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May 15, 1951.

Hon. John B. Hart,
Executive Director,
North Dakota Indian Commission,
Rolla, North Dakota.

Dear Mr. Hart:

We have received a letter from Barney Piesik concerning one of his clients, Mr. Martin Levings, of the Fort Berthold reservation. Mr. Levings purchased some property from Mr. Piesik last year and while he likes the place very much, there is a great deal of repair work at the present time. I understand he particularly needs a new well and there are also some repairs which must be made on the home.

Mr. Levings, as I understand, has approximately \$8,000 in his account at Elbowoods and would like to use at least part of this money to make the necessary improvements on his farm. He would like to receive his share of inundated funds paid by the Government. He still has one thousand acres of inherited land but would like his rights to that land protected.

Would you be so good as to check into this situation for me at your earliest convenience and advise whether it will be possible for Mr. Levings to receive an amount which he has requested so that he will be able to make the improvements this summer?

With kind regards and every good wish to you, I

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Sincerely,

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