Ottawa, 26th June, 1913.

Sir,

In connection with the treaty made in 1905 with the Abitibi Indians it was agreed that a reserve would be set apart for them. As the Lake is situated partly in the Province of Ontario and partly in Province of Quebec a difficulty was experienced in dealing with the Indians at the Hudson's Bay Company post. In order to overcome the difficulty an agreement was submitted to the Indians and accepted by them both of Ontario and Quebec, whereby all the Indians who traded at the post should, irrespective of which province they hunted in, hold an equal undivided share in the reserve to be set apart for the use of the Indians, which reserve was to contain an area of thirty square miles. The Department has, however, been informed that notwithstanding this agreement the Ontario Indians now refuse to admit the right of the Quebec Indians to an equal share in the reserve set apart under the treaty. It is desired, therefore that you will inform the Ontario Indians that they must abide by the terms of the agreement entered into by them, and allow the Quebec Indians to enjoy with them to the fullest extent all the privileges belonging to ownership in the reserve set apart for the use and benefit of the Abitibi Indians.

copy of agreement is enclosed herewith.

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Asst. Deputy and Secretary.

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