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DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS [stamp]

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Vernon, B.C.

File 59,335-1A

April 12, 1918

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Sir,

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of April 7th, file 59,335-1A, with reference to report extant among the Indians that the Government wanted the Chiefs to come to Ottawa at the end of this month in order to settle the Indian questions of British Columbia. I am taking immediate steps to warn all the Chiefs in my Inspectorate that no such intimation had been given and that they are not to proceed to Ottawa, as no purpose will be served by their doing so.

I was told by an Indian who attended the meeting at Spence's Bridge that Johnny Chillihicha, of Douglas Lake, Basil of Bonaparte and three other Chiefs were to go to Ottawa after the 10th of April. If they should have started immediately after the 10th it will now be too late to stop them; but in any case I will see that they all get warning immediately.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

A Mcgraw [signature]

Inspector of Indian Agencies.

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Department of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa