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Mr. B. C. Gillie
District Superintendent of Schools
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FORT SMITH, N.W.T.

Dear Mr. Gillie:

I have read the material related to your proposed experimental teacher education program for the Northwest Territories, have read also a report made to me by Professors Purvis and Robertson, and have discussed the project with them. I feel, as I have from the beginning, that the project has great merit in that it attempts to prepare teachers who are indigenous to the area and who should understand the problems specific to the territories. While it is too early to talk in terms of specifics in so far as these might relate to The University of Alberta, I am receptive to the ideas discussed with Professors Purvis and Robertson. At the appropriate time, I should be happy to discuss specifics and details with you. You will appreciate that I cannot commit the Faculty and the University. Decisions must be made by the legislative councils of the University. This suggests that following approval from Ottawa and discussions with me, a formal request in rather specific terms will have to be addressed to the Council of the Faculty of Education through the Dean. These matters of procedure we can include in our discussion.

Yours sincerely,

H. T. Coutts, Dean
FACULTY OF EDUCATION

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