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PERSONAL

BUREAU POWELL STREET
OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN
JAPANESE SECTION

FILE NO. 10389

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: IWANOTO Sumiko Eleanor
HOME ADDRESS: 2812 Yew St., Vancouver B.C.
(As per Card 1940 W. 3rd, Ave., Vancouver B.C.)
REGISTRATION NUMBER 10166 SEX: Female AGE: 19
OCCUPATION: Housework

(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: Mrs E.A. Kennard, Suite 307 Rita Apartment, Vancouver B.C.

MARRIED? No

NAME OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: none

ADDRESS OF WIFE OR HUSBAND: none

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

STATEMENT OF REAL PROPERTY OCCUPIED

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

1. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: Living with parents at

2812 Yew St., Vancouver B.C.

2. LANDLORD'S NAME AND ADDRESS: none

3. PARTICULARS OF LEASE AND RENT AND DATE TO WHICH PAID: none

4. STATE WHEREABOUTS OF LEASE: none

5. SUB-TENANTS, IF ANY (Give name, address, rent and to what date paid) none

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.

Located at 2812 Yew Street, Vancouver B.C. Garden Tools, 1 Double Bed,

Sewing

1 Trunk of personal effects, 1 Sewing Machine, Dishes (1 box).

(Trunk (Odds and Ends) all to be left at 2812 Yew Street, Vancouver B.C.

Set
1 Book of Knowledge, 1 World Book, Fiction Books, to be stored
Left with Mrs. R. N. Ogilvie, 1308 - W 37th Vancouver
at 2812 Yew Street, Vancouver B.C. All books in boxes.

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: Prudential Life Insurance Co. \$332.00. Policy No. unknown. Policy in declarants possession.
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 3rd day of June 1942.

A. McEwen
Witness

(Signature)

Sumiko Iwamoto

FOR DEPARTMENTAL USE

INFORMATION FROM R.C.M.P.

DATE Oct. 27/43

Our File No. 10389

Full Name IWAMOTO, Sumiko Eleanor
(Surname in Block Letters)

Registration No. 10166

Male - Female
(Check)

Age Apr. 26. 1923

Former Address 1949 W. 3rd Ave., City

281 1/2 Yew St., City

Date Evacuated June 10/42

Naturalized - Canadian-Born - National
(Check)

Present Address

c/o Guelph General Hospital, Guelph, Ont.

Married - Single
(Check)

Name of Wife _____

Name of Husband _____

Name of Mother nee (MITSUNO) Kiyoye (Japan) Name of Father Kiyokichi #08484

Names of Children under 16 _____

Requested by

WCT

Registered with Custodian

(Yes or No)

Additional Information

Student

REAL ESTATE SUMMARY

File No. 10389

July 25th, 1945.

RE: Sumiko Eleanor IWAMOTO

This file reveals no real estate owned by the
above Japanese.

Certified correct:

G. B. Spain

G. B. Spain

July 25, 1945.

Copy sent June 27th '45

NAME WANGSTAD, Emma Eleanor (Miss)

REGISTRATION NO. 10166

FILE NO. 10383

The following chattels were sold by public
auction at Vancouver, B.C. on October 1st, 1943.

Singer Sewing Machine	\$ 68.00
Bed & spring	13.00
Mirror	2.00
Commode	2.00

Total:		\$ 85.00
Less Expenses:	Auctioneer's Fee:	\$8.50
	Advertising:	3.54
	Moving:	5.47
	Rent of Auction Hall:	4.95
Net Proceeds Credited:		\$ 62.54

Members of Custodian Staff Present. Mr. Wills.

Extracted from Auctioneering list No. 2.

Remarks.

CHATTLE SUMMARY

File No. 10389

July 25th, 1945.

RE: Miss Susiko Eleanor IWAMOTO

The above Japanese declared the following chattels at 2818 Yew Street, Vancouver, B.C.

- Garden tools
- 1 Double bed
- 1 Trunk personal effects
- 1 Sewing machine
- 1 Box dishes
- 1 Trunk odds and ends

In a letter from Miss IWAMOTO under date of January 20th, 1943, she suggested that the only items remaining were:-

- 1 Singer sewing machine
- 1 Dressing table

Previously, on October 27, 1942, we had removed the personal property to the warehouse as per our Inventory, No. 131, on file:

- 1 Sewing machine
- 1 Bed
- 1 Bed and spring
- 1 Mattress
- 1 Dresser

The mattress was unsaleable and was discarded. The other articles were sold in our auction No. 2 and the net proceeds of the sale were \$62.54. Miss IWAMOTO in a letter dated July 7th, 1945, requested remittance of this amount.

Miss IWAMOTO also declared

- 1 Set of Books of Knowledge
- 1 Set World Books of Fiction

in care of Mrs. R. B. Squire, 1908 West 37th Ave., Vancouver, B.C. Mrs. Squire has acknowledged possession of these books as per signed statement on file.

Certified correct

G. B. Spain
G. B. Spain

July 25, 1945.

BOAT SUMMARY

File No. 10389

July 25, 1945.

RE: Sumiko Eleanor IWAMOTO

This file reveals no boat or boat equipment owned
by the above Japanese.

Certified correct:

Geo. W. Spain

G. B. Spain

July 25, 1945.

SPECIFIED ARTICLES SUMMARY

File No. 10389

July 25, 1945.

RE: Sumiko Eleanor IWAMOTO

This file reveals no cameras, radios, or other specified articles owned by the above Japanese.

Certified correct:

Wm. W. Spain

G. B. Spain

July 25, 1945.

INSURANCE SUMMARY

File No. 10389

July 25th, 1945.

RE: Sumiko Eleanor IWAMOTO

This file reveals that the above named Japanese carried life insurance with the Prudential Life Insurance Co. in the amount of \$332.00, policy number unknown. The policy was in the hands of the declarant.

Certified correct:

G. B. Spain

G. B. Spain

July 25, 1945.

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October 19, 1942

Mr. R. H. Squier
1000 N. 10th Avenue
Denver, Co.

Dear Sir:

Re: Mrs. R. H. Squier, C-334

The above has declared to the Custodian that the
unappropriated articles have been left in your care:

1 set Books of Knowledge
1 set World Books of Fiction

Please acknowledge holding these articles by sign-
ing and returning to this office the declaration on the attached
copy of this letter in the enclosed envelope.

Yours truly,

E. F. Green,
Manager, Protection Department.

OLD:18

I acknowledge holding the articles above described
for safe custody and undertake to account for same to the
Custodian on behalf of the above named Japanese. I have no
claim on such articles (if any claim asserted state basis and
amount).

Mrs. R. H. Squier

OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN
JAPANESE SECTION

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October 19, 1942

Miss Sumiko Eleanor IWAMOTO, #10166
Belleville, Ont.

Dear Madam:

In your Registration with the Custodian you declared personal property at 2812 Yew Street. Our representative called with the purpose of offering protection to your chattels, but was informed that you had sold or removed your things to Ontario. We assume that, apart from the books left with Mrs. R. H. Squire, you have no other belongings in the protected area of British Columbia. If this is correct, please sign and return the attached copy of this letter.

Your co-operation will be appreciated.

Yours truly,

H. F. Green
Protection Department

GBS:MD
Enclosure

Sumiko Eleanor Iwamoto

EVACUATION SECTION

Rec'd FEB 1 1943

File No. 10389

Ans.

Referred *Green**Albert College,
Belleville, Ont.,
Jan. 20, 1943.**Mr. H. F. Green,*

I received a letter ^{sent} from your department ^{October} informing me that your representative had called and had been told by Mr. Eiichi Gatake who resided at 2812 York Street who resided there that apart from my bag books left with Mrs. R. H. Squire I had no other belongings in the protected area of Vancouver. ~~Mr. Eiichi Gatake was at the~~ I thought that it was correct at the time I received it so I signed and returned the attached copy of the letter. Mr. Eiichi Gatake was working for the Security Commission and was among the last of the Japanese to evacuate. I did not hear from him until he arrived for a visit to this city in December. He told me then that just before he left he had registered two belongings of mine.

Eiji Yatake was working for the Security Commission and was among the last of the Japanese to evacuate from Vancouver. I did not hear from him until he arrived for a visit to this city in December. He told me then that just before he left he had registered two belongings of mine, a Singer sewing machine and an old dressing table, which he had forgotten about. Would you please check this statement and inform me if this is correct? Since I had signed and returned the copy of that letter, he told me that I should write to your office. Thank you very much.

Yours truly,
(Miss) Sumiko Inamoto, #10166,
Albert College,
Belleville, Ont.

I think the letter would be in file No. 10389.

MEMORANDUM

File No.: 10359)
7749)
1765)

February 8th, 1943

To: Mr. Spain

From: Mr. Green

Re: IWAMOTO, Sumiko Eleanor
YATABE, Eiji
YATABE, Masao Robert

Would you kindly note Miss Iwamoto's letter of January 20th from which it appears that while she thought she had left nothing in the restricted area, there actually is a Singer sewing machine and an old dressing table registered by Mr. Eiji Yatabe and presumably left at 2812 Yew Street.

Turning to Mr. Eiji Yatabe's file, it appears that as per your memorandum of November 2nd he sold everything before evacuation. On his brother's file 1765 herewith, it appears (memorandum December 3rd) that there is a padlocked room in the basement. The house is evidently now rented to a Mr. James Eccleston.

I think a check should be made of this address 2812 (?) 2818 Yew Street to see what, if anything, has been left behind. If there is a padlocked room, I think we may assume that Miss Iwamoto's things are therein.

HFG:IF

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Albert College,
Belleville, Ont.,
8th April, 1943.

Mr. Millson
Department of the Secretary of State,
Office of The Custodian,
Japanese Evacuation Section,
Vancouver, B.C.

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	APR 12 1943
File No.	10389-7749
Ans.	13/4/43
Referred	Green

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Dear Sir:

In the recent issue of the New Canadian, our local newspaper, I read that goods stored in care of the Custodian could still be claimed. I left Vancouver last June to come to work at this college and during the brief notice we had I was too busy to register my family's goods. My sister was training in an Alberta hospital and my father a national, had been sent to a work camp. I left the goods of our house in the care of a good friend, Eiji

Yatake who lived at 2818 Yew Street in Vancouver. He was working for the Security Commission as was among the last of the Japanese to leave the city.

On October 19, 1942 I received this letter from your office:

"In your registration with the Custodian you declared personal property at 2818 Yew Street. Our representative called with the purpose of offering protection to your chattels, but was informed that you had sold or removed your things to Ontario. We assume that apart from the books left with Mrs. R. H. Squire, you have no other belongings in the protected area of British Columbia. If this is correct, please sign and return the attached copy of this letter."

The file number on the letter was no. 10389.

When I received the letter I thought it was correct so I returned

the attached copy of the letter.
When Eyr came east, however, he
visited Belleville and told me that
just before he left Vancouver he
had registered my sewing machine,
bedstead, springs, mattress and dresser
in my name. He said that he told Mr.
Smith, the Custodian's agent that those
articles were to be stored in my
name. My name was painted on
the wooden frame built around the
sewing machine. I wrote to your
Office stating this but received no
reply.

All that matters to me is the sewing
machine and I would like to have that
sent out to the home of Eyr's family.
The address is:

R.R. No. 5,
Bannockburn Farms,
St. Thomas, Ont.

As far as the other articles mentioned
are concerned, would you please

ignore of them as you will because
they are old pieces and we have no
use for them.

Would you then, please tell me
how much it would cost to send
the machine and I will send the
money order covering it, immediately.
Thank you very much.

Yours truly,

(Miss) Sumiko Eleanor Iwamoto,

10166.

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April 14, 1943.

Miss Sumiko E. IWAMOTO, #10166,
Albert College,
Belleville, Ont.

Dear Madam:

Thank you for your letter of April 8th.
We are glad to report that we have stored for you,
the following things belonging to you left pre-
viously at 2818 Yew Street:-

- 1 Sewing Machine
- 1 Bed and Mattress
- 1 Bed Spring
- 1 Dresser

We note that you wish the sewing machine
sent to you and are enclosing form letter #107 which
will explain how to go about this.

We also note that we may dispose of the
balance in what way we can. We will keep a record
of this on file and if they fetch anything, will
credit your account and advise you.

Yours truly,

H. F. Green.
Protection Department.

HFG/MFP
Enc.

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10561

June 28th, 1945.

Mrs. Kin IZUMI,
Registration No. 00132,
13 St. Andrew St.,
TORONTO, Ont.

Dear Madam:

We are in receipt of your letter of the 22nd instant, contents of which have been duly noted.

In accordance with the policy of liquidation of chattels, the chattels registered in the name of Miss S. E. Iwanoto have been sold at public auction as per auction return attached.

You will note that \$62.54 is the proceeds of sale, which amount will be available to your sister on request.

Yours truly,

G. B. Spain
Protection Department.

GBS:LEM
Enclosure.

EVACUATION SECTION

Rec'd JUN 27 1945

File No. 10389

Ans. 10561

Referred *Spur*

13 St. Andrews St.,

Toronto, Ont.,

June 22/45

Custodian of Japanese Property,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir:-

Two years ago my sister wrote to you, asking you to send us our sewing machine. In your letter (file no. 10389) to us you informed us to apply to the Security Commission for the standard Custodian Release Forms. This we did but received no answer. Last week we wrote to Mr. Freeman of the B.C.

Security Commission asking him for the release forms. He informs us that his office is completely separated from that of the Custodian's office in Vancouver and so does not have the release forms. He tells us that we should write directly to the Custodian of Japanese Property, Vancouver for these forms.

I would appreciate it very much if you would send us these necessary forms at your earliest convenience.

Yours truly,
Mrs. K. Ozumi.

Joseph General Hospital,
Quebec, Ontario,
July 7/45

EVACUATION SECTION	
Rec'd	JUL 12 1945
File No.	10389
Ans.	
Referred	Spain

Mr. G. B. Spain,
Protection Department,
Japanese Evacuation Section,
Department of the Secretary of State,
Office of the Custodian
Ottawa, B.C.

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Dear Sir;

I am writing to ask for the amount
\$62.54, the proceeds of the sale of our
goods left in your care during the
evacuation.

The file numbers of the letter you
wrote to my sister, Mrs. Kim Izumi (registration
no. 00132) are 10389 and 10561.

Yours truly,
(Miss) Sumiko Eleanor Izumi
Registration no. 10166.

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July 25, 1945.

REGISTERED

Miss Sumiko Eleanor INAMOTO,
Registration No. 10166,
Guelph General Hospital,
GUELPH, Ont.

Dear Madam:

We are in receipt of your letter of the 7th instant and in accordance with your request we enclose our cheque for \$62.54, representing the proceeds of sale of your chattels as per auction list already submitted.

It is noted that you left 2 sets of books in the possession of Mrs. Squire, which she acknowledges keeping for you.

It would appear that we have accounted for all the property of every kind left by you in the protected area which vested in the Custodian and in order that you may confirm this and acknowledge the cheque, we are enclosing a stamped addressed envelope for convenience in replying.

Yours truly,

G. B. Spain
Protection Department

GHS:LEM

Enclosures (2)

3 Copies to B.C. Security Commission.