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AIR MAIL

Ottawa, October 22, 1942.

Dear Sir:

Re: Sale of Kaikalahun Timber.

We have your letter dated October 19th, enclosing a letter from Mr. Agent Ball in regard to the sale of timber from Kaikalahun (Squamish) Indian Reserve No. 25, to Sorg Company of Port Mellon.

In reply I have to advise you that we have no record of a surrender having been given by the Indian Band at any time for the sale of timber from the above mentioned reserve, nor have we any knowledge of any considerable quantity of timber having been previously cut as stated by Mr. Ball in his letter. A Permit was given some years ago to members of the Band to cut and sell timber, but only a very small quantity was reported to have been removed.

There are no circumstances under which we may permit live timber to be cut and removed from Indian Reserves by non-Indians without surrender.

Before any action may be taken, therefore, to sell the timber as suggested, a surrender of the timber rights must be obtained from the Indian Band.

Yours truly,

D. J. Allan,
Superintendent,
Reserves and Trusts.

Major D. M. MacKay,
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