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NOTICE

Is hereby given that the settlement made at the junction of Snake and Clearwater rivers is in violation of United States law and cannot be permitted under any circumstances.

The lives of many of our citizens and the immediate prosperity of the country is being greatly endangered by the disregard shown for Indian rights secured by law. The greatest care and circumspection is now required to maintain peaceful relations with the Indians; And all citizens are earnestly requested to co-operate with the United States authorities to secure this end.

Information has been received of persons--passing through the Indian country--telling the Indians there was no government and they should not regard anything said to them by the United States authorities thereby inciting them to rebellion. The assistance of all law abiding citizens is earnestly solicited in ascertaining the names of the offenders that they may be dealt with as the law requires.

"Lapwai" Nez Perce Res.

July 7, 1861

A. J. Cain

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