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5th February, 1943.

Mr. Kiyoharu Kay MEMOSE,
Registration No. 08481,
Chase, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Fai Van Brothers Ltd.

Further to our letter dated January 30th we ask that you confirm to us, if correct, that the number of shares once held in trust for you by Mr. J. G. Halifax was 32,827, and that said shares were purchased from you by Mr. Halifax on May 9th, 1942 for the sum of \$5,000.00, paid in full to you.

Yours truly,

R. P. Alexander
Manager

Answer in file 7 K K Memose - # 10633

RPA:LF

CANADA
DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE
OFFICE OF THE CUSTODIAN
JAPANESE EVACUATION SECTION

PHONE PACIFIC 8131

PLEASE REFER TO

FILE NO. 13875, 10633

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

January 30, 1943.

Messrs. Van Brothers, Ltd.,
1055 Vernon Drive,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sirs:

Re: Kiyoharu Kay MOMOSE

In order that we may complete our file in connection with Japanese interests once held in your company, we would appreciate your advising us as to the following:

1. The number of shares held in trust by Mr. J. O. Halifax on behalf of Mr. Momose. *32,827*
2. The date on which said shares were purchased by Mr. Halifax from Mr. Momose. *May 9, 1942*
3. The total consideration involved at that time and the amount, if any, still due in this connection by Mr. Halifax to Mr. Momose. *\$5,000.00 - paid in full.*

Your letter received by us on May 23, 1942 indicated that the purchase had been made and that as of that date there were no Japanese interests whatsoever in your company.

Separate and distinct from the question of share transfers and sale, we would appreciate your advising us by return mail whether or not Mr. Momose is still a creditor of your company and if so, to what extent. It is our understanding that some time subsequent to November 22, 1940, Mr. Momose was a creditor of your company in the amount of *\$5,576.99* and at the same time held an interest in some 32,827 shares.

Please accept our thanks in advance for your assistance in aiding us in closing our file in connection with the Van Brothers, Ltd.

Yours truly,

R. P. Alexander
R. P. Alexander,
Manager.

*Extinguished
completely.*

*Can sold for
\$1000.00 by Halifax
& paid over to
Momose
MPA:MA*

13875, 10633

January 30, 1943.

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1055 Vernon Drive,
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Yours truly,

R. P. Alexander,
Manager.

RPA:MA

13875 & 10633

January 30, 1943.

Mr. Kiyoharu Kay MOMOSE,
Registration No. 08431,
Chase, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Van Brothers, Ltd.

In order that our records may be complete in connection with the affairs of Van Brothers, Ltd., please give us the following information by return mail:

1. The number of shares in Van Brothers, Ltd. held in trust for you by Mr. J. O. Halifax.
2. The date on which said shares held in trust were purchased from you by Mr. J. O. Halifax.
3. The consideration for which said shares were sold by you to Mr. J. O. Halifax.
4. The amount still due to you, if any, by Mr. J. O. Halifax.

Yours truly,

R. P. Alexander,
Manager.

RPA:MA

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March 20 to 30/Nov/47

P.V.
#1.00

Halifax 90 -

69,960

Webster, R. -

110

Godfrey, Helen -

1

70,071

K Momose's name not even mentioned.

Apparently - Dr. Halifax claimed full ownership & didn't divulge any "held in Trust". According to our records - there never were any Japanese interests. This letter admits contradictory evidence. No record of Momose in Custodian's office.

TELEPHONE: HIGHLAND 0090

JERSEY CREME
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VAN BROTHERS LTD.

MANUFACTURERS OF

HIGH CLASS CIDER AND AERATED WATERS

1055 VERNON DRIVE,

VANCOUVER, B. C.

Alien Custodians Office
675 Hastings St. W.
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sirs:

This is to inform you that the Japanese shares in the above company owned by one Mr. K. Momose and held in trust by Mr. J. O. Halifax, have recently been purchased by Mr. J. O. Halifax.

There is now no Japanese interests whatever in this company.

Yours truly,

Van Brothers Limited.

C. Ladbury

Secretary.

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J. A. Russell & Company

Barristers and Solicitors

J. A. RUSSELL, LL.B., K.C.

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RES. - ALMA 0242

417 METROPOLITAN BLDG.
837 HASTINGS ST. W.

Vancouver, B.C.

March 12, 1942.

H. P. Gardener; Esq.,
1404 Royal Bank Bldg.,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

RE: your file No. 261.

I have to thank you for your favour of the 10th inst.
enclosing cancelled cheque in my favour for \$5450.00 deposited
with you by Mr. Halifax on Lyons Mineral Waters, investigation.

The figure \$5750.00 was my mistake. I overlooked
\$300 separate payment made same date as cheque.

Yours very truly,

J. A. RUSSELL & COMPANY.

per

J. A. Russell

JAR:DMP

[Handwritten signature]

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1404 Royal Bank Bldg.,
Vancouver, B. C.

10th March, 1942.

Messrs. J. A. Russell & Company,
417 Metropolitan Building,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sirs:

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 9th inst. and as requested am enclosing herewith cancelled cheque drawn in favour of yourself for the sum of \$5,450.00.

The figure mentioned in your letter is \$5,750.00 which, I presume, is a typographical error. Be good enough to acknowledge receipt of the cheque, please.

Yours truly,

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

HPG:LF

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417 METROPOLITAN BLDG.
837 HASTINGS ST. W.

Vancouver, B.C.

March 9, 1942.

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

Attention H. P. Gardner, Esq.

Dear Sir:

RE: Lions Mineral Water Works Co., and
Van Bros. Ltd., your file #261

In your letter of the 3rd February you advised me that the Custodian had no further interest in this matter. Earlier in the negotiations, I was advised that Mr. Halifax, the Manager of these Companies, had produced to you a cheque in my favour from a former shareholder since missing, for \$5750 as evidence of bonafides in this matter.

This cheque was only to be held by you until the matter was thoroughly investigated. I now require it for purposes of audit for these Companies.

Please return it to me by bearer.

Yours very truly,

J. A. RUSSELL & COMPANY.

per

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JAR:DMP

1404 Royal Bank Bldg.,
Vancouver, B. C.

6th February, 1948.

H. G. Garrett, Esq.,
Registrar of Companies,
Parliament Buildings,
Victoria, B. C.

Dear Sir:

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your memorandum of the 5th inst. enclosing lists of shareholders of the three following companies, for which I thank you:

Deep Bay Logging Company Limited
Kagetsu & Company Limited
Van Bros. Limited

Yours truly,

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

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January 13th, 1942.

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

Dear Sirs:

re Van Brothers Limited

Replying to your letter of the 10th instant,
I beg to advise that the shareholders of this company
according to its last annual report on file made up to
the 30th November, 1941 are:

Halifax, John O.	1055 vernon Drive Vancouver, B. C. Plant Manager	69,960
Webster, Robert Barrow	601 Province Bldg. Vancouver, B. C. Accountant	110
Godfrey, Ellen	1495 W. 10th Ave. Vancouver, B. C. Stenographer Secretary	1

On the 25th May, 1941 Margaret Gilbert
transferred one share to Ellen Godfrey.

I am,

Your obedient servant,

H. G. Garrett

Registrar of Companies

per:

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1404 Royal Bank Bldg.,
Vancouver, B. C.

3rd February, 1942.

Messrs. J. A. Russell & Company,
Barristers and Solicitors,
837 West Hastings Street,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sirs:

As a result of our discussion of to-day's date concerning the shareholders of Lyons Mineral Water Works Company and Van Bros. Ltd., in the course of which you assured me that none of the shares are held by or for the benefit of an enemy as defined by the Consolidated Regulations Respecting Trading with the Enemy, I wish to advise that the Custodian has no further interest in this matter.

Yours truly,

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

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1404 Royal Bank Bldg.,
Vancouver, B. C.

2nd February, 1942.

The Registrar of Companies,
Parliament Buildings,
Victoria, B. C.

Dear Sir:

I wish to refer you to my letter of the 10th ultimo in which I requested you to be good enough to furnish me with a list of shareholders of the companies listed therein. In case my previous letter has been mislaid I again include the list of companies referred to:

Deep Bay Logging Company Limited
Kagetsu & Company Limited
Van Bros. Limited

If any transfers have recently taken place will you be good enough to furnish details.

Yours truly,

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

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1404 Royal Bank Bldg.,
Vancouver, B. C.,
January 28, 1942.

J. A. Russell & Company,
Barristers and Solicitors,
837 Hastings Street West,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sirs:

Re: Lyons Mineral Water Works Company and
Van Bros. Ltd.

I have your letter of January 27th.

I am not clear from your letter as to whether or not John
Halifax is the actual beneficial owner of the shares registered in
his name.

I have asked Mr. Gardner of this office to call and see you
and discuss this matter. He will no doubt get in touch with you and
make an appointment.

Your co-operation is greatly appreciated.

Yours truly,

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

GWMcP/TC.

J. A. Russell & Company

Barristers and Solicitors

J. A. RUSSELL, LL.B., K.C.

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417 METROPOLITAN BLDG.
837 HASTINGS ST. W.

Vancouver, B.C.

January 27, 1942.

Rec'd Jan 27/42

G. W. McPherson, Esq.,
Authorized Deputy of the Secretary of State and/or Custodian,
1409 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

RE: Consolidated Regulations Respecting
Trading with the Enemy (1939) and
Lyons Mineral Water Works Co. and
Van Bros. Ltd.

Since receipt of your valued favour of the 20th January 1942 enclosing Consolidated Regulations respecting Trading with the Enemy (1939) I have been delving into this particular matter with an earnest desire to comply with your esteemed suggestion that "your co-operation in this matter will be greatly appreciated".

I have obtained from our Law Library at the Court House a transcript of the Order in Council passed at the Government House at Ottawa on the 7th day of December 1941 and have endeavoured to link it up with the provisions of the Consolidated Regulations Respecting Trading with the Enemy (1939) as applying to above heading under consideration. (I have had an extra copy of this order made for your files).

As indicated to you in my letter to you of the 8th January inst. I required for our better information the Annual balance sheet of the Companies to end November 1941, which I expected you to have from their auditors within a few days. It unfortunately happens that Mr. Webster the accountant and auditor of the Companies, was ill at the time and is only within the last few days resumed his activities. He has now furnished me with the balance sheet of Van Bros. Ltd. as of December 31, 1941 and a profit and loss account for the year ending December 31, 1941. It remains for me to check up this balance sheet and profit and loss account with all parties interested in these Companies.

The statement however, is useful in that it shows a loan account of a substantial amount \$5,576.99 from a Japanese to the Company. It follows that I now have in my files the complete information of the affairs of these Companies. It would be idle to go into the matter in detail on paper, going back to the articles of association of Van Bros., January 1923 and its increase of capital in January 1923.

It happens however, that in October 1928, one Rinshichi (Harry) Kuramitsu owned and controlled the issued shares in Van Bros. Ltd. For \$12,500 Kuramitsu sold 2500 of the stock of this Company out of his 5500 shares to Kiyohu Momose as appears from a document of transfer and agreement of that date.

On the 16th April 1938, Kuramitsu and Momose as such share-holders and as creditors for monies advanced to the Company to avoid a Japanese boycott, entered into an agreement with John O. Halifax their then Manager and Foreman of Van Bros. Ltd., that subject to a declaration of trust Halifax should assume the control and managements of the Company at a wage and bonus provided in agreement.

Later on the 26th September 1938 Kuramitsu and Momose as beneficiaries under said declaration of trust and creditors of Van Bros. Ltd. became desirous of perfecting a sale of their said beneficial share, interest, and chosen action and gave authority to Halifax to endeavour and complete as a joint transaction the sale of the said beneficial shares and credits of Kuramitsu and Momose on terms therein provided.

Later still on the 22nd November 1940 Kuramitsu in consideration of \$5,750 paid him by John O. Halifax assigned, sold, and transferred all his said 37,132 shares so held in trust for him under terms of agreement of the 16th April 1938 and the Declaration of trust attached thereto to John O. Halifax, personally and not as trustee absolutely. The intention of this sale and agreement is definitely expressed in an agreement attached to said memorandum of sale.

Kuramitsu at the time of this sale and purchase of his interest in this Company, had other properties and interests in British Columbia and expressed his intention of remaining in British Columbia in business but not in conflict with the Van Bros. Ltd. or its share-holders or its creditors.

It has since been learned that on January 5, 1941 he left for Japan, taking with him in some manner above \$5,750, and proceeds of other his properties, interests in B. C.. Just how, he did this or where he is now or what he is doing we have no information.

Since the transaction of the 22nd November 1940 Momose has remained a beneficiary ~~estate~~ trust of some 32,827 shares and a creditor of said Company in the amount of \$5,576.99. He is a retired business man is naturalised British subject which naturalization was confirmed by the Department of the Secretary of State of Canada as late as 2nd October, 1940.

All the foregoing is confirmed by documentary evidence and a great volume of other documentary evidence in my files at the head office of these Companies. It would appear to me that the most satisfactory way in which I can co-operate with you in this investigation would be for you to give me a call or interview at my office at your convenience. You suggest in your letter that you do not think you would be able to make this call for at least another week from the 21st January. It is because that that week has elapsed and it might be that you are leaving Vancouver, that I am hurrying this report to you. But I would like very much to amplify and perfect this report from my files.

Please advise me when it will be convenient for you to call.

Your obedient servant,

J.A. Russell

Counsel for Van Bros. and Kiyohu Momose.

JAR:DMP

1404 Royal Bank Bldg.,
Vancouver, B. C.

22nd January, 1942.

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

Dear Sirs;

Re: Mr. J. O. Halifax, Lyons Mineral
Water Works Co. & Van Bros. Ltd.

I have your letter of January 20th with enclosure and wish to thank you for the information given.

On the request of Mr. Field I asked this party to come in since Mr. Field was not satisfied that he was the beneficial owner of the stock. I have written to Mr. Russell in answer to his letter of January 7th to-day, the letter being delayed due to the fact that I did not have a copy of the Regulations to send to him.

Yours truly,

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

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VANCOUVER, B.C.
MONTREAL, Que.

20th January, 1942.

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

Dear Sir:

Re: Lyons Gate Mineral Water Works Co.
and Van Brothers Limited

Mr. Halifax of the above company called at this office today. We were not aware that you had written requesting him to call on you. Attached is a memorandum of his interview with us.

Yours faithfully,

P. S. Ross & Sons

MEMORANDUM

Re: Lyons Mineral Water Works Co. and Van Bros. Ltd.
20th January 1942

Mr. J. O. Halifax called with reference to the purchase of the shares from Harry R. Kuramitsu. He states that in November 1940 he purchased 69,960 shares from Kuramitsu for the amount of \$5,750.00, \$300.00 being the deposit and the balance being \$5,450.00. As evidence, he produced a cheque in favour of J. A. Russell, the company's solicitor, dated November 22nd, in the amount of \$5,450.00. He states that Mr. Russell is waiting to reply to our request of the 7th January until the auditor, R. B. Webster, C.A., has completed his audit statement. Mr. Webster has been sick but the statement should be completed in about two weeks time.

Mr. Halifax advises that Kuramitsu also sold his house and car for cash before leaving for Japan on 5th January 1941. He does not know whether or not the money was smuggled out of the country or what disposition was made of it.

Mr. Halifax will submit a copy of the audited statement when completed at which time this matter can be closed.

R. F. Wray.

1409 Royal Bank Bldg.,
Vancouver, B. C.,
January 20, 1942.

J. A. Russell & Company,
Barristers & Solicitors,
837 Hastings Street West,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sirs:

Re: Consolidated Regulations Respecting
Trading with the Enemy (1939) and
Lyons Mineral Water Works Co. and
Van Eros. Ltd.

I have your letter of January 8th and in accordance with your request I am enclosing a copy of the Regulations.

Unfortunately in view of my short stay in Vancouver, I am tied up practically all day with meetings in my office and do not think I will be able to call upon you at least for another week.

As far as the Regulations are concerned the Custodian is entitled to such information as he considers necessary to enforce their provisions. I have information that Mr. Halifax holds certain shares in Van Eros. Limited as nominee only and I am requesting full information as to his interest in the said shares.

The above Regulations have only been amended insofar that a provision has been inserted declaring that a person detained by an ally is an enemy. They have, however, been applied to Japan and Japanese controlled territory by special Order in Council as from December 7th last. I have not a copy of the Order in Council but it no doubt appeared in the Canada Gazette.

Your co-operation in this matter will be greatly appreciated.

Yours truly,

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

GWMcP:FG.

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417 METROPOLITAN BLDG.
837 HASTINGS ST. W.

Vancouver, B.C.

January 8, 1942.

Harry R. Kuper

G. W. McPherson, Esq.,
Authorized Department of Secretary of State & Custodian,
1012 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

re Consolidated Regulation respecting
Trading with the Enemy (1939) and
Lyons Mineral Water Works Co. and Van
Bros. Ltd.

I am writing from the Head Office of these Companies
in response to your letter of the 11th December 1941, only
received this a.m., addressed to the Lyons Mineral Water
Works Ltd. attention: John O. Halifax.

Mr. Halifax waited on me this a.m., my office has
been the Legal advisor of these Companies for many years and
has probably a better knowledge of their affairs and History
than any one connected with the Companies.

Within the past month I have required the Annual
Balance Sheet of the Companies to end November 1941 and
expect to have it in hand from Auditors within a few days.

The annual report of Van Bros Ltd. of which the
Lyons Co. is a subsidiary was filed with the Registrar of
Companies with the past 10 days.

Dealing with your above letter and my advising
thereon I am faced with the difficulty that I have no copy
of the Consolidated Regulations respecting Trading with
the Enemy regulations (1939)

Have any new regulations or any new interpretations
been made since Japan has declared War?

Can you let me have by Bearer a copy of such
Regulations and your comments on the subject of Naturalized
Japan subjects liabilities.

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Perhaps it would serve both our offices better if some one from your office would give me a call or interview at my office at your convenience. I have not been very well and do not attempt much work outside of my office.

I think we should co-operate in the matter of this inquiry but I naturally want to know the Legal requirement of the Regulations brought down to date.

Awaiting your advices.

Yours very truly,

J. A. RUSSELL & COMPANY.

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per

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

15th January, 1942.

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

Dear Sirs:

Re: Van Brothers Limited

I have your letter of January 14th and wish to
thank you for the information given.

I will take this matter up immediately.

Yours truly,

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

GWMcP:LF

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

15th January, 1942.

John O. Halifax, Esq.,
1055 Vernon Drive,
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Van Brothers Limited

Information which the Custodian has indicates that you are holding 69,960 shares out of a total issued share capital of 70,071 shares of the above company.

I also have information that there may be a Japanese interest in these shares and I would appreciate your letting me have full information in this matter. I would be pleased to see you at any time if you would like to call at my office in the Royal Bank Building.

Yours truly,

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

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MONTREAL, QUE.

14th January 1942.

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

Dear Sir:

Re: Van Brothers Limited

We have received a statement from the Registrar of Companies of the Annual Report dated 30th November 1941 which shows that a Mr. John O. Halifax, 1055 Vernon Drive, Vancouver, B.C. is the owner of 69,960 shares out of the total issued of 70,071 and from information received by us from a source we are not able to use, we understand that Mr. Halifax holds these shares for two Japanese.

We understand that during 1941 one of these Japanese sold his interest to the remaining Japanese and left for Japan. The Company's solicitor, Mr. J. A. Russell has promised to write us giving further particulars in this regard but so far his letter has not been received.

We suggest that Mr. Halifax be asked to call on you with a view to him being asked to show how he came in possession of the shares.

Yours faithfully,

P. S. Ross & Sons

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Vancouver, B. C.,
January 10, 1942.

The Registrar of Companies,
Parliament Buildings,
Victoria, B. C.

Dear Sir:

We would appreciate receiving a list of the shareholders of the companies listed below, as shown on the annual reports filed with your office, together with the details of any transfers which have taken place during the last period:

Deep Bay Logging Company Limited
Kagetsu & Company Limited
Van Bros. Limited

Yours faithfully,