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Ottawa, 7th February 1916.

Sir,-

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 28th ultimo and am pleased to note that the Indians of the Sarcose Reserve have concurred in the view that the public road in question may be put across their reserve without any compensation.

Please note that a public road may be put across any Indian Reserve under the authority of an Order-in-Council and that the consent of the Indians is not necessary. It is however the policy of the Department to have the Indians consulted as to compensation and if possible to obtain their concurrence in the compensation that may be arrived at. Please note Section 46 of the Indian Act as amended in 1911 and the Provision in the Treaty regarding this matter.

S.B.
[Signature]
Your obedient servant,

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