

Refer in reply to the following

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Department of the Interior,

OFFICE OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14th, 1881.

J. A. Wilbur, Esq.
U. S. Indian Agent,
Yakama Agency, Fort Simcoe,
Washington, Terr.

Sir:

In answer to your letter of the 21st ultimo, in regard to the conduct of Interpreter Chapman in holding "frequent consultations with the "Pirates" without your knowledge or consent, with a view to conducting them to their old homes, I have to state that it will be necessary in order to counteract the deleterious effects of the representations

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made by this man to the Indians to give them distinctly to understand that he came upon the reservation without any authority or permission from their "Great Father", and that should he again make his appearance there as he has given them to understand, — he will be arrested, and punished to the full extent of the law.

You will also impress upon them the fact that they will not be permitted to return to their old homes, and that they must make up their minds to settle down permanently at Yakama.

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Very respectfully,
A. Rice
Commissioner.

Dec 14th 1881

W Price Commissions

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