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British Embassy,

Washington, February 1st. 1922.

Sir:

With reference to your letter of December 29th., 1921, I am directed by His Majesty's Ambassador to inform you that he has now received a letter from Messrs. Kappler and Merillat with which was enclosed a copy of a contract executed between themselves and a Committee, alleged to represent the Pottawatamie Indians, on October 26th. 1921 and January 11th. 1922, respectively. A copy of a Bill S.2916 was also enclosed in which it is provided "that out of any award made to the Indians there shall be paid to the attorneys for the said Indians the amount provided for in the contract between said Indians and said Attorneys executed at Cape Croker on the 26th. day of October, 1921"; the amount to be paid under this provision you will observe being fifteen percent of the total award.

As the Department of Indian Affairs' Letter of December 2nd. 1919, stated definitely that you were the sole agent recognized in this claim the matter has been referred to the Canadian Government who have been asked to state what action they desire taken in the matter. I am to add that in the circumstances His Excellency considers that it is desirable that any further communications made by you in regard to this claim should be made through the Canadian Government in order that no misunderstanding should arise.

I am, Sir,

your obedient servant,

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