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811 17th Street, S.E. Washington, D.C. March 21. 4939

Hon. Usher L. Burdick House Office Bldg. Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Burdick:

Your Bill H.R. 794 confering jurisdiction on the Court of Claims to hear and determine the claims of the Indians. Would you consider amending your Bill by strikeing out the word communal and insert the words class or group; and on page 2, line 5 strike out the word, of, and insert the word, or, and on page 7, line 15 after the word sode.

Provided that this shall not apply to classes or groups. Provided further that contracts with any class of group shall be subjected to the approval of the Secretary of Interior.

Your Bill is good, wholesome Legislation, but there is so many Indians that have no Communal Relation or Status and are treated as individuals, that should be given equal opportunity to have their claims considered and determined.

Thanking you in advance, I remain

Respectfully yours

### Arnold