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Your file 5420. Reg. No. 14462

Dear Sir:

Mr. Kayemon Shikaze, now of Picture Butte, Alberta, has come to us with your letter addressed to him and dated July 19th, 1944. By this it appears that certain property of Mr. Shikaze was sold by your Department to the Director under Veterans' Land Act at the price of \$452.00. Description of the property is Lots 1 to 12 inclusive, Block 4 of South-West Quarter of Section 21 in Township 17, Map 332, District of New Westminster.

Mr. Shikaze complains about the price at which this property of his was sold and gives us this information:-

The 12 lots in question contain 3 acres. On one lot there is situate a Service Station with garage and store connected. This one lot, he says, rented for \$24.00 a month which would mean \$288.00 a year, and he had an offer recently for this one lot of \$2,000.00. On the other eleven Lots he says he was growing strawberries for marketing and they should have a substantial value. Recently he said he was offered \$5,000.00 for the twelve lots.

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