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Ottawa, Ontario,
January 15, 1947.

Dear Mr. Gooderham:

Re: Additional Lands - Stony (Nordegg Group)

Your report of January 4th, your file 119-14-1, enclosing a copy of Mr. Laurie's report to you, is acknowledged.

We have read Mr. Laurie's report with interest but find it, at this distance, extremely difficult to follow without a working knowledge of the geography of the district and without having maps before us indicating the course of the David Thompson Highway and other topographical features referred to in Mr. Laurie's submission.

It appears to this office that a personal interview with the Provincial Lands Branch would be a most effective way of bringing the matter to a head. We would first have to ascertain whether there are provincial lands which they would be willing to make available to us and from which we could select a block for the Nordegg Group of Indians. As these lands would have to be purchased from the Provincial Government for cash and the necessary funds provided by Government appropriation, it would be necessary for us to know what acreage we would have to buy to meet the requirements of the Nordegg Group and at what price the Province would be prepared to sell it to us. We quite appreciate the desirability of getting our bid into the Provincial Government before the anticipated influx of whitemen took place.

Possibly an interview with the Provincial officials would clarify this problem in many of its aspects and place us in a position where we could submit

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