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## DEPARTMENT OF MINES AND RESOURCES

## Ottawa, September 14, 1949.

Mr. Sinclair

I think we should ask the advice of the Department of National Health and Welfare about the roaster smoke problem at Yellowknife. I have spoken to Dr. Cameron and he has asked that Mr. Christie discuss the situation with Dr. Ansley.

Dr. Cameron is aware, of course, that Dr. P.E. Moore and his assistants act as medical consultants for the Northwest Territories Administration. He thinks that in this particular instance, as the problem is affecting mining at other places in the Dominion, it might be well to have a special study instituted. When Mr. Christie reports the result of his discussion with Dr. Ansley, I will have a talk with Dr. Moore.

Until we get to the bottom of this matter, I do not think we would be well advised to issue any more agricultural leases.

> (signed) R. A. Gibson, Director.

NOTE:

Discussions held with Dr. Charron, Mr. Menzies and a chemist of that Department on September 24th. Dr. Ansley will forward memo to Mr. Gibson.

(signed) K. J. Christie.