

5268

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: MURAO, KunisaburoHOME ADDRESS: Dyke East 1st Ave., Steveston, B. C.REGISTRATION NUMBER 10027SEX: MaleAGE: 59OCCUPATION: Fish Packer

(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: B. C. Packers, Steveston, B. C.MARRIED? YesNAME OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: JitsuiADDRESS OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: Dyke East 1st Ave., Steveston, B. C.NAMES OF ANY LIVING CHILDREN: Taru(F); Hisao(F); Setsuko(F).ADDRESS OF CHILDREN: JapanAGE OF CHILDREN: 27; 15; 11 years.

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) None

5. 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: Dyke East of 1st Ave., Steveston, B. C.
Cannery house.
2. LANDLORD'S NAME AND ADDRESS: B. G. Packers, Steveston, B. C.
3. PARTICULARS OF LEASE AND RENT AND DATE TO WHICH PAID:
By arrangement with the Cannery.
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:

See 30/8/44 1-fishing boat "Mayflower" #2020, Bridgeport engine, 20 H. P. 1-40'

W-90', D-5' in custody at New Westminster, B. C.

Singer sewing machine; kitchen stove; kitchen utensils & wares; - at

Dyke East 1st Ave., Steveston, B.C. will give key to dwelling to

Cannery and listed goods will be in their care.

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) None
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

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 23rd day of April 1942.

Abraham

Witness

(Signature) K. Murray

FOR DEPARTMENTAL USE

INFORMATION FROM R.C.M.P.

Date May 22/43

Our File No. 5268

Full Name MURAO Kunisaburo
(Surname in Block Letters)

Registration No. 10027

Male - Female
(check)

Age Oct 3, 1882

Former Address

Steveston, B.C.

Date Evacuated

Apr. 30/42

Naturalized - Canadian-Born - National
(check)

RETURNED TO JAPAN
S. S. MARINE FALCON
24th DEC. 1946

Present Address

Greenwood, B.C.

Married - Single
(check)

Name of Wife

(INABA) Jiten

Name of Husband

-

Name of Mother

Name of Father

Hide (Japan)

Names of Children under 16

Kisajo (F) 14

Setaka (F) 10

} Japan.

Requested by

CCP

Registered with Custodian

Yes
(Yes or No)

Additional Information

Fish Packer. Owner of
Sea Boat "May Flower".

File No. 5268


November 18, 1945.

LIABILITY SUMMARY

Re: Kunisaburo MURAO
Reg. No. 10027

There are no claims against Kunisaburo Murao
revealed on the file.

The above Summary is certified to be in
accordance with the information on file:



George Peters,
Office of the Custodian.

GP/EL

November 18, 1946.

PERSONAL PROPERTY SUMMARY

Re: Kunisaburo MURAO
Reg. No. 10027

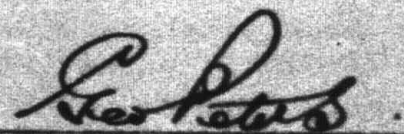
Chattels: See Chattel Schedule

Specified Articles: There are no Cameras, Radios, Fire Arms or Motor Vehicles revealed in the registration or the file.

Fishing Vessels: "Mayflower" was sold through the Japanese Fishing Vessels Disposal Committee and the net proceeds credited to Kunisaburo Murao's account with the Custodian.

No property interests other than those mentioned are found on the file.

The above Summary is certified to be in accordance with the information on file:



George Peters,
Office of the Custodian.

GP/EL

November 18, 1946.

CHATTEL SCHEDULE

Re: Kunisaburo MURAO
Reg. No. 10027

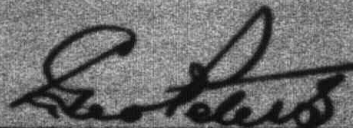
JAPANESE DECLARATION - APRIL 23, 1942.

Singer sewing machine
Kitchen stove
Kitchen utensils & wares

At Dyke & 1st Ave., Steveston, B. C.

The above goods were never found or inventoried by the
Custodian. We presume they were dealt with by Kunisaburo
Murae before his evacuation, on April 30, 1942.

The above Schedule is certified to be in
accordance with the information on file:



GP/EL

711 Stock Exchange Bldg.,
475 Howe Street,
Vancouver, B.C.,
January 30th, 1947.

Custodian of Enemy Property,
Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B.C.

TREASURY DEPT. CLAIM \$ *NPL*

Dear Sir:

Re: MURAO, Kunisaburo #10027 *5268*

Please note that the above Japanese has
been repatriated to Japan. The following is the status
of his account with this Department, covering the
repatriation transactions:

Money turned in - - - - - \$ 526.12

Draft Issued- - - - - \$ 526.12

It will be noted, therefore, that this
party is not indebted to this Department in this connection.
However, should any further monies come into your hands on
this account it should be turned over to this office for
transmission to the Japanese in question.

Yours truly,

F. G. Coburn
F. G. COBURN,
Supervising Treasury Officer.

FGC/EJ.

Form 100-100
REV. 1915

No. 1371

DOMINION OF CANADA
DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE

Issued at GRAND FORKS, N.B.
Date DEC 20/16

5268/10027

MURAO KUNISABURO

The Government of Canada acknowledges that MURAO KUNISABURO
has surrendered property situated in Canada as described herein and agrees to remit the yen equivalent of the net proceeds
of such property immediately, or upon liquidation if such action is required, to Japan under arrangements made with,
and approved by, the United States Government and the Military Authorities in Japan; Provided that from the proceeds
of such property there shall be retained such amounts as are required to repay advances made by the Government of Ca-
nada by way of Repatriation Grant.

CUSTOMS DUTY BALANCE — 526 $\frac{12}{100}$ ✓
NOT RECORDED

Thomas Taylor
for Comptroller of the Treasury

Grand Forks. 1.

G-657-A

DEPOSIT FORM

Reg. No. 5268. 10027 NAME: MURAO Kunishiro
(please print) Surname Given Name

Cheques (must be certified)		Cash	Dollars	Cents
List Bank Name and Branch	A m o u n t	X 1		
		X 2		
		X 5		
		X 10		
		X 20		
		X 50		
		X 100		
		Total Bills		
		Silver		
		Copper		
		Total Cheques		
Total Cheques		Total Amount	<u>nil</u>	
		Teller's Initials		

Herewith monies as shown above.

I wish to take all of these funds with me to Japan, plus \$ 526.¹² ✓
now on deposit with the Custodian. Yes; X No:

I wish to take with me only the amount of the Government Guarantee
Yes No

Date: Dec 20, 1946

K. Murao
Signature

OR

I have no money to turn in.

Date: , 1946

Signature

Custodian See Balance
\$526.¹²
DEC 12 1946
O.K. [Signature]

File
JAPANESE FISHING VESSELS DISPOSAL COMMITTEE

RELEASE AND DISCHARGE

pd
Ref. 6899

FISHING VESSEL: "Mayflower"

CLAIM No.: 409-C

REG. or LIC. No.: NW. 2020

Owner at Time of Impounding:

NAVAL No.: NW.085-D

Kunisaburo MURAO, #10027,
File 5268.

CLAIM PAYABLE TO:

Present Owner:

Nelson Bros. Fisheries Ltd.

Nelson Bros. Fisheries Ltd.

This vessel was released to Nelson Bros. Fisheries Ltd. from the custody of the Royal Canadian Navy on July 31, 1942, under a care and maintenance agreement. Under the terms of this agreement replacements and repairs were effected by Nelson Bros. Fisheries Ltd., and claim for the expenses thus incurred was approved by the surveyor for Naval Service to the value of \$32.50, which sum is approved by the undersigned and accepted as adequate compensation.

In consideration of the payment of the sum of **THIRTY-TWO DOLLARS AND FIFTY CENTS** ----- (\$ 32.50)

(of lawful money of Canada) (the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged), we, the undersigned, being the owners and/or mortgagees, shipyard repairers and all others having any interest, claim or demand against the said motor vessel registered at the Port of **New Westminster, B. C.** Official or License No. **2020** DO HEREBY RELEASE and forever discharge His Majesty the King, as represented by Royal Canadian Naval Service or any patrol or auxiliary service, acting through or under the authority of Royal Canadian Naval Service, and all boards, commissions or departments of His Majesty's Canadian Government of and from claims which we may now have or which hereafter may arise and which now could or at any time hereafter be made in consequence of damage sustained or any alleged damage sustained, to the above-named motor vessel while in custody of His Majesty's Royal Canadian Naval Service or any auxiliary patrols, commissions, boards or departments hereinbefore named.

AND FURTHER, we covenant that we are the owners and/or mortgagees, shipyard repairers and all others having any interest, claim or demand against the said vessel and are the only parties or persons having any interest, claim, lien, demand or charge over the above-named motor vessel, and should any claim hereafter be made by or through any parties whatsoever, we hereby agree to indemnify and save harmless His Majesty the King as represented by any of the naval services, boards, patrols, departments, or commissions hereinbefore referred to.

AND FURTHER, that this discharge and release enures to the benefit of and is binding upon all the parties hereto, their respective heirs, executors, administrators, assigns, successors and representatives.

DATED at Vancouver, British Columbia, this

25th day of *April* 1942

WITNESS:

R. G. Ranford

NELSON BROS. FISHERIES LTD.

[Signature]

SUMMARY TAKEN FROM VESSELS RECORDS

Date: August 30, 1944
Name: MURAO, Kunisaburo Reg. No. 10027 File: 5268
Boat File No.: CUSTODIAN 5268
Name of Vessel: "MAYFLOWER" 38'x8'6"x4' (1932) Bridgeport 20 HP
Lic. or Reg. No.: New Westminster 2020
Naval No.: NW.085-D
Owner's Valuation: \$2,850.00
JFVDC Valuation: 805.00
Custodian Valuation: None
Date of Sale: January 13, 1943
Purchaser: Nelson Bros. Fisheries Ltd.
Signature on Sales Papers: Custodian
Selling Price: \$724.50 (\$805.00-10%)
Paid to ~~JFVDC~~ Custodian: 724.50
Supervision Costs: 98.38
Balance due Owner: 626.12
Paid to: Cr. Account of Kunisaburo MURAO
Location of Boat at Sale: Nelson's Wharf (ex New Westminster)
Claims Against Canadian Govt.:

Claim #409 - Nelson Bros. Fisheries Ltd. \$32.50 (Unpaid)

*Pol. Reg. 6899
25/4/45*

Additional Information:

*J. M. Maclean
Nov. 18/46*

Note: Although the owner was reported to the JFVDC as being Kunitatsu MURAO, Steveston, the licence was in the name of Kunisaburo MURAO, who declared ownership to Custodian. Kunitatsu MURAO is not registered.

Greenwood, B. C. December 9th 1942

The Manager,
Office of the Custodian,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear sir:

Re. Fishing Boat, "May Flower"
Registered NO. 2020 N. W.

As I have never heard anything about the above mentioned vessel owned by me, I shall be much obliged, if you would kindly inform me once what kind of disposition has been made to this vessel.

Your attention to this matter will be greatly obliged.

Yours truly,

Kunisaburo Murao,
Registration NO. 10027

K. Murao

February 10, 1943.

MEMORANDUM

MISS MATHESON

Kunimatsu

Our Accountant, Mr. Good, tells me that in September, 1942, the Nelson Brothers Fisheries, Ltd. leased the "Mayflower" NW 2020, NW 085D, said to belong to Mr. Kunimatsu MURAO, and the vessel "J.E." NW 1797, said to be registered in the name of J. Ezaki.

The Evacuation Section is finding it difficult to identify either of the two Japanese names given. Please ascertain the full names and last known addresses of these two Japanese, which should be available in records kept at the time the Naval numbers were allotted. Also both vessels were or are presumably insured and the insurance companies should be able to provide you with dates on which insurance went into force, names of people who placed the insurance, and might very well also be able to confirm the spelling of the full names of the two Japanese and their addresses at the time the insurance went into force.

The records of the Japanese Fishing Vessels Disposal Committee might also be consulted to advantage in this connection.

[Signature]

BPA:BA

File No. 5258.

File No.	5258
Date	15th Feb 1943
By	J. Maclean

15th February, 1943.

MEMORANDUM: To Mr. R.F. Alexander.

From Miss Matheson.

Re: M/V "Mayflower" - Kunisaburo MURAO.

With reference to your memorandum to Mr. Good, copy of which was sent to this Department, in regard to the above named fishing vessel, a check of the fishing boat file shows that there has been correspondence in connection with this boat with Mr. Kunisaburo Murao, registration No. 15027, Greenwood, B. C., and it would appear that he is the owner of this boat.

The boat in question was sold to Nelson Bros. Fisheries Ltd. on January 21st, 1943, and it would appear that proceeds of this sale should be credited to file No. 5258, instead of to file No. 13663, Mr. Kunimatsu Murao.

FM/af

J. Maclean

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July 13, 1943.

Mr. Kunisaburo MURAO,
Registration No. 10027,
Greenwood, B. C.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that the fishing vessel "Mayflower" NW.2020 has been sold at the total price of \$724.50, this being the value placed on this boat by an experienced, independent marine surveyor.

No commission or administration charges are deducted from the monies received in the sale of these boats; the only charges are for fire insurance, wharfage, watchmen's wages, expert valuation, etc. This expense in the case of the "Mayflower" amounted to \$98.38.

The balance of \$626.12 was placed to your credit in our trust account.

Yours very truly,

F. Matheson,
Specified Articles Department.

Greenwood, B.C.
Nov. 30, 1943.

J. Matheson Esq.
Custodian Office,
Royal Bank Bldg.,
Hastings & Granville Sts.,
Vancouver, B.C.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	DEC 1 1943
File No.	5268
Ans.	Yes
Referred	Matheson

Dear Sir:

In checking up
your letter dated July 13, 1943,
I understand that you have
been keeping \$626.12 being
the balance of my boat
"Mayflower".

You should remember
that I did not agree to sell
my boat such a price.
To speak plainly, I had
no intention to dispose of.

Answers is in of no use
to complain now regarding
this matter.

To keep the money
in my credit a/c until
such a time as I need it,
will greatly be appreciated.

Respectfully yours,

x K. Mason

December 4, 1943.

Mr. Kunisaburo MURAO,
Registration No. 10027,
Greenwood, B. C.

Dear Sir:

We have received your letter of November 30th, and note that you wish us to hold the sum of \$626.12 until you need it.

In regard to the sale of your boat, we believe the Custodian acted in your best interest in disposing of this boat. The alternatives to sale would have been,

- (a) Keep the boat moored under guard.
- (b) Haul the boat up on the beach and leave it unguarded.

In the first case, the cost of wharfage, watchmen, and fire insurance would in a short time amount to a fairly large portion of the value of your boat, while the value of the boat would be decreasing. In order to maintain any value it would be necessary to spend money each year for painting and other repairs. All these costs would, of course, be charged to your account.

Had the second alternative been followed, the boat would have been stripped to a hull in a very short time, and drying out on the beach would certainly not have increased the value of the hull.

Taking these things into consideration, we think you will agree that it was best to sell your boat.

Yours very truly,

F. Matheson,
Specified Articles Department.

October 20th, 1944

Mr. M. L. Brown,
B. C. Security Commission,
360 Homer Street,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Kunisaburo MURAO, Reg. No. 10027

With reference to our telephone conversation of August 23rd last in which you advised us that our cheque dated July 12 in favour of the above Japanese had been mislaid in your office and on which you asked us to stop payment through our Bank, we did not receive a covering letter confirming the telephone conversation and we have today been advised by Mr. M. W. Brown of Brown's Store, Greenwood that he had cashed the cheque for MURAO and the cheque had been returned to him payment stopped. Apparently the cheque had been found by you and handed to the Japanese. If this is the case please advise us by return mail and instruct us to cancel the stop payment against this cheque through our Bank.

Yours very truly,


B. Good
Comptroller

CHP:BR

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October 30th, 1944.

Mr. Kunisaburo MURAO,
Reg. No. 10027,
Greenwood, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find our cheque for \$25.00 which amount it has been agreed with the B.C. Security Commission that we send you for a period of four months from funds standing to your credit in our books. This cheque represents the fourth and final payment, and after allowing for the above amount please note you have a credit balance in our books of \$525.12.

Yours truly,

P. Douet,
Administration Department

PD/EM
Enc.