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Ottawa, 26th November, 1913.

Madam,

With respect to your complaints to the Department, made through Mr. Cooke, against your husband for immorality and failure to support you, and your request that in consequence of these a division of your husband's property be made between your husband and yourself, I beg to say that while the Department regrets the circumstances which you relate, it does not appear that the Department can do much to improve matters, even if the charges you make were proven. The Department cannot improve the relations between your husband and yourself, neither has it power to make a division of the property between you. This would have to be a matter of agreement between yourself.

I am enclosing a copy of a letter that is sent to your husband asking him to authorize the Department to pay you a portion of his monthly salary. If he declines to do this it appears that the only thing left for you to do is to take proceedings against him for non-support under the provisions of the Criminal Code.

EMC.

Your obedient servant,

Mrs. Martin Twoaxe,
Caughnawaga,
Que.

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Deputy Superintendent General
of Indian Affairs.

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