



CANADA

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The Department of National Defence has forwarded to this office a Nominal Roll of Japanese enlisted in the Canadian Army, mostly before Pearl Harbour. As the footnote advises, this is an incomplete summary based mainly on language qualifications and surnames, but it is rather surprising to learn that about 30 Japanese have served in the Canadian Army.

I am enclosing two copies of this list in order that this information may be placed on the files of the individuals concerned.

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CANADIAN ARMY

PERSONS OF JAPANESE RACIAL ORIGIN

NAME	REGT. NO.	ADDRESS AT TIME OF ENLISTMENT	DATE ENLISTED	PLACE OF BIRTH	YEAR OF BIRTH	SPEAK JAPAN- ESE	PRESENT UNIT (IF NOT SOS)	DETAILS OF SERVICE AND REMARKS
AIDA, Joseph F. #11266 K	70850	Smithers, B.C.	23 Oct 41	Canada	1917	No		Overseas Jul 43. Returned Nov. 43. SOS 3 Dec 43. Services no longer required.
AKI, Motosaku K. K. G	42	St. Andrews, N.B.	17 Jul 40	Canada	1898	Yes	7 D.D.	Overseas Oct. 41. Returned Jul 43. Previous service in NPAM.
ARAB, Gordon J. <i>Enlistment</i> K	2182	Vancouver, B.C.	2 Feb 44	Japan	1925	No	KOR of C	
HANADA, Kitare #15297 H	3213	Winnipeg, Man.	13 Aug 41	Japan	1897	Yes	30 Coy CDC	
INAMASU, Harry P. #14533	60406	Calgary, Alta.	13 Dec 41	Canada	1918	No	47 Coy C Pro C	Previous service in NPAM. Brother of M101728 INAMASU, James W.
INAMASU, James W.	M 101728	Calgary, Alta.	10 Nov 42	Canada	1910	Yes		Enrolled under NRMA 4 Sep 42. SOS 20 Apr 43. Medically Unfit.
IKAASA, Joru K. K. M	35932	Raymond, Alta.	10 Jun 41	Canada	1918	Yes	6 Fd Pk Sqn RCE	Overseas Jun 42. Previous service in NPAM.
KATO, Shigeo A. #09351 K	76201	Duncan, B.C.	26 Jul 41	Canada	1901	Yes	Q List	Overseas Jun 44
MATSUOKA, Tamotsu K. K. M	59498	Coaldale, Alta.	12 Jul 41	Canada	1918	Yes	1 Bn RCE	Overseas Dec 41
MATSUYAMA, Eichi K. K. D	116192	Montreal, Que.	20 May 41	England	1915	Yes	Q List	Overseas Nov 41
MURAKAMI, Masa #15480 M	60180	Midland, Alta.	18 Apr 41	Japan	1919	Yes	A21 COC & KMETC	Enrolled under NRMA 17 Apr 41
NAKAMOTO, Jack #15961 E	29101	Quebec, Que.	5 Jun 40	Canada	1921	Yes		Overseas Dec 41. Returned Sep 42. SOS 3 Nov 42. Medically Unfit.

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NAKAMURA, George K. #14851	M 56759	Edmonton, Alta.	19 Feb. 42	Canada	1919	No		Overseas Aug. 42. Returned Apr. 43. Stated to be of Japanese extraction in Medical History Form of Dec. 42. SOS 10 May 43. Medically Unfit.
NISHIKAWA, Walter S. N.R.	M 16350	Calgary, Alta.	18 Oct. 39	JAPAN	1897	Yes	X4 List RCAMG AAI	Overseas Dec. 39.
OSHIRO, Yasuo R.R.	M 35914	Raymond, Alta.	7 Jun. 41	Canada	1920	Yes	HQ 4 Armd Div. 21 Army	Overseas Jun 42. Previous service in NPAM
BUZUKI, Richard N.R.		Captain Lansing, Ont.	19 Jul 40	JAPAN	1903	No	2 ES & W Coy ROE	Overseas Dec. 40. Returned Jul 41. Previous Service in NPAM
TANAKA, Harry T. #14885	L 19581	Wymark, Sask.	20 Oct 41	Canada	1920	No	11 Armd Regt AAI	Overseas Mar 43. Religion given as Japanese Presbyterian.
TANAKA, Hiromi #10442	K 70915	Prince Rupert, B. C.	28 Oct 41	Canada	1920	Yes		SOS 27 May 42. Medically Unfit.
TANAKA, Minoru #10334	L 36981	Wymark, Sask.	17 Apr 41	Canada	1919	No	X4 List CAC 21 Army	Overseas Jun 43. Previous service in NPAM. Brother of L19581 TANAKA, Harry T.
TAKAHASHI, Joseph, M. N.R.	M 12270	Raymond, Alta.	9 Jul 40	Canada	1907	Yes	2 Gen Pnr Coy ROE	Overseas 5 Oct 41.
TAKAHASHI, Shingeo N.R.	M 35933	Raymond, Alta.	10 Jun 41	Canada	1918	Yes	6 Fd Pk Coy Rec	Overseas Jun 42. Previous service in NPAM.
TANOUE, Richard H. #14866	L 463975	Regina, Sask.	18 Jan 43	Canada	1918	Yes		SOS Mar 43. Medically Unfit.
TSUBOTA, David Lloyd N.R.	D 82666	Montreal, Que.	18 Jul 40	England	1921	No	FW (Black Watch) (Dieppe)	Overseas Jun 41. Son of 029051 TSUBOTA, James.

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TSUBOTA, James <i>N.R.</i>	C 29081	Montreal, P.Q.	26 Feb 40	Japan	1895	Yes	Q List	Overseas Jun 40 Previous service in CEF and NPAM
TSUBOTA, James <i>N.R.</i> A.L.	U 2066	England	6 Jul 43	Canada	1918	No	23 Gen Hosp	UK Enlistment. Previous service Imperial Army. Son of C29081 TSUBOTA, James
YAMAMOTO, Fumi <i>N.R.</i>	B 94983	Toronto, Ont.	8 Aug 40	Canada	1909	Yes	Q List	Overseas Feb 41
<i>#14833</i> YAMAUCHI, Shogi P.	M 66335	Edmonton, Alta.	1 Oct 41	Canada	1917	No	Q List	Overseas May 42. No evidence of racial origin except name.
YOSHIDA, Richard ✓	D 641302	Outremont, P.Q.	19 Nov 42	Canada	1911	No		SOS 14 Aug 43. Irregularly enrolled.

N.B. The above nominal roll prepared on the basis of documents received at Records to 30 Nov 44 is probably not complete because attestation forms have not inquired into racial origin. It is the most complete list available from a review of language qualifications, etc.

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