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April 29, 1931.

Sir and Madam:

Your letter undated written to the British Columbia Government asking for information in regard to an island Garden Royal has been forwarded to this Department.

In reply I beg to say there is no island named Garden Royal in British Columbia waters. As you appear to be American Indians you would not have any claim to any Indian lands in Canada even if there was such an island as the one you speak of. Possibly your claim may be in connection with some island in Alaskan waters which are adjacent to the northern part of British Columbia. As Alaska is in American territory it might therefore be advisable for you to write to your own Government at Washington, D.C., in regard to your presumed claim.

Your obedient servant,

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