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March 24, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR BARBARA MCQUOWN

FROM:

BOB CARLESON *BC*
RICK NEAL *RN*
✓BILL BARR *BB*

SUBJECT: Final Recommendations of Candidates, Presidential Commission on Indian Reservation Economies

A final review of all candidates recommended as of March 18, 1983, has been concluded. Analysis by areas of expertise, geographical spread by residency, tribal affiliation, and Indian political considerations lead to the following recommendations.

The Commission would be composed of five private sector representatives (3 non-Indian business executives and 2 Indian business executives), three tribal government officials, and one economic academician-high government official. A detailed profile of the Commission is attached.

Recommendations
(Excluding Alternates)

PRIVATE SECTOR

TRIBAL GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS

Non-Indian - CEO Level

1. Robert Robertson, Vice Pres.
Occidental International Corp.
2. Robert O. Anderson
Chairman of the Board
Atlantic Richfield Company
3. Edward R. Telling
President and CEO
Sears Roebuck & Company

1. Ross Swimmer, Chief
Cherokee Nation of
Oklahoma
2. Earl Old Person
Chairman
Blackfeet Tribal Business
Council (Montana)
3. Karl Armstrong
Exec. Vice President
Koniag, Inc. (Alaska)

Indian

1. Theodore Bryant, Director
Native American Programs
Deloitte, Haskins & Sells
2. Neal A. McCaleb
President and CEO
McCaleb Associates, Inc.

ECONOMIC ACADEMICIAN
and
HIGH GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL

1. Dr. Manuel Johnson
Assistant Secretary for
Economic Policy
Department of Treasury

Attached are brief background statements on each category of representation and biographical sketches of each individual.

Attachments

Profile

Presidential Commission on Indian Reservation Economies

- I. Five Indians and four non-Indians
- II. Five private sector representatives
 - a) two CEO level (non-Indian)
 - b) one corporate vice president, placed in CEO category because of White House level involvement with Indian affairs under Presidents Nixon and Ford (non-Indian)
 - c) one management and tribal government expert (Indian)
 - d) one small businessman (Indian)
- III. Three tribal government officials
- IV. One economic academician and high federal government official (non-Indian)
- V. Representation from seven states, by residence address
- VI. Representation from five tribes
- VII. Representation from a "traditional reservation," a trust land base, and Native Alaskan corporation

Geographical spread by residency:

<u>First choice candidates</u>	<u>Alternate choices</u>
Virginia	Connecticut
Illinois	Washington
Oklahoma	
Colorado	
California	
Montana	
Alaska	

Geographical spread by tribal affiliation:

<u>First choice candidates</u>	<u>Alternate choices</u>
Blackfeet -- Montana	Mohawk (Iroquois) -- New York
Cherokee -- Oklahoma	Ft. Peck -- Montana
Chickasaw -- Oklahoma	
Choctaw-Cherokee -- Oklahoma	
Native Alaskan -- Alaska	

Combined professional background experience:

<u>First choice candidates</u>	<u>Alternate choices</u>
Engineering (civil)	Engineering (chemical)
Energy resource development	Research management
Agribusiness (ranching)	Timber industry
Retail marketing	Engineering (industrial)
Accountant	High tech industry
Management consultant	
Law	
Banking industry	
Insurance industry	
Housing industry	
Commercial real estate development	
Volunteer program development	
Educator and university trustees	
Journalist/Publishing industry	
State Legislator	

Non-Indian -- CEO Level

Background: CEO level participation is critical to the success of the Commission. An exception has been made only in the recommendation of Robert Robertson, VP of Occidental, because his prior White House level involvement with Indian economic development balances his non-CEO status.

First Choices

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| 1. | Robert Robertson
Vice President
Occidental International
Corporation
Washington, D.C. | Home address:
1535 Dahlia Court
McLean, Virginia 22101 |
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Representative of extractive industry. If Robert O. Anderson of ARCO becomes Commissioner, it will have to be stressed that Robertson is a candidate because of his extensive handling of Indian issues, especially economic development, for Presidents Nixon and Ford, and not because he is associated with an extractive industry. Republican, with strong support of Senator Laxalt.

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| 2. | Robert O. Anderson*
Chairman of the Board
Atlantic Richfield Company
515 South Flower Street
Los Angeles, California 90071 | Home address in WH files. |
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Representative of extractive industry. Indians express opinion that there should be one representative from this sector, but no more than one, as it could be misinterpreted as evidence the Administration is only after Indian resources. Robert Anderson is personally supportive of ARCO's role in assisting Indian tribes. Republican.

*He has been selected for new PSI Commission, but WH Personnel agrees he should be told of two nominations and allowed to make the choice.

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| 3. | Edward R. Telling
President and CEO
Sears Roebuck & Company
Sears Tower
Chicago, Illinois 60684 | Home address:
1658 E. Mission Hills
North Brook, Illinois 60062 |
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Representative of retailing sector. Retail sales expertise is lacking throughout the Indian community. Indian leaders have expressed interests in a CEO from this area to analyze unique problems of reservation economies. Telling is strong Republican; was guest at a WH State dinner last Fall, and is believed to be an Eagle.

Alternate choice

1. George H. Weyerhaeuser
President and CEO
Weyerhaeuser Forest Products
Tacoma, Washington

Representative of extractive industry, but renewable resource area. Weyerhaeuser would be viable as alternate because he sits on boards of the Boeing Company (parent of Boeing Computer Systems) and the Rand Corporation. Indians have expressed interest in high tech industry as one of potential for Indian economies.

Robert Robertson, Vice President
Occidental International Corporation
Washington, D. C.

ROBERT ROBERTSON, currently Vice President of Occidental International Corporation, Washington, D. C., was Executive Director, National Council On Indian Opportunity, Office of the Vice President, 1969-74. NCIO, composed of the Vice President and eight Cabinet officers coordinated matters affecting American Indians and Alaska Natives, with special emphasis on economic development, under Presidents Nixon and Ford. Mr. Robertson played a key role in development of President Nixon's popular Indian Policy Statement. He also served as Assistant to the Secretary of Interior on Congressional and Legislative Affairs, 1974-76. Mr. Robertson served as Executive Vice President, Pet Industry Advisory Council, Washington, D. C., 1978-79, and as Executive Vice President to the National Association of Independent Lumbermen, Washington, D. C., 1976-78.

Prior to joining the Nixon Administration, Mr. Robertson was Executive Administrator for then Governor Paul Laxalt, 1966-69. He was Executive Vice President, Home Builders Association of Northern Nevada, 1958-65; Executive Director, Nevada Citizen's Committee for the Right to Work (while on leave from Home Builders Association), and with the Federal Bureau of Investigation prior to 1965. Mr. Robertson is a graduate of the School of Foreign Service, Georgetown University, Washington, D. C., and John Carroll University, Cleveland, Ohio.

Republican

Robert O. Anderson
Chairman of the Board
Atlantic Richfield Co.
515 South Flower Street
Los Angeles, California 90071

ROBERT O. ANDERSON, Chairman of the Board, Atlantic Richfield Co., Los Angeles, was President of Malco Refineries, Inc. (now Hondo Oil and Gas Co.), from 1941-63. He joined American Mineral Spirits Co., Chicago, immediately after receiving his B.A. from the University of Chicago in 1939. Mr. Anderson is a member of the Committee on Economic Development, National Petroleum Council; Chairman, Aspen Institute for Humanistic Studies; Chairman, Lovelace Foundation, and a Director of the American Petroleum Institute. Additionally, he is a Trustee of the California Institute of Technology, University of Chicago and University of Denver. Mr. Anderson is also a rancher, owning the Diamond A. Cattle Co., Roswell, N. Mex. ARCO has worked actively with the Indian community on natural resource development.

Republican

Edward R. Telling
President and CEO
Sears Roebuck & Company
Sears Tower
Chicago, Illinois 60684

EDWARD R. TELLING, President and CEO of Sears Roebuck & Company since 1978, joined Sears in 1946 as a store manager. He has served the corporation as a zone manager, 1954-1959; manager of New York City area operations, 1960-1964; and top level regional executive positions. He is also a Director of the Allstate Insurance Company, Homart Development Company, Dart and Kraft, Inc., Seraco Enterprises, and Sears International Finance Company. Mr. Telling is a Trustee of the Field Museum of Natural History, Commission for Economic Development and a member of the Business Council. He received an LL.D. in 1978 and Ph.B. in 1942 from Wesleyan University, Illinois.

Republican

George H. Weyerhaeuser, President and CEO
Weyerhaeuser Forest Products
Tacoma, Washington

GEORGE H. WEYERHAEUSER, President and CEO, Weyerhaeuser Forest Products, Tacoma, served as mill foreman and branch manager, 1949-56; Vice President, 1957-62; Executive Vice President, 1962-66, before moving up to head the company in 1966. Weyerhaeuser has had involvement with Indian tribes in connection with the timber industry. He also sits as a Director of other national corporations, including Standard Oil Co. of California; Safeco Insurance Company; Boeing Company, and the Rand Corporation. He holds a B.S. in Industrial Engineering from Yale.

Republican

Indian

Background: Private sector expertise in understanding the impact of tribal government and Indian values on economic development will balance the Commission's perspective. A small business representative is also needed so the Commission will reflect the national business spectrum.

Ted Bryant is President of the American Indian National Republican Federation, a Heritage group within the Republican National Committee. He was active in the 1980 and 1982 elections, and the AIRNF will be active in 1984. It has become increasingly evident in the last few weeks that the Indian Democrat leadership is elevating "termination" scare tactics. Bryant participated actively with the White House in development of the President's Indian Policy Statement and is one of the best versed and most articulate communicators of our policy. Neal McCaleb will also provide a high profile for GOP Indians. He is representative of an Indian Republican candidate for high office (a 1982 gubernatorial candidate).

First Choices

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| <p>1. Ted Bryant
 Director, Native American
 Programs
 Deloitte, Haskins and Sells
 633 17th Street
 Denver, Colorado 80202</p> | <p>Home address:
 5061 S. Beeler
 Greenwood Village, CO 80111</p> |
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Representative of management industries, familiar with tribal government structures, accounting needs, as well as State and Federal governmental structures. Mr. Bryant is also President of the American Indian National Republican Federation, a Heritage Group within the Republican National Committee.

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| <p>2. Neal A. McCaleb
 President and CEO
 McCaleb Associates, Inc.
 1600 S.E. 19th
 Edmond, Okla. 73034</p> | <p>Home address:
 2107 Vance Drive
 Edmond, Okla.</p> |
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Representative of successful small business. Additionally, he has worked with many tribes throughout the West, particularly smaller tribes, on developing public works projects and real estate resources. One of two recommended Commissioners from Oklahoma, his excellent credentials -- professional and political -- should outweigh the double representation from Oklahoma.

Alternate Choices

1. Dr. Arnold T. Anderson, President Home address:
Anderson Research Consultants, Inc. 170 Curtis Road
35 Porter Avenue Middleburg, CT 06762
Naugatuck, Connecticut 06770

Dr. Anderson is well-known national Indian and a top scientist and manager, now semi-retired from the private sector. Republican.

Ted Bryant, Director
Native American Programs
Deloitte, Haskins and Sells
633 17th Street
Denver, Colorado 80202

TED BRYANT, Director of Native American Programs, Deloitte, Haskins and Sells, Denver, since 1977, is President of the National American Indian Republican Federation (Republican National Committee). Mr. Bryant holds a B.A. in Business Administration from the University of Denver. He joined Beech Aircraft as a technical engineer, moving to United Airlines, where he was a flight instructor and Manager of Flight Training for 16 years. Mr. Bryant was a GOP member of the Colorado State Legislature, 1966-71, and ran as a Republican candidate for the U.S. Congress in 1971 (First District, Colo.). He was appointed by President Nixon as Regional Administrator for ACTION, 1971-76, and served as Assistant to the Director, Office of Indian Programs, Region 8, Dept. of HUD, in 1977. Mr. Bryant is currently a member of the National Commission on Alternate Fuels (Dept. of Energy); Chairman of the Board, Native American Urban Transition Program (a non-profit organization), Denver; active in the National Congress of American Indians, and a Life Member of the White Buffalo Council. Mr. Bryant is a Cherokee ^{-Chactaw} from Oklahoma.

Republican

Neal A. McCaleb
President and CEO
McCaleb Associates, Inc.
1600 S.E. 19th
Edmond, Oklahoma 73034

NEAL McCALEB, President and CEO of McCaleb Associates, established his consulting engineering practice in 1961. During the last 15 years, he has advised numerous tribes on design and construction of public works projects (schools, highways and water systems) and development of real estate resources (medical clinics, office buildings and industrial parks). Mr. McCaleb was instrumental in organizing the American Indian Council of Architects and Engineers; was a gubernatorial appointee to the Oklahoma Indian Affairs Commission, 1968-70; a Presidential appointee to the National Council on Indian Opportunity in 1972, and a former member of the Indian Manpower Advisory Board. Mr. McCaleb established Arrowhead Homes, Inc., in 1961; is a past president of the Edmond Chamber of Commerce, and a former member of the Small Business Administration State Advisory Board. He is a member, Board of Directors, Memorial Bank, Oklahoma City. He was Republican candidate for Governor in 1982 and a member of the Oklahoma legislature for four sessions, serving as Republican Floor leader in the House for two sessions. He holds a B.S. in Civil Engineering from Oklahoma State University. He is a member of several professional associations, including the American Society of Civil Engineers and National Association of Home Builders.

Dr. Arnold T. Anderson, President
Anderson Research Consultants, Inc.
35 Porter Avenue
Naugatuck, Connecticut 06770

DR. ARNOLD T. ANDERSON, President, Anderson Research Consultants, was a key member of the team of scientists associated with the Manhattan Project following World War II. An Iroquois, he collaborated with Professor Albert Einstein on various aspects of atomic energy development and was cited by the U.S. Government for his services. Dr. Anderson joined Union Carbide and Chemical Company in 1947 as Director of Research and remained as a high-level executive with UC for his entire professional career. He is associated with numerous professional organizations, including the American Chemical Society; American Institute of Chemical Engineers; Personnel Managers Association; American Management Association (lecturer); American Association for the Advancement of Science, and served as President of the Industrial Management Club. He is a member of NCAI; the Chamber of Commerce, Red Cross; regional council of the Boy Scouts of America and other community related activities.

Republican

Background: There definitely should be three tribal officials on the Commission in order to reflect the following major tribal variations: (1) a representative of a "traditional reservation;" (2) a representative of a tribe with large land trust holdings, such as in Oklahoma, but no traditional-type reservation, and (3) an Alaskan representative, as their situation is completely different from that of tribes in the lower 48.

First Choices

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| <p>1. Ross Swimmer, Chief
Cherokee Nation of Oklahoma
Post Office Box 948
Tahlequah, Oklahoma 74464</p> | <p>Home address:
714 Brentwood
Tahlequah, OK 74464</p> |
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Representative of large land trust-holding tribe. Prominent, well-respected tribal leader, as well as a banker, lawyer and prominent State citizen. Republican.

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| <p>2. Earl Old Person, Chairman
Blackfeet Tribal Business
Council
Browning, Montana 59417</p> | <p>Home address:
P. O. Box 486
Browning, Montana 59417</p> |
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Representative of "traditional reservation" tribe. Prominent national Indian leader, as well as well-respected tribal leader who has brought economic development to his own tribe. Republican.

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| <p>3. Karl Armstrong
Executive Vice President
Koniag, Inc.
Post Office Box 746
Kodiak, Alaska 99615</p> | <p>Home address:
P. O. Box 631
Kodiak, Alaska 99615</p> |
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Representataive of Native Alaskans. Karl Amstrong has not only been prominent in running Native Alaskan corporations, but has served the State of Alaska on sensitive land exchange concepts. Republican.

Alternate Choices

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| <p>1. Norman Hollow, Chairman
Ft. Peck Tribal Executive Board
Poplar, Montana 59255</p> | <p>Home address:
P. O. Box 156
Brockton, Montana 59213</p> |
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Well-respected tribal leader, who has used innovative approaches for economic development for his own tribe. His personal politics are unknown due to lack of registration by party in Montana, but he has exercised his franchise since the 1950s.

ROSS O. SWIMMER
Chief
Cherokee Nation of Oklahoma
P. O. Box 948
Tahlequah, Oklahoma 74464

ROSS O. SWIMMER, Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation (Okla.) since 1975, has served as a leader in numerous local and state societies and private sector groups to enhance the Cherokee Nation and all northeastern Oklahoma communities. He holds a Juris Doctorate from the University of Oklahoma and served as General Counsel to the Cherokee Nation from 1972-75. From 1967-72, he was a partner in the Law firm of Hanson, Peterson and Thompkins, where he specialized in real property probate and corporate law. Mr. Swimmer is currently President of the First National Bank of Tahlequah; a member of the Oklahoma Bankers Association; member, the Oklahoma Bar Association; member, Executive Committee of the Boy Scouts in his region, and a member of the Board of Trustees of Northeastern University Education Foundation and the Oklahoma Health Sciences Foundation. He is a Board Member of CERT and serves as the Governor's appointee on the Oklahoma Industrial Development Commission. A member of the Chamber of Commerce, he has been named "Outstanding Businessman of the Year" by the Tahlequah Chamber of Commerce.

Republican

EARL OLD PERSON, Chairman, Blackfeet Tribe, Montana

Mr. Old Person is held in high esteem throughout Indian country. He has served as chairman of the Blackfeet Tribe of Montana from the mid-1960s to the present, having lost only a single two-year term in the mid-1970s. In 1969 he was elected President of the National Congress of American Indians, and also served in the National Council on Indian Opportunity -- a Presidential appointment -- during the Nixon administration. He was a charter member of the National Tribal Chairmen's Association and the Council of Energy Resource Tribes.

Although Mr. Old Person is only 52 years old, he carries a traditional bearing with age-old eloquence. He's considered quite progressive, having been featured in Time magazine and other national media for his significant development on the Blackfeet reservation.

The attached bio sketch from Indians of Today (1970) says more than I could about Mr. Old Person.

Republican

EARL OLD PERSON (BLACKFEET) TRIBAL LEADER

Earl Old Person, chairman of the Blackfeet Tribal Council and also president of the National Congress of American Indians. The organization represents two-thirds of the 650,000 population from 118 tribes across the nation. Mr. Old Person was elected president during the largest convention ever held by the NCAI.

In his acceptance speech, Mr. Old Person called for the unification of all Indians and for an end to militant actions. "I think we can solve our problems in an intelligent way," he said. "I've never advocated demonstrations to achieve our demands."

Under his leadership as tribal chairman, the Blackfeet prepared a proposal for a 1½ million dollar recreational complex on tribal land. They have allocated funds to expand their museum so that it will be a research source. A major housing development program is underway. They have also constructed several community centers and have set aside 100 acres for an industrial park.

"When I was a boy, my father told me I had the choice of a pencil or a spoon," Mr. Old Person says. "The pencil means education, the spoon was a shovel. You used to be able to get a job with a shovel, but today, you need an education, and to dig a post hole. Education will be the Indians' weapon of the future," he says.

BIRTHPLACE: Browning, Montana.

MARRIED: Virginia Whitegrass.

EDUCATION: Public Schools.

HONORS: Selected as one of ten Indian leaders to participate in an exchange program with Maori leaders of New Zealand.

SPECIAL INTERESTS: Travel - has travelled through Far East, Belgium, Luxembourg and Switzerland.

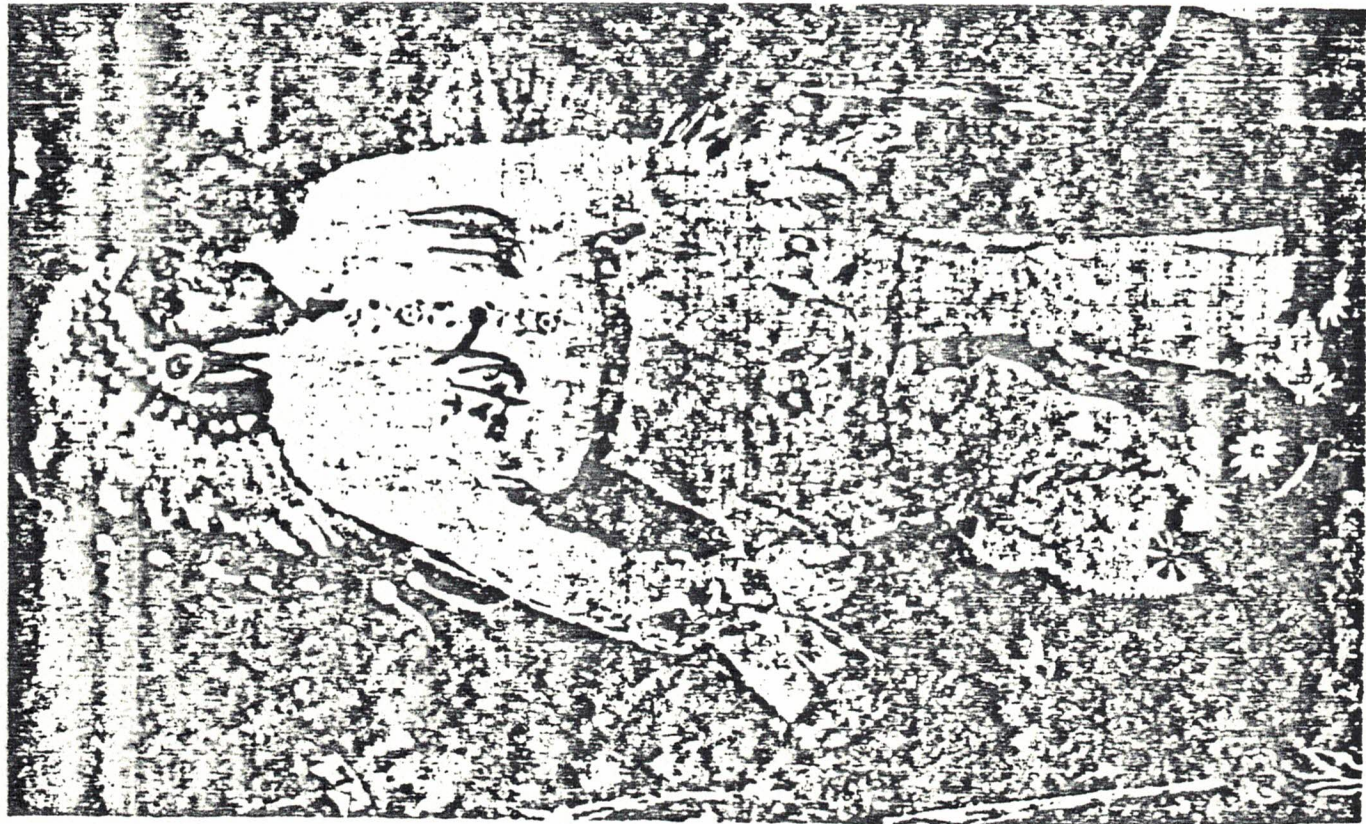


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Karl Armstrong
Executive Vice President
Koniag, Inc.
P. O. Box 631
Kodiak, Alaska 99615

KARL ARMSTRONG is Executive Vice President of Koniag, Inc., Kodiak, Alaska, a regional Native Alaskan corporation. Since incorporation of Koniag in 1972, he has served in various capacities including Chairman of the Board; Corporation Secretary; Director of Natural Resources, and Director of Public Relations and Communications. He has served for the past eight years as a member, Board of Directors, Alaska Federation of Natives; Director, Kodiak Area Native Association for six years; and as President of Leisnoi, Inc. prior to its merger with Koniag in 1980. Mr. Armstrong was a Special Assistant to the Governor of Alaska and Director of Information for the State. He was involved in developing concepts for land exchanges between the federal government and Native Alaskans. He owns and publishes the KODIAK TIMES, and was managing editor of the KODIAK MIRROR for twelve years. Mr. Armstrong is a former vice chairman of the Republican Party of Kodiak and active in State Republican politics.

Republican

NORMAN HOLLOW, Chairman, Fort Peck Tribes, Montana

Mr. Hollow is among the most respected tribal leaders in Indian country. He has a much lower leadership profile in national Indian affairs among his peers because he is not active in the national organizations. However, he is a charter member of the Council of Energy Resource Tribes and is active in that organization. He has served for more than twenty five years on the Fort Peck Tribal Council, the past ten years as Chairman. He is about 60 years old.

Mr. Hollow is a rancher/farmer and raises quality bred horses. He is quite successful as a businessman. Under the leadership of Mr. Hollow, the Fort Peck Tribe is one of the most progressive tribes in economic development. There are three major industries on the reservation: 1) a defense contracting operation, 2) an electronics assembly plant, and 3) a plastics manufacturing operation. In all three industries, the Tribe secured private sector financing and invested in equity themselves. Tribal/private sector joint-ventures are the norm at Fort Peck.

ECONOMIC ACADEMICIAN
and
HIGH GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL

March 22, 1983

Background: These two categories must be combined to enable balancing the Commission by private sector/tribal government categories, as well as to maintain the current 5 Indian - 4 non-Indian ratio. A search was made for qualified Indian economists. There are only two near the stature required and neither could serve the Commission as effectively as Dr. Johnson.

First Choice:

1. Dr. Manuel Johnson
Assistant Secretary for Economic Policy
Department of Treasury
Washington, D.C.

Dr. Johnson's economic research and writing have been concentrated in the area of political economy and public policy. Indian Republican leaders and economists have met with him previously and were impressed with his grasp of reservation economic problems and unique constraints in developing a private sector.

Dr. Manuel Johnson
Assistant Secretary for Economic Policy
Department of Treasury
Washington, D.C.

MANUEL JOHNSON, prior to appointment as Assistant Secretary for Economic Policy, was Associate Professor of Economics in the graduate school of George Mason University. His research and writing have been concentrated in the area of political economy and public policy. He is author of three books, entitled: The Political Economy of Federal Government Growth; Better Government at Half the Price, and Deregulating Labor Relations. Dr. Johnson has published over 30 articles in prominent publications and is co-editor and a regular contributor to one "International Professional Publication of Labor Research." He has testified as an expert witness before numerous Congressional committees and subcommittees. He holds a B.S. in Economics from Troy State University, Alabama, and Ph.D. in Economics from Florida State University.

March 29, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR BARBARA MCQUOWN

FROM: LO ANNE WAGNER *AW*

SUBJECT: Candidates for Presidential Commission
on Indian Reservation Economies

Attached is a list of candidates who have been considered for the Commission, but who were not selected as first choice candidates or alternates. A total of 71 candidates were recommended for the Commission. Of those, 45 were from the Indian community: 25 from the private sector, 17 tribal officials and 3 Federal officials. Of the 26 non-Indian candidates, 23 were from the private sector and 3 with the Federal government.

Four women were recommended for consideration, 3 Indian (one adopted by tribe) and 1 non-Indian. None were as qualified to meet criteria of Commission as those candidates recommended as first choice candidates. However, the three Indian women should have an active role with the Commission as each has outstanding capability.

cc: Bob Carleson
Rick Neal
Bill Barr

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August 2, 1983

The President today announced his intention to appoint the following individuals to be Members of the Presidential Commission on Indian Reservation Economies. These are new positions:

ROBERT ROBERTSON of McLean, Virginia, is Vice President of Occidental International Corporation in Washington, D.C. In 1969-1974 he was Executive Director of the National Council on Indian Opportunity in the Office of the Vice President. He is married and has six children. He was born March 5, 1929 in Bayonne, New Jersey.

ROSS O. SWIMMER of Tahlequah, Oklahoma, has been Chief of the Cherokee Nation (Oklahoma) since 1975. He served as General Counsel to the Cherokee Nation in 1972-1975. He is married and has two children. He was born October 26, 1943 in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

DANIEL ALEX of Anchorage, Alaska, is President of Ekultna, Inc. He is President of the Alaska Native Land Managers Association and a Member of Citizens Advisory Commission on Federal Management areas in Alaska. He has one child. Mr. Alex was born March 9, 1941 in Ekluna, Alaska.

TED BRYANT of Greenwood Village, Colorado, is Director of the Native American Programs in Denver, Colorado. He is also President of the National American Indian Republican Federation. He was Assistant to the Director, Office of Indian Programs, Department of Housing and Urban Development in 1977. He is married, and has four children. He was born April 21, 1929 in Hortschorne, Oklahoma.

MANUEL H. JOHNSON, JR., of Fairfax, Virginia, is Assistant Secretary for Economic Policy at the Department of Treasury. Previously, he was Associate Professor of Economics in the graduate school of George Mason University. He is married and has two children. He was born February 10, 1949 in Troy, Alabama.

DAVID J. MATHESON of Plummer, Idaho, is Chairman, Tribal Government, for the Couer d'Alene Tribe. Previously, he was Director, Division of Planning and Natural Resources (1981) and Economic Development Planner (1980) for the Couer d'Alene Tribe in Plummer. He is married and has three children. He was born November 5, 1951 in Plummer, Idaho.

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NEAL A. MCCALED of Edmond, Oklahoma, is President and Chief Executive Officer of McCaleb Associates and has advised numerous tribes on design and construction of public works projects and development of real estate resources. He served on the Oklahoma Indian Affairs Commission (1968-1970) and the National Council on Indian Opportunity in 1972. He is married, has four children. He was born June 30, 1935 in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

B.Z. KASTLER of Salt Lake City, Utah, is Chairman of the Board of Mountain Fuel Supply Company. He is a member of the Salt Lake Area Chamber of Commerce and served as President in 1977-1978. He is a Director of the Mountain States Legal Foundation. He is married and has two daughters. He was born October 30, 1920 in Billings, Montana.

WALTER B. MCCAY of Paradise Valley, Arizona, is President and Chairman of Agricultural Chemical Services Inc. He also serves as Secretary, Treasurer of International Chemical Traders and as a General Partner in the Picacho Farming Company. He is married and has two children. He was born October 21, 1944 in Harlingen, Texas.

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CHARTER
PRESIDENTIAL COMMISSION ON INDIAN RESERVATION ECONOMIES

1. The official designation of the Commission is the Presidential Commission on Indian Reservation Economies.
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 - (a) Defining the existing federal legislative, regulatory, and procedural obstacles to the creation of positive economic environments on Indian reservations.
 - (b) Identifying and recommending changes or other remedial actions necessary to remove these obstacles.
 - (c) Defining the obstacles at the State, local and tribal government levels which impede both Indian and non-Indian private sector investments on reservations.
 - (d) Identifying actions which these levels of government could take to rectify the identified problems.
 - (e) Recommending ways for the private sector, both Indian and non-Indian, to participate in the development and growth of reservation economies, including capital formation.
3. The Commission should review studies undertaken in the last decade to obtain pertinent recommendations that are directly related to its mission.
4. It is expected that the Commission will complete its work no later than six months after the appointment of the last Commissioner, or by the last day of March 1983, whichever comes earlier.
5. Administrative and staff support of the Commission is to be provided by the Department of the Interior, upon request from the Commission.
6. The duties of the Commission are advisory in nature in accordance with this document.

7. The estimated operating cost of the Commission is approximately \$100,000 in Federal funds and will necessitate approximately 1.5 staff-years of support. Donations from the private sector will be encouraged and contributed to the Secretary of Interior for use by the Commission.
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9. The Commission shall submit a final report exclusively to the President and the Secretary of the Interior through the Cabinet Council on Human Resources.
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11. In carrying out its responsibilities, the Commission is authorized to:
 - (a) conduct hearings (swearing in witnesses as appropriate), interviews, and reviews at field sites, or wherever deemed necessary to fulfill its duties.
 - (b) confer with Indian tribal government officials and members, private sector business officials and managers, and other parties dealing with matters pertaining to the Commission's mission.
12. The co-chairmen or a Commissioner specifically designated by the co-chairmen shall be the official spokespersons for the Commission for contact with the Congress, public, media, and others.

SECRETARY OF INTERIOR

Date Filed

MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

August 15, 1983

FOR: ROGER B. PORTER
FROM: WILLIAM P. BARR
SUBJECT: Action Needed on Indian Commission

On August 2, the President announced his intention to appoint eleven individuals to the "Presidential Commission on Indian Reservation Economies".

The Commission is the centerpiece of the Administration's Indian policy. Composed of businessmen and Indian tribal leaders, the Commission is supposed to make recommendations on how best to foster economic self-sufficiency on Indian reservations. It is expected that the Commission will be heavily critical of the role of the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

The Commission must make its report within six months, and therefore it is essential that we get it up and running as soon as possible.

It is important that the Commission operate independently and be protected against efforts by BIA to interfere. This is why the CCHR working group recommended that the Commission be Presidential and that the only government member be from the Treasury Department. Funds will come through the Interior Department, however, because that agency has a statute which permits it to use gifts from the private sector for this kind of Indian initiative.

Recommendation: An office in the White House should be tasked to help get the Commission up and running. The following steps should be taken:

- o A press release should be issued identifying the co-chairmen of the Commission -- one Indian and one non-Indian, as required by the Executive Order.
- o Calls should be made to all the members confirming their appointment, setting the swearing-in date, and the date of the first Commission meeting.
- o The members of the Commission should be sworn in. This should be done at the White House to highlight the Presidential nature of this Commission. (This should not be done at the Interior Department because that would be viewed by the Indians as "business as usual.")

- o Secretary Watt should be alerted that a charter for the Commission will be prepared by OMB and the White House staff. (BIA has prepared a draft charter which would subject the Commission substantially to BIA control.)

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