In my letter of June 27 in connection with the three meetings with Ottawa officials scheduled for July, I mentioned that it would not be necessary to arrange for hotel accommodation for them. I am now advised, however, that insofar as Prince Rupert is concerned the railway authorities have not yet confirmed the reservation of accommodation for Colonel Fortier, Colonel Jones, Mr. Brown and Mr. Fairholm. Will you please immediately contact the hotel and ensure that suitable accommodation has been reserved, and wire confirmation of the reservation to me.

The party will arrive at Prince Rupert from the East early on the morning of July 18 and, I understand, will remain on board the train until a reasonable hour in the morning. The hotel accommodation should be available for them during the day and the night of July 18. They will leave Prince Rupert by plane for Vancouver on the morning of July 19.

One further point for your attention, it is anticipated by Ottawa officials on the basis of their experience last year that the meeting of July 18 will extend into the evening, and therefore the hall should be available for an evening session. It is intended to hold a staff meeting in your office on the morning of July 19.

W.S. Arneil, Indian Commissioner for B.C. RG 10, C-II-2, vol. 11303 File/dossier 208/1-8

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