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May 5, 1955

Mr. Martin Cross
Chairman, Tribal Council
Fort Berthold Reservation
New Town, North Dakota

Dear Martin:

I have letters from members of the tribe who complain that their children have been denied enrollment into the tribe although they are eligible. I wired Mr. Shane for a report on the situation, and enclose a copy of his letter.

It seems to me that these children are entitled to enrollment if they are eligible, and if there are any petty grievances or personal enmities which are holding it up, I would appreciate it if you would look into it and see what can be done.

Sincerely yours,

Usher L. Burdick, M.C.