

In reply refer to
File 621.14 WHB-TAN.

AMERICAN CONSULAR SERVICE

Bombay, India.

July 1, 1930.

The Vice President,
Himalayan Research Institute,
Naggar, Kulu,
Punjab.

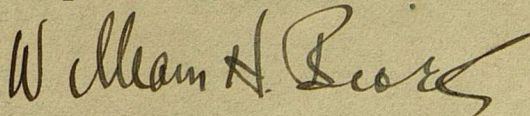
Sir:

I sent you the following telegram on June 30, 1930,
which was in reply to your telegram regarding exemption
from duty of certain instruments to be used in connection
with your institute:

"Bombay Customs unable to exempt.
Advise clearance. Refund possible
after negotiation -- AMERICAN CONSUL".

On taking this matter up with the Bombay Customs,
I was informed that the goods could not be exempted
from duty without negotiating with the Central Board
of Revenue at Simla. In view of the fact that the
demurrage charges are accumulating, I suggested to
Messrs. Cox & Kings (Agents) Ltd., that they advise
you to have the goods cleared for the time being and
that the matter of a refund of duty be taken up with
the Central Government at Simla. I have accordingly
written to the American Consul General at Calcutta
regarding the matter and would suggest that you write
to him, giving full details regarding the instruments,
so that he may take up the matter of a possible refund
of duty with the Central Government at Simla.

Very respectfully yours,



William H. Beach,
American Consul.