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BURAU HASTINGS PARK  
OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN  
JAPANESE SECTION

FILE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

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: MORIMOTO ShigeroHOME ADDRESS: Vancouver Cannery EburneREGISTRATION NUMBER 02051 SEX: Male AGE: 26OCCUPATION: 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: Vancouver Cannery Eburne B.C.MARRIED? noNAME OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: none

ADDRESS OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: \_\_\_\_\_

NAMES OF ANY LIVING CHILDREN: none

ADDRESS OF CHILDREN: \_\_\_\_\_

AGE OF CHILDREN: \_\_\_\_\_

**STATEMENT OF ALL REAL PROPERTY** (Each parcel must be mentioned and particulars given)1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: none2. BUILDINGS AND OTHER IMPROVEMENTS: none3. INSURANCE (Give particulars; state where policies are) none4. TAXES (Amount and where payable) none5. ENCUMBRANCES (Including any unregistered claims or deposit of title deed) none6. OCCUPANCY AND LEASES (If vacant so state) none



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: Vancouver Cannery Eburne B.C.  
cabin
2. LANDLORD'S NAME AND ADDRESS: Vancouver Cannery Eburne B.C.
3. PARTICULARS OF LEASE AND RENT AND DATE TO WHICH PAID: about \$10.  
a month paid up to April 30 1942
4. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF LEASE: none
5. SUB-TENANTS, IF ANY (Give name, address, rent and to what date paid) none
6. IF FARM LAND, PARTICULARS OF CROPS SOWN: none

**STATEMENT OF PERSONAL PROPERTY OWNED:**

1. GIVE BRIEF DESCRIPTION AND STATE LOCATION OF FURNITURE, FIXTURES, EQUIPMENT AND MACHINERY, STOCK IN TRADE AND PERSONAL EFFECTS:  
/ none
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: none5. MORTGAGES, LIENS AND OTHER CLAIMS ON PROPERTY IN POSSESSION OF  
OTHERS: none6. MONEYS OWING TO YOU (State if any of these debts assigned and if so, to whom) none7. BONDS, DEBENTURES, SHARES, STOCKS OR OTHER SECURITIES (State whereabouts)  
none8. BANK ACCOUNTS: none9. LIFE INSURANCE: Sun Life Ins. Co. Vancouver B.C., no unknown, 30 yr.  
\$1000. endowment, beneficiary Mrs. Ritsu Morimoto (mother) policy in  
owners possession10. INTEREST IN ANY ESTATES OR TRUSTS: none11. SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX: none**LIABILITIES:**1. PERSONAL DEBTS: none2. TRADE DEBTS: none

I, the undersigned, hereby voluntarily turn over to the Custodian all my property in the protected area as set out above, excepting fishing vessels, deposits of money, shares of stock, debentures, bonds or other securities, if any.

I certify that the above information is true and complete and fully discloses all my property of every description in any protected area in British Columbia and sets forth all my liabilities direct and indirect.

Dated this 13th day of April 1942.

(Signature)

S. Morimoto

Witness

FOR DEPARTMENTAL USE



INFORMATION FROM R.C.M.P.

Date Sept. 10, 1943

Full Name Shigeru MORIMOTO  
(Surname in Block Letters)

Registration No. 02051

Male - Female  
(check)

Age May 5, 1914

Former Address Eburne, B. C.

Date Evacuated 21/4/42

Naturalized - Canadian-Born - National  
(check)

His present address is not c/o Walter Johnson Logging & Sawmill Operator  
Arrowsmith, B. C.

Present Address

**X**  
**Married - Single**  
**(check)**

Name of Wife

Name of Husband

Name of Mother (Nee) Nishita Ritsu

Name of Father Deceased

Names of Children under 16

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Registered with Custodian Yes  
(yes or no)

Requested By F. Matheson

Additional Information Owner of fishing vessel "S.M." NW.3142

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REAL PROPERTY SUMMARY

File No. 3191

August 23rd, 1945.

RE: Shigeru MORIMOTO

This file reveals that the above owned no real property in the protected area.

Certified correct:

*R. B. Mackenzie*

R. B. Mackenzie

August 23rd, 1945.



CHATTEL SUMMARY

File No. 3191

August 23rd, 1945.

RE: Shigeru MORIMOTO

Although the above Japanese did not declare any chattels or personal property, his mother, Mrs. Ritsu MORIMOTO, File 10851, registered some nets and sundry fishing equipment in his name, and this equipment was transferred to his file on December 12th, 1942, as per Mr. Green's note at bottom of page listing nets, etc. This equipment has all been disposed of and the proceeds from same remitted to Shigeru MORIMOTO with a covering letter dated May 28th, 1945.

Certified correct:

*R. B. Mackenzie*

R. B. Mackenzie

August 23rd, 1945.



SPECIFIED ARTICLES SUMMARY

File No. 3191

August 23rd, 1945.

RE: Shigeru MORIMOTO

This file reveals no cameras, radios, or other specified articles with the exception of a boat, and that is dealt with under separate summary.

Certified correct:

*R. B. Mackenzie*

R. B. Mackenzie

August 23rd, 1945.



CLATE SUMMARY

File No. 3191

August 23rd, 1945.

Re: Shigero MORIMOTO

This file reveals no claims in favour of, or  
against this person.

Certified correct:

*R. B. Mackenzie*

R. B. Mackenzie

August 23rd, 1945.



(Information supplied by Ins. Co.)

LIFE INSURANCE

Name Mr. Shigeru Morimoto

File No. 3191

*To Johnson Logging & Sawmills  
Arrowsmith B.C.*

Reg. No. 02051

Company Sun Life

Agency Vancouver

Policy No. 800651

Premium - \$ 20.79

Payable: Annually, <sup>X</sup>Semi-annually or monthly

Month March Day

REMARKS:

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*Letter sent 25/10/43*



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CLAIM

Name and Address  
of Japanese

Amount  
Owing

Morimoto, Shigeu<sup>and</sup>  
Eburne, Bb.

\$26.26

Name of Creditor

B. C. Packers, Ltd.,  
Foot of Campbell Ave.,  
Vancouver, B. C.

Name of Solicitor

FOR ORIGINAL SEE FILE 5196



SUMMARY TAKEN FROM VESSELS RECORDS

Date: August 23, 1944  
Name: MORIMOTO, Shigeru Reg. No. 02051 File: 3191  
Boat File No.: CUSTODIAN 3191  
Name of Vessel: "S.M."/"Rosalie", 30'x7'x3' (1931) Palmer 7 HP  
Lic. or Reg. No.: N. W. 3142  
Naval No.: NW.080-C  
Owner's Valuation: \$1,000.00  
JFVDC Valuation: 316.00 Survey #2 NW  
Custodian Valuation: 250.00  
Date of Sale: February 13, 1943  
Purchaser: Nelson Brow. Fisheries Ltd.,  
Signature on Sales Papers: Custodian  
Selling Price: \$225.00 (\$250.00 - 10%)  
Paid to JFVDC or Custodian: 225.00  
Supervision Costs: 30.55  
Balance due Owner: 194.45  
Paid to: Cr. Account of Shigeru MORIMOTO  
Location of Boat at Sale: Nelson's Wharf (ex New Westminster)  
Claims Against Canadian Govt.:  
Repairs: Star Shipyard Job #4 - \$151.62 (Paid)

Additional Information:

*Jm*



**JOHN GOULD**  
Marine Surveyor and Appraiser  
VANCOUVER, B. C.

CABLES:  
"GOULD" VANCOUVER, B. C.  
TELEPHONE:  
PACIFIC 9046

No. 13.N.

"S.M.1026."

## Survey Report

To whom it may concern:

Name.	"S.M.1026."
Official No.	van 3142. <i>NW</i>
Owner.	Shigeru Moramoto.
Dimensions.	L.30 ft. B.7 ft. D.3 ft.
Engines.	Gasoline.
Name & H.P.	Palmer. 7 H.P.
Fuel.	Gasoline.
Tank Capacity.	1 Tank 25 Gals.
Pumps.	None.
Lighting.	Electric. Generator. Run off Engine.
Anchor.	1 Stock 20#
Chain.	None. Rope. None.
Compass.	None.
Stoves.	None.
Fire Extinguishers.	None.
Valuation.	Two Hundred fifty(\$250.00)dollars.
Remarks.	No fuel line from tank to engine.

February 1943.  
Vancouver, B. C.

*John Gould*  
Marine Surveyor.



Extract from G.P. Leckie's valuation report January 12, 1943.

<u>No.</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Value</u>
C-1850	1 net 50/5 x 5 3/8 x 50 x 300 fa. 2 yrs.	60.00
C-1851	1 net 60/5 x 5 7/8 x 50 x 300 fa.	25.00
C-1852	1 net...piece only... 40/4	nil
C-1855	1 net 60/5 x 5 1/2 x 25 x 300 fa.	15.00
C-1856	1 piece net 60/6 x 5 3/4	nil
	1 piece net 50/5 x 6 1/2	nil



Extract from O.W. Phillipson's note book (appraiser for the  
Japanese Fishing Vessels Disposal Committee)

Survey No. 2.

S.M. NW 080C  
1026 VAN 3142

1931

Condition Good

Damage Nil

Boat	\$400	
Engine	400	Palmer 7
Drum	75	
Ex	25	
Value New	<u>\$900</u>	
" 1942	275	

S.N.P. \$316.00

Drum Missing  
Generator on board  
No Storage Battery

Suggested negotiating price was  
15% above the appraisal.



*for  
A. Morrison*

"S. M." NW 0800

July 15, 1942.

This boat was surveyed at New Westminster in the presence of Mr. Ranford, of B. C. Packers Ltd., and Mr. Newcome of Nelson Bros. Fisheries. The claim for missing inventory was noted as follows:

1 Anchor & Line ✓  
1 Compass ✓  
1 Net Drum, Stern Roller, and All Parts (missing)  
Wiring to Engine

JMM/YM

J. M. Murphy,  
Com. Engineer, R.C.N.R.  
Naval Surveyor.



MORIMOTO, Shigeru  
Registration No. 02051  
File No. 3191

January 20th, 1944.

NET STATEMENT

<u>Quat. No.</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Japanese Value.</u>	<u>Purchase Price</u>
1850	5/50 x 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 50 - 300	\$125.00 ?	\$50.00
1851	5/60 x 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 50 - 300	75.00 ?	10.00
1855	5/60 x 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 25 - 300	35.00	5.00
1857A & B	2 pcs. web		25.00
1856	Pc. web		2.00
1854	Tank		4.00
1978	1 $\frac{1}{2}$ lbs. new net 5/50 x 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 50 x 6 fthms.		3.75
TOTAL SALES.....			\$99.75

UNACCOUNTED FOR

	5/40 x 7 x 60 - 400	\$125.00	ok. faced + money collection 17-3-45
	5/40 x 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 50 - 400	225.00	
	2 Sacks corks	?	
1814	One skiff	\$15.00 - now of no value	
1856	Pc. net 6/60 x 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ ) Pc. net 5/50 x 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ )	Appraised as of no value.	



OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN  
JAPANESE SECTION

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Miss Carroll

Shiguo Morimoto  
Reg No 02051,  
Griffin Lake  
Three Valley B.C.  
Nov 9/42.

Mr. R. P. Alexander,  
Custodian's Office,  
Japanese Evacuation Lab.

Dear Sir,

I the undersigned will  
greatly appreciate any information regarding the vessel  
'fishing boat' Reg No - 3142 N.W.B.C. Naval No. - NW 080 C  
The above vessel, (used) of which I am the owner  
was under the power of attorney of "Mr. Urosuke  
Sakamoto," who late surrendered it in my name  
to the Custodian

I also have considerable property of  
net, left at the net house of "Vancouver Cannery"  
Burns, B.C.

If any of the above properties have been  
sold, I would like to have part of the proceeds  
sent to me as I am in a bad financial  
condition

Yours Sincerely  
S. Morimoto



3191 & 4933

17th November, 1942.

Mr. Shigeru MORIMOTO,  
Registration No. 02051,  
Griffin Lake,  
Three Valley, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Thank you very much for your letter dated November 9th asking for some information in connection with fishing boat described as "Reg. No. 3142 N.W.B.C., Naval No. N.W. 0800", and also for information regarding the nets left by you in the nethouse of the Vancouver Cannery.

We wish to call your attention to the fact that you registered your assets with the Custodian on April 13th and at that time made no mention either of the fishing vessel or of the fishing nets.

According to the records of this office the fishing vessel mentioned above has not as yet been sold.

Mr. Unosuke Sakamoto, whom you mention in your letter, has provided us with no declaration in connection with your affairs, although he declared to us that his fishing boat, the "U.S." was in the custody of the Navy and that he, Mr. Sakamoto, had left certain fishing nets in the custody of the Canadian Fishing Company. Certain nets which belonged to Mr. Sakamoto have been sold and amounts secured have been credited to his account at this office.

We suggest that you provide us by return mail with full particulars of the property left by you in the protected area.

Yours truly,

R. P. Alexander  
Manager

RPA:LF



Shigeru Morimoto  
Reg No. 02051  
File No. 3191 + 4933  
Griffin Lake  
Shaw Valley BC  
Nov. 22 1942  
Alexander

Mr. R. P. Alexander  
Custodians Office  
Japanese Exclusion Lab

OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN  
JAPANESE SECTION  
RECEIVED  
NOV 26 1942

Dear Sir -

Thank you very much for the information about my boat. When I reported at the custodian on April 13<sup>th</sup> the man which I reported told me that boat & net will not be handle by custodian. The fishing committee will handle. Next later I have to leave for road camp so Mr. Sakamoto & Stinson was going to sell my boat for me. On Aug 13<sup>th</sup> I had a letter from Mr. Sakamoto that he ~~couldn't~~ <sup>couldn't</sup> sell my boat, and will be handle by custodians. Mr. Sakamoto has nothing to do with my affair now. I wrote to him.

List of the following net which I left at the



# Nanaimo Cannery net lance with ty & price

	Inches, Ply Deep Fathom	Price	1930
King fisher net	5 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub> X 5/50 X 50 X 400	125.00	1927
Barbour net	5 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub> X 5/60 X 50 X 400	75.00	1926
"	5 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub> X 5/60 X 50 X 300	50.00	?
"	7 X 5/40 X 60 X 400	125.00	1925
"	5 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> X 5/60 X 25 X 400	35.00	1925
"	6 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> X 5/50 X 25 X 300	25.00	1914
"	6 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> X 7/40 X 50 X 400	225.00	

used, only, with  
cost, me, 250.00  
only with.  
Cork & Lead line  
Hung

10 foot row boat.

75.00 1914

Please check this If my mother Ritsa Morimoto  
Reg no - 05454. Japanese national, has reported  
to his or my file. doesn't matter which is which  
does feel to let you know whether she reported  
the above following.

Yours Truly  
Shigim Morimoto



LIST OF PERSONAL PROPERTY

Mrs. R. Morimoto <sup>46</sup> (10851)

who is registering property

for son (S. Morimoto) 3191 Son (Shigeru) is at

Reg. No. 02051  
now in Hastings Park  
Vancouver, Cannery,  
Eburne, B. C.

camp at Taft, B. C.

Kingfisher net  
Barbour net

" "  
" "  
" "  
" "  
" "

\$ 125.00 ✓  
225.00 ✓  
125.00 ✓  
75.00 ✓  
50.00 ✓  
35.00 ✓  
25.00 ✓

*In the statement  
Jan 22/42*

Boat-----

30' X 7' X 3'

800.00

Naval No. 080 C

Reg. " 1342 N.W.B.C.

2 gas tanks  
2 sacks corks  
1 oil tank

All of above is stored in net house at Vancouver,  
Percy Bicknell,  
Cannery in care of Net man, Mr. Pussy, Adme Cannery,  
Eburne, B. C. Mr. Pussy is in possession of the key.

*Transferred from Netman's file 10851, 8/12/42.*



CANADA  
DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE  
OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN

JAPANESE EVACUATION SECTION

PHONE PACIFIC 6131

PLEASE REFER TO  
FILE NO. 3191

506 ROYAL BANK BLDG.,  
HASTINGS AND GRANVILLE  
VANCOUVER, B.C.

August 12, 1943.

Mr. Shigeru MORTMOTO,  
Registration No. 02051,  
C/O Walter Johnson,  
Logging & Sawmill Operator,  
Arrowsmith, B. C.

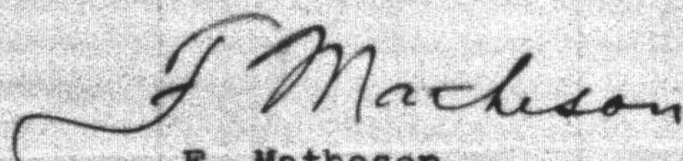
Dear Sir:

This is to advise you of the sale of the vessel  
"S. M." NW.3142 for the total sum of \$225.00. Prior to sale,  
the vessel was appraised by an experienced and independent  
marine surveyor at whose valuation the boat was sold.

No commission or administration costs are charged  
on this vessel. The only deduction made are to cover such  
expenses as, fire insurance, wharfage, watchmen's wages, ex-  
pert valuation, etc. These expenses amounted to \$30.55.

The balance of \$194.45 has been placed to your  
credit in our trust account.

Yours very truly,



F. Matheson,  
Specified Articles Department.



October 31st, 1950.

Mr. Shigeru MORIMOTO,  
22 Mitchell Avenue,  
Toronto, Ontario.

Dear Sir:

Re: Japanese Property Claims Commission

Case No. 1402

We have received from the Co-Operative Committee  
on Japanese Canadians, our form of Release which has been  
executed by yourself covering the award recommended under  
the above Claims Commission for the sum of ... \$142.42.

Cheque in your favour is enclosed for \$125.48  
and we have paid the Co-Operative Committee .. \$ 16.94  
for legal fees as authorized by you.

Yours truly,

F.G. Shears  
Director

FCS/ja  
1 encl.



Name of Claimant

MORIMOTO, Shigoru

Case

1402

Custodian File

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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% thereof	Charges 12.50 & Comm.	Sale Price	Total Award 80% of all Sale Prices % of Amount Total	Sale Price	Total Award 125% of all Sale Prices % of Amount Total		
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			
		225.	55.37			146.00	65.70			121.07
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
							598.00 75.00		471.	449.75
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										142.42



CASE NO. 1402

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**

(THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE H. H. HIRD, COMMISSIONER.)

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Vancouver, B.C.,  
November 7th, 1949.

IN THE MATTER OF THE CLAIM OF  
S. MORIMOTO

APPEARANCES:

D. T. B. BRAIDWOOD, Esq., appearing for the Dominion  
J. C. CAMPBELL, Esq., Government.

20 R. J. McMASTER, Esq., appearing for the Claimant.

MISS WHITE,

Secretary.

MRS. E. BLYCH,

Official Reporter.

MR. McMASTER: The Morimoto case is the one you gave  
leave to file a claim in. I wonder if the case  
could be assigned the next number on the list.

THE SECRETARY: 1402.

30 MR. McMASTER: I will ask to file the claim form which



has been declared by the Claimant and also the statement and signature attested, setting forth the details of the claim, as Exhibit 1. I have given my learned friend a copy of it and I understand he is agreeable and it will not be necessary to call any witnesses in this case.

10 MR. BRAIDWOOD: No, that is in line with the usual procedure in these later cases that we have been following, and I understand this matter will come up in the course of discussion and the Crown is not objecting to the failure of the Claimant to appear before your lordship.

THE COMMISSIONER: What it comes down to, then, is that we accept the claim form, which is made under oath, and the document, Exhibit 1, which is also declared and sworn before a Commissioner as proof for what it is, worth.

MR. BRAIDWOOD: That is right, my lord.

20 THE COMMISSIONER: Well, perhaps Mr. McMaster had better open the discussion.

MR. McMASTER: My lord, I would suggest we deal with this case in the same manner we have done with the other individual cases, and refer it to counsel for discussion in working out the details of the application and the general award.

THE COMMISSIONER: Then you can come back to me with a recommendation, if you reach it.

MR. McMASTER: Yes, my lord.

30 MR. BRAIDWOOD: I would like to file an analysis that I have prepared as the next exhibit.



THE COMMISSIONER: That will be Exhibit E.

(ANALYSIS MARKED EXHIBIT NO. 1402-B.)

THE COMMISSIONER: This is the Custodian's analysis, prepared from his records.

MR. McMASTER: Yes, my lord.

THE COMMISSIONER: And that is all you want in this claim in the meantime, is it?

MR. McMASTER: Yes.

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I hereby certify the foregoing to  
be a true and accurate report of  
the said proceedings.

*H. Blight*  
Deputy Clerk of the Court

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