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PERSONAL

BUREAU POWELL STREET
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: Kitamura, Tokizo

HOME ADDRESS: 473 Powell St., Vancouver, B.C.

REGISTRATION NUMBER 00205 SEX: Male AGE: 45

OCCUPATION: Taxi driver.

(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: "Self" ☒

MARRIED? Yes

NAME OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: Tomi

ADDRESS OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: 473 Powell St., Vanc'r, B.C.

NAMES OF ANY LIVING CHILDREN: Toshikazu(M); Fumie(P); Hideo(M);
Osamu(M); Takako(F).

Toshikazu - Ocean Falls hospital, B. C.
ADDRESS OF CHILDREN: 473 Powell St., Vancouver, B. C.

AGE OF CHILDREN: 18; 18; 16; 14; and 11 years respectively.

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

STATEMENT OF REAL PROPERTY OCCUPIED

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: 473 Powell St., Vanc't, B. C.
occupies 5 rooms of 11 room house.
4730
2. LANDLORD'S NAME AND ADDRESS: Mrs. Sogawa, 473 Powell St., Vanc't, B. C.
3. PARTICULARS OF LEASE AND RENT AND DATE TO WHICH PAID:
\$17.50 monthly. *paid rent during absence at camp.*
4. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF LEASE: *paid rent during absence at camp.*
5. SUB-TENANTS, IF ANY (Give name, address, rent and to what date paid):
6. IF FARM LAND, PARTICULARS OF CROPS SOWN: 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 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: 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)
Wages from Work Camp, #2A Decoine, Jasper National Park,
Alt.

7. BONDS, DEBENTURES, SHARES, STOCKS OR OTHER SECURITIES (State whereabouts)
None

8. BANK ACCOUNTS: None

9. LIFE INSURANCE: \$2,000.00 Sun Life Assurance, Co., beneficiary-Toni
(wife) Policy # unknown in owner's possession.

10. INTEREST IN ANY ESTATES OR TRUSTS: None

11. SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX: None

LIABILITIES:

1. PERSONAL DEBTS: \$200.00 - Mrs. K. Noda, 362 Alexander St., Vanc'r, B.C.

being advance rent at Minto City.

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 27th day of May

1942

A. McArthur

Witness

(Signature)

[Signature]

FOR DEPARTMENTAL USE

INFORMATION FROM R.C.M.P.

DATE 8/4/43

File No. 10099

(1) Name KITAMURA, Toshio
(Surname in Block Letters)

Registration No. 00205 Male - Female
(Check)

Age May 3, 1897

Former Address 473 Powell St., Vancouver, B. C.

Date Evacuated Mar. 4/42 Naturalized - Canadian-Born - National
(Check)

Present Address Bridge River, B. C.

Married - Single
(Check)

Name of Wife Tomi #00454

Name of Husband _____

Name of Mother Da'id Name of Father Da'id

Names of Children under 16 Osamu Franklin (M) 13 yrs. Takako (M) 11 yrs.

Requested by HL Registered with Custodian _____
(Yes or No)

Additional Information Taxi driver for Nabata Taxi Co.

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File No. 10091

CLAIMS DEPARTMENT

September 14th, 1943

TOKIO KITAMURA - Reg. No. 00205.

CREDITORS:-

Wm. E. BODA

Indemnity 1/2000 }
no. 11

\$200.00 JP

730 50 1-4 20

*Check
out 1/2000*

paid 1/2000 (1/17)

File No. 10099

— SUMMARY —

June 10th, 1947

— GENERAL —

re/ Tokizo KITAMURA
Reg. No. 00205

ASSETS:

REAL ESTATE: - No interest in Realty by Tokizo KITAMURA is revealed on the file.

FIRE INSURANCE: - No interest in Fire Insurance by Tokizo KITAMURA is revealed on the file.

CHATTLES: - No chattels are declared by Tokizo KITAMURA.
NOTE: In his letter of March 5th, 1947 he refers to property left at 473 Powell St. This is replied to in our letter of June 10th, 1947 and disposes of same.

PERSONAL PROPERTY:

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE: - On Page 3 of Registration dated May 27th, 1942 is recorded under "Money owing to you"

"Wages from Work Camp, #2A Descoine, Jasper National Park, Alt."

It is assumed that Tokizo KITAMURA received settlement of this item as he has not written the Custodian in respect to same.

LIFE INSURANCE: -

On Page 3 of registration dated May 27th, 1942 is recorded:-

"\$2,000.00 Sun Life Assurance Co. beneficiary-Tomi (wife). Policy #unknown in owner's possession".

As this item did not vest with the Custodian, no action was taken by this office.

SPECIFIED ARTICLES: -

No Cameras, radios, Fire Arms or Vessels are revealed in the registration or the file.

NOTE:

HABATA TAXI - The file shows a payment received through Ross & Sons from the liquidation of Hamano Shipyards of \$15.20 for account of HABATA TAXI. As Tokizo KITAMURA was the owner of the HABATA TAXI this amount is now being transferred to the account of Tokizo KITAMURA and forwarded to him.

No other Personal Property of Tokizo KITAMURA is revealed on the file.

LIABILITIES:

CLAIMS: -

On Page 3 of registration dated May 27th, 1942 Tokizo KITAMURA declared owing Mrs. K. NOBA - \$200.00. She does not make any claim. Later in his letter of March 5th, 1947 he states that he has paid her. No action taken by this office.

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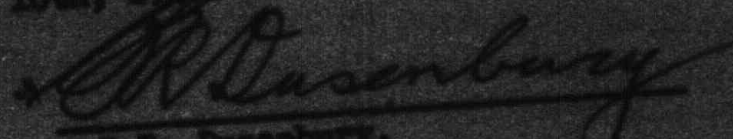
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SUMMARY - GENERAL - continued.

LIABILITIES-Claims -

A Claim for \$534.50 is filed against Tokiso KITAMURA by Iwakichi KITASAKA. KITAMURA was notified under date of 25-2-46 but the file does not reveal any reply. KITASAKA was requested to write direct to KITAMURA, as that party had no funds with the Custodian.

No other Liabilities are revealed on the file.

The above Summary is certified to be in accordance with the information on file,
June 10th, 1947


B.R. Dusenbury,
Office of the Custodian.

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September 14th, 1943.

Mr. Tokiso KITAMURA,
Registration No. 00205,
Bridge River, B.C.

*rec'd
L. McAllister 1/47*

Dear Sir:

When you registered with the Custodian you showed on your J.P. form that you owed Mrs. K. Noda \$200.00. Please inform us if you still owe this amount, and if so, what you propose to do regarding a settlement of same.

You also reported that certain money was due to you for wages from a work camp at Jasper National Park. In your reply please say whether this money is still owing to you, and if so how much, and who is responsible for paying same.

Yours truly,

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A. McAllister,
Claims Department.

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June 2nd, 1945.

Mr. & Mrs. Isakichi KITASAKA,
Registration Nos. 00270 & 00272,
NEW DENVER, B.C.

Dear Sir & Madam:

With reference to our letter to the B.C. Security Commission of April 16th, which was shown to you, and which they answered on May 22nd advising that you agreed that you owed Mr. Sutezo Nabata \$200.00, we have now paid this sum to the debit of your account as well as the claim of Mr. Hashiro Miyasawa (Peace Cleaners) for \$29.65. This leaves a credit in your account of \$221.89.

Regarding your claim against Mr. Tokizo Kitamura of \$534.50, we are sorry to report that our records do not show any assets held by the Custodian for his account. We regret therefore that we are unable to assist you in collecting any funds from him.

Yours truly,

H. F. Green
Protection Department

HFG:LEM

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February 25, 1946

Mr. Tohiso KITAMURA,
Reg. No. 00205,
C/o Minto Mine,
Minto, B.C.

Dear Sir:

We have recently received a letter from Mr. Iwakichi KITASAKA, Registration No. 00270, our file #12061, who is resident at Rosebery, B.C., and he informs us that you owe him the sum of \$534.50 for which he holds a Promissory Note. We have informed Mr. Kitasaka that you have no funds with the Custodian and understand that he will be contacting you direct in regard to this debt. If payment is made, please do not fail to advise us.

Yours truly,

P. Doust,
Administration Department

PD/ER

12061 - 10099

February 25th, 1946.

Mr. Iwakichi KITASAKI,
Registration No. 00270,
Rosebery, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Your claim against Toshio KITAMURA,
Registration #00205, resident at
Minto Mine, Minto, B. C.

With reference to that part of your letter dealing with the above respecting an amount of \$534.50 owed to you by Mr. T. Kitamura, for which you advise you hold a Promissory Note, we would refer you to our letter of June 2, 1945 in which we advised you that the above has no assets with the Custodian and that we were unable to assist you in collecting any funds from him. The position is unchanged and we can only suggest that you contact Mr. Kitamura at the above address in an endeavor to collect the money owing to you.

We have written again to Mr. Kitamura informing him that you will be writing him direct on this matter.

Yours truly,

P. Doust,
Administration Department

PD/ER

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March 14th, 1946.

Mr. and Mrs. Isakichi KITASAKA,
Reg. Nos. 00270 and 00272,
Rosebery, D. C.

Dear Sir and Madam:

We duly received your letter of February 28th returning the signed copy of our letter of February 25th, for which we thank you. We note that you say regarding the \$75.00 required for dentures and this matter has had to be referred to the Department of Labour, Japanese Division, since you are residing in an area under their jurisdiction. We have also had to write to them regarding the two debts of \$80.00 and \$400.00 respectively, which you wish paid from your account.

Until we hear from them regarding all the above we cannot take any action, so will advise you in due course.

Respecting the amount owed you by Mr. Tohiso KITASAKA, namely \$534.50, as mentioned in our letter of February 25th, 1946, we wrote to him again on the above date advising that you would be communicating with him direct as to payment. If you have not already done this we suggest you do so without delay. As advised you, he has no funds standing to his credit with the Custodian and there is nothing we can do regarding collection.

Yours truly,

P. Doust,
Administration Department

PD/RE

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March 26th, 1946.

Mr. Isakichi KITASAKA,
Registration No. 00270,
Roseberry, B.C.

Dear Sir:-

With reference to your letter of the 18th instant,
as requested we have been in communication with the R.C.M.P.
here in Vancouver, and they inform us that Mr. Tokiso KITASAKA
Reg. No. 00203 will be moving in the immediate future from Minto
Mine B.C. to the following address:-

110. Murray Street, Toronto, Ontario,

and we trust you will be successful in getting in touch with
him and obtain payment of the money he owes you.

Yours truly,

PD/DD.

P. Doust,
Administration Department.

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July 13, 1946.

Morris Pomer, Esq.,
427 Parliament St.,
TORONTO 2, Ont.

RE: Iwakichi KITASAKA vs Tokiso KITAHARA

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter of the 10th instant we would state that on June 2nd, 1945, we advised Mr. KITASAKA as follows:

"Regarding your claim against Mr. Tokiso KITAHARA, we are sorry to report that our records do not show any assets held by the Custodian on his account. We regret therefore being unable to assist you in collecting any funds from him".

Since that date the situation remains unchanged.

Yours truly,

G.B. Spain
Protection Department

GBS:LBW

File No. 10099

February 10th, 1947 .

MEMORANDUM

TO: MRS. E. ROBERTSON

FROM: B. GOOD

Re: Tokizo KITAMURA, Reg. 00205

Herewith the file, please refer to copy of correspondence with P. S. Ross & Sons 30th August, 1943 in which the last sentence of our letter says we will write to each creditor and have the matter confirmed. The file shows no copy of any letter having been written to Kitamura.

In May last year P. S. Ross & Sons paid to us the sum of \$15.20 owing by Nanaimo Shipyards Limited to Nabata Taxi. This is still held in abeyance in Nanaimo Shipyards account Int. 119. The old Vancouver city directory shows the proprietor of Nabata Taxi to be T. Kitamura.

Will you please write to him and take whatever other steps necessary to try to establish ownership of this \$15.20, which we would like to have taken from the Nanaimo Shipyard account.



SG:BR

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February 11th, 1947


Mr. Tokizo KITAMURA,
Reg. No. 00205,
#110. Murray Street,
Toronto, Ontario.

Dear Sir:-

We shall be obliged if you will advise this office if the Nanaimo Shipyards owed you or the NABATA TAXI any sum of money at the time of your evacuation from Vancouver. If so, please state the amount.

Our information is that the proprietor of NABATA TAXI was T. KITAMURA

Yours truly,

 B.R. Dusenbury,
Office of the Custodian.

BRD/DD.

TOKIZO KITAMURA
Reg No 00205.
39. Caroline ave
Toronto 8. Ont.

March 5. 47

Mr. B.B. Dusenbury
Office of the Custodian.
Vancouver, B.C.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	MAR 10 1947
File	10099
Ans.	
Referred	Dusenbury

RE FILE NO 10099

Replying to yours
of Dec 11. The Nanaimo Ship
yard owed Nasata Jari sum
of money, but I can't
state exact amount of it.

Nasata Jari's Ledger &
Statement files are left in
Office of Jari and have registered
with Custodian in former Fuji Chop
Bury on Powell st. with our
personal goods. But I
do know it isn't very much
to between thirty and two
Dollars.

Mr. R. Kita of Matsuyama & Co
paid me all of these bills but
Naniwa Shipyard and I was
told to wait.

May I ask what become
of our property which we left
in 473 Powell St. and as I
said before and registered
with the Custodian.

And I also like to inform
you I have paid to Mrs. K.
Noda which I have registered
with you.

Yours Very Truly

Done 5/47

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REGISTERED.

June 10th, 1947

Mr. Tokizo KITAMURA,
Reg. No. 00205,
39 Caroline Avenue,
Toronto 8, Ontario.

Dear Sir:-

Your unsigned letter of the 5th March last came to hand on the 10th of that month and delay has occurred in replying, owing to illness of the writer.

In the liquidation of the Nanaimo Shipyards we received through the Liquidator the sum of \$15.20 for account of NABATA TAXI. As you were represented as the owner of the NABATA TAXI, this sum is now being credited to your account. While you say that you are not certain of the amount owing to you, this amount is the total received for your account.

We are disregarding the claims filed against you and are forwarding this small amount by our cheque herewith.

May 2 1947
You ask regarding property left in 473 Powell Street. In checking your registration we find that you stated that you did not have any personal property or personal effects in Vancouver at that time, namely May 2nd, 1942. In a memo on your wife's file No. 7305 it is stated that whatever contents had been there had been removed and Toshiyama KITAMURA had been so advised. This was in October 1943. Under these circumstances, there will be nothing further for us to report.

The foregoing, together with previous letters to and from you, seems to cover the principal items of assets and liabilities in which you were interested that have come under our notice and seems to finalise our report to you, in connection with same.

We shall be obliged for further word from you when acknowledging the enclosed cheque.

For your convenience in replying we enclose a stamped addressed envelope.

Yours truly,

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B.R. Dusenbury,
Office of the Custodian.

10099/7305

June 24th, 1947.

Mr. Tokiso KITAMURA,
Reg. No. 00205,
39 Caroline Avenue,
Toronto 8, Ontario.

Dear Sir:-

We received your undated letter today acknowledging our cheque for \$15.20 and referring to personal property which you claim to have left at 473 Powell Street.

In reviewing the situation we find that your present letter is in error in some respects as it does not correspond with the details on record.

You now say "I have never said to you or anybody that I have no personal effects". In order to correct this we have prepared and are forwarding herewith copy of your registration dated May 27th, 1942(not May 2/42). You will notice on page two of same under "Statement of Personal Property owned", the word "None" which clearly confirms what we said in our letter to you of the 10th instant.


At no time since the date of your registration have you written to this office, according to your file, regarding any personal effects of yours, which you would likely have done had you declared having left any in our control.

In respect to your wife's declarations dated May 1st, 1942 and June 1st, 1942 she says of certain effects listed at 473 Powell St. "Mrs. Sogawa, who will have the key to same", also "key will be left with landlord as above". It seems evident that Mrs. Sogawa had the key or keys to any rooms in which your wife's effects were stored. However a close check of Mrs. Sogawa's file #8747 and of her husband, Kichiro Sogawa, who owned 473 Powell St. (File #4207) does not reveal any mention of any chattels at that address other than those belonging to the Sogawas.

In October 1943 your son, Toshikazu Kitamura called at this office in regard to his own and his mother's effects. He and D.A. Smith our representative, visited the premises and discovered that the room had been entered and that there were no effects there. Our memo at that time states also "Mr. Kitamura said there was nothing we could do about it and also informed us that he would advise his mother". Although your son was later at our office on other business, he apparently did not make any further reference to the chattels in question, and we did not hear from you or Mrs. Kitamura in respect to them.

In view of the circumstances, there was nothing more for us to do in the matter.

Yours truly,


B.R. Dusenbury,
Office of the Custodian.

BRD/DD.
Enc. 1.

*Perhaps Mr. Shears
would reply to him.*

TOKIZO KITAMURA
39 Caroline Ave.,
Toronto, Ont.,
July 2, 1947.

Mr. B. R. Dusenbury,
Office of the Custodian,
Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B. C.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	JUL 8 1947
File No.	10099/7305
Ans.	31/7/47
Referred	Dusenbury

Dear Sir :

Re : File No. 10099/ 7305

I have received your letter of June 24 but I regret to inform you that I am very disappointed that you can do nothing about the personal property left within your care at the time of the evacuation.

In the first place I would like to correct you on the date of my registration. You state that I registered on May 27, 1942 but I clearly remember that I did not report on that date, it being the day of my return from Work Camp No. 2A Decoine, Jasper National Park. It was on June 1, 1942 that I called on your office.

In regards to the Statement of Personal Property, if I had made no declaration, it was because my wife was submitting an itemized account of our personal effects. You state that Mr. and Mrs. Sogawa made no mention of our goods in their building. That does not mean that we had no personal belongings. They were making a statement of their own personal goods and not ours.

In accounting for these goods you state that someone had entered the building and "that there were no effects there". This simple statement that there were no effects there, certainly does not relieve you from your responsibility as Custodian, especially when an offence such as breaking and entering is committed. You further shirk your duties by stating, "Although your son was later at our office on other business he apparently did not make any reference to the chattels in question, and we did not hear from you or Mrs. Kitamura in respect to them. In view of the circumstances there was nothing more for us to do in the matter." Your conclusion is illogical. You imply that, if we had complained about the loss or my son had made some remark about it, you would have done something about it. I believe that as Custodian you should have taken immediate steps for a thorough investigation, regardless of whether we complained or not.

Please inform me by return mail what your office intends to do with such a loss.

Yours truly,
T. Kitamura

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21st July, 1947.

Mr. Takao Kitamura,
Registration #00205,
39 Caroline Avenue,
Toronto, Ont.

Dear Sir:

We have your letter of the 2nd instant.

You may have noticed an announcement in the public press in regard to the appointment of Mr. Justice Bird as Commissioner under the Inquiries Act to investigate claims of persons of the Japanese race evacuated from the protected area of British Columbia.

We presume that when further information is given in regard to the presentation of claims you will be in a position to act accordingly.

Yours truly,

F. G. Shears,
Director.

FCS/FMH

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14th July, 1949.

Mr. Tokiso KITAMURA,
Regn. No. 00205,
39 Caroline Ave.,
Toronto, Ontario.

Dear Sir:

We enclose herewith Custodian cheque in the amount of \$1.00, being balance in your Current account in the Japan & Canada Trust Savings Co.

Please acknowledge receipt, and at the same time kindly forward your Pass book to this office as your account in this bank has now been closed.

Yours truly,

Office of the Custodian.

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