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Department of the Interior

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J. A. Russell.

M. J. Indian Agent.

Mesquero Agency, New Mex.

Sir.

I am in receipt of your communication of the 13th ult. requesting that authority be granted for sending some of the Mesqueros to Carlisle or Hampton to be educated, provided you can obtain the consent of the parents to sending their children away from home for that purpose.

In reply you are informed that if you can obtain such consent provision will be made by this Office for recreating

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at Barhile from six to ten boys, provided they are intelligent and absolutely healthy. They must be carefully examined by a competent Physician who will furnish a written certificate as to their soundness of health. The children should, so far as possible, be selected from the leading families in the tribe, especially the chiefs. The expense of bringing the children East, under suitable escort, will be met by this Office.

I hope your efforts in this matter may be successful, for if the chiefs place their children in this school, they will give one of the strongest guarantees of their loyalty and good will to the Gov^t and the white people.

Yours respectfully
 C. G. Camp
 Commissioner.