June 26, 1928.

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Dear Sir:-

Re-Kowtein Indian Reserve.

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 16th instant having reference to an application made to the Provincial Government in April last by Mrs. A.N. Barbour, of Brackendale, to purchase what they thought to be Crown timber on two Islands in the Squamish River, one of which is undoubtedly a portion of Kowtain Indian Reserve No. 17, of the Squamish Indians. It is observed that the Assistant District Forester, Mr. Parlow, seems to be of the opinion that this reserve only comprises 37 acres.

In this connection I beg to inform you that the Kowtain Indian Reserve No. 17 comprises 57.7 acres as is shown on page 101 of the Official Schedule of Indian Reserves. The Minute of Decision connected with the allotment of this reserve poes to show that originally the reserve was the island shown on the plan to be 19.5 acres, but as the Commissioners considered that there was danger of it being inundated, they set aside an additional piece of land on the mainland comprising 38 acres. I am attaching hereto a pencil tracing of the reserve as it stands today. It will be observed there is another island in the Squamish River which is marked sand bar, but this, however, cannot be claimed by the Indians. There is no necessity whatever to have the reserve re-surveyed and if you considerable it advisable that the Indians should have a permit to cut the timber from either portion of this reserve you would be quite justified in taking the necessary measures.

WED /KD.

Enclosure :-

Yours truly.

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W. E. Ditchburn. Indian Commissioner for B. C. 10, C-II-2, vol. 1107

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