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Ottawa, 30th October, 1916.

Sir,

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 5th instant, B.3568, with respect to Lot No. 37, Fountain Indian Reserve, No. 3, enclosing a copy of a letter from your Agent Mr. Fred. J. Fulton, and note the difficulties that appear to be in the way of a speedy adjustment of the matter.

In reply I beg to say that the Department was aware that the Indians in whose name this property stands were dead. It was represented to the Department that the Indians who held this property outside of the reserve desired to have it transferred to the Crown to become a part of their reserve and all that seemed to be necessary was a conveyance to His Majesty, if on the report of your Agent there appeared to be no encumbrances or adverse claims.

Although the conveyance under which this property was held by the Indians named Kilnah and James Chil who may not show it, it appears that these two Indians must have held this land as trustees for the Indians of the band. The Department is communicating with Mr. Agent Graham of Lyt-

The Deputy Minister of Justice,
Ottawa.

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