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Dept. of Indian Affairs,
Ottawa, 22nd August, 1901.

Memorandum:-

When I had concluded paying the Indians of Biscotasing their annuity Chief Louis Espaignol made a speech referring, among other matters, to a claim which, he stated, had previously been brought before the Department of the Indians residing North of the Height of Land to receive annuity money. Chief Espaignol stated that when the Treaty was made in 1850 these Indians had been promised that they would receive the same consideration as those South of the Height of Land.

The records do not show that any negotiations were held with the Indians referred to, but it is evident that they are now anxious to enter into Treaty with the Government.

Chief Espaignol stated that he was acting on behalf of the Indians concerned in bringing the matter before the Department, and he asked that a reply setting forth the intention of the Government towards those Indians be sent to him care of J. E. T. Armstrong, H. B. Co., Biscotasing, in order that he may be in a position to convey the same to them at the earliest opportunity.

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