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Dear Mr. Coady:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of January 6, 1920, with one from Joseph S. Sheehan, an Alaskan Indian, who wishes to buy some land near Baltimore, Maryland.

I have the honor to advise you that Mr. Sheehan took up this matter directly with this Office in October last, when he was told that we had no way to help him. He claims to be an Alaskan Indian and these Indians are under the jurisdiction of the Bureau of Education. We would be glad to help him if it were at all possible to do so.

The letter from your correspondent is returned, and there is also inclosed copy of this letter for your convenience.

Very truly yours,



Assistant Commissioner.

Honorable Charles P. Coady,

House of Representatives.

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
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INTERSTATE AND FOREIGN COMMERCE,  
WASHINGTON, D. C.



6th January 1920.

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Hon. Cato Sells, Commissioner,  
Indian Affairs,  
Department of The Interior,  
Washington, D. C.

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My dear Mr. Sells:

I am enclosing herewith a letter received by me today from Joseph S. Sheehan, who desires to secure a piece of land in Hamilton, Baltimore, Md.

Kindly advise me what reply to make to his letter, and enclose his letter with your answer.

With kindest regards, I am,

Sincerely yours,

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Mr. Joseph S. Sheehan,  
102 Tramore Road,  
Hamilton, Baltimore, Md.

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My dear Mr. Sheehan:

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Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of September 23, 1919, asking that a lot be bought for you in Hamilton, upon which you would give up your rights to an allotment in the West.

There does not seem to be any way in which the Government could buy land for you in or near Baltimore or elsewhere unless it had money held in trust for you, either part of the funds of your tribe or the proceeds of sale of trust lands.

Your letter and former ones do not indicate to what tribe you belong and it is not known whether you are enrolled with any tribe or have received an allotment.

If you have been enrolled, please give the name of your tribe and roll number and the number of your allotment if you have one.

Very truly yours,

*(Signed) C. F. Hauke*

Chief Clerk.

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Hamilton, Baltimore Md  
Sept. 23, 1919

Hon. Com. Cato Sells  
Office of Indian Affairs,  
Dept. of the Interior,  
Washington, D. C.



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Dear Sir:-

as to the allotment which I am interested, I wish to state that I would like to buy a lot in Hamilton 50 ft x 125 ft or 35 ft x 125 ft which would cost at eight hundred and fifteen hundred dollars respectfully. Now I would give up my rights to the allotment in the West if you can make arrangement to buy a lot for me in this city so to build a home for my family. as it is I board and I will never gain nothing by boarding. Now, please Mr. Sells can you help me out on this matter. I want to live in the East instead of West.

I am trying hard to make an honest living in this city and it is known it is hard for an Indian to make a living along side of his White Brother. This is the Indian Country and the Indian do get funds from the Government for their land and I feel that I am entitled to the same as the other Indian are no better than I, and I am on equal basis as they are there fore I am due something from the Government. So I am asking for you to help me out in purchasing a lot and to build a home for my family. Hope you shall be in a position to help me out in my wants. Awaiting your favorable reply. I remain

Yours truly -

Joseph S. Sheehan

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Mr. Joseph S. Sheehan,  
102 Tra More Road,  
Hamilton, Baltimore, Md.

My dear Mr. Sheehan:

This refers to your letter of July 25th in which you say that you will soon visit Washington with a view of taking up your right to an allotment. You ask whether you need a pass to gain access to the Indian Office.

In reply you are advised that a pass is not necessary. The Indian Office is located in the Interior Department Building at the corner of 18th and F Sts., N.W.

Very truly yours,

*J. H. ...*  
Acting Chief Clerk

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Hamilton, Balto. Md.  
Aug 6, 1919

Com. of Indian Affairs  
Dept. of the Interior  
Office of Indian Affairs  
Washington, D. C.

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Dear Sir, - I wrote you a letter on  
25<sup>th</sup> of July and am waiting on  
reply. In regards to the allotment to  
the Indians I wish to state that I shall  
come over sometime in the near  
future and will talk the matter over  
in regards to the allotment and other  
items of interest to me. I wish to  
know if I need a pass to get to  
your office and tell me how to reach  
you. Awaiting your favorable reply  
I remain,

Yours truly,

Joseph S. S. Beehan,  
102 Tramore Road,  
Hamilton, Baltimore, Md.

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MR. JOSEPH S. SHEEHAN,  
102 TRA MORE ROAD,  
HAMILTON, BALTIMORE, MD.

Hamilton, Balt., Md  
July 25, 1919



Mr. J. H. Dorsch  
acting Chief Clerk  
Dept of the Interior  
Office of Indian Affairs  
Washington, D.C.

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Dear Sir:-

Your letter of June 30<sup>th</sup> received on hand some time ago, in regards to the allotment to the Indians I wish to state that I shall come over some time in the near future and we will talk matters over in regard to the allotment and other items of interest to me, so I need a pass to get to your office and how shall I find your office? Awaiting your favorable reply

P.S. - I do not demand  
live on Esay St. Have mine Joseph S. Sheehan

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MR. JOSEPH S. SHEEHAN,  
102 TRA MORE ROAD,  
HAMILTON, BALTIMORE, MD.

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Mr. Joseph Sheehan,  
1757 North Gay St.,  
Baltimore, Md.

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My Friend:

This refers to your letter of June 24th in which you ask to be advised as to the action you should take in order to be properly registered to participate in any fee patents issued to Indians.

In response you are advised that if you have received an allotment the matter of issuing patent in fee should be taken up with the Indian Superintendent having jurisdiction over the land you seek to have patented and if it is shown that you are competent to care for your own affairs, a patent in fee simple will be issued covering your allotment.

Your friend,



Acting Chief Clerk.

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Baltimore, Maryland,

June 24th, 1919.



Commissioner Cato Sells,  
Office of Indian Affairs,  
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
Washington, D. C.

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Dear Sir:

Under date of April 4th, I wrote you stating that I was interested in the Declaration of Policy for the benefit of all Indians, of one half or less Indian blood, and stated that I come within that jurisdiction, and am a former student of the Carlisle Indian School.

Under date of May 22nd, your Chief Clerk, Mr. C. F. Hanke, advised that he was enclosing a copy of this Declaration. I particularly desire that your office advise me what I should do in order to become properly registered to participate in any fee simple patents issued to such Indians. Will you be kind enough to let me have this information as promptly as possible, and I assure you it will be very much appreciated.

Very truly yours,

*Joseph Sheehan*

1757 North Gay Street.