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Mr. Stanley R. Yarnall,  
Germantown Friends' School,  
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My dear Mr. Yarnall:

Your letter of January 3rd to Secretary Lane has been referred to me. While I realize complications and possible legal inhibitions in connection with the subject of your letter, I am disposed to give it consideration, and if it is your pleasure will be glad to have you call upon me.

However, I do not want to be understood as giving too much encouragement to your suggestion.

Sincerely yours,

*(Signed) Cate Sells*

Commissioner.

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Dear Mr. Yarnall:

Secretary Lane has received your letter of January 3rd relative to Mexican students attending Carlisle Indian School, and in reply wishes me to say that he has called it to the personal attention of Commissioner Sells.

Cordially yours,

JOS. J. COTTER,

Acting Private Secretary.

Mr. Stanley R. Yarnall,  
Germantown Friends' School,  
Germantown, Philadelphia.

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January 3, 1916.

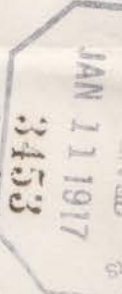
Hon. Franklin K. Lane,  
Secretary of the Interior,  
Washington, D.C.

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Dear Mr. Secretary:

You may remember our correspondence some weeks ago with regard to a plan of admitting Mexican students to Carlisle Indian School. Your last letter on this subject was dated December 14th. In that you state that you see no impropriety in our Committee ascertaining if Mexico would favor this plan as a preliminary step to such legislative action as may be necessary to carry it through.



On Saturday last I met Mr. Bonillas and Mr. Pani in New York City and talked the matter over with them. With Mr. Bonillas I had a long talk but I was somewhat hurried in my conversation with Mr. Pani. They were both, however, much interested and thought there would be no difficulty in securing from the various states of Mexico groups of Indians who could very profitably be trained at Carlisle. Mr. Bonillas was especially interested and hoped the training at Carlisle would not only be of benefit to the Indians themselves who might receive it, provided the plan is carried through, but that Mexican Educators might thus be interested in the whole larger problem of proper institutions to train their people of unmixed Indian blood.

At Mr. Pani's suggestion, I sent identical letters to both Mr. Bonillas and himself explaining the proposition. They promised to bring the matter to the proper authorities in Mexico and let our Committee know their answer. It is Mr. Bonillas's feeling that all financial obligations involved will cheerfully be met by the Mexican Government. I explained to them fully the need of legislation to make the plan operative and mentioned your advice that we first learn the opinion of the Mexican Government before taking any further steps. I hope I was not taking a liberty in mentioning your name at all in the matter.

I am now writing so that you may know the whole situation. Our Committee has not done anything to bring the matter to the attention of the Indian Bureau. They must know of it indirectly through your reference of the proposition to their Legal Department. I shall be glad to arrange for an interview with any one in the Bureau you may suggest, if you think it best for us at this time to consult them, since we particularly need their cooperation and sympathy.

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Hon. Franklin K. Lane - 2.

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Appreciating your interest and advice, I am  
with sincere regard,

Very truly yours,

*Stanley R. Yarnall*  
Chairman of Sub-Committee on  
Governmental Relations.

*Please reply to*

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