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P..O. Box 280,
New Westminster, B. C.
March 19th, 1956

W. S. Arneil Esq.,
Indian Commissioner for B. C.,
Vancouver, B. C.

Re: Lease - Squiala Band


Herewith please find, in triplicate, leasing indenture completed by Mr. Townsend, covering 5 acres of Band land on Squiala Indian Reserve No. 7, for a period of Three years from April 1st, 1956. Also attached is a Band resolution dated March 6th, 1956, granting consent to such a lease.

Mr. Townsend had this same five acres under lease during the years 1952-1955, but during the 1955-1956 season the Squiala Band did not grant a renewal of the lease as they intended to farm the land themselves. However this project never materialized and they now wish to renew Mr. Townsend's lease. Under these circumstances it is presumed that this application will be treated as a new lease rather than a renewal of his former lease.

There are only seven voting members in the Band who are over twenty-one, being all of the Jimmie family, we therefore recommend that the lease be confirmed without the normal practise of having the property surrendered.

The rental of \$125.00 is considered very fair, and has already been paid.

Mr. W. Townsend previously leased this land for a three year period without the necessity of it being surrendered, and we recommend that this indenture be approved as drafted.


J. C. Letcher,
Superintendent,
New Westminster Indian Agency.

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