

To the Honorable Sir,  
Superintendent General  
Affairs, Ottawa.

We, Chiefs and delegates representing the interior tribes of British Columbia, desiring that our position be clearly understood at the present time, respectfully present the memorial to the Government of Canada.

We speak again all the words have been spoken in our memorials presented in January, 1912, March, May, 1913, June, 1914, and February, 1915.

We are informed of the words contained in the Order-in-Council 19th June, 1915, and regret very much that the Government has reached the decision stated in that Order-in-Council.

We again state that we are unwilling to agree to the terms and conditions proposed.

in seeking to secure that  
the land question shall  
thereby be brought at  
the earliest possible  
date before the Judicial  
Committee of his Majesty's  
Privy Council.

We declare that until  
the issues which have  
been presented to his  
Majesty's Privy Council  
in the *Michiga* Petition  
shall have been decided  
we shall not be prepared  
to reach any decision  
regarding such find-  
ings shall be made by  
Royal Commission on *On-  
tario* Affairs. We therefore  
respectfully ask that  
pursuance of what was  
said by the Prime Min-  
ister of Canada  
in March, 1913, viz., that

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see  
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docs.

by the Government in the Order  
in Council of 20<sup>th</sup> June, 1914, although  
we now understand the Govern-  
ment will not ask us to agree  
to the findings of the Royal  
Commission before those find-  
ings are known to us.

We again state that we  
are willing to agree to the  
proposals presented to the  
on 3<sup>rd</sup> February, 1915, by the  
Nishgas.

We declare that we stand  
with the Nishga tribe in the  
Petition which that tribe  
has presented to his Majesty's  
Privy Council, recognizing  
it as a test case for all  
Indian tribes of British Columbia.

In view of the decision  
of the Government stated  
in the Order in Council  
of 19<sup>th</sup> June, 1915, we resolve  
to unite with the Nishgas.

that it would be offered  
to the Government to  
hold over all actual deal-  
with the reserves until  
the rights of the Indian  
should have been judi-  
cially determined, - the  
Government hold over  
dealing with the find-  
of the Royal Commission  
until our rights shall  
have been determined.

Signed at Spence's  
Bridge, B.C. this seven-  
teenth day of March, 1916

1. John Tedlanika (Signed) Chief of  
Band, Thompson's

Charlie Allison " Hedley,

Alexander Tedlanika " (His Mark) Her. Ho.

Harry Stewart (Signed) Ckangay

5. August Andrew " Delegate  
Chief, Chill.  
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6. James George "Delegate Chief"
7. Andrew Philips "Chief Shuswap"
8. John Leon "Chief, Chehalis"
9. Antoine Taghelyst (His Ma Chief Shuswap)
10. Baptiste William "Chief Shuswap tribe, Williams Lake"
11. Louis "Chief Shuswap Canoe Creek Band"
12. Bob Chief Pavilion Pa
13. Francois Pierrie "Chief Shuswap tribe, Shuswap Band"
14. Scotty "Chief Thompson tribe, Ashcroft B.C."
15. Clement Arnus "Chief Shuswap tribe, Little Lake B.C."
16. Jimmy "Chief Shuswap tribe Clinton Band"
17. Joe "Chief Shuswap tribe, Louis High Bar Band"
- Chief Chilcote Band
- Stoney Creek Band

Waskiey Ex Chief Th  
Christopher (His Mark) Ch  
Basil David "Chief Shusw  
Charlie Stiking (by Request)  
Eli Larose (Signed) Ch  
Willie Juler "Delegate Dead  
Charlie Spent Lam (His P  
Billie Luklukpighen "Chi

Jim Paid "Chief Thompson  
Charlie Kanaka Chief Th  
Shooter "Chief Thompson  
Billie Nakeltze "Chief Tho  
Baptiste Chisnut "Chief C  
John Naamcheen "Chief  
PIERRE for Chief John "of ashnota  
Francis Pakelpitsa "R

John Kolaghamt "Delegate  
Jonah Alexis Skuis "Dele  
Paul David "Chief Tobacco  
John Whistamntoa "Chief  
John Chelahita "Chief Don  
James Ruita "Chief Chahouest



1. Tribe, Cornwall's Band  
2. Shuswap Tribe Camier Lake Band  
3. Bonaparte Band  
4. Ahlton Tribe  
5. Shuswap Tribe, Kamloop Band  
6. Creek Shuswap Tribe  
7. Chief Thompson: Tr.  
8. Lytton Band  
9. Thompson Tribe Petit Creek Band  
10. Spuzzum Band  
11. Son Tribe Kanaka Band.  
12. Nicola Lake Band.  
13. Tribe Thompson Band  
14. Saye Tribe Nkanp Band  
15. Ilkameen  
16. Similkameen  
17. Representative Penticton Band  
18. Okanagan Tribe  
19. Band, Thompson Tribe  
20. Similkameen  
21. Kootenay Tr.  
22. Band Thompson  
23. Bridge Band, Kootenay  
24. Lake Band Okanagan  
25. Lillooet Band,  
26. Lillooet

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Thomas Adolph "Chief"  
Jean Baptiste "Cayese"  
Peter "Chief"  
Major "Chief"  
Ekwopenom "Chief"

J. A. Teit, Witness to



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[To Superintendent General of Indian Affairs, Ottawa

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We are informed of the words contained in the Order-in-Council 19th June 1915, and regret very much that the Government has reached the decision stated in that order-in-Council.

We again state that we are unwilling to agree to the terms and conditions [proposed] in seeking to secure that the land question should thereby be brought at the earliest possible date before the Judicial Committee of His Majesty's Privy Council.

We declare that until the issues which have been presented to His Majesty's Privy Council in the Nishga Petition shall have been decided we shall not be pressed to reach any decision regarding such findings as shall be made by [?] Royal Commission on Indian Affairs. We therefore respectfully ask that pursuance of what was said by the Prime Minister of Canada in March, 1913, viz., that

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by the Government in the Order in Council of 20th June, 1914, although we now understand the Government will not ask us to agree to the findings of the Royal Commission before those findings are known to us.

We again state that we are willing to agree to the proposals presented to this [?] on 3rd February, 1913, by the Nishgas.

We declare that we stand with the Nishga tribe in the petition which that tribe has presented to his Majesty's Privy Council, recognizing it as a test case for all Indian tribes of British Columbia. In view of the decision of the Government stated in the Order-in-Council of 19th June, 1910, we resolve to unite with the Nishgas

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that it would be open to the Government to hold over all actual deals with the reserves until the rights of the Indians should have been judicially determined -- the

Government hold over dealing with the first of the Royal  
Commissions until our rights shall have been decided.

Singned (sic) at Spence's Bridge, B.C., this seventeenth day  
of March, 1916

(5 pages of signatures)