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February 14, 1951

Hon. Oscar Chapman Secretary Department of the Interior Washington 25, D. C.

My dear Secretary Chapman:

Mr. James Black Dog of Elbowoods, North Dakota, was in to see me recently, and showed me a copy of the resolution recently adopted by the people of the Fort Berthold Reservation at Elbowoods, North Dakota, which read as follows:

"We the undersigned people of the Fort Berthold Reservation hereby demand an audit of all monies collected and spent belonging to the three affiliated tribes on the Fort Berthold Reservation per special funds listed below, Revolving Credit Fund, Short term loans, Emergency Loan, Housing projects, Ferry Boat, Sawmill, Game and Fist permits, Coal Royalties, Post Permits, Sales Tax 2%, Grain and Stock, Test well Project, Educational Loans, Grazing & Farming permits, Court Fees, Interest on Loans 4%, \$500.00 Loan 3%, Tribal Debts, Tribal Expenses, Wild Fruit, Tribal Lots——Since 1910"

Mr. Black Dog would also like to know what has happened to the interest on the money received from the land sold to the Government in connection with the construction of the Garrison Dam.

This is referred to you for your attention and any information you may be able to give will be appreciated.

With kind regards, I am

Sincerely,