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21st November, 1954.

Reverend E. C. Long,
 Director,
 Aborigines Inland Mission of Australia,
 24th Pitt Street,
 SYDNEY, N.S.W.

Reverend Sir,

RETTA DIXON HOME.

Thank you for your letter of November 2nd, advising me that you had suggested to Miss. Shankelton that Mr. Walter be appointed Assistant Superintendent with full power to act in the temporary absence of the Superintendent.

I am not happy about such a step, as I do not consider that Mr. Walter has demonstrated that he is capable of controlling the Home. For this reason, I would suggest that you reconsider your decision.

You will appreciate that this Home is situated within the Bagot Aboriginal Reserve which requires me to give careful thought to the staffing of any organisation exercising control of any persons within the Reserve.

Yours sincerely,



(R. E. McGeffery)

ACTING DIRECTOR OF NATIVE AFFAIRS.

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