

Mr. BERNAL. We do not intend to learn their names, because the Forest Service should have an assignment of that personnel to go in there, and maybe have different ones, but we know there were disturbances going on in that area.

Senator ANDERSON. Thus far you haven't illustrated anything that the Forest Service has done to cause you trouble in religious circumstances. Can you name one thing they have done?

Mr. BERNAL. We have our special ceremony conducted in the canyon, and while we were in the midst of conducting the ceremony, a Forest Service vehicle with Forest Service personnel went through there, and we would have to stop this activity, not to attract their attention.

Senator ANDERSON. When did this happen?

Mr. BERNAL. It must be the month of July.

Senator ANDERSON. July which year? This year?

Mr. BERNAL. Last year, 1967.

Senator ANDERSON. 1967.

Mr. BERNAL. Right.

Senator ANDERSON. July of 1967.

Mr. BERNAL. That is right.

Senator ANDERSON. What did they do?

Mr. BERNAL. There were two men in a Forest Service vehicle, and we didn't want to attract their attention, and we have to hide, and they passed on.

Senator ANDERSON. You were hidden, and they passed on. They didn't know you were there at all.

Mr. BERNAL. They didn't pay any attention to us. They passed on.

Senator ANDERSON. Is there a road down there, where the Forest Service might presumably drive?

Mr. BERNAL. The road going through there is used by both the Indians and the Forest Service. The Forest Service should notify the war chief or the tribal authority before they go in at any time.

Senator ANDERSON. There is a magazine called Colorado—Colorful Life in the West, in the fall of 1968, this year, and it talks about, "The 477 million acres of public domain are deemed by the Indians to be their promised land." Four hundred and seventy-seven million acres. Do you think that would be a fair amount of what the Indians would claim?

Mr. SCHAAAB. I didn't understand the question, Senator.

Senator ANDERSON. There is a publication that is almost entirely devoted to the Indian situation, a very good magazine, it is a magazine called Colorado. And in that magazine there is a picture on page 21. It says, "The 477 million acres of public domain are deemed by the Indians to be their promised land." Four hundred and seventy-seven million acres. You wouldn't settle for the possession of that? Will you settle for 477 million acres?

Mr. SCHAAAB. Do you intend the question seriously, or rhetorically, Senator?

Senator ANDERSON. I keep hearing these things about the Sandias, the Cochitis, Santa Claras and others. A bill came in here about the Grand Canyon, that we are going to rededicate that to the Indians, that is H.R. 19072. There are claims all around, all the time, about