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Steveston, Branch
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: MASE, Asajiro

HOME ADDRESS: P.O. Box 73, Steveston, B.C.

REGISTRATION NUMBER 03734 SEX: Male AGE: 77

OCCUPATION: Fisherman

(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: None

MARRIED? Yes

NAME OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: Naka

ADDRESS OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: P.O. Box 73, Steveston, B.C.

NAMES OF ANY LIVING CHILDREN: None

ADDRESS OF CHILDREN: None

AGE OF CHILDREN: None

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

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: None

2. BUILDINGS AND OTHER IMPROVEMENTS:

None

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

None

4. TAXES (Amount and where payable) None

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

None

6. OCCUPANCY AND LEASES (If vacant so state)

None

Handwritten note on right margin: "None" written vertically.

7. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF TITLE DOCUMENTS: None
8. STATE IF ANY OTHER PERSON HAS ANY INTEREST: None
9. IF FARM LAND STATE CROPS SOWN None

STATEMENT OF REAL PROPERTY OCCUPIED

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: 4 room dwelling house Steveston, B.C.
No. 9, Pacific Coast Cannery.
2. LANDLORD'S NAME AND ADDRESS: B.C. Packers, Steveston, B.C.
3. PARTICULARS OF LEASE AND RENT AND DATE TO WHICH PAID:
By arrangement with the B.C. Packers, Steveston, B.C.
4. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF LEASE: None
5. SUB-TENANTS, IF ANY (Give name, address, rent and to what date paid)
None
6. IF FARM LAND, PARTICULARS OF CROPS SOWN:
None

See this page

STATEMENT OF PERSONAL PROPERTY OWNED:

1. GIVE BRIEF DESCRIPTION AND STATE LOCATION OF FURNITURE, FIXTURES, EQUIPMENT AND MACHINERY, STOCK IN TRADE AND PERSONAL EFFECTS:
Sold see 7/1/44
Fishing vessel - Fairbanks 6, engine - value \$400. Boat equipment compass, wrench, etc. approx. value \$100, nets:- 7" x 45" mesh x 250 fathoms plus both lines. approx. value - \$150. 5 7/8 x 50 mesh x 250 fathom plus both lines approx. value - \$150. 5 1/2" x 55" mesh x 150 fathom plus both lines - \$150. Trunk (clothing) approx. value - \$150. Carpenter's equipment - approx. value \$50. Wood 10 cords @ \$6.00 - \$60.00. Left in the custody of Mr. Yoshida located at No. 2 Road & Moncton, Steveston, B.C. except fishing gears which are left at Pacific Coast Cannery, Steveston, B.C.
2. HORSES, LIVESTOCK AND OTHER ANIMALS, POULTRY AND PETS
None
3. GIVE THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF ANY PERSON HAVING ANY INTEREST IN, OR CLAIM ON ANY SUCH PROPERTY
None

4. INSURANCE CARRIED ON ABOVE PROPERTY: None

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

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

7. BONDS, DEBENTURES, SHARES, STOCKS OR OTHER SECURITIES (State whereabouts)
One \$50.00 Victory Bond 1941 in owner's possession.
2 \$5.00 War Saving Certificates in owner's possession.

8. BANK ACCOUNTS: None

9. LIFE INSURANCE: None

10. INTEREST IN ANY ESTATES OR TRUSTS. None

11. SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX: None

LIABILITIES:

1. PERSONAL DEBTS: None

2. TRADE DEBTS: None

REMARKS: None

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 April 1942.

A. McArthur
Witness

(Signature) A. W. M.

FOR DEPARTMENTAL USE _____

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INFORMATION FROM R.C.M.P.

DATE May 11/43

Our File No. 1363

Full Name MASE, Asajiro
(Surname in Block Letters)

Registration No. 03734

Male - Female
(Check)

Age Feb. 2/1868

Former Address P.O. Box 73, Steveston, B.C.

Date Evacuated May 28/42

Naturalized - Canadian-Born - National
(Check)

Present Address c/o M.L. Jurcott, Shuswap, B.C.

Died - Oct. 27/46

Married - Single
(Check)

Name of Wife Mase, Naka #03718

Name of Husband _____

Name of Mother _____

Name of Father _____

Names of Children under 16 _____

Requested by E.C.T.

Registered with Custodian yes
(Yes or No)

Additional Information Farmer

LIABILITY SUMMARY

File No. 1363

Sept. 14, 1946.

RE: Asajiro MASE, Reg. No. 07734

The following claims were filed against the above:

KOMURA BROS.	\$1.28
Kanejiro MATSUBA	4.45

In his letter of August 25th, 1944, the above requested us to pay these two amounts out of his credit with this office. We accordingly transferred the sum of \$4.45 from the account of the above to the account of Kanejiro MATSUBA, File 11394, and debited the account of MASE, and sent KOMURA BROS., through P. S. Ross and Sons, a cheque in the sum of \$1.28, and this sum was also deducted from the account of the above.

The above summary is certified to be in accordance with the information on file.

Sept. 14/46

REM:LEW

R.B. Mackenzie
R.B. Mackenzie

PERSONAL PROPERTY SUMMARY

File No. 1363

Sept. 14, 1946.

RE: Asajiro MASE, Reg. No. 03734

This file reveals the above owned no real property in any protected area of B.C., and did not carry any Fire Insurance.

CHATTELS: The above, who made his declaration to the Custodian on April 2/42 and was evacuated on May 28/42, declared a fishing vessel in the custody of Naval authorities at New Westminster, fishing equipment as noted on the list attached to the J.P. form, at the Pacific Coast Cannery, and a trunk, carpenters equipment and 10 cords of wood in the house of Shinya YOSHIDA, Int. 1401, at No. 2 Rd. and Moncton St., Steveston, B.C. Fishing nets as shown on the net statement of March 30/43 were sold to the B.C. Packers Ltd. for a total of \$338.50 and this sum credited to the account of the above. C.C. Robinson also sold fishing gear belonging to the above for the sum of \$30.00 and this sum also was credited to the account of MASE with this office. The effects stored at the house of Shinya YOSHIDA are dealt with in the file of Mrs. Naka MASE, wife of the above, file 1361. The trunk and 10 cords of wood declared by MASE were not found by the Custodian when the goods were moved from the house of YOSHIDA. The trunk may have been taken by the above when he was evacuated and he may have disposed of the wood himself before evacuation.

SPECIFIED ARTICLES:

According to information supplied to this office the above was the registered owner of a fishing vessel the "A.M.", which was sold through the Japanese Fishing Vessel Disposal Committee for the net sum of \$1,222.60, and this sum was paid to him on April 4/42. Full details are given on Specified Articles Summary on file.

The above was also the registered owner of a fishing vessel the "M. 30" which was sold through the Japanese Fishing Vessel Disposal Committee for the net sum of \$146.00 and this sum was paid to U. SAKAMOTO, attorney for MASE, on behalf of MASE, on August 18/42. Full details are given on Specified Articles Summary on file.

VICTORY BONDS &

CERTIFICATES: The above declared one \$50.00 Victory Bond and one \$5.00 War Savings Certificate in his own possession. These were not brought under the control of the Custodian.

The following remittances were sent to the above:

March 5/43	\$50.00	Nov. 18/43	\$25.00
June 9/42	25.00	Dec. 14/43	25.00
July 13/43	25.00	Jan. 17/44	25.00
Aug. 24/43	25.00	Feb. 17/44	25.00
Sept. 17/43	25.00	March 21/44	25.00
Oct. 19/43	25.00	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>\$300.00</u>

After deducting this amount and \$5.73 paid for claims against him, his credit balance is now \$62.77.

MASE, Asajiro,
Registration No. 03734,
File No. 1363.

March 30, 1943.

NET STATEMENT

Mase's nets, ex the Pacific Coast net house, were
sold direct to B. C. Packers:-

<u>Description</u>	<u>Japanese Value</u>	<u>Purchase Price</u>
4/40 x 5 $\frac{7}{8}$ x 50 - 200	\$150.00	\$125.00
5/40 x 7 x 45 - 250	150.00	120.00
4/40 x 5 $\frac{7}{8}$ x 50 - 100	150.00	<u>93.50</u>
TOTAL SALES.....		\$338.50

Note: See Mase's letter of February re nets. Valuations
given therein higher than those given on 'JP' Form.

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March 14, 1946

Re: Asajiro MASE
REG. #03734

The following table is extracted from record books received from the B. C. Packers Co., covering their PACIFIC COAST CANNERY net house. The Japanese Fish Collectors were instructed to have the Japanese fishermen enter in these record books the nets which were left by them in the company net houses.

The original record books are in the hands of Mr. F. G. Shears, Director.

<u>Description</u>	<u>Value</u>
7" x 45 mesh x 250 fathoms	\$150.00
5/40 ply with bath lines	
5 1/2" x 50 mesh x 300 fathoms	125.00
4/40 ply with bath lines	
5 1/2" x 55 mesh x 150 fathoms	<u>125.00</u>
4/40 ply with bath lines	\$400.00
Row Boat	<u>10.00</u>
Net rope - 1	Total
2 pike pale	\$410.00
3 aprons	

*Balance sold to Bank
 by Mr. Y. T. Kashi*

E. B. Budean

SUMMARY TAKEN FROM VESSELS RECORDS

Date: Jan. 7, 1944

Name: Asajiro MASE

Reg. No. 03734 File: 1363

Boat File No.: JFVDC 324

Name of Vessel: "A.M." or "Asama" 31' x 7'5"x3'2"(1939) Easthope 15 HP

Lic. or Reg. No.: New Westminster 2922

Naval No.: NW.009-N

Owner's Valuation: \$1,800.00

JFVDC Valuation: \$1,150.00 Survey #249 (With drum)etc.)

Custodian Valuation: Not Valued

Date of Sale: April 1, 1942

Purchaser: British Columbia Packers Ltd.

Signature on Sales Papers: No copy

Selling Price: \$1,240.00

Paid to JFVDC ~~on~~ ~~CONSTRUCTION~~: \$1,240.00

Supervision Costs: \$17.40

Balance due Owner: \$1,222.60

Paid to: A. Mase on April 4, 1942 (The signature is not similar to that on file)

Location of Boat at Sale: New Westminster

Claims Against Canadian Govt.: None

Additional Information: The receipt and assignment of claim are signed "A. Mase" but the writing in no way resembles that on file of Asajiro MASE, File #1363.

The signature appears to be that of Unosuke Sakamoto. There is a Power of Attorney copy on Boat File 786, authorizing Unosuke Sakamoto to act for Mase in connection with sale of "A.M.", Mase had two boats, both "AM."

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SUMMARY TAKEN FROM VESSELS RECORDS

Date: Jan. 7, 1944

Name: Asajiro MASE

Reg. No. 03734

File: 1363

Boat File No.: JFVDC #786

Name of Vessel: "A.M." 30' x 7' x 3' (1923) Fairbanks 6 HP

Lic. or Reg. No.: None

Naval No.: NW.084-F

Owner's Valuation: \$400.00

JFVDC Valuation: No sales value - Survey #248 (see below)

Custodian Valuation: No appraisal

Date of Sale: \$150.00

Purchaser: British Columbia Packers Ltd.

Signature on Sales Papers: U. Sakamoto, Attorney

Selling Price: \$150.00

Paid to JFVDC ~~or Custodian~~: \$150.00

Supervision Costs: \$4.00

Balance due Owner: \$146.00

Paid to: U. Sakamoto, on behalf of A. Mase, August 18, 1942.

Location of Boat at Sale: New Westminster

Claims Against Canadian Govt.:

Inventory Cl.#241 - B. C. Packers Ltd. \$29.50 (Paid)

Additional Information: Report of Appraisal reads:

"Boat: old and in bad state of repair.
No sales value.

Engine: Old and parts hard to obtain."

JM

Name: Asajiro MASE

February 10, 1943

Reg. No. 03734

File No. 1363

LIST OF CHATELS

1. Fishing Vessel	\$400.00	<i>Sold</i>
(Turned over to the proper authorities at New Westminster)		
2. Boat Equipment, compass, wrench, etc.	100.00	<i>Sold</i>
3. Nets:		
(a) 7" x 45 mesh x 250 fathoms, plus both lines	150.00	<i>Sold</i>
(b) 5½" x 50 mesh x 250 fathoms, plus both lines	150.00	<i>Sold</i>
(c) 5½" x 55 mesh x 150 fathoms, plus both lines	150.00	<i>Sold</i>
4. Trunk - clothing	150.00	
5. Carpenter's equipment	50.00	
6. Wood - 10 cords @ \$6.00	60.00	
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	\$1,210.00	
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The house of Mr. Yoshida located at No. 2 Road & Moncton St.,
Steveston, B. C. is where the property is located, with the
exception of the fishing gear which was left at the Pacific
Coast Cannery.

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Shuswap, B.C.
Feb. 9th 1943

The Custodian of Japanese Property,
Royal Bank Bldg.
Granville at Hastings
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir:-

I have advised B.C. Packers Ltd,
at Steveston to dispose of my nets which
are on trucks at the Pacific Coast Cannery
at Steveston.

Following are the particulars:-

- (1) 1 Barbour 50 mesh, 4 ply 250 fathoms,
with lines (socket) - - - Price \$200.00+
- (2) 1 Barbour 55 mesh, 5 ply 130 fathoms,
with lead line, used only 2 wks. Price \$100.00+
- (3) 1 Barbour 1" - 5 ply 200 fathoms with line,
45 mesh - Price \$200.00+

All nets are in good condition and
should sell at the above prices.

Your kind attention will oblige,

Yours very truly,

A. Nace (per K. Hayashi)

* See prices of nets on J.P. form 10

Met. Station at April 6/44.

4 150 - 250
5 155 - 130
5 17 145 - 201

187 Connaught Rd.,
Kamloops B.C.
May 31st. 1943.

VACATION SECTION	
Rec'd	JUN 2 1943
File No.	1243
Ans.	
Referred	<i>Russell</i>

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

Dear Sir:-

Mr. Asajiro Mase , naturalized, Registration No.03734, residing at Shuswap B. C. has asked me to write to you regarding some money which you have in hand belonging to them from the sale of fishing equipment. Mr. & Mrs. Mase are very short of funds, and while they are able to keep themselves for a short time, possible two or three months, with what they have and their garden, it would help them considerable if they could have twenty-five dollars each month upon which to live. I understand you have about \$250.00 which you are safe-keeping for them. Mr. Mase being over seventy and his wife over sixty they are unable to work except in the home and in their little truck garden. I have written the department of pensions to see if it is possible for Mr.Mase to receive the old age pension, but in the meantime they would be greatly helped if they could have a small amount each month to depend-upon.

Yours truly,

Kathleen Lang

Missionary to the Japanese,
Kamloops District.

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Memo to 4- to new 25 - correct*

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N. Kamloops, B.C.
April 20th, 1945.

Mr. Orville Hana,
c/o Imperial Oil Co.Ltd.,
STEVESTON, B.C.

Dear Sir:

I am writing on behalf of Mrs. A. Mase of Shuswap, B.C. I understand that before leaving Steveston Mrs. Mase stored three musical instruments in the cupboard in the upstairs right hand room of the house which you are now occupying. She would like very much to have these instruments (shamisen) sent to her if it would not be too much trouble for you. There are three boxes. Two apple boxes which are tied up in a large square of green material and a square box of whitish wood. The last named box is of very soft material so that in shipping it would no doubt need the extra support of a carton for protection. The instruments which are long have been taken apart and packed. I am sending you a sketch so that you will have some idea of the nature of the articles asked for, and of their length when taken apart.

I am not quite sure whether the White transport handles shipping in your district or not but if such a transportation firm is working there that would probably be the most convenient form of shipping as the White transfer does travel through this district. Mrs. Mase is quite willing to leave this arrangement with you so that you might have as little trouble in the matter as possible. Mrs. Mase will pay all charges collect unless you prefer her to send the money in advance and will let her know the amount required. Mrs. Mase lives at Shuswap, B.C., right next door to the Shuswap General Store.

Thanking you for your kindness,

I am,

Yours truly,

"Kathleen Lang"
C. of E. Missionary to the Japanese,
Kamloops Area, B.C.

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February 10, 1943.

NAME: Mrs. Asajiro (Naka) MASE
REG. NO. 03718
FILE NO. 1361

LIST OF CHATELS

1. Trunk - clothing.....	\$1,200.00	
2. Musical Instruments	250.00	shipped 15/6/48
3. Bedroom suite.....	200.00	Sold
4. Linoleums (4 rooms).....	100.00	abandoned
5. Sofa.....	50.00	
6. Tables, chairs.....	70.00	Sold
7. Stove - Living room.....	15.00	
8. Kitchen utensils	200.00	
9. Stove - Kitchen stove	60.00	
10. Sewing machine.....	90.00	
11. Gramophone and records.....	100.00	
12. Clock, barometer and frames...	150.00	Sold
13. Laundry equipment.....	50.00	
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	\$2,535.00	
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All in the custody of Mr. YOSHIDA
at No. 2 Road, Steveston.

File No. 1363

MEMORANDUM

-- MR. MCARTHUR

November 18, 1946.

Re: Asajiro MASE
Neg. No. 03734

The Department of Labour, Japanese Division
notified us today that the above named Japanese died on October
27, 1946.

GP

GP/EL

Name: Asajiro HASE

February 10, 1943

Reg. No. 05734

File No. 1363

LIST OF CHATTELS

1. Fishing vessel	\$400.00
(Turned over to the proper authorities at New Westminster)	
2. Boat Equipment, compass, wrench, etc.	100.00
3. Nets:	
(a) 7" x 45 mesh x 250 fathoms, plus both lines	150.00
(b) 5 1/2" x 30 mesh x 250 fathoms, plus both lines	150.00
(c) 5 1/2" x 55 mesh x 150 fathoms, plus both lines	150.00
4. Trunk - clothing	150.00
5. Carpenter's equipment	50.00
6. Wood - 10 cords @ \$6.00	60.00

\$1,210.00

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exception of the fishing gear which was left at the Pacific
Coast Cannery.

February 10, 1943

Name: Mrs. Asajiro (Naka) MASE

Reg. No. 03716

File No. 1361

LIST OF CHATELS

1. Trunk - clothing ...	\$1,200.00
2. Musical Instruments	250.00
3. Bedroom suite ...	200.00
4. Linoleums (4 rooms)	100.00
5. Sofa ...	50.00
6. Tables, chairs ...	70.00
7. Stove - Living Room	15.00
8. Stove - Kitchen Stove	60.00
9. Kitchen utensils ...	200.00
10. Sewing machine ...	90.00 <i>stated</i>
11. Gramophone and records	100.00
12. Clock, barometer and frames ...	150.00
13. Laundry equipment ...	50.00

\$2,535.00

All in the custody of Mr. Yoshida at
No. 2 Road, Steveston.