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April 23rd, 1952

Indian Affairs Branch,
Dept. of Citizenship & Immigration,
Ottawa, Ont.

Re: Timber - Sutaquis I.R. No. 18
Wahous I.R. No. 19
Wahous I.R. No. 20

I am in receipt of a copy of Mr. Garrard's letter of April 16th to you apparently in response to an enquiry with regard to a security deposit of \$6,000 received from the Advance Logging Company Ltd.

You are aware of the difficulties which we have encountered from time to time in the past year in connection with the logging of Indian Reserves, West Coast Agency, under permit and the opposition which we have expressed on occasions to such permit operations which are not in accordance with the provisions of the timber regulations.

In the case of the three Reserves referred to above, it was first brought to our attention on August 24th, reference Mr. Garrard's letter with enclosures attached, that negotiations were being carried on for the logging of these three Reserves under permit to the Band. Financially the proposal was quite attractive although I can see no reason why contractors should receive 50% of the gross receipts over and above logging, transportation, insurance and other costs, nor will I concede that Mr. Garrard's reference to the possible receipt of \$5.50 per M., if the timber was advertised and sold has any merit. On October 3rd I had a further communication from Mr. Garrard which is attached, together with the resolution and draft contract referred to.

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