Ottawa, November 12, 1912.

Sir,-

Information has been received here that it has been decided by the Council of the Watha band to send a deputation here for the purpose of interviewing the Department with a view to getting control of the timber on the reserve, and if such is the case, I have to inform you that such a deputation is neither necessary nor advisable for such a purpose, and I have to request you to take the necessary steps to prevent the sending of a deputation, which would involve a loss of money and time and would not produce any beneficial results for the band.

In regard to the question of disposal of timber on other lots than are located, the Department is not in a position to deal with it at present, and may not be for many years to come.

Your obedient Servant,

Asst. Deputy and Secretary.

Chief Louis Sahanatien, Sahanatien P. O.,

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