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Ottawa, June 5th, 1923.

MEMO

Mr. Featherston:-

With regard to the attached letter addressed to the Minister from Honourable Dr. King, and with reference to the purchase of timber on the Tobacco Plains Indian Reserve, I may say that it is the practice of the Department to require payment in cash of a deposit of ten per cent. In this connection we have to be guided by Section 5 of the Timber Regulations which is in part as follows:-

"Each tender must be accompanied by  
"an accepted cheque on any Canadian  
"chartered bank covering the following  
"items:-"

- "(a) Rental for one year.
- "(b) License Fee.
- "(c) Deposit of ten per cent (10%)  
"of the stumpage price and royalty  
"tendered as applied to the total  
"estimated quantity of timber on the  
"limit."

In view of the practice of the Department in such matters, I do not see any way in which Mr. Nolan's request can be favourably considered.

As a matter of fact, Mr. Nolan's cheque for the rental has twice been returned to the Department by the bank marked N. S. F.

*W. S. F.*  
Deputy Superintendent General.