Ottawa, February 11, 1919.

Sir,-

Wm. Ojik, Peter Ojik and Amab Pezendewitch, Indians of Maniwaki, called at the Department today and represented that the dog tax bears heavily upon the Maniwaki Indians; that there have been no complaints of injury done by dogs belonging to this band, and they ask that the by-law be not applied to their band.

It was pointed out to them that these by-laws have the force of law and could only be changed by the Governor General in Council. No promise was made to these Indians that their band would be exempted from the by-laws, but that you would be asked for a report as to whether you consider that this band should be exempted from the application of these by-laws and the reasons therefor.

Your obedient servant,

Asst. Deputy and Secretary.

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