DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

OFFICE OF THE MINISTER

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Dester Duncan C. Scett, Deputy Superintendent General, Department of Indian Affairs, Ottawa, Ont.

Dear Dector Scott .-

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Upon referring to Mr. J. R. Nelan, of Fernie, B.C., the decision of your Department in regard to the timber on Tobacco Plains Indian Reserve, I am today in receipt of the following reply:-

"I note that the Indian Department do not seem to be willing to give me credit for the deposit that I have with them, nor allow the rental to start from the date of the payment of the last rental. I consider this a very unfair deal. If I had been informed before the contract was signed that they would not do this. I would never have started again, and it was on the understanding that my deposit would be reinstated the that I had, or asked to have the contract reinstated. If the Department persist in this I will be worse off at the borrow \$1600.00 from the bank to give the department for rental and for old logs and when this is paid back there will not be much left of the profits, if any. I do not like to bother you unneces-

I do not like to bother you unnecessarily about this matter, but if the department has not given you a definite refusal of my request. I would be obliged if you take the matter up with them again and see if they will not see my position in the matter and make some allowance for the money I have already paid in to them".

Yours very truly.

