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DEPARTMENT OF CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION INDIAN AFFAIRS BRANCH

> New Westminster, B.C., May 7, 1953.

W. S. Arneil, Esq., Indian Commissioner for B.C., Vancouver.

Re: Skwah Indian Reserve No. 4

Herewith in duplicate please find an application from Mr. Stanley Walker Keith of 221 Prairie Central Road, Chilliwack, B.C., wherein he applies for a permit to use and occupy for a term of one year from May 1st, 1953, three separate parcels of land located on Skwah I.R. No. 4 which same belong to Willie and Genevieve Mussell of the Skwah Band. Mr. Keith has offered a total rental of \$570.00 for these three properties which total 29.24 acres. He intends to plant the areas to field crops, mainly peas.

of the \$570.00 rental, \$450.00 is to be paid upon the signing of consent by the locatees and the remaining #120.00 to be payable on or before November 30, 1953. A signed document pertaining to the receipt of \$450.00 from Mr. Keith, by Willie and Genevieve Mussell is attached.

The consent of the locatees is appended to the application, and a plan of the areas involved is attached with the application.

The 9.7 and 6.8 acre parcels were located to William

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Mussell by Band Resolution dated January 16, 1950.

The 12.97 acre parcel has just recently been purchased from the Band by Willie Mussell and his wife, Genevieve, said purchase having been approved by the Department on March 17, 1953, file 153/33-0-17-4 (R.5), subject to the payment of \$429.50 which amount was paid and credited to Band Funds of the Skwah Band on April 28th, 1953, Agency receipt No. 21489.

A payment of \$450.00 was made direct to Mrs. Mussell by Mr. Keith and of this amount the \$429.50 payment was applied to the land purchase, the remaining \$20.50 being held here for return to the locatees upon approval of the permit. This matter was explained in our letter of February 26, 1953, our file 153/34-17.

