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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
*Office of Indian Affairs, May 10, 1852.*

**SIR :** Having heretofore requested you to examine carefully the treaties made with the Indians in California, I have now to request that you will submit to me in writing, and with the least possible delay, your views as to the merits of said treaties, and particularly as to the expediency of ratifying or rejecting them.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

L. LEA, *Commissioner.*

E. F. BEALE, Esq.,  
*Superintendent, &c., Present.*

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