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Telegraph Creek, B.C.
December. 25.th. 1939.

Sir,

Re:- G.A. & Christp. ETZERZA (Brothers Indians)

I beg to submit herewith, a map with two copies of letters in regard to the above effort to unite, indian family trapgrounds. The matter has received attention from your Office; but having come to a full-stop here -it is again sent down for your consideration.

Up here we all think the movement correct and most suitable for the two families concerned. They are Agouta Etzerza- with ten members to his family-wife sick; and his brother Christopher-wife and one child, more expected.

These indians have to make money on the "side" to keep themselves going, for the two grounds together cannot produce enough fur for their revenue. This winter Christopher has been employed, so a lay-off has been obtained. At any time up here, employment could be unobtainable, and then what?

By making these two small lines one, the two families can live together in the bush, if necessary during the winter months, where meat and fish are plenty; and above all in healthy conditions.

This strip of ground is edge on the banks of the Tuya River and at present Pete Curran (White) has the best of the area adjoining the Indian Reserve. If partnership cannot be obtained may the Christopher area be cancelled and taken into the other "line" and then it would be possible for the brothers to obtain permission to help each other, when necessary.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant.

Major. D.M. MacKey.
Indian Commissioner
for B.C.
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