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The Commissioner  
of Indian Affairs,  
Washington, D.C.

Sir:-

I have your letter dated November 15th, but  
do not find enclosed the letter addressed to Lieut. Wm.  
H. Armstrong of Mayaguez, Porto Rico, which is mentioned.

Very respectfully,

*M. Friedman*

Superintendent.

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*Enclosure sent.*

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Moses Friedman, Esq.,

Superintendent Carlisle Indian School,  
Carlisle, Pennsylvania.

Sir:

The inclosed copy of a letter addressed to Lieut.  
Wm. H. Armstrong, U. S. A., of Mayaguez, Porto Rico, is sent  
for your information and such action as the circumstances may  
require.

Very respectfully,

*(Signed) F. H. Abbott,*  
Acting Commissioner.

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Bertha Cassel an applicant to enter  
the Carlisle Indian School.  
from Mayaguez Porto Rico  
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Lieut. Wm. H. Armstrong, U. S. A.,  
Mayaguez, Porto Rico.

Sir:

The Office has received your letter of October 23, in behalf of Bertha Cassel, for whom you ask enrollment in the Carlisle School.

If this child is a Flathead Indian of more than 1/16 blood, she will be eligible for enrollment in the Carlisle School, but transportation could not be paid by the Government to bring her from Porto Rico. If her friends can make up the necessary amount to bring her to New York, her transportation from New York to Carlisle can be arranged for.

Superintendent Friedman will be authorized to receive her under these conditions, provided she is in good health.

Very respectfully,

(Signed) F. H. Abbott,  
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Commissioner of Indian Affairs  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to inclose herewith  
a letter from Mr. Friedman, Supt. of the U. S.  
Indian School which explains my reason for  
writing to you. Bertha Cassel is the daughter  
of an American Indian, Peter Cassel, Flathead tribe,  
Peter was employed here as a scout during the war  
with Spain and is said to have rendered good service  
to our people. He remained here after the American  
troops left and is now simply living in poverty.  
Natives will not give him work because he  
is an American and his small income is  
derived from a canning factory where he is  
employed about five months in the year.

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His ambition is to educate his only child a girl about 14 or 15 years of age. He wishes to get her away from these native associates especially the men and fit her to become a nurse.

The case is a worthy one and I hope it will receive your special attention. Formal application has been made at the catholic school endorsed by the leading Americans here.

Hoping that I may hear from you

I am yours truly

W. H. Armstrong

1<sup>st</sup> Lieut. R. P. Regt. of Infy

U. S. Army

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
UNITED STATES INDIAN SCHOOL,  
CARLISLE, PA.

October 12th, 1909.



Mr. Wm. H. Armstrong,  
1st Lieut., P. R. Regt., U. S. A.,  
Mayaguez, Porto Rico.

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Dear Sir:

I have received the application for the enrolment of Bertha Cassel and the information contained on the same indicates that the girl is eligible for enrolment here. However, because of the expense connected with her transportation to the States, I would not be justified in accepting her as a student without special authority from the Indian Office.

As you are conversant with all the facts in the case, I beg leave to suggest that you present this matter to the Commissioner of Indian Affairs at Washington, D. C. and that you ask for authority to have her received as a student here. Instructions will then be issued me from the Indian Office by which I will be guided.

Yours very respectfully,

*M. Friedman*

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Superintendent.