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October 14, 1937.

Mr. Roy Nash,

Supt., Sacramento Agency.

Dear Mr. Nash:

This concerns the subject matter of your letter of July 30 and of other correspondence dealing with the matter of incorporating some of the small organized rancherias in your jurisdiction. It is the consensus of opinion in this Office that for administrative and other reasons, it is not desirable to incorporate small groups in your or any other jurisdiction.

Apparently the sole reason for issuing charters to the Wilton and Tuolumne Rancherias is to enable them to obtain loans from the Revolving Credit fund. If this is the principal reason behind the demand for a charter, would it not be possible to meet their credit needs out of reimbursable funds without having them go through the elaborate process of incorporation? Will you inform me on this point?

May I also point out to you the possibility of organizing a number of rancherias under one constitution and charter, provided these rancherias can be administratively found to belong to the same tribe. A second possibility is the organization of a centrally located rancheria which then would proceed to adopt the residents of adjacent rancherias either before or after a charter was issued to the central group. In my opinion, one of these two methods of central organization should be followed in your jurisdiction in the future.

Sincerely yours,

William Zimmerman, Jr.

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Commissioner.

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