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The Department of External Affairs announced today that under Article 15(a) of the Treaty of Peace with Japan, which came into force on April 28, Japan will return tangible and intangible property of nationals of Allied Powers which was within Japan at any time between December 7, 1941 and September 2, 1945. The Treaty also requires the Japanese Government to pay compensation in cases where such property was in Japan on December 7, 1941, and cannot be returned or has been damaged as a result of the war.

Claimants seeking restitution of identifiable property should give notice of their claims to the Department of External Affairs, Ottawa, not later than September 28, 1952, as these claims for restitution must be submitted to the Japanese Government through the Canadian Government not later than December 28, 1952.

Claims for compensation for property destroyed, lost or damaged should be directed to the Department of the Secretary of State, War Claims Branch, 7 O'Connor Street,Ottawa. As claims for compensation for property destroyed, lost or damaged in Japan must be directed through the Canadian Government not later than October 28, 1953, claimants are advised to give notice of their claims not later than April 28, 1953.