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ITEM 147

MEMORANDUM

DEPARTMENT OF MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS

FROM: A. M. Morrison,
Deputy Minister

OUR FILE NO.:

YOUR FILE NO.:

TO: Honourable F. C. Colborne,
Minister of Municipal Affairs,
Room 224, Legislative Building

DATE: December 31, 1969

With respect to attached correspondence I would advise that the Housing Corporation will institute a survey of housing needs in Janvier, Ft. McKay, Chard and Conklin, early in January and if the Legislature approves our estimates we will be able to provide for up-grading of housing in these hamlets in the spring. Pressure of other duties has forced the Corporation to postpone this much needed study until next month.

With regard to provision of electric power, I am advised that power is now available, but the Motis houses have not yet been individually wired. The electrical contractor from Bonnyville is expected in Janvier early in the New Year to begin house wiring.


DEPUTY MINISTER

c.c.: Mr. B. R. Orysluk,
Executive Director,
The Alberta Housing & Urban Renewal Corporation

Mr. G. J. Armstrong,
Co-ordinator,
1721 Centennial Building

Mr. A. R. Ishister,
Director of Field Service

Ca.

be very interested in receiving any answers, or hints or getting these answers that you may have. I imagine you also have several questions or problems that have to be solved, and I would appreciate hearing these so we may consider them where they apply at the initial stage.

Pat

Mr. G. J. Armstrong, Administrator
Community Development Branch

Mr. J. E. Oberholtzer, Director
Human Resources Development Authority

January 28, 1969

Attached is a copy of a memorandum from Noel Dant,
Provincial Planning Director dated November 26, 1968 regard-
ing the Fort MacKay area.

Would you please give direction as the questions
raised require policy decisions by The Human Resources Develop-
ment Authority.

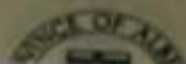


G. J. Armstrong
Administrator

mr/lo
Encl.

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St. Mary



P.H.
St. Mary is interested in hauling water
for St. Mary.

He would like to know location on
St. Mary.

489-8661

920-152 St. Mary.

Make photo-copy of memo Nov 26/68.
Forward to Oshkosh with covering memo.
Asking for direction as the questions
raised require policy discussion by H.R.D.A.
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(for) Provincial Planning Director

KMB:AT



St. McKay

ITEM

A. Stewart, Minister,
Ministry of Industry and Commerce

OUR FILE NO.
YOUR FILE NO.

TO: Mr. G. J. Armstrong,
Director of **COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BRANCH**
1413 Commercial Building

DATE: October 9, 1968

S. J. Sinclair,
Community Development Officer,
P.O. Box 682,
Hinton, Alberta.

Mr. Clive Linklater,
Community Development Officer,
P.O. Box 1067,
Fort McMurray, Alberta.

November 8, 1968

Re: Fort McKay Labour Force.

I am interested in one statement that was made the last morning I was with you in Mr. McKay's office (the personnel manager). He stated that when they do cut down their crews to permanent crews, they would need about sixty men on the labour force year around. Yet he did not promise how many he could keep from Fort McKay. It would be interesting to know, if by any chance, would they give that out on a contract basis - so that you people could supply the men on all labour jobs, even if it was on a revolving basis on the start till some of the poor ones were weeded out. Men could be supplied from Fort McKay, Fort McMurray, Anzac, Fort Chipewyan, Chard, etc. If it was taken on a contract basis, this could eliminate the union red tape and still draw their high rate of pay. It sounds too good to be true but a dream should be checked out regardless how hopeless it looks. So maybe on your next visit, test them out and see what he says. After all, he says he is interested in Indians. Let me know if anything sounds interesting.

OCT 10 1968

Sam Sinclair.

SJS:dc

cc: Mr. G. J. Armstrong,
Administrator.

copy to Mr. [unclear]
Mr. [unclear]

St. McKay

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MEMORANDUM

OUR FILE NO. ✓

OUR FILE NO.:

YOUR FILE NO. ✓

FROM: A. Russell Patrick,
Minister of Industry and Tourism

TO: Mr. G. J. Armstrong,
Director of Community Development,
1515 Centennial Building

DATE: October 9, 1968

I have been asked by the Provincial Planning Director to prepare a basic subdivision design at Fort McKay. We have had aerial photography flown and a contour map prepared of the area covering basically the inhabited area. It is Executive Council's decision to have Mr. G. W. Fyfe of our department accompany the federal government official on a visit to McKay Village. This will meet the requests brought forward by Honourable Mr. Speaker, Mr. J. E. Oberholtzer and Mr. Morrison. I shall look forward to his report.

(1) What have the people of Fort McKay been informed, and by what level of Government, (i.e.) Ministers or Deputies, officers, etc., so we may know the objectives, and the terms of reference which our

A. R. PATRICK

cc: NFWP

(2) The Policy on Development at Fort McKay - would a basically Metis-Indian settlement attract other Metis or Indians who may want to locate there? This will affect the population and consequently any subdivision design size of a subdivision, schools, and commercial development in the area.

(3) What type of housing will be provided? Will services such as sewer and water be installed? Dependent on services provided vary with the amount of services provided and the economical provision of services is based partly on lot sizes. With the advent of the further development of the oil sands at some future date north, south, east and west of the McKay settlement, there may well be a demand for a town to be developed probably within 10 to 15 miles of Fort McKay. Permanent housing services provided now at Fort McKay will support the development of this townsite at Fort McKay which may not be the best place for this town. We should have a policy now, before any plans are prepared for circulation. Should this be a "Planned Non-Permanent Community"? In other words, would the housing units provided should be portable, and have less than 1000 sq. ft. per family.

OCT 10 1968

(4) The needs and wishes of the people should be heard and interpreted



MEMORANDUM

DEPARTMENT OF MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS

FROM: Noel Dant
Provincial Planning Director

OUR FILE NO. ✓

YOUR FILE NO.

TO: Mr. Gordon Armstrong
Administrator of Community Development Branch
Department of Industry and Tourism

DATE: November 26, 1968

I have been asked by the Provincial Planning Director to prepare a basic subdivision design at Fort McKay. We have had aerial photography flown and a contour map prepared of the area covering basically the inhabited area of Fort McKay. We have prepared a basic layout for subdivision based on - the school remaining in its present location initially; limited or no servicing of the lots with water and sewer; a fixed demand for approximately 60 lots.

Several problems must be answered before any effective or acceptable plan could be finalized or circulated. Some are mentioned in the attached report, but further to this I think we need to know:

- (1) What have the people of Fort McKay been informed or promised, and by what level of Government, (i.e.) Executive Council, Ministers or Deputies, officers, etc., so we may establish priorities, objectives, and the terms of reference which our work has to satisfy.
- (2) The Policy on Development at Fort McKay - would a basically Metis-Indian settlement attract other Metis or Indians who may want to locate there? This will affect the population and conversely any ultimate design size of a subdivision, schools, and commercial development in the area.
- (3) What type of housing will be provided? Will services such as sewer and water be installed? Regulations on minimum lot sizes vary with the amount of services provided and the economical provision of services is based partly on lot sizes. With the advent of the further development of the oil sands at some future date; north, south, east and west of the McKay settlement, there may well be a demand for a town to be developed probably within 10 to 15 miles of Fort McKay. Any permanent housing or servicing provided now at Fort McKay will exhort the development of this townsite at Fort McKay which may not be the best place for this town. We should have a policy now, before any plans are prepared for circulation. Should this be a "Planned Non-Permanent Community"? In other words, perhaps new housing units provided should be portable, and land tenure be lease rather than fee simple.
- (4) The needs and wishes of the people should be heard and interpreted before any plan is prepared so that the first approximation may be closer to the final plan, without causing unnecessary friction.

These are only a few of the many problems to be solved. I would be very interested in receiving any answers, or means of getting these answers that you may have. I imagine you also have several questions or problems that have to be solved, and I would appreciate hearing these so we may consider them where they apply at the initial stage.

R. H. Botham
(for) Provincial Planning Director



MEMORANDUM

OUR FILE NO.: I.D. 143

FROM: R. H. Botham,
Planning Branch.

YOUR FILE NO.: ✓

TO: FILE

DATE: November 13th, 1968.

RE: Fort McKay.

During the week of November 4, 1968, I made a field trip to Fort McKay to check out tentative subdivision designs, and ground conditions. I surveyed a portion of the road in the proposed first stage of subdivision and made several auger soil tests. I walked through the various areas and visually inspected the ground, tree cover, and terrain of the various areas.

All the soil tests I made were in pure sand - I found no trace of any clays. There is some thin sandstone layers at 3 to 4 feet, and some hard tar sands layers at 3 to 4 feet at various points. The basement of the Hudson's Bay sits on tar sand (approx. 6'). When forestry built their radio tower, tar sands were encountered at 3' and they were still in the formation at 6'; their garbage pit hit tar sand at 4'. This is the major problem to building construction as I see it, because any basement put into the tar sands will have to be drained as there is no water penetration into this formation. The apparent muskeg areas are underlain with sand. They are not true muskegs, or permafrost, and so it is a bending or folding in the tar sands formation. I am of the opinion that ditching through these dikes would be quite feasible and would eliminate any sub-surface water problems.

There are limestone outcroppings on the West bank of the McKay River, but none obvious on the East. The land drops steadily to the Athabasca River and therefore, I would assume the McKay River lies on a fault line because it cuts through the natural runoff pattern.

Since I was at Fort McKay in October 1967, some changes have taken place. The R. C. Church has built a new Church, and moved their rectory onto a permanent base. Mr. Nuthall has taken all the trees

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I advised Mrs. [unclear] of this by phone, and told her. Mr. [unclear] could ask us to write to him. I did not want to write all that out of me. I would like to see the [unclear] of the [unclear] from [unclear].

off a portion of his lease and built the basement of a house. [His mortgage was turned down by the Industrial Development Bank on the advice received from this office that the future of Fort McKay was uncertain. We should follow this up as soon as we have come to any conclusions.] Northland Utilities installed their power poles the week of my visit, but not the wires. They have a lease for their generator on Lot 8 West of the road.

In 1953 a forest fire burned over all the area I investigated and as a result there are very few trees of any size. They are mainly poplar, spruce and pine, with some clumps of alder willow and birch.

I would say that site development with heavy equipment, any area could be made suitable for the development of a subdivision including the present location of the majority of buildings. I think we must have a set of standards and priorities before we can finalize any design. We have to know (1) the future of the school on the present site; (2) what type of water system - well, piped to standpipe, or serviced lots? (3) sewage lagoons would be difficult to build in sand, as well as water reservoirs without special consideration; (4) the type of housing to be provided; (5) the amount of people to plan for; (6) will the development of the Syncrude plant at Mildred Lake place a demand on school and commercial facilities, as well as the type; (7) would there be a demand for a trailer court complex during construction which should be separated from our design because of sociological conditions? (8) is there any economical potential for the area other than human resources? (9) are community development planning any co-operative ventures here?

These questions have to be answered and priorities established as to what is wanted vs. economics before we can complete our design or recommendations in the area.

R.H. Bastian

Planning Officer

RHB:ad



J.E. Oberholtzer,
Director, H.R.D. Authority,
228, Legislative Building.

Mr. N. F. W. Picard,
Chairman & Managing Director,
Alberta Commercial Corporation,
Dept. of Industry & Tourism,
#1810 CENTENNIAL BUILDING.

November 29, 1968 ✓

Re: Fort McKay Housing Repairs

Further to our telephone conversation, this memorandum will serve as your authority to pay the charges for materials for Fort McKay housing repairs on behalf of the Human Resources Development Authority.

It is our understanding that you will then, in turn, make a claim on the Human Resources Authority for the total amount of the expenditures on this project, and Human Resources Authority will then recompense the Alberta Commercial Corporation.

J. E. Oberholtzer,
Director, - H.R.D. Authority.

cc: Hon. H. E. Strom
Hon. A. R. Patrick
✓ Mr. G. J. Armstrong
Mr. W. H. MacDonald
Mr. G. Fyfe

A. M.

THE ALBERTA HOUSING AND URBAN RENEWAL CORPORATION



Ph. 429-6395

REPLY TO:
B. R. Orysiuk
 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
 THE ALBERTA HOUSING AND URBAN RENEWAL CORPORATION
 MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS BUILDING - 10363 - 108 STREET
 EDMONTON, ALBERTA

REFER TO FILE No.

Development Division
 YOUR FILE No.

Yours very truly,

November 18th, 1968.

G. W. Fyle
 G. W. Fyle,
 Senior Housing Officer,
 Northern Region.

Mrs. Mary Tourangeau,
 FORT MCKAY, Alberta.

Dear Mrs. Tourangeau:

This will acknowledge receipt of the signed Bills of Lading for materials delivered to the Metis families on the attached list sent to us under cover of your letter dated 11th of September 1968.

According to notes on the Bills of Lading, the following materials were not received:-

- 1) Ed Tourangeau - 30 pieces 2" x 4" x 16'
- 2) Modest Powder - 10 sheets of plywood
- 3) Henry Shott - 80 pieces 1" x 8" x 16' shiplap
- 4) Ernie Lacorde - Lino for a 20' x 20' house

A review of your list does not include these items and therefore were not ordered. However, Mr. J. E. Oberholtzer, Director, Human Resources Development, has authorized that we proceed to have these materials ordered and forwarded to the individuals at Fort McKay.

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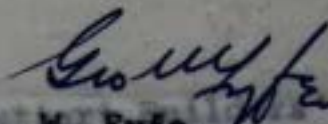
A/n
 Machinery Powder

40 sheets plywood, 1/2 inch
 8 rolls roofing

By ordering these further materials, it must be understood that we have now completed our commitment to assist the Metis families in Fort McKay in accordance with your request and consequently, no further materials will be available under the moneys allocated to assist the Metis families in Fort McKay carry out various forms of improvement of their homes.

When the above noted materials are received, would you be good enough to have them signed and returned to this office so that payment may be made to the suppliers.

Yours very truly,



G. W. Pyfe,
Senior Housing Officer,
Northern Region.

GWF/ao

- c.c: Mr. G. A. Armstrong, Director, Community Development. ✓
 : Mr. C. Linklater, Community Development Officer,
 Port McMurray.
 : Mr. F. Orr, Fort McKay.
 : Mr. N. F. W. Picard, Managing Director, Alberta Commercial Corporation.



40 sheets plywood, 1 inch
 2 rolls roofing
 2 rolls tar paper
 1100 lbs 22' x 12' boards
 #10, 1 inch finishing nails
 3 bags cement
 2 x 6, 16 footers, 10 pieces
 2 x 4, 16 footers, 10 pieces

THE ALBERTA HOUSING AND URBAN RENEWAL CORPORATION

Corporation and the payment of the bills rendered. The enclosed receipts bills of lading may be used to expedite payment of the account to Muttart Builders' Supplies on receipt of the invoices.

REPLY TO:

B. R. Orysiuk
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

THE ALBERTA HOUSING AND URBAN RENEWAL CORPORATION
MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS BUILDING - 10363 - 108 STREET
EDMONTON, ALBERTA



Ph. 429-6395

REFER TO FILE NO.

Development Division
YOUR FILE NO.

November 15th, 1968.

SWT/ao

Inc...

Mr. N. F. W. Picard,
Managing Director,
Alberta Commercial Corporation,
1810 Centennial Building,
EDMONTON, Alberta.

Dear Mr. Picard:

Re: Fort McKay

The enclosed bills of lading from Muttart Builders' Supplies Edmonton, for materials supplied to individuals shown on the attached list were returned to this office by Mr. Leo Jantzi, Housing Representative, on his return from Fort McKay last week. Receipt of the materials listed has been acknowledged by Mrs. Mary Tourangeau, a member of the Housing Committee at Fort McKay.

It is our understanding that Muttart Builders' Supplies would be forwarding the invoices covering these bills of lading to either Mr. J. E. Oberholtzer, Director of Human Resources Development, or to Mr. G. Armstrong, Director of Community Development. However, it is our understanding that the Alberta Commercial

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40 sheets plywood, 1/4 inch
8 rolls roofing
2 rolls tar paper

6 rolls of roofing
4 building paper
linoleum for 14x18 foot

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Corporation will be paying the invoices when rendered. Therefore, the enclosed receipted bills of lading may be used to expedite payment of the account to Nuttall Builders' Supplies on receipt of the proper invoices.

Yours very truly,

G. W. Fyfe
G. W. Fyfe,
Senior Housing Officer,
Northern Region.

GWF/ao

Enc...

c.c: Mr. J. E. Oberholtzer, Director of Human Resources Development.
: Mr. G. Armstrong, Director of Community Development. ✓

1 bag cement
1 bag lime

(5) Alex Bonchuk

40 sheets plywood, 1 inch
insulation for 22' x 16' house
1 gallon paint
lime tiles for 22' x 16' house
5 rolls roofing
27 finishing nails, 1 inch

(7) Zachary Fowler

40 sheets plywood, 1 inch
8 rolls roofing
2 rolls tar paper
lime for 20' x 20' house
15, 1 inch finishing nails
3 bags cement
2 x 6, 12 footers, 10 pieces
2 x 6, 12 footers, 10 pieces

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McKAY

MR. G. ARMSTRONG

28 OCTOBER 68

From Ft McKay -
 Walter Ponder
 Note reads as follows:
 6 rolls of roofing
 4 building paper
 linoleum for 14x18 foot
 3 gallons paint (color not specified)
 40 sheets of plywood
 6 nails
 They didn't find any house

13' house
 13' house

house

Given to me by Clive,
 Oct 25/68

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1 bag cement
 1 bag lime

(6) Alex Boucher

40 sheets plywood, $\frac{1}{2}$ inch
 insulations for 23' x 16' house
 4 gallons paint
 lino tiles for 23' x 16' house
 5 rolls roofing
 #7 finishing nails, $\frac{1}{2}$ inch

(7) Zachary Powder

40 sheets plywood, $\frac{1}{2}$ inch
 8 rolls roofing
 2 rolls tar paper
 lino for 20' x 20' house
 #15, 1 inch finishing nails
 3 bags cement
 2 x 6, 16 footers, 10 pieces
 2 x 4, 16 footers, 10 pieces

MR G. ARMSTRONG.

28 OCTOBER 68.

- (1) Ernie Lacorde
3 windows, size 28" x 36 1/2"
3 rolls building paper
5 rolls roofing
10 sheets plywood for flooring
1 bag lime
- (2) Richard Loutitte
ship lapps for roofing for 13' x 13' house
ship lapps for flooring for 13' x 13' house
2 rolls wall paper
1 bag lime
- (3) Henry Shott
plywood for flooring for 20' x 18' house
lino " " " " " "
2 rolls tar paper
4 rolls building paper
12 pieces 2 x 6, 16' footers
1 bag lime
1 bag cement
2 sheets plywood for door
- (4) Alex McDonald
5 rolls roofing
13' x 24' lino
2 - 25" x 28" windows
- (5) Ian Faichney
4 rolls roofing
insulations for 14' x 14' house
plywood for flooring 14' x 14' house
2 rolls building paper
1 bag cement
1 bag lime
- (6) Alex Boucher
40 sheets plywood, 1/2 inch
insulations for 23' x 16' house
4 gallons paint
lino tiles for 23' x 16' house
5 rolls roofing
#7 finishing nails, 1/2 inch
- (7) Zachary Powder
40 sheets plywood, 1/2 inch
8 rolls roofing
3 rolls tar paper
lino for 20' x 20' house
#15, 1 inch finishing nails
3 bags cement
2 x 6, 16 footers, 10 pieces
2 x 4, 16 footers, 10 pieces

Cement Powder

3 rolls roofing
2 rolls building paper
lino for 14' x 12' house

(9) Basil McDonald

10 sheets plywood for flooring
1 bag lime
1 bag cement

(10) Edward Tourangeau

1 bag cement
1 bag lime
6 sheets plywood
15 pieces ship lapp, 16 footers
lino for 20' x 16' house
3 rolls roofing
2 gallons paint

(11) Freddie Boucher

40 sheets plywood
2 x 4, 20 pieces, 16 foot
2 gallons house paint
1 door
4 rolls roofing
3 rolls sheeting

(12) General

1 roll polythene

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ALBERTA COMMERCIAL CORPORATION

H. F. W. Picard,
Managing Director, Advisor,
Alberta Commercial Corporation.

Hon. A. R. Patrick, Minister,
Dept. of Industry & Tourism,
Alberta Commercial Corporation.

October 18, 1968, 1968

Re: Fort McKay

Further to our recent discussion concerning this matter, Mr. G. W. Fyfe, presently a member of the staff of this Corporation, visited Fort McKay on October 15, 1968, in company with Mr. Audibert of the Indian Affairs Branch and Mr. Linkletter, a Community Development Officer. I enclose a copy of Mr. Fyfe's report.

Mr. Clive Linkletter, Community Development Officer, Indian Affairs Branch, St. Paul, Alberta, has indicated that the Indian Affairs people have apparently ordered the material for their part of the scheme and it is my understanding that the Human Resources Development Authority is prepared to finance our Provincial Government's portion of the undertaking using our administration. In such circumstances we will be most happy to serve this venture as we did "Operation Beaver", or in any similar way, upon your written instruction.

It is my opinion that this is a most worthwhile project. I have informed the Housing Committee and to report back to Government my findings. Then, should Government decide to assist them, we would normally provide funds to an organization or an organized group who would agree to the distribution of the materials. This question was their decision. Government wish to assist them, then they asked that the Government order the materials and forward them to the Housing Committee of the Province. Distribution of these materials would be the responsibility of the Housing Committee of the Province. Orr (trea) Mr. A. Tourangeau (not)

HFWP:an
Enc.
cc: Mr. J. E. Oberholtzer
Mr. G. J. Armstrong
Mr. G. W. Fyfe

An appraisal of the housing conditions indicate that these immediate needs as determined should be met by making available the sum of purchase of materials for these families.



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MEMORANDUM ALBERTA COMMERCIAL CORPORATION

OUR FILE NO.

YOUR FILE NO.

FROM: G. W. Pyfe,
Chief Housing Advisor,
Alberta Commercial Corporation.

TO: Mr. N. F. W. Picard,
Managing Director,
Alberta Commercial Corporation.

DATE: October 17th, 1968.

Re: Port McKay

Mr. J. Audibert, Indian Affairs Branch, St. Paul, Alberta, Mr. Clive Linkletter, Community Development Officer, Port McMurray and myself, travelled to Port McKay on the evening of Tuesday, 15th of October, to meet with the treaty and non-treaty residents with respect to their submission of September 11th, for housing assistance in the form of materials for repair for a number of their families.

Prior to the meeting, I established that Indian Affairs Branch had proceeded to order a list of materials for treaty Indian families and that these materials were expected to arrive in Port McKay by the end of this month.

At the meeting the list for the non-treaty families was reviewed to ensure that it was complete. This re-check indicated that two families had been left out, one of whom, a Walter Powder with a family of four children was sharing accommodation with another family, and therefore had no house. In this case, it was suggested that a recently abandoned house may be obtained and with use of some new materials made habitable for the winter for the Powder family.

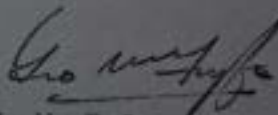
I informed the Metis families that my function was to assess the housing conditions and to report back to Government my findings. Then, should Government decide to assist them, we would normally provide funds to an association or an organized group who would agree to handle the purchasing and distribution of the materials. This question was discussed by the families present and it was their decision that should the Government wish to assist them, then they asked that the Government order the materials and forward them to Port McKay. Distribution of these materials would be looked after by the Housing Committee of Mr. Francis Orr (treaty) and Mr. and Mrs. E. Tourangeau (non-treaty).

An appraisal of the housing conditions at Port McKay indicate that these immediate needs as determined by themselves, should be met by making available the sum of \$2,600.00 for the purchase of materials for these families. Further, since the group

from Fort McKay intend to have a meeting with some senior members of Government on the 23rd of October. I would further recommend that this amount of money be made available to them at that time, on the condition that they purchase the materials themselves and forward the signed invoices to Alberta Commercial Corporation, maintaining therefore, the essence of our previous assistance in a similar case.

Toward the end of the meeting, some concern was indicated by members of the group regarding Dr. Bouvier's statements concerning future housing for the families at Fort McKay. I believe that a statement had been made by the Honourable member mentioning the sum of some \$5,000.00 per unit. I gathered from the group that this approach caused them some anxiety, as most felt this was far too expensive a house for them and they could not afford it. Therefore, it should be concluded that the matter of their desires and needs be the function to be served rather than drawing a dollar figure as an indicator of intention.

The ongoing situation for Fort McKay will demand a determined and intensive study before any decision may be reached that will affect those families living in the settlement.



G. W. Pyfe,
Chief Housing Advisor.

GWF/ao

