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OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN—Enemy Section

File No. 13092

Name: TOFINO TROLLERS CO-OP ASS'N.

Reg. No.:

P/W/

Home Address

STATEMENT OF ALL REAL PROPERTY

1. Location and Description

NIL

Vested

2. Buildings and Other Improvements

NIL

3. Insurance

NIL

4. Taxes (amount and where payable)

NIL

5. Encumbrances

NIL

6. Occupancy and Leases (if vacant so state)

NIL

7. State if any other person has any interest

NIL

STATEMENT OF PERSONAL PROPERTY OWNED

1. Give brief description and state location of Furniture, Fixtures, Equipment and Machinery, Stock in Trade and Personal Effects. Fishing Vessels "Hiki" and "Western Chief" sold to the North Shore Packing Co. Ltd., at a price of \$11,500.00 less cost of repairs and replacements.

2. Name and Address of any person having any claim on such Property. This organization is comprised of 32 members. H. KIMOTO, President,

3. Insurance Carried on Personal Property

NIL

4. Bonds, Debentures, Shares, Stocks or other Securities

NIL

5. Bank Accounts and Disposition of same

NIL

6. Life Insurance

NIL

7. Liabilities other than items 4 and 5

NIL

8. Remarks. Messrs. Norris & MacLennan are Solicitors for this Association.

J. Foy

GENERAL SUMMARY

File No. 13092

May 5, 1947

Re: TOFINO TROLLERS CO-OPERATIVE ASS'N

This was an association of persons living in the vicinity of Tofino. Letter of January 6, 1942, from Norris & MacLennan, solicitors for the association, gives a list of the members.

The president of the association was Haruo KIMOTO, File 1614. The secretary of the association was Yoshio MADOKORO, File 876.

On February 12, 1942, the association sold to the North Shore Packing Company Ltd. the two vessels ("Hiki" and "Western Chief") as well as two fish buying camps at Tofino complete with equipment, one scow with house and one small pilchard seine. The total sale price, according to the Japanese Fishing Vessels Disposal Committee records, was \$11,500.00. From this was held back \$1,500.00 to cover repairs and replacements to the vessels. The Committee's 1% commission amounted to \$115.00, leaving a net sum of \$9,885.00 which was paid to Haruo KIMOTO on February 25, 1942, on behalf of the association. It would appear from letters on file that the purchasers have claimed that the cost of repairs and replacements amounted to \$1,609.71, and that all this sum was charged to the association. ^{was obtained} but just where the funds from which to pay this additional sum, is not clear from the file. The intercepted telephone call filed under date of January 8, 1942, would indicate that the sales papers on the boat files may not give a true picture of the agreement.

In connection with the repairs and replacements of the two vessels, the sum of \$647.70 in full settlement of claim for loss and damage suffered while in Naval custody was paid by the Dominion Government through the Japanese Fishing Vessels Disposal Committee.

The sum of \$21.75 in full settlement of claim for refund of expenses incurred in connection with the impounding of the vessel "Hiki" has been credited to the association in Custodian account.

This file reveals no other property.

This file reveals no liabilities.

This summary is certified to be
in accordance with information
on file.

Brantson
May 5, 1947

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SUMMARY TAKEN FROM VESSELS RECORDS

Date: February 22, 1944
Name: TOFINO TROLLERS CO-OP. ASSOCIATION Reg. No. File: 13092
Boat File No.: JFVDC #2
Name of Vessel: "Hiki" 35.4'x10.3'x5.2'(1927) Vivian 20 HP (1927)
Lic. or Reg. No.: New Westminster 154, 436
Naval No.: None
Owner's Valuation: No value shown
JFVDC Valuation: None
Custodian Valuation: None
Date of Sale: February 12, 1942
Purchaser: North Shore Packing Co. Ltd.
Signature on Sales Papers: H. Kimoto, Pres., Y. Madokoro, Treas.
Selling Price: \$11,500.00 (See below)
Paid to JFVDC ~~xxxxxxxxxx~~: \$10,000.00
Supervision Costs: \$115.00
Balance due Owner: \$ 9,885.00
Paid to: Haruo Kimoto on Feb. 25, 1942
Location of Boat at Sale: New Westminster

Claims Against Canadian Govt.:

Claim #22 - Missing Inventory, paid to Tofino Trollers Co-op, Assn.
on June 22, 1942 - \$91.55

Additional Information: The agreement for sale covered the following:

"Western Chief, 153,142
"Hiki" 154,436
2 Fish & Buying Camps at Tofino, complete with equipment
One Scow with house at Tofino
One Small Pilchard Seine.

\$1,500.00 was held back to cover cost of repairs & replacements.
The purchasers claimed that these amounted to \$1,609.71.
For further information in regard to this deal see Jan. 8, 1942.

*According to letter of March 1, 1943
the total cost of repairs & replacements
was \$1,609.71*

*J. Matheson
May 5/47*

SUMMARY TAKEN FROM VESSELS RECORDS

Date: February 22, 1944
Name: TOFINO TROLLERS CO-OP ASSOCIATION Reg. No. File: 13092
Boat File No.: JFVDC #3
Name of Vessel: "Western Chief" 61.2'x16.4'x7.5' (1926) Washington-Estep 90 HP
Lic. or Reg. No.: New Westminster 153,142
Naval No.: None
Owner's Valuation: \$11,750.00
JFVDC Valuation: None
Custodian Valuation: None
Date of Sale: February 12, 1942
Purchaser: North Shore Packing Co. Ltd.
Signature on Sales Papers: H. Kimoto, Pres, Y. Madokoro, Treas. for
Selling Price: Tofino Trollers Co-op Ass'n.
Paid to JFVDC or Custodian: See Memo on Boat "Hiki"
Supervision Costs: This boat was included in the deal
along with the "Hiki".
Balance due Owner:
Paid to:
Location of Boat at Sale: New Westminster
Claims Against Canadian Govt.:

Claim #9 - Missing Inventory paid to Tofino Trollers Co-op Ass'n
on November 12, 1942 - \$556.15.

Additional Information: The agreement for sale covered:

"Western Chief"

"Hiki"

2 Fish Buying Camps at Tofino, complete with equipment

One Scow with House at Tofino

One Small Pilchard Seine

Selling Price: \$11,500.00

Deduction to

cover repairs, etc. \$1,500.00

Under the terms of the agreement the purchaser was at liberty to make any repairs and replacements he thought necessary and deduct the cost from the \$1,500.00 held back. The purchasers claim that the total cost of these was \$1,589.56.

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May 5/47

CLAIM

November 13, 1944

FILE: 13092

CREDITOR: Tofino Trollers Co-op Association

DEBTOR: Canadian Government

AMOUNT: \$21.75

Expenses incurred in connection with the seizure and removal from Tofino to the Fraser River of the M/V "Hiki".

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March 18, 1943.

Lieut. Commander Smith, R.C.N.,
Naval Control Office,
Marine Building,
Vancouver, B. C.

Sir:

Attached are copies of letters to and from Norris and MacLennan, Solicitors, who have been consulted by the Tofino Trollers Co-operative Association.

The vessels "Western Chief" and "Hiku" were sold by the Tofino Trollers Co-operative Association to North Shore Packing Company Ltd. on February 3, 1942. The agreement for sale contained the following paragraph:

"The Vendor covenants and agrees that upon delivery of the said vessels to the purchaser the said vessels and each of them shall be seaworthy and in good running order, fully equipped with the equipment set out in the Inventory attached hereto, and in the event of either of said vessels not being in good running order and fully equipped in accordance with such Inventory, the Purchaser shall be at liberty to make such necessary repairs or replace such equipment as is missing in said vessels. The Purchaser shall be the sole judge as to the necessity for effecting repairs or making replacements of equipment. The Vendor hereby authorizes and directs the Purchaser to deduct from the purchase price of the said Vessels the cost of such repairs and replacements of equipment."

The purchase price of the two vessels was \$11,500.00, of which \$10,000.00 was paid at the time of purchase, the balance of \$1,500.00, less deductions for replacement of equipment or cost of repairs was to be paid upon completion of the replacement and repairs. The replacement and repairs, according to the purchaser, cost \$1,589.56.

The purchaser claims in letter of December 18, copy of which is attached, that all of these damages and shortages occurred during the time the boats were in custody. In this connection, we enclose copies of the reports of survey. These surveys, you will note, were made with the owner and the prospective purchaser. There is no record that any report of engine damage was made when the owner checked the engine after the survey, so we can only take it for granted that the engine showed no damage.

March 18, 1943

From the claim settlement statement attached, you will note that allowance was made for many articles; such as, galley equipment and lifeboat, for which an allowance was not ordinarily made. The reason for this is that this boat, "Western Chief" was one of those left unguarded in Vancouver Harbour, and, as the boat had been fishing when impounded, it was considered that she would have had fairly complete equipment at that time.

In the case of the "Hiku" the allowance was \$9.00 less than the claim; the difference being made up of two pieces of manila, an alarm clock and two box hooks, which disallowed by the surveyors with the claimant's agreement. On the other hand full value is allowed for the 50 fathom of 1" manila; the general practice was to allow half value.

It would appear that the claimants in both these cases have been treated very generously. Furthermore, cheques in payment of these claims made out to the Tofino Trollers Co-operative Association have been accepted, and a Release and Discharge (similar to the form attached) was signed by "Tofino Trollers Co-op Ass'n, per H. H. Kimoto, President".

There seems to be absolutely no basis for a further claim against Naval Service in this matter. If, as stated in Norris & MacLennan's letter of March 16th, an attempt was made to take advantage of the inexperience and ignorance of the persons who purported to sign on behalf of the association, it would appear that the sales agreement might properly be termed as such, whereas the Government Authorities concerned have treated the Tofino Trollers Co-operative Association very fairly.

Yours very truly,

F. Matheson,
Fishing Vessels Department.

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Enclosures

Norris & MacLennan

BARRISTERS AT LAW, SOLICITORS
NOTARIES PUBLIC

T. G. NORRIS, K.C.
J. A. MACLENNAN, LL.B.

CABLE ADDRESS "NORRIS"
VANCOUVER, CANADA
TELEPHONE: PACIFIC 9284

BANK OF NOVA SCOTIA BUILDING
602 HASTINGS ST. WEST

VANCOUVER, B. C.

March 16th, 1943

EVACUATION SECTION	
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The Custodian of Enemy Property,
Fishing Vessels Disposal Committee,
506 Royal Bank Bldg.
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Your file No. G-95 -
Tofino Trollers Co-
Operative Association

We acknowledge your letter of the 15th inst. and have pointed out to you that cheques in payment were issued to Tofino Trollers Co-Operative Association and explained to you how the payment happened to be accepted. What we wish you to do is to take this matter up with Ottawa as obviously there was a misunderstanding and we felt that if the matter was brought to the attention of the Government Authorities, no attempt would be made to take advantage of the inexperience and ignorance of the persons who purported to sign Releases on behalf of the Tofino Trollers Association.

Would you please be good enough to send our letter of the 1st inst. on to the proper Authorities in Ottawa along with a copy of this letter in order that the matter may have proper consideration.

Yours truly,

NORRIS & MacLENNAN

Per: *[Signature]*

JAM/WS

G-95

March 15, 1943.

Messrs. Norris and MacLennan,
Bank of Nova Scotia Building,
602 Hastings Street West,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sirs:

Re: Tofino Trollers Co-Operative Association

In reply to your letter of March 1st, with reference to the fishing vessels "Western Chief" and "Hiki", would advise that our records show that the claims of the Tofino Trollers Co-Operative Association for damage and/or loss suffered by these vessels while in the custody of the Royal Canadian Navy have been paid in full. Cheques in payment were issued to the Tofino Trollers Co-Operative Association and this payment was accepted.

These claims were based on evidence of damage and/or loss incurred while in naval custody, as shown by survey made by the surveyors for Naval Service and Japanese Fishing Vessels Disposal in the company of representatives of the vendors and purchasers. No guarantee was made by any government agency to deliver these boats in first-class condition: the owners were not required to put these vessels in first-class condition before turning them over to Naval Service. If repairs were necessary to these boats by reason of usage prior to impounding these would be covered by the agreement for sale.

Yours very truly,

F. Matheson,
Fishing Vessels Department.

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Norris & MacLennan
BARRISTERS AT LAW, SOLICITORS
NOTARIES PUBLIC
T. G. NORRIS, K.C.
J. A. MACLENNAN, LL.B.

CABLE ADDRESS: "NORRIS"
VANCOUVER, CANADA
TELEPHONE: PACIFIC 5254

BANK OF NOVA SCOTIA BUILDING
602 HASTINGS ST. WEST

VANCOUVER, B. C.

March 1st, 1943.

The Custodian of Enemy Property,
Fishing Vessels Disposal Committee,
506 Royal Bank Bldg.
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Tofino Trollers Co-Operative
Association

We have been consulted by the above Association in connection with damage done to the motor vessels "Western Chief" and "Hiki". Apparently some member or members of the Association executed Releases in favor of the Dominion Government for \$556.15 in respect of the Western Chief and \$91.55 in respect of the Hiki. At the time these Releases were executed the Association did not authorize the same and the members who did execute them did so under a misapprehension.

It was believed at the time that this covered the full damage done to the vessels and the Association members had no actual knowledge because the matter of the repairs was in the hands of the North Shore Packing Company Limited to whom the vessels were sold. It now develops that the replacements totalled \$1,609.71. An effort has been made by the members of the Association to obtain the difference between the adjustment of the Dominion Government and that sum of \$1,609.71 from the North Shore Packing Company Limited but we have now seen a copy of the Agreement with the North Shore Packing Company Limited and it is clear that it is not the North Shore Packing Company Limited which is to look to the Government for proper reimbursement but the Tofino Trollers Association.

Particulars of the repairs and replacements required and made were sent to you by the North Shore Packing Company Limited and we feel that you, upon perusing the invoices in that connection, will be satisfied

March 1st, 1943.

The Custodian of Enemy Property:

that a proper adjustment has not been made by the Dominion Government with the Tofino Trollers Co-Operative Association.

We understand that the North Shore Packing Company Limited has been in communication with you recently in this connection and while we understand that the Government has not usually allowed the repair claims in full to anyone upon submission for re-consideration, it will undoubtedly be found that the adjustment made with the Tofino Trollers Association is not at all equitable. We would ask you to have this matter reconsidered at as early a date as possible in order that a proper adjustment can be arrived at.

Will you please acknowledge receipt of this communication and let us know what transpires.

Yours truly,

NORRIS & MacLENNAN,

Per: 

JAM/WS

G-95

December 19, 1942.

North Shore Packing Co. Ltd.,
Foot St. Andrews Avenue,
North Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sirs:

In reply to your letter of December 18th, in regard to claims for repairs and replacements on boats purchased by your company from the Tofino Trollers Co-operative Association through the Japanese Fishing Vessels Disposal Committee, we wish to advise as follows:

"Miki"

Claim on this vessel was paid in the amount of \$91.55. We have Release and Discharge form signed by Mr. Kimoto, President of the Tofino Trollers Association, on June 22nd, 1942, accepting this sum as adequate compensation for any loss and/or damage suffered by this boat while in the custody of the Royal Canadian Navy.

"Western Chief" Claim on this vessel was settled in the amount of \$556.15. We have Release and Discharge form, signed by Mr. Kimoto, for the Tofino Trollers Co-operative Association, on November 12th, 1942, acknowledging receipt of this money and accepting it as adequate compensation for any loss and/or damage suffered while the vessel was in the custody of the Royal Canadian Navy.

Yours very truly,

F. Matheson.
For the Authorized Deputy of the Secretary
of State and/or Custodian.

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cc/Haruo Kimoto

NORTH SHORE PACKING Co., LTD.

FOOT ST. ANDREW'S AVENUE
NORTH VANCOUVER, B. C.

December 18, 1942.

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

Attention: Fishing Vessel Department.

Dear Sirs:

We attach hereto a list of repairs and replacements which were made on the boats purchased from Mr. C. Nakamura and the Tofino Trollers Cooperative Association through the Japanese Vessels Disposal Committee.

These amounts we have held from the payments due the former owners, and although the former owners know the onus is on them to collect from you, they are continually bothering us for payment on these claims. Our purchase contract upon these boats were made out in such a way that we did the necessary repairs and replacements and charged same to the former owners.

All of these damages and shortages occurred during the time the boats were in the custody of the Naval Authorities.

Yours very truly,

NORTH SHORE PACKING CO., LTD.

per


MANAGING DIRECTOR.

DWW:jm

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501 Royal Bank Bldg.,
Vancouver, B.C.,
August 27th, 1942.

Messrs. Swanson & Wilkinson,
Barristers & Solicitors,
Yorkshire Building,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sirs:

Re: Ucluelet Fishing Co. Ltd.
Tofino Trollers Co/Op. Ass'n

I have your letter of August 22nd with
enclosures relative to the above two Companies. I
have forwarded these to Messrs. Norris & MacLennan
who are handling the affairs of these Companies.

Yours truly,

Miss F. Carroll
For, Authorized Deputy of the Secretary
of State and/or Custodian

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SWANSON & WILKINSON

BARRISTERS & SOLICITORS

JOHN D. SWANSON
E. D. H. WILKINSON

PACIFIC 7177

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VANCOUVER, B. C.

OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN
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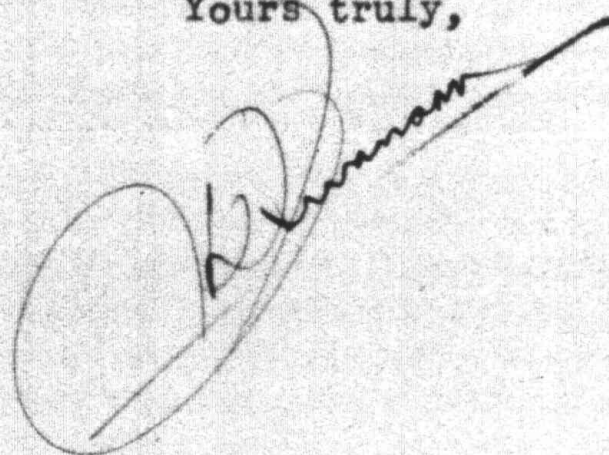
Custodian of Alien Enemy Property,
506 Royal Bank Building,
VANCOUVER, B. C.

Dear Sir:

The two enclosed letters from the Inspector of Income Tax were forwarded to me by reason of the fact that they were addressed c/o Burrard Fish Co. Ltd., owing to the fact that I am looking after the affairs of this Company. I know nothing of the Ucluelet Fishing Co. Ltd. or Tofina Trollers Co-operative Assn. I am enclosing these letters for your attention.

Yours truly,

JDS/D
Enc.



February 21, 1942.

MEMORANDUM TO MR. GARINER.

Re: Tofino Trollers Co-operative Ass'n. File 266

Would you please check all the Japanese names in this file with the large cards which have been checked with the police and note on the cards that the Japanese are interested in this Association. If you find any cards of which the police have no record these should be extracted since the lawyers have advised that 31 of these Japanese live in Tofino and they should all be registered with the police.

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Norris & MacLennan
BARRISTERS AT LAW, SOLICITORS
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BANK OF NOVA SCOTIA BUILDING
602 HASTINGS ST. WEST

VANCOUVER, B. C.

February 17th, 1942.

The Custodian of Enemy Alien Property,
Royal Bank Bldg.
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir;

Re: Tofino Trollers Co-Operative
Association

We have had some correspondence with you in the past herein and would refer you to our letter of January 6th, 1942. The Association has recently sold its fishing boats and equipment through the Japanese Fishing Vessels Disposal Commission and the deal will shortly be completed. The Association will be left with a substantial Bank Account in the sum of approximately \$17,000.00, and the members propose disbursing these monies among themselves in equal shares in accordance with their shareholdings. Each member holds one share in the Association.

We are merely writing you at this time to advise that this is the proposal so that there will be no difficulty about honoring cheques on the Bank when the arrangements are complete.

Incidentally, the members will not be

February 17th, 1942.

The Custodian of Enemy Alien Property:

receiving their full share but each proposes to invest about \$300.00 in Canadian Government Bonds in support of the war effort.

We would be pleased if you would communicate with the East End Branch of the Royal Bank and advise that it is proposed to disburse the larger part of the funds, in order that there will be no difficulty in that respect when the time comes.

Thanking you, we are

Yours truly,

NORRIS & MacLENNAN,

Per: 

JAM/WS

New Side

1409 Royal Bank Bldg.,
Vancouver, B. C.

14th January, 1942.

The Royal Bank of Canada,
East End Branch,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sirs:

Re: Tofino Trollers Co-
Operative Association

I have seen the correspondence between Morris
and MacLennan and P. S. Ross & Sons, together with a
copy of P. S. Ross & Sons' letter of January 3rd addressed
to you.

I would suggest that to expedite matters your
bank honour any cheques payable on the company's account
provided the payee himself presents same. If there is
any doubt in specific cases it might be advisable to get
in touch with me direct.

Yours truly,

(G. W. McPherson)
Authorized Deputy of the Secretary
of State and/or Custodian

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[Signature]

1409 Royal Bank Bldg.,
Vancouver, B. C.

14th January, 1942.

Messrs. P. S. Ross & Sons,
Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sirs:

Re: Tofino Trollers Co-
Operative Association

I have your letter of January 3rd with enclosures and approve of the contents of your letter to Norris and MacLennan which correctly sets out the situation.

I would suggest that in order to expedite this matter the bank be advised that the Custodian will not block the account of the Association and that they honour any cheques presented except in cases where they are suspicious that the person presenting same is not actually the payee and that there is some suspicion the payee is an enemy. I am writing direct to the bank in this regard in order to avoid delay.

Yours truly,

(G. W. McPherson)
Authorized Deputy of the Secretary
of State and/or Custodian

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PLEASE ADDRESS
ALL COMMUNICATIONS
TO THE MANAGER

CABLE ADDRESS "ROYALBANK"

The Royal Bank of Canada

INCORPORATED 1869

EAST END BRANCH

Vancouver, B.C.

January 13th, 1942

Attention - Mr. F. Field

Messrs. P. S. Ross & Sons
The Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B.C.

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Dear Sirs:-

Re: Tofino Trollers Co-operative Ass'n.

Our letter of January 3rd has apparently crossed one written by you to us on the same date, as the latter is really not a reply to our letter, and your letter of January 12th received this morning in reply thereto does not really correct the situation. Messrs. Norris and McLennan have forwarded us a copy of a letter they wrote you on January 6, 1942 and we attach hereto copy of their letter to us bearing the same date, to which, you will appreciate, we must make some reply.

We think that all members of this fishermen's co-operative association are, as claimed, naturalized Canadian citizens and residing here, and that funds which we have held tied up should really be paid to them. Mr. McPherson will no doubt remember that his reason for writing us on December 12th instructing us to refuse cheques presented to us was practically entirely because the large cheques presented that day were payable to the signing officers, and it seemed that the withdrawal of such a large amount and despatch of same by mail to Alberni might constitute that something was wrong. Our position of course was that

January 13, 1942

Messrs. P. S. Ross & Son

without knowledge that any of the parties interested were interned, we could presume that the remittances were in order but, as already stated, the fact remains that the cheques sent us were unusually large and in favor of the two signing officers not, as usual, to individual fishermen. This however may not be a legal reason for refusal of cheques when a company has funds at its credit, and as a consequence we think now we should be advised by you that the restriction placed on the account, as per Mr. McPherson's letter of December 12th, is removed, and in turn advise the company's solicitors that provided their cheques are issued to shareholders they will be provided for as formerly.

We should appreciate a prompt reply.

Yours truly,

W. Montgomerie
Manager.

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Bank of Nova Scotia Building,
602 West Hastings Street,

Vancouver, B.C.

January 6, 1942

The Royal Bank of Canada,
400 Main St.,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sirs:-

Re: Tofino Trollers Co-operative Association

We enclose herewith copy of a letter which we have sent to the Custodian of Enemy Alien property today with reference to a letter received from P.S. Ross & Sons and dated January 3rd, copy of which latter letter we understand was forwarded to you by Messrs. P.S. Ross & Sons. It would be appreciated if you would advise by return that you will now disburse the funds of the Association.

We are Solicitors for the Association and fail to appreciate why the Bank feels itself justified in holding up the account of this Association. Some of the cheques on which payment has been suspended are cheques which have been carried around by the members for some months prior to December 7th 1941, the date of the outbreak of recent hostilities between Japan and this country. Since it is not even possible for any enemy to receive any of the proceeds from this account and since certainly there is no intention that any alien enemy do receive any of the proceeds, we would ask that the suspension of payment out of the funds from this account be relaxed forthwith.

Thanking you for your immediate co-operation, we are

Yours truly,

NORRIS & MacLENNAN

Per "J.A. MacLennan"

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Vancouver, B.C.
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12th January, 1942.

Royal Bank of Canada,
East End Branch,
Vancouver, B.C.

Attention of Mr. Montgomery

Dear Sirs:

Re: Tofino Trollers Co-operative Association

With reference to your letter of the 3rd instant requesting authority to pay outstanding cheques of the above Company in the amount of \$6,797.00, it is not within our authority to grant the requested permission but we would advise you that our files do not show any of the persons in your attached list as being detained.

Yours faithfully,

RFW:HB

~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~
Vancouver, B.C.
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12th January, 1942.

Messrs. Norris & MacLennan,
602 Hastings Street West,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sirs:

Re: Tofino Trollers Co-Operative
Association

We would thank you for your letter
of January 6th addressed to the Custodian of Enemy Alien
Property and referring to the membership of the above
Association.

Yours faithfully,

ESTABLISHED 1858

MONTREAL, 360 ST. JAMES STREET
TORONTO, ROYAL BANK BUILDING
WINNIPEG, 308 ELECTRIC CHAMBERS
CALGARY, LANCASTER BUILDING
VANCOUVER, ROYAL BANK BUILDING

CABLE ADDRESS PHILROSS

P. S. Ross & Sons
CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS, TRUSTEES & LIQUIDATORS

BRIG. GEN. JAMES GROSS, C.M.G., C.A., F.C.A. (CAN.)
A. F. C. ROSS, C.A., F.C.A. (CAN.)
JOHN W. ROSS, C.A., F.C.A. (CAN.)
GORDON W. SCOTT, C.A.
S. R. CAMPBELL, C.A.
JOHN P. GRANT, C.A.
S. B. BISHOP, C.A.
GUY E. ROULT, C.A.
W. L. GATEHOUSE, C.A.
W. G. JEPHCOCK, C.A.
H. S. HAWTHORNE, C.A.
F. E. H. GATES, C.A.
G. M. HAWTHORN, C.A.
IAN A. ROSS, C.A.

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~~MONTREAL - CAN.~~
VANCOUVER, B. C.

3rd January, 1941.

Office of the Custodian,
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Yours faithfully,

P. S. Ross

VANCOUVER, B. C.

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Messrs. Morris and MacLennan,
602 West Hastings St.,
Vancouver, B. C.

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Re: Tofino Trollers Co-operative Ass'n.

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We suggest that you prepare a list of the members of the Association indicating whether they are alien-born or naturalized or otherwise, and also their present place of residence. It will then be the responsibility of the bankers to satisfy themselves as to the correctness of the list and if so satisfied, we see no reason under the Regulations why they should not disperse the funds of the Association.

In order to expedite matters we are forwarding a copy of our letter to you to the Association's bankers, the Royal Bank of Canada, and to the Custodian at Ottawa.

Yours faithfully,
P. S. R. A.

Norris & MacLennan
BARRISTERS AT LAW, SOLICITORS
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T. G. NORRIS, K.C.
J. A. MACLENNAN, LL.B.

CABLE ADDRESS "NORRIS"
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TELEPHONE: PACIFIC 5254

BANK OF NOVA SCOTIA BUILDING
602 HASTINGS ST. WEST

VANCOUVER, B. C.

December 29th, 1941.

The Custodian of Alien Property,
675 West Hastings St.,
Vancouver, B. C.

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We are solicitors for the Association
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Yours truly,

NORRIS & MacLENNAN.

Per: 

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Per: J. W. MacLennan

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VANCOUVER, B. C.

3rd January, 1941.

Royal Bank of Canada,
East End Branch,
Vancouver, B. C.

For attention of Mr. Montgomery

Dear Sirs:

Re: Tofino Trollers Co-Operative Ass'n.

We enclose copy of a letter written today to
Messrs. Morris and MacLennan re the above Association.

When this list is submitted to you we shall
be glad to check and ascertain if any of the members
have been detained.

Yours faithfully,

Norris & MacLennan
BARRISTERS AT LAW, SOLICITORS
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January 6th, 1942.

The Custodian of Enemy Alien Property,
c/o P. S. Ross & Sons,
Accountants, Royal Bank Bldg.
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Tofino Trollers Co-Operative
Association

We thank you for your letter of the
3rd inst. and have to advise that all the members of
the above Association are resident at Tofino on the
West Coast of Vancouver Island, British Columbia.

The following is a list of the members
of the Association born in Canada:

Yasuhiro Ezaki	Yoshio Madokoro
Haruo Kimoto ————— 1614	Juichi Nakatsu
Masanobu Kimoto	Shigeharu Nakagawa
Tsutomu Kimoto	Hidekazu Okada
Yoshikazu Karatsu	Noel Morishita
Yoshio Kawaguchi	Mitsuo Sakauye
Eichi Kondo	Kazuo Saakaue
Tohachiro Kondo	Takeo Sakauye
Hiroshi Madokoro	Masaji Oye
	Takeo Tosa.

The following is a list of the members
of the Association who have been naturalized:

Monjiro Igarashi	Tadaichi Okada
Naoichi Karatsu	Shichitaro Suguro
Naojiro Izumi	Tadamasa Watanabe
Masazo Mori	Tsunekichi Yamada
Chonosuke Nishimura	Torimatsu Yoshida
Mitsuzo Nakagawa	Iwakichi Yoshihara.

January 6th, 1942.

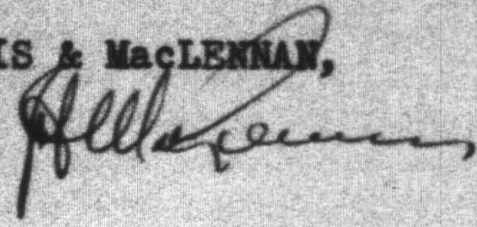
The Custodian of Enemy Alien Property:

There is only one other member in the Association, one Louis Fransen, who is a Canadian citizen and not of Japanese origin. He also resides at Tofino.

We are forwarding a copy of this letter to the Association's Bankers, The Royal Bank of Canada.

Yours truly,

NORRIS & MacLENNAN,

Per: 

JAM/WS

~~Secret~~

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5:50 p.m.

January 8, 1942.

5:00 p.m.

January 8, 1942.

Vancouver, B. C.

Mr. Wilson

Marine 4641 (Non-published number)

Tifino, B. C.

H. Kimoto

E/C

English (Tifino party with Japanese accent).

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We had your brother in the office a couple of times and we tried to make a deal to lease your floats up there--your boats and the floats and your camps. Have you done anything yet about them." He. "Mr. Jack Gibson will be on the 'Maquinna' tomorrow morning and will be there a couple of days. He will handle the deal with you. Tomorrow morning, when he gets there, we will talk to him so he will know what we are doing. All we want you to do, Harry, is not make any promises at all for your floats, camps, or your boats. We have got the boats fixed up in town. That is alright. But we want to charter your camps, so don't give them to anybody else. Gibson is coming down from Tsalles and you tell him to phone Clark Gibson or myself because he doesn't know what we want. After Jack talks to you, you will get the permission of your Directors, and then we will have to ask you to come into Vancouver on the next 'Maquinna' I guess. We want your camps, and then we will give them back to you after this thing is all straightened out. We will operate them in the meantime."

----- Vancouver party.

Hollard

Extra circuit

PLEASE ADDRESS
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TO THE MANAGER

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The Royal Bank of Canada

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Answered.....

January 3, 1942

Attention - Mr. Field

Messrs. P. S. Ross & Sons,
The Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sirs:-

Re: Tofino Trollers Co-operative Association

We attach hereto copy of a list furnished us by the above Association which apparently covers their outstanding cheques. This totals approximately \$6,797 and the Association has ample funds at its credit to provide for same.

T. Tosa, the holder of cheques for \$747.99 and \$184.21, is presenting these for payment and in view of the contents of the Custodian's letter of December 12, 1941, we should appreciate receiving your permission to pay same.

Apparently all members of the Association are either Canadian born or naturalized and we have suggested to the officers that they furnish you with necessary evidence to this effect. In the meantime, as the Association has ample funds at their credit to provide for the outstanding cheques, we should appreciate being advised if your investigations have been completed and if it is in order for us to pay the cheques shown as outstanding on the attached list.

A prompt reply will be appreciated.

Yours truly,

R. M. [Signature]
Manager

TOFINO TROLLERS CO-operative ASSOCIATION

Check Number	Amount	Name	Canadian Born	Naturalised
1820	162.73 *	H. Morishita	"	
1807	3.74	E. Kondo	"	
1798	10.00	I. Uyede	"	
1797	2.50	F. Takeuchi	"	
1790	10.00	N. MacLeod	"	
1789	3.00	H. Hiraoka	"	"
1788	7.00	M. Hiraoka	"	
1786	71.61	F. Takeuchi	"	
1783	68.02	N. MacLeod	"	
1781	58.55	T. Yamada	"	"
1779	110.47	T. Watanabe	"	"
1778	110.24	K. Sakaiye	"	"
1777	164.04	S. Suguro	"	"
1775	145.24	H. Okada	"	"
1774	51.07	T. Okada	"	"
1772	45.29	M. Nakagawa	"	"
1769	18.76	E. Kondo	"	
1768	45.68	Y. Karatsu	"	"
1765	48.29	N. Izumi	"	
1754	69.05	G. Kimoto	"	
1741	50.00	K. Sakaiye	"	
1734	10.00	G. Nishimura	"	
1733	10.00	T. Sakaiye	"	
1697	11.14	K. Yoshihara	"	
1692	36.23	S. Mori	"	
1690	105.69	H. Hiraoka	"	"
1687	274.60	M. Hiraoka	"	"
1677	402.67	T. Yoshida	"	"
1676	100.00	T. Yoshida	"	"
1674	747.99	T. Tosa	"	
1665	135.83	M. Sakaiye	"	"
1662	100.00	S. Suguro	"	
1649	62.30	J. Nakatsu	"	
1648	100.00	J. Nakatsu	"	
1647	300.00	J. Nakatsu	"	
1645	100.00	C. Nishimura	"	"
1632	300.00	N. Morishita	"	
1623	436.18	Y. Kawaguchi	"	
1622	200.00	Y. Kawaguchi	"	
1602	50.00	N. Izumi	"	"
1590	10.00	K. Isowa	"	
1582	43.21	U. Morishita	"	"
1562	32.92	M. Nishimura	"	
1546	191.03	S. Terashita	"	
1537	167.82	S. Terashita	"	
1526	140.04	I. Uyede	"	"
1524	11.03	H. Hiraoka	"	"
1517	274.54	T. Yoshida	"	
1515	371.42	T. Tosa	"	
1493	255.87	E. Kondo	"	
1492	252.55	Y. Kawaguchi	"	
1423	12.68	H. Hiraoka	"	"
1420	103.27	I. Uyede	"	
1328	184.21	T. Tosa	"	
1264	8.00	I. Uyede	"	

none are returned
by T.C.M.P.

Tofino, B.C.
17th. December 1941

G.W.McPherson Esq.
Authorized Deputy of the Secretary
of State and/or Custodian.
1012 Royal Bank Building
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir:-

We, the undersigned, President and Vice-President & Secretary, of the Tofino Trollers Co-Operative Association of Tofino, B.C., acknowledge receipt of your communication dated 11th. instant in the matter of consolidated regulations respecting trading with the Enemy (1939).

In reply, we beg to state that we are purely and simply a local organization comprising 32 Members. Each one of these Members is ~~an equal~~ *an equal* owner of the financial structure of the Association. We have no commercial relations of any kind with the Enemy, and beg to state that we are not affected in any way by these Regulations.

Should you, however, desire any further information regarding our Association, we shall be only too pleased to submit it.

Yours faithfully,

H. Kimoto
President

M. Nakagawa *N. Maushara*
Vice-President & Secretary
Treasurer

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DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN

Marine 2741

1012 Royal Bank Bldg.,
Vancouver, B. C.

12th December, 1941.

The Royal Bank of Canada,
East End Branch,
Vancouver, B. C.

For attention of Mr. Montgomery

Dear Sir:

Re: Tofino Trollers Co-op. Ass'n.

As I understand it your bank has a substantial balance to the credit of the above company and several large cheques have been presented to you today for payment.

This is to advise you that the Custodian will not permit payment of these cheques until such time as the company satisfies me that there is no enemy interest in same.

You may so advise the company of my decision in this matter.

Yours truly,

Authorized Deputy of the
Secretary of State and/or
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