

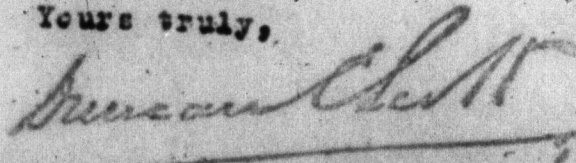
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December 6th., 1917.

Sir,-

With reference to your letter of the 6th. inst., enclosing a communication from the St. Lawrence Bridge Company regarding exemption for their Indian employees, I beg to say that, as Indians come under the Military Service Act, their applications for exemption must be determined similarly to those of whites. I do not feel justified in recommending, or asking for exemption for Indians except in very special cases. I shall, if you desire, advise any Companies who may inquire on this subject, that they should advise any Indian employees of military age to register, and if they desire, claim exemption, which may be supported by an application from the employer in the same manner as with whites.

Yours truly,



Deputy Superintendent General.

The Secretary,
Military Service Council,
150 Sparks St.,
Ottawa, Ont.

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