

SOCIÉTÉ DES NATIONS.

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LEAGUE OF NATIONS.

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Dear Sir Eric,

I have the honour to inform you that I received yesterday the visit of Chief Deskaheh, representative of the Six Nations. The principal object of his visit was to show me his credentials, since he felt it would be advisable to establish his position as delegate of the Six Nations as soon as possible.

Naturally, I explained that I was not in a position to examine credentials, but since he had written to Geneva to say he was coming to see me I acceded to his request that I should read the text of the Resolution by which the Council of the Six Nations delegated him to uphold their case in Geneva.

Probably the Chief Deskaheh will have explained his point of view in full in his official letter to you. In case he has not done so, however, I might point out that the Six Nations base their appeal not on Article I of the Covenant but on Article 17, as they are willing to "accept the obligations of membership in the League" for the purposes of their dispute with the Canadian Government.

I was asked for my opinion as to the prospects of their claim, and for my advice as to their future action, but I explained that such requests should

