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Bay Farm
Slocan, B.C.
August 9, 1944

F. G. Shears, Esq., Director
The Custodian of the Foreign Property
Japanese Section
506 Royal Bank Building,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Sir:

Re: Municipality of Maple Ridge, Lot 1 of Lot 11, Block 1
of Lots 244, 245, 247, Group 1, Map 1680, District of
New Westminster, C. of E. 50784.

Municipality of Matsqui, the N.W. $\frac{1}{4}$ of Sec. 16, Tp. 13,
save and except the Right of Way of the Vancouver & Vic-
toria & Eastern Railway & Navigation Co. as shown on
Sketch Deposited No. 11033F and part of 1.19 acres conveyed
to the Corp. of the District of Matsqui as shown on sketch
Deposited No. 23282F, D. of N.W., C. of E. 50365.

We have been surprised to receive the letter of May 12, stating the sale
of the above lands.

We have been altogether appalled at the very low costs at which they have
been sold

The land in Maple Ridge had been bought at the price more than three times
the cost at which we were sold in your letter of May 12.

The land in Matsqui had been made productive in the highest degree from a
wild, neglected land, where the water had covered most of the year making
it only fit for hunting ducks, by networks of ditches, tons of fertilizers
and patient and hard labours, taking ten years of hard and strenuous work.
It was really by sweat and blood that had made this land a highly produc-
tive one. We had put all the money gotten from the sale of the land
adjacent to the above land in Maple Ridge in addition, to make the land
produce. And it was only after some ten years of patient and hard labour
and much cost in cash that we had been able to make it productive of the
first class.

The lands have been sold at far far too low costs that I have simply been
appalled at seeing such insulting figures.

I firmly protest against such definitely unreasonable transactions you
have made and that without my legal consent.

Yours very sincerely,

(Signed) Kisaku Nishimoto, Reg. No. 12884.