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PLEASE QUOTE
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Lytton, B.C., May 15, 1941.

See
Sir,-

The Indians of Leon's Creek, Pavilion Indian Reserve No. 2 have approached me requesting the right to have a chief and become a separate band from the Pavilion Band, going by the name of the Leon's Creek Band. I am forwarding herewith a petition signed by the male major members of the reserve.

The reason given by these Indians for wishing this separation and a chief of their own is that they are actually a very distinct group from the other Pavilion Indians and the regulations, etc. formed by the Chief of Pavilion Band do not, one way and another, meet with the approval or fit the requirements of the Leon's Creek Indians owing to the fact that the district they live in is remote from any white village or even white farmers and far from the remainder of the Pavilion Reserves. They are some eighteen miles by horse trail from the nearest village and have to cross the turbulent Fraser River by row-boat, a very dangerous crossing, to get to Pavilion. These Indians naturally do not often come in to the village of Pavilion and generally are distinct from the Indians of Pavilion Indian Reserve No. 1.

While there are only 27 members in the Leon's Creek Reserve I feel they would make good use of a Chief and would respectfully recommend favourable consideration to this request by the Department. There are two reserves used by these Indians, namely, Leons' Creek No. 2 and 2A.

Your obedient servant,

The Secretary,
Indian Affairs Branch,
Dept. of Mines & Resources,
Ottawa, Canada.

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