by the Department of Citizenship and Immigration in the Canadian Citizenship Registration Branch, and the name, Jisabura Rashio, is likely a clerical error that entered their records. There is no name in the Japanese language such as Jisabura Rashio. Furthermore, the phonetic equivalent of the Japanese ideograph, Kasho, may be pronounced either Kasho or Kashio, and it was for this reason that the original certificate of naturalization has the name as Jisaburo Kashio. Will you therefore kindly state as best you are able what you would consider as further evidence.

As I wish to consult expert opinion further, please return the letter from the Department of Citizenship and Immigration, and the letter from the Vice Consul of Canada.

Yours very truly,

Kunio Hidaka.