

To the Honorable District,
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 of 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 Michigan 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 Colo-
mbia 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
Nishga
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by the Government in the Order
in Council of 20th 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 3rd 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 Colonies.

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

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 judi-
cially determined - the
Government hold over
dealing with the funds
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 Tedlanita (Signed) Chief of
Band, Thompson's
Charlie Allison " Hedley,
Alexander Tedlanita " (His Mark) Her. Ho.
Harry Stewart (Signed) Okanagan
Chief, Chill.
5. August Andrew " Delegate
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6. James George "Delegate Chief"
7. Andrew Philips "Chief Shuswap"
8. John Leon "Chief, Chehalis"
9. Antoine Taghelyst (His Majesty) Chief - Shuswap
10. Baptiste William "Chief Shuswap tribe, Williams Lake"
11. Louis "Chief Shuswap Canoe Creek Band"
12. Bob Chief Pavilion Band
13. Francois Pierrice "Chief Shuswap tribe, Shuswap Band"
14. Scotty "Chief Thompson tribe, Ashcroft B.C."
15. Clement Arnus "Chief Shuswap tribe, Little Lake"
16. Jimmy "Chief Shuswap tribe Clinton Band"
17. Joe "Chief Shuswap tribe, Louis High Bar Band"
- Chief Chilosten Tribe
- Stoney Creek Band

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Jim Paid " Chief Thompson
Charlie Kanaka Chief Th
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Billie Nakeltze " Chief Th
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Paul David " Chief Tobacco
John Whistamntoa " Chief
John Chelahitza Chief Don
James R... .. Request

1. Tribe, Cornwall's Band
2. Muswaf Tribe Camin Lake Band
3. Bonaparte Band
4. Ahlton Tribe
5. Muswaf 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 Kwantz Band
15. Similkameen
16. Similkameen
17. Representative Penticton Band
18. Okanagan Tribe
19. Band, Thompson Tribe
20. Similkameen
21. ^{Kootenay Tr.} ~~Thompson~~ Band
22. Bridge Band, Kootenay
23. Lake Band Okanagan
24. Lillooet Band,
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Thomas Adolph "Chief"
Jean Baptiste "Cayuse"
Peter "Chief"
Major "Chief"
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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 pursuant to 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.

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

(5 pages of signatures)