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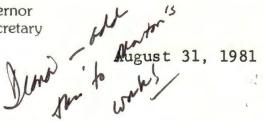
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N.C. Commission of Indian Affairs

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James B. Hunt, Jr., Governor Joseph W. Grimsley, Secretary



The Honorable John East The United States Senate Dirksen Senate Office Building Room 5107 Washington, D.C. 20201

Dear Senator East:

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Please use your office to help these people who are making such progress and are in such need. If I can be of service, please call me.

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August 31, 1981

The Honorable Charles O. Whitley House of Representatives Cannon House Office Building Room 404 Washington, D.C. 20201

Dear Congressman Whitley:

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The Honorable Jesse Helms The United States Senate Dirksen Senate Office Building Room 4213 Washington, D. C. 20201

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September 25, 1981

Ms. Diana Lozano Special Assistant to the Fresident The White House Washington, D. C. 20005

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Dear Ms. Lozano:

I was so pleased to learn of the excellent work you are doing for us at the White House.

I'm presently working in Tucson with my Pascua Yaqui Tribe on assignment from the Minority Business Development Agency, formerly the Office of Minority Business Enterprise where we were co-workers.

I have based my MBDA Tribal Enterprise Assistance (MBDA/TEA) Plan here in the southwest on President Reagan's new national Indian policy. It includes use of local volunteers, which I was so pleased to learn from the President's speech last night, is also an integral part of the Administration's strong effort to get the national economy under control again. I have tested this new Republican direction in helping those who need help without relying on continued massive federal funding and other interventions -- and it is working beautifully.

The MBDA/TEA Plan is also cost-effective in that MBDA covers only my salary, while the participating tribes pay all program operating costs -- which are kept to a minimum. It also uses to the fullest the concept of "leveraging" in making fewer federal dollars go as far as possible in meeting the urgent business and economic needs of reservation Indians. As you know, by far the largest number of the nation's Indians still live on or near their reservations where their economic needs and self-determination efforts remain largely unmet despite the billions of dollars the federal government has spent to meet the economic and social needs of the Indian minority.

Unfortunately, current statistics relating to American Indians, such as those you gave for Hispanics in the attached article, remain quite elusive despite all my efforts to find them.

Diana, could you get a member of your staff to provide me with such much-needed current Indian statistics, especially those reflecting the Administration's plans for Indians. Failing this I would be appreciative if you could give me a good lead on where I might be able to obtain this information.

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September 3, 1981

The Honorable Melvin Blackwell Special Assistant to the President The White House Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. Blackwell:

The Indian Information Project/Lumbee Regional Development Association, Inc. is sponsoring a working conference on the Critical Issues Affecting Eastern Indians, October 1 - 4, 1981 in Alexandria, Virginia.

Representatives of one hundred and fifty tribal organizations and communities will be in attendance. Our people do not live on Federal reservations, but rather in urban and rural communities east of the Mississippi River. These Indian groups make up 55 percent of the American Indian population in the United States.

We would be honored if you would join us at the Congressional Reception for Friends of Eastern Indians on October 1, 1981. The Reception will be in Room 1202 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, from 6:30 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. The three major leaders of the Virginia tribes will be in attendance at the roster welcoming our friends.

We would appreciate your joining us to bring greetings to the group and speak for a few minutes about your office responsibilities relating to Indian affairs at the White House.

Thomasina Jordan, our Publicity Chairperson, will be calling you about your confirmation and giving any additional information you might need.

We look forward to seeing you on October 1st.

Sincerely,

Helen m. Scheinbeck.

Helen Maynor Scheirbeck Project Advisor

Enclosure

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3902 Executive Ave. D-12 Tyler Bldg. Alexandria, Va. 22305

19 August, 1981

Dear Friend:

The Indian Information Project is calling a Conference on Critical Issues affecting Eastern Indians on October 1-4, 1981 in Alexandria, Virginia, across the river from the nation's capitol.

Eastern Indian people are faced with many critical issues in the decade of the 80's - a new Administration under President Reagan's Leadership, new legislation, new service delivery patterns, and the controversial question surrounding Federal and State recognition.

Enclosed is a preliminary program agenda. As you can see, the conference will address many of the critical issues Eastern Indians face today and tommorrow. We hope you will join us for learning, discussing, planning, and setting priorities for our people over the coming years.

Reservation cards and a page on registration, lodging, and food cost are enclosed. We urge you to act quickly, as October is a prime convention month in the nation's capital. Rooms will go quickly.

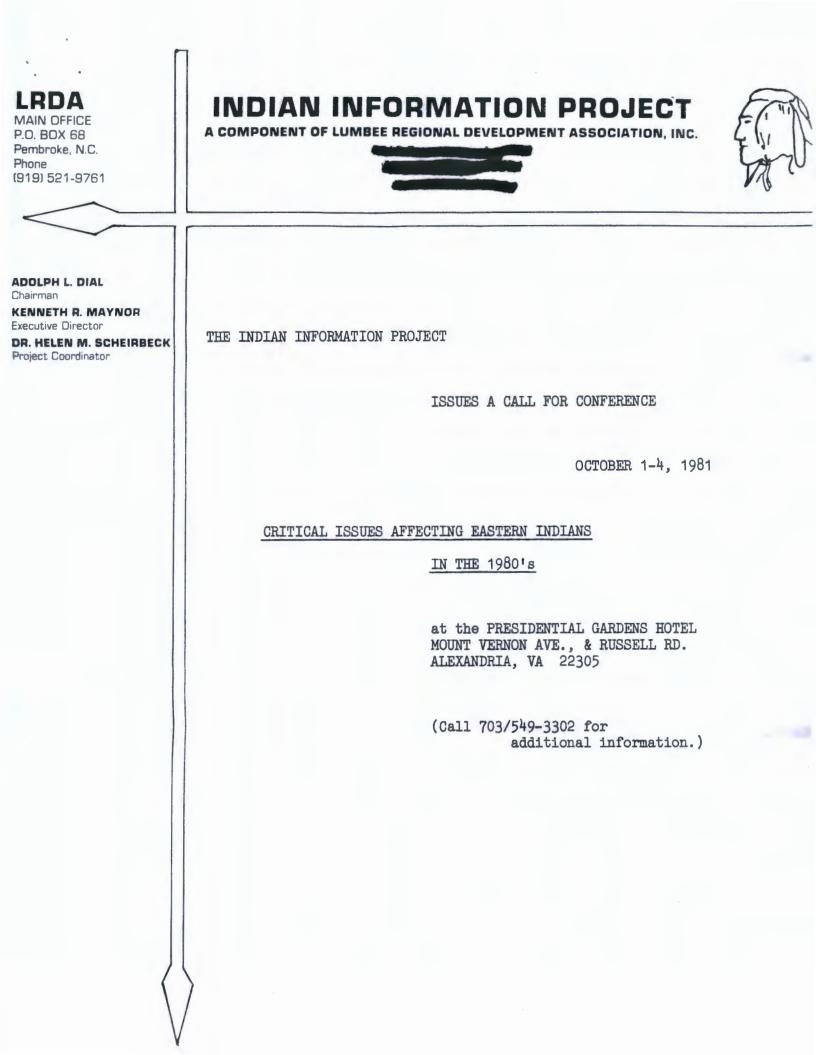
This will be the first major gathering of Eastern Indian Tribes, Organizations, and Individuals since 1977. We are counting on you to come prepared to help plan a better future for Eastern Indian people.

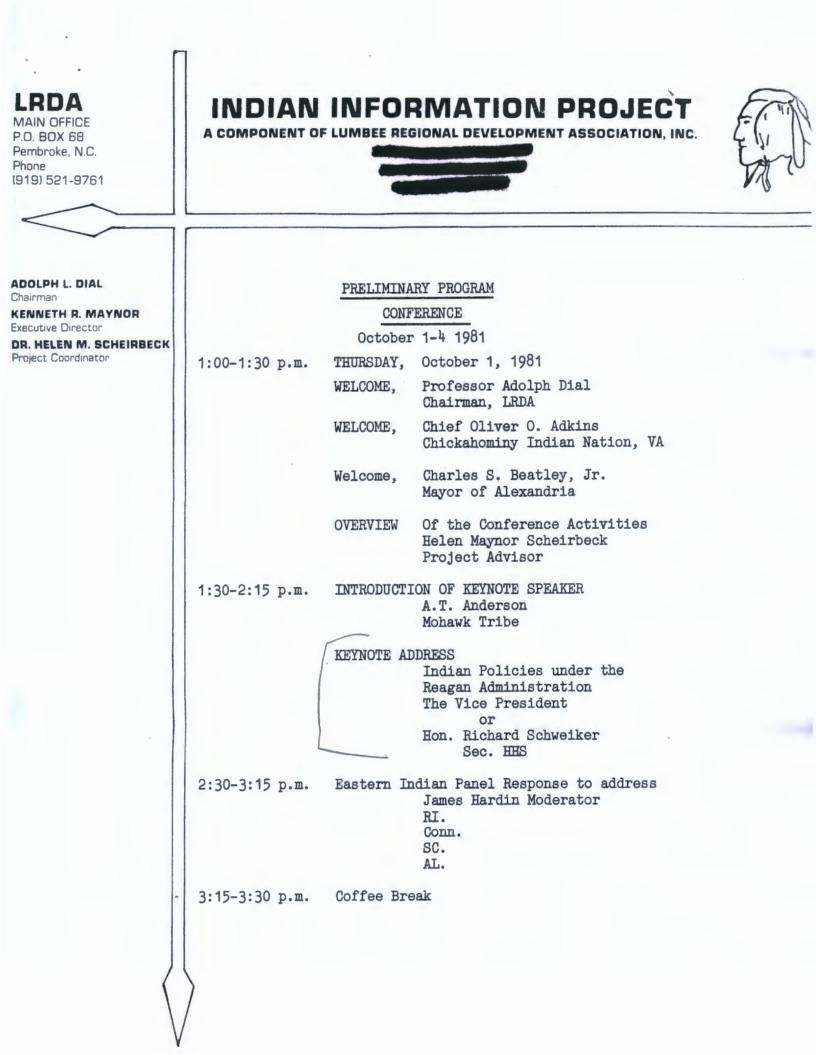
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3:30-5:00 p.m.	(Review of Current Status and Future Projection)					
	Health Ser ANA	vice	CETA CSA	Child Nutrition Education		
5:00-7:30 p.m.	RECESS					
7:30-9:00 p.m.	Congressional Reception for Friends of Eastern Ind					
	WELCOME:	DME: Curtis L. Custalow Chief, Mattaponi Tribe, VA.				
	ANNOUNCER:	R: Chief. W.R. Richardson Haliwa Tribe, N.C.				
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7	Greetings: Senator John Warner (R.VA) Melvin Blackwell (Special Assistant) Indian Affairs, Public Liaison office, The White House.					
	RESPONSE.	Eastern Indian Representatives National Indian Organizations				
	ADJOURNMENT					

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 2, 1981

9:00-9:15 a.m. Overview of Conference Activities

9:30-10:00 a.m. Overview of Block Grant Legislation and Philosophies George Esser Director, Academy of Public Administration, Washington, DC

10:00-10:15 a.m.COFFEE BREAK

 10:15-12:15
 Workshops by Regions

 Impacting Block Grants at Federal/State Level

 CSA. ANA. Education, Human Services, others

 N.E. Region
 S.E. Region

 Mid-Atlantic Region
 Great Lakes Region

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12:30-2:00 p.m. CONFERENCE LUNCHEON INVOCATION: Canon John C. Davis Alexandria, VA

> INTRODUCTION of SPEAKER, John R. Jones SPEAKER: Sen. Jesse Helmes (R.NC) "Unifying Indian Advocacy"

2:30-5:00 p.m. Special Skills Workshops (Simultaneous by Regions) Legislative Process and Lobbying (Federal and State Levels)

> N.E. Region Mid-Atlantic Region

S.E. Region Great Lakes Region * * *

- 5:00-7:00 p.m. RECESS
- 7:00-9:00 p.m. "Indian Definition" Workshops (Simultaneous by Regions) N.E. Region S.E. Region Mid-Atlantic Region Great Lakes Region
- 9:00-10:00 p.m. Resolutions to be received from Conference Participants.

SATURDAY OCTOBER 3, 1981

- 9:00-9:15 a.m. CONFERENCE OVERVIEW
- 9:15-10-15 a.m. Overview of Indian Recognition/Acknowledgement Issues Arlinda Locklear, Native American Rights Fund
- 10:15-12:00
 Federal Recognition/Acknowledgement, State Recognition

 Workshops (Simultaneous by Regions)

 N.E. Region
 S.E. Region

 Mid-Atlantic Region
 Great Lakes Region

12:00-2:00 p.m. CONFERENCE BUFFET

INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER Louis R. Bruce. Former Commissioner AIPRC

ADDRESS :

"Indian Education Challenges in the 80's" Honorable Sidney Yates or Honorable Dale Kildee, U.S. House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 2:00-2:30 p.m. RECESS

2:30-5:30 p.m. SKILLS WORKSHOPS

Networking

Women's Leadership Development

Resource Sharing from Project/Programs

Proposal Writing

Childrens' Issues and Advocacy

Foundation Resources and Corporate Giving

5:30-7:00 p.m. RECESS

- 7:00-10:00 p.m. Pig Picking Pow Wow or Conference Banquet and Award Night
 - INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER, Thomasina Jordan, Chairperson Public Relations Committee, I.I.P.
 - SPEAKER Senator William Cohen Senate Select Committee on Indian affairs "Indian Issues of the Future"

ADJOURNMENT

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4, 1981

9:00-10:00 a.m. Future Legislation Affecting Indians

10:00-10:15 a.m. COFFEE BREAK

- 10:15-11:15 a.m. Roundtable on future of Eastern Indians and agreements on Indian Information Program priorities
- 11:15-12:00 noon Agreement on Conference Resolutions

12:00 Noon ADJOURNMENT.

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REGISTRATION

Conference on Critical Issues Affecting Eastern Indians

Registration

The conference registration fee is \$ 50.00 per adult. This includes fees for conference materials, the congressional reception, buffet, and the Pig-Picking Pow-Wow.

It is important for you to resister early since attendance will be limited. Please return the form below, along with your check made payable to the Indian Information Project by Sept. 19, 1981. Should you decide to register at the conference, the fee will be \$55.00.

Room Reservation:

Conference participants are respo	onsible for making their own room
reservations. A block of rooms h	ave been reserved at the Presidential
Gardens at a special rate. There	are several other hotels in the
immediate area. When making your	reservations, state that you are
attending the Eastern Indian Conf	erence.

Arts, Crafts and Program Materials:

There will be space available for selling arts and crafts at the conference. Let the office know by Sept. 19, 1981 if you need space.

Please bring program resources and materials to share with other participants. This should include films, slides, publications, books, etc.

Authorization from Government Agencies:

The Indian Information Project will be asking federal agencies to advise projects that the conference is an authorized expenditure of government funds.

Pre-Registration Form	
Name:	Tribe:
Address:	Telephone #

Specific interest in the conference:

Return this to : Indian Information Project 3902 Executive Ave., D-12 Tyler Bldg. Alexandria, Va. 22305 (703) 594-3302 LRDA' MAIN OFFICE P.O. BOX 68 Pembroke, N.C. Phone 919) 521-9761

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Rates : Single- \$37.00 Double- \$45.00

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September 18, 1981 most be able to meet Moston will

Mr. Morton C. Blackwell Special Assistant to the President for Indian Affairs Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. Blackwell:

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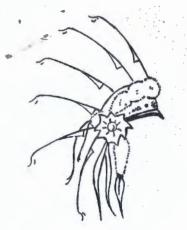
I would like to meet you personally on October 7th or 8th. I will be in Washington on the 6th and will call your office for an appointment.

Respectfully,

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POSITION PAPER OF THE BOSTON INDIAN COUNCIL RELATIVE TO THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE INDIAN CHILD WELFARE ACT AS IT APPLIES TO OFF-RESERVATION INDIAN COMMUNITIES

In 1978, Congress enacted Public Law 95-608 commonly known as the Indian Child Welfare Act.¹¹⁷ To ensure the protection of all Indian children and families, Congress included the following provision:

"The Secretary (of the Interior) is also authorized to make grants to Indian organizations to establish and operate off-reservation Indian children and family service programs....

Title II, Sec. 202

It is our understanding that the Assistant Secretary of Interior for Indian Affairs has submitted to Congress a recommendation that proposes the elimination of the non-reservation portion of the program. This means that over half the Indian population of this country that resides in off-reservation communities and who confront greater dangers with respect to family disintegration and the loss of children than do our reservation-based counterparts will completely lose Indian Child Welfare Act support for services targeted at preserving our most valuable resource, our children. Moveover, this concern becomes aggravated by the fact that given the drastic reductions in reservation employment programs, we anticipate a significant influx of poor Indian families to the cities.

Knowledge of the Circle

The Boston Indian Council provided our Congressional representatives with data indicating a need for such an Act and for an off-reservation provision. This evidence revealed an alarming rate and number of Indians being placed in non-Indian adoption and foster-care situations. We disclosed an inability on the part of States to address emotionally and culturally unique problems that confront children and other family members during family hardships. We also showed an inability on the part of States to establish direct linkages with a child's extended family or tribal community as is mandated by the Act. Finally, we demonstrated the valuable role that off-reservation Indian organizations could play in meeting these needs.

Our Family Services Program has received Indian Child Welfare Act support for the past two years for a combined allocation of just over \$55,000. Consider some of the results:

- Of the two hundred (200) identified Indian children in foster care and adoption situations, eighty (80) have been reunified with natural parents or extended families. Given 1981 State child care rates, we estimate a savings to government of between \$145,548 and \$205,124 annually not including Medicaid costs.
- Nearly fifty (50) Indian families who originally sought foster care or adoptive services have been kept together partially through our provision of counseling and advocacy services, legal assistance and referral network assistance.
- 3. We now have five (5) Indian families licensed as foster homes by the State.
- 4. Several cross cultural training workshops have been sponsored by the BIC for State and private agency social workers.
- 5. Program staff has provided State Legislators with data in support of a bill now pending that would amend Massachusetts Child Welfare laws to incorporate provisions and protection similar to those in the Federal legislation.

Though it is impossible for us to precisely estimate the combined short and long range direct and indirect cost savings to both federal and state government, the key point we must make is that the elimination of off-reservation Indian Child Welfare Act funds will not only cause great harm to Indian people, but it will prove a costly mistake that will result in government having to pay much greater expenses for direct child care and family welfare services.



P.O. Box 25 DeSmet, Id. 83824 19 August 1983

Morton C. Blackwell Special Assistant to the President for Public Liaison Washington. D. C.

Dear Mr. Blackwell:

hast week the Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians held their annual convention at Arlee, Montana and passed the enclosed resolutions and adopted a Treaty Water Rights Policy.

You will note Resolution 82-1 concerns Public Law 96-217 granting an extension to the Statute of Limitations Claims Project and the necessary funding. Resolution 82-2 concerns Indian Health Services changes as recorded in the Federal Register which are in need of clarification. Resolution 82-3 orposes senate Bill 874 and House Bill 2978 as a threat to Indian Tribes throughout the United States. We would greatly appreciate your support of the resolutions and will take into consideration the adopted Treaty Water Rights Policy.

In consideration of the time involved in the reduction of services by the Federal Government, please do not forget the special rights of Indian Tribes. We shall keep you informed of the actions of the northwest Tribes and their needs, when necessary.

Sincerely,

Connie Skanen, Executive Director

Enclosures

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TREATY WATER RIGHTS

by

(Walla Walla Treaty Council August 10, 1981 meeting)

ADOPTED ATNWI Aug. 12, 1981

The general failure of federal policy with respect to Indian reserved water rights was summarized by the National Water Commission:

"In retrospect, it can be seen that this policy was pursued with little or no regard for Indian water rights and the Winters Doctrine. With the encouragement, or at least the cooperation, of the Secretary of the Interior--the very office entrusted with protection of all Indian rights-many large irrigation projects were constructed on streams that flowed through or bordered on Indian Reservations. With few exceptions the projects were planned and built by the Federal Government without any attempt to define, let alone protect, prior rights that Indian tribes might have had in the waters used for the projects."

We believe that this summary is a moderate partial statement covering the failure of the United States to protect Indian reserved treaty rights. Since this finding was made there has been little improvement in the development and protection of Indian Reserved rights and they are still failing to receive adequate attention by the United States of America. The specific areas of concern to Indian tribes in the Pacific Northwest can be grouped into two broad categories. First are those which involve political, judicial, and administrative <u>approaches</u> to dealing with Indian reserved water rights. Second are those which involve the <u>nature</u> and <u>extent</u> of the water rights themselves. The primary issues are noted below, and each is supplemented with a brief discussion including potential options we suggest to the ATNWI for resolving these issues.

I. Judicial, Administrative, and Executive Concerns.

A. Federal policy regarding Indian reserved water rights.

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D. Federal Regulations regarding Tribal Water Codes.

An administrative vacuum exists today in regard to the control and distribution of water on Indian Reservations.

In <u>Colville Confederated Tribes vs. Walton</u>, No. 79-4297 (9th Cir. 1981), The Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit recognized that the states have no power to regulate surface and ground waters on Indian reservations and that this power resides in Indian tribes and, therfore, this unitary resource must be regulated by Indian tribes.

The proposed Secretarial regulations published in 46 Fed. Reg. 944 (1981) should be withdrawn and Secretarial regulations supporting and effectuating tribal regulations should be immediately promulgated and adopted.

E. <u>Tribal Participation Within Federal, Regional, and State Administrative</u> Agencies.

There are a multitude of administrative agencies dealing with water and fishing rights within the Columbia River Basin: The tribes who have paramount rights and interests in waters and other reserved rights in this basin have little or no participation in decisions made by these agencies.

Indian tribes in the Columbia River Basin must have meaningful participation in these determinations and without their prior agreement there should be no change in their reserved rights or interests.

II. Issues Concerning the Nature of Indian Reserved Rights.

The unique nature of Indian reserved rights must be recognized as a matter or policy. Those rights pertain to the quantity and quality of atmospherio surface and ground waters and must be adequate to meet present and future Indian water requirments. They must be exercised for any purpose.

Hffiliated Cribes of Northwest Indians

RESOLUTION # 82-1

- WHEREAS: President Carter signed into law Public Law 96-217 which granted an extension to the statute of limitations to December 31, 1982 in which actions could be brought by the United States against third parties on behalf of Indian tribes, groups, bands, or individual Indians; and
- WHEREAS: It has been the experience of tribes throughout the Portland area that the statute of limitations claims identification efforts have been of a fragmented nature, with some policy decisions made as to possible claims on behalf of tribes or individual Indians which adversely affect the opportunities of these tribes or individuals to receive the full protection of theirs and property interests which they are entitled to under the statute; and
- WHEREAS: It is the consensus of the Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians that while the new public law improves the opportunities of Indian tribes to identify and resolve potential claims, that extension is meaningless without adequate funding support for the Statute of Limitations Claims projects.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED. that we. the members of the Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians, acting for and on behalf of our Tribal members, seek funding to the Office of Trust Responsibilities for \$7,500,000.00 for the Statute of Limitations Claims Project;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we make the Congress fully aware of the administrative and policy difficulties that may make it impossible for some tribes and Individual Indians to receive the full measure of protection to which they must have to have their claims identified and legally pursued.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing resolution has been adopted at the Annual Convention of the Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians August 12, 13, 14, 1981 at the Pow Wow Grounds, Arlee, Montana.

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President

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Connie Skanen, Executive Director

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RESOLUTION #82-2

- WHEREAS: THERE IS BEING INTRODUCED FEDERAL LEGISLATION BY SENATOR GORTON AND REPRESENTATIVE DON BANKER OF WASHINGTON STATE TO DECOMMER-CIALIZE STEELHEAD FISHING BY THE NORTHWEST TREATY TRIBES IN FAVOR OF FISHING BY SPORT FISHERMEN; and
- WHEREAS: STEELHEAD FISHERIES ARE VALUED BY THE NORTHWEST TRIBES FOR CULTURE, RELIGIOUS, SUBSISTENCE AND ECONOMIC DEPENDENCE TO ENSURE THEIR TRADITIONAL WAY OF LIFE; and
- WHEREAS: SENATE BILL 874 ENTITLED STEELHEAD DECOMMERCIALZATION BILL AND HOUSE BILL 2978 AS A DIRECT THREAT TO THE BASIC ECONOMY OF THE NORTHWEST TRIBES.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE AFFILIATED TRIBES OF NORTHWEST INDIANS OPPOSES SENATE BILL 874 AND HOUSE BILL 2978 AS A THREAT TO INDIAN TRIBES THROUGHOUT THE UNITED STATES.

CERTIFICATION

THE FOREGOING RESOLUTION HAS BEEN ADOPTED AT THE ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE AFFILIATED TRIBES OF NORTHWEST INDIANS AUGUST 12, 13, 14, 1981 AT THE POW WOW GROUNDS, ARLEE, MONTANA

Connie Skanen, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

PRESIDENT

Httiliated Cribes of Northwest Indians

RESOLUTION #82-3

- WHEREAS: CHANGES IN THE IHS REGULATIONS ON ELIGIBILITY FOR IHS SERVICES WERE PROPOSED BY THE INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE AND PUBLISHED IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER ON DECEMBER 16, 1980; and
- WHEREAS: SOME OF THE CHANGES WERE LABELED A "COMMON-SENSE CHANGE IN FORMAT"; INTRODUCED FOR THE PURPOSE OF MAKING REGULATIONS CLEARER WITHOUT CHANGES IN INTENT; and
- WHEREAS: ONE OF THESE CHANGES WAS THE FOLLOWING: FROM -- "SERVICES WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE, AS MEDICALLY INDICATED, TO PERSONS OF INDIAN DESCENT . . .", to -- "YOU ARE ELIGIBLE FOR AVAILABLE SERVICES, AS MEDICALLY INDICATED, IF YOU ARE OF INDIAN DESCENT..."; and
- WHEREAS: WE CONSIDER THAT THIS WORDING CHANGE SIGNIFICANTLY CHANGES THE MEANING OF THIS REGULATION FROM A PROMISE THAT"SERVICES WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE", TO A DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY FOR WHATEVER SERVICES ARE AVAILABLE AT THE TIME, ESSENTIALLY REMOVING ANY GUARANTEE OF SERVICES;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE AFFILIATED TRIBES OF NORTHWEST INDIANS CONSIDERS THAT A SIGNIFICANT CHANGE HAS BEEN MADE IN A FEDERAL REGULATION WITHOUT ADEQUATE NOTICE AND DISCUSSION.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, THAT THE AFFILIATED TRIBES OF NORTHWEST INDIANS REQUESTS THAT THE INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE RE-OPEN COMMENT ON THIS REGULATION AND CLARIFY ITS INTENT IN PROPOSING THE WORDING CHANGE.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, THE AFFILIATED TRIBES OF NORTHWEST INDIANS OPPOSE ANY AND ALL LEGISLATION WHICH WOULD PROVIDE INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE TO NON-INDIAN SPOUSES.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED COPIES OF THE RESOLUTION TO SECRETARY SCHWEIKER AND CONGRESSIONAL REPRESENTATIVES OF THE TRIBAL MEMBERS OF AFFILIATED TRIBES OF NORTHWEST INDIAN URGING THEIR SUPPORT OF THIS RESOLUTION AND TO HOUSE AND SENATE COMMITTEES.

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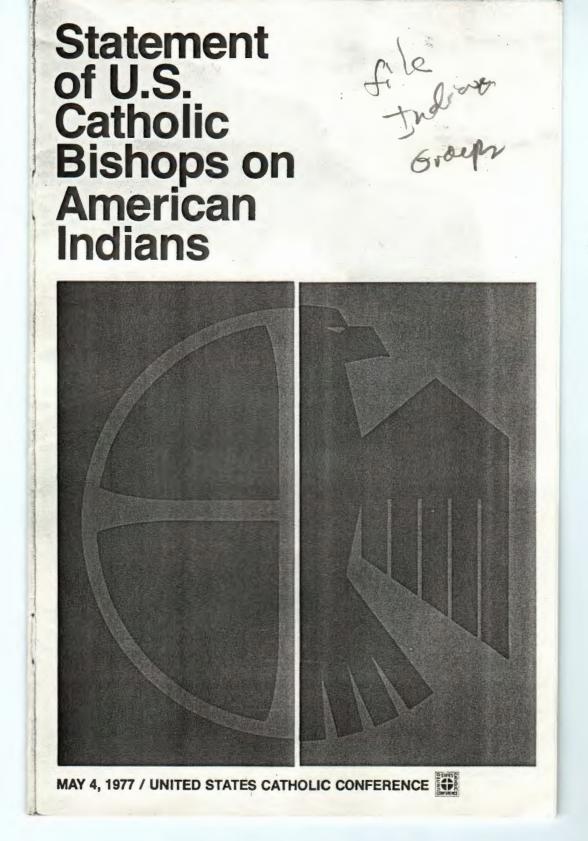
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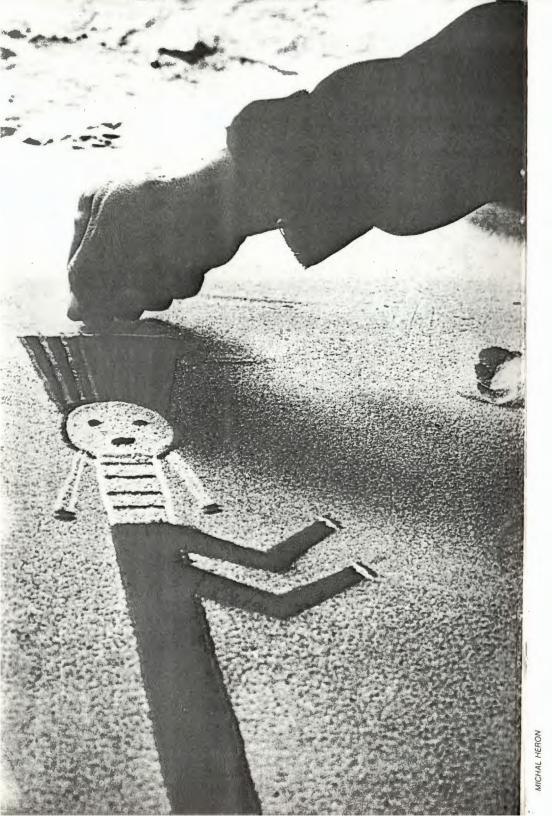
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Statement of U.S. Catholic Bishops on American Indians

1. In this statement, we wish to share our reflections on the relationship of the Catholic Church in the United States with the American Indian peoples.

2. As American Catholics, we have learned only gradually and with difficulty that the building of one community can only be authentic if it is based upon respect for the distinctive traditions, customs, institutions and ways of life of its peoples. Indeed, we are only now beginning to understand that unity which grows through dialogue and respect for diversity is far stronger and deeper than conformity forged by dominance.

3. We recall with gratitude the great dedication and sacrifice of the many priests, religious and lay persons, past and present, who have sought to share with the Indian people the Good News of Jesus Christ. They learned the Indian languages, and, insofar as they were able within their own cultural limits, they adapted themselves to Indian cultures. In the name of the Church, these missionaries also offered to the Indian communities their talents and knowledge of medicine and education.

4. Some who have worked with American Indians, however, recognize that efforts of the Church to promote the Gospel among Indian communities have at times been attempted in ways that actually failed to respect Indian cultures. We come to this statement with a keen awareness of our not infrequent failures to respect the inherent rights and cultural heritage of our American Indian brothers and sisters. We offer this reflection on our attitudes and actions in the spirit of reconciliation and with a stronger commitment to be more sensitive and just in our relationships with American Indians.

FAITH AND CULTURE

5. The Church, by its very nature, must always and everywhere proclaim and give witness to God's saving love revealed by Jesus Christ in the Holy Spirit. This is the center and foundation of the Church's

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mission—to proclaim that in Jesus Christ, the Incarnate Word, who died and rose from the dead, salvation is offered to all people as a gift of God's grace and mercy.¹

6. This Good News of salvation is not bound by time or human structures. Christ's Gospel of love and redemption, addressed to all people, transcends national boundaries, cultural differences and divisions among peoples. It cannot be considered foreign anywhere on earth; nor can it be considered identical with any particular culture or heritage.² It is the common blessing of all.

7. But persons are vitally dependent upon the institutions of family and community that have been passed down to them. These institutions—political, social, economic and religious—shape their selfunderstanding and are necessary to their full development as persons. Indeed, the Second Vatican Council affirmed that persons can come to an authentic and full humanity only through those distinct cultures



which form the basis and heritage of each human community.³

8. The Christian faith should celebrate and strengthen the many diverse cultures which are the product of human hope and aspiration. The Gospel message must take root and grow within each culture and each community. Faith finds expression in and through the particular values, customs and institutions of the people who hear it. It seeks to take flesh within each culture, within each nation, within each race, while remaining the prisoner of none. Pope Paul VI, in his recent statement on evangelization, stressed these themes in calling for "fidelity both to a message whose servants we are and to the people to whom we must transmit it."⁴

THE CHURCH AND JUSTICE

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9. The Church is also required by the Gospel and by its tradition to promote and defend human rights and human dignity. Pope Paul VI has underscored the fact that "between evangelization and human advancement—development and liberation—there are in fact profound links... The necessity of ensuring fundamental human rights cannot be separated from this just liberation which is bound up with evangelization and which endeavors to secure structures safeguarding human freedoms." The Church, Pope Paul continued, "has the duty to proclaim the liberation of millions of human beings—the duty of assisting the birth of this liberation, of giving witness to it, of ensuring that it is complete. This is not foreign to evangelization." ⁵

10. In all its activities the Church must seek to preach and act in ways that lead to greater justice for all people. Its ministry cannot neglect the violations of human rights resulting from racism, poverty, poor housing, inadequate education and health care, widespread apathy and indifference and a lack of freedom. These realities are fundamentally incompatible with our faith and the Church is required to oppose them. Pope Paul VI stressed the profound link between the Church's mission to preach the Gospel and action on behalf of justice: "How in fact can one proclaim the new commandment without promoting justice?" ⁶

THE AMERICAN EXPERIENCE

11. We, as American Catholics, should be especially sensitive to these aspects of the Church's mission. Over the centuries, peoples from every continent and heritage have joined in the formation of the United States. Each group to come has constructed its communities and established its institutions. Gradually, all Americans learned the lesson that to build a nation free and independent, a people must be prepared to engage in a never ending process of change and dialogue. Each group has experienced the tensions that arise between the legitimate cultural independence that people claim for themselves and the pressing need for true and fruitful dialogue with other groups.

12. Today, we Americans are called to reflect upon past injustices and to consider again the need for both unity and diversity, to become



one nation built upon respect for the distinctive traditions and values of many peoples and cultures. Both respect for cultural diversity and dialogue between cultures are indispensable if the legitimate quest for cultural identity is to lead to human development and social progress and not simply perpetuate the bitter divisions of the past. The challenge of this effort is placed before the nation by Black Americans, by Spanishspeaking Americans, by the heirs of Europe's migrations and by the persevering voice of the oldest Americans, the American Indians.

AMERICAN INDIANS

13. The American Indian peoples had developed rich and diverse cultures long before the first Europeans came to the American continent. Migrating across this great continent, they dispersed over thousands of years, from the coasts of the Pacific Northwest to the arid mesas of the Southwest, the vast grasslands of mid-America and the mountains and woodlands of the East. Adapting themselves to changing environments as they went, they developed over 200 distinct languages and a variety of carefully developed social, economic and political institutions to meet their needs.

14. But the arrival of later immigrants created conflicts not yet resolved. Indian ways of life were challenged; their very existence was continually threatened by newcomers who were their superiors in the arts of war. For the Indians, the saga of nation building in America has been a story filled with sorrow and death.

15. American Indians in the United States today comprise less than one percent of our total population. In all, they belong to more than 250 distinct tribes and bands.

16. Many tribes have retained a special trust status with the United States and continue to live on reservation lands held in trust for them by the federal government. Over the long years, however, many tribes have been deprived of their communal lands, and with them have partially or entirely lost the traditional vestiges of their culture, their languages, customs and ways of living.

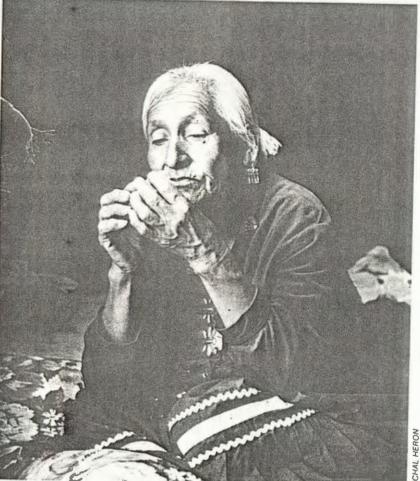
17. During recent decades, increasing numbers of American Indians, especially the young people, have migrated to cities in search of jobs, shelter and social services which are sorely lacking on many reservations. Those who have chosen or been forced to migrate to cities in response to promises of employment and a better life have too often found only new frustrations and broken dreams. Many contend with a deep sense of uprootedness, trying to maintain ties with their families and tribes while coping with the economic hardships and social prejudices, even racism, of urban society.

18. American Indians today are struggling against great obstacles to renew the special values of their unique heritage and to revitalize the ways of their ancestors. They are striving to achieve economic development and social justice without compromising their unique cultural identity. For some American Indian peoples the struggle is to retain

rights to their land and resources; for some it is to gain employment and economic security; and for others, it is to obtain political power in order to set their own goals and to make decisions affecting their own futures. These goals, to be achieved within the framework of Indian culture and traditions, test the strength of the American ideal of liberty and justice for all. America must respond, not to atone for the wrongs of the past, for that in a sense is beyond our power, but to be faithful to our national commitment and to contribute to a truly human future for all.

THE ROLE OF THE CHURCH

19. As American Catholics, we have a special responsibility to examine our attitudes and actions in light of Jesus' command to love our neighbor and to proclaim the Gospel message and its implications for society. The Church'is compelled, both through its institutions and through its



individual members, to promote and defend the human rights and dignity of all people.

20. Accordingly, we recognize our own responsibility to join with our American Indian sisters and brothers in their ongoing struggle to secure justice. We realize that there is much that we can and must do within our Church and in society to make our support real. We must first of all increase our understanding of the present needs, aspirations and values of the American Indian peoples. This responsibility can only be carried out effectively in dialogue with American Indians.

21. We are encouraged in our efforts by the many hopeful initiatives that Catholic communities in various parts of the country have undertaken on behalf of American Indians. From the national level, the Campaign for Human Development, the National Conference of Catholic Charities and the Commission for Catholic Missions Among the Colored People and the Indians have provided support to many constructive local efforts.

22. For over 90 years, the Commission for Catholic Missions Among the Colored People and the Indians, together with the Bureau of Catholic Indian Missions, has had a particular responsibility to support efforts to advance the life of the Church among American Indian communities. The historical success of this work reflects the generosity of Catholics in the United States. We are particularly encouraged by the recent revitalization of these organizations and hope to see their efforts renewed and redoubled in the coming years. We would also support efforts to broaden the involvement of Indian peoples in the work of the Bureau of Catholic Indian Missions.

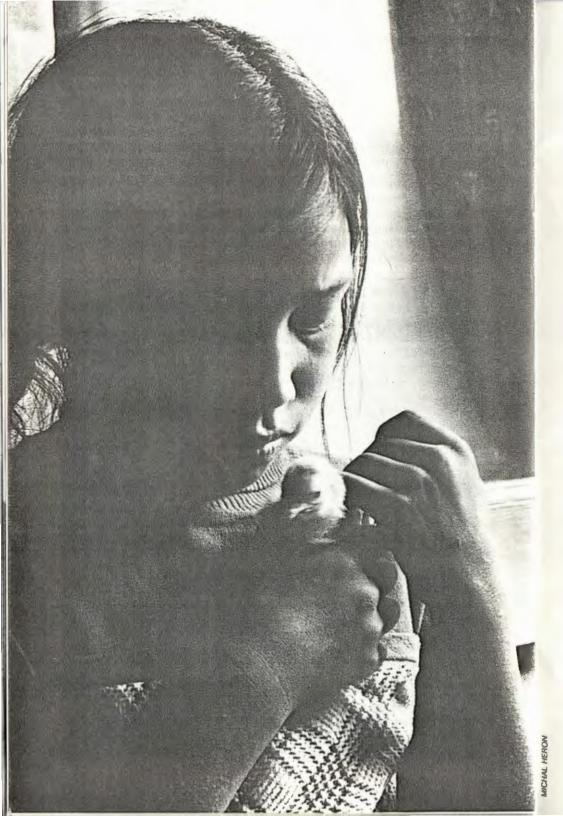
23. We note also the serious and sustained efforts in several dioceses to improve the Church's ministry among American Indians. In particular, the Bishops of Minnesota have offered their own reflection on the Church's relationship with American Indians in their statement, A New Beginning.

24. We recommend that other dioceses and Catholic organizations make similar efforts to improve their ministry with American Indians and we pledge our own efforts to cooperate with the American Indian people and the local Catholic churches in these endeavors.

25. One area which deserves our special attention is that of government policy and legislation. Perhaps no other group of people in the United States is so vitally affected by government policies and programs as are American Indians. We have a responsibility to examine these systems and policies in light of the Gospel and the Church's social teachings and to urge the adoption of more just policies and legislation affecting American Indians. It seems to us that such efforts must include advocacy of: the speedy and equitable resolution of treaty and statute questions; protection of Indian land and resource rights; more adequate housing and delivery of social, education and health care services; and increased levels of funding and technical assistance neces-

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sary to aid American Indians in achieving political and economic selfdetermination and full employment.

26. We understand that such efforts will mean little if they are not accompanied by honest reflection on the entire ministry of the Church with American Indians. We must examine the Church's liturgical expressions and social and educational services within Indian communities to ask if they indeed reflect an appreciation of Indian heritage and cultural values. We would encourage national and diocesan liturgical offices to provide assistance to Indian communities to incorporate their languages and prayer forms in the liturgy and other worship services. We urge Catholic educational institutions to examine their textbooks and curriculums and to promote programs and activities that will enable students at all levels to appreciate American Indian history, cultures and spirituality.

27. We also urge that Church property and facilities adjacent to Indian lands or located in the midst of urban Indian neighborhoods be made more available for use by Indian communities for such activities as religious celebrations, group meetings, programs for the elderly, day care centers and educational programs.

28. Perhaps the most important task before us is the development of Indian leadership—clerical, religious and lay—within the Church. This is necessary if the Church is to prosper in Indian communities. We are especially encouraged by the efforts of several dioceses to include American Indians in their permanent diaconate programs and hope that this effort is expanded. In addition, efforts should be made to insure that American Indians have representation and a voice in all decisions made by Church agencies and organizations affecting their communities.

29. Drawing on the two themes of faith and culture, and the Church and justice, and working with all others of good will, we hope to fashion a renewed commitment to serve Indian peoples. In turn, their participation in and challenge to our Christian community will strengthen our common witness to Jesus and the Gospel message.

FOOTNOTES

- 1. Pope Paul VI, Exhortation on Evangelization in the Modern Warld, 5, 14-16, 26-27; Vatican II, Decree on the Missionary Activity of the Church, 2-4.
- 2. Pope Paul VI, 20, 28; Vatican II, Dogmatic Constitution on the Church, 48; Decree on the Missionary Activity of the Church, 8.
- 3. Vatican Council II, The Church in the Modern World, 53.
- 4. Pope Paul VI, 4.
- 5. Pope Paul VI, 31; 39; 30.

6. Pope Paul VI, 29-36; Vatican Council II, The Church in the Modern World, 41.

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Bishop Indian Tribal Council

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Ronald Reagan, President United States of America

White House Washington, D. C. 91711

Dear Mr. President:

We enclose under this cover a copy of the results of a survey conducted by the Toiyabe Indian Health Project on the subject of the standing and credibility of that body calling itself the "Owens Valley Paiute-Shoshone Indian Tribe Concerned Tribal Elders and Members". We feel you should be made aware that this self-styled body is not recognized by any of the elected Tribal Governments of Native Americans residing in Owens Valley, California nor is it representative of the elders or "concerned tribal members" of Bishop Reservation or other Owens Valley Reservations.

The so-called "Owens Valley Paiute-Shoshone Indian Tribe Concerned Tribal Elders and Members" is in fact composed of three or four elderly ladies who are tribal members of Bishop Reservation and who are being used by Michael Rogers, a member of Bishop Reservation, as a front for dissemination of inaccurate information and publication of his thwarted political ambitions. It is appropriate to place on record that Rogers offered himself for election to the Bishop Tribal Council in June 1981 but was defeated in the primary election.

Furthermore, we would place on record that Rogers seldom signs a communication himself but usually writes his diatribes over the signatures of Florence Espinueva, Blanche Shippentower or Jessie Durant.

We regret that it is necessary to have to address you on the subject of Rogers and his small group of followers who continually attempt to thwart the legitimate and dedicated efforts of Tribal Governments as well as Native American agencies, projects and organizations in the Owens Valley.

Yours sincerely,

Paul W. Chavez, Tribal Chairman

BISHOP INDIAN TRIBAL COUNCIL

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P.S. Enclosed is a copy of the letterhead used by the "Owens Valley Paiute Shoshone Indian Tribe Concerned Tribal Elders and Members".

FROM: Paul W. Chavez, Tribal Chairman BISHOP INDIAN TRIBAL COUNCIL

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RE: "Owens Valley Paiute-Shoshone Indian Tribe Concerned Tribal Elders and Members"

CC: 1. The President, White House, Washington, D. C.

2. The Area Director, Bureau of Indian Affairs

3. Mr. Richard Burcell, Superintendent, Bureau of Indian Affairs

4. Mr. Joe DePietro, Solicitors Office, Department of Interior

5. Mr. Robert Ilumin, H.U.D.

6. Senator Alan Cranston

7. Congressman William Thomas

8. Toiyabe Indian Health Project

9. Chairman, Lone Pine Tribal Council

10. Chairman, Fort Independence

11. Chairman, Big Pine Tribal Council

12. Chairman, Benton Tribal Council

OFFICIAL REPLIES ON LEGALITY OF THE SO-CALLED "OWENS VALLEY PAIUTE-SHOSHONE INDIAN TRIBE, CONCERNED ELDERS"

Attached are copies of the official responses from tribal governments and governmental agencies. No tribal government has authorized or otherwise given any official recognition of the "Owens Valley Paiute-Shoshone Indian Tribe, Concerned Elders". Moreover, no governmental agency has record of any formal authorizations, recognition or authenticity of the group.

Tribal Governments Replying:

- Lone Pine Band of the Owens Valley Paiute-Shoshone Indians
- Ft. Independence Reservation
- Big Pine Band of Paiute/Shoshone Indians
- Bishop Indian Tribal Council
- Utu Utu Gwaitu Paiute Tribe
- Bridgeport Indian Reservation

Governmental Agencies Replying:

- California Indian Legal Services
- Indian Health Service
- Indian Health Branch, State of California
- California Rural Indian Health Board

Tribal Organizations Replying:

- Owens Valley Indian Education Center
- Career Development Center

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	1. Tribe	Yes (No) Don't Know
	2. Tribal Government	Yes No Don't Know
•	3. Tribal Organization	Yes 🔊 Don't Know
	4. Tribal Official Corporation	Yes (No) Don't Know
	5. Tribal Official Recognized Association	Yes No Don't Know
2.	Documentation of verification:	Attached None
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5.	List officers, if known:	
	Chairperson/President: Vice-Chairperson:	
	Others:	
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4.	Membership List:	Attached None

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Honorable Richard S. Schweiker Secretary Department of Health and Human Services 200 Independence Avenue, SW Washington, DC

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Dear Secretary Schweiker,

The Community Services Block Grant Program, authorized by Title VI, Subtitle B of The Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1981, includes a provision for providing direct block grant funding to Indian tribal governments, Sec. 674 (c).

We think that funds for direct block grants to tribal governments should be reserved soon, before the States have obligated their entire allotments. We perceive a problem of timing - the states are moving ahead in their planning for the use of their allocations, before the federal government has worked out procedures for direct block grants to tribes.

We would appreciate any information you could provide us with concerning the manner in which the Department of Health and Human Services is responding to Section 674(c). We would also appreciate information regarding procedure the Department will use for receiving tribal government requests for direct block grants, processing those requests and awarding the grants. Specific questions are:

- Should tribal governments communicate their requests for direct Community Services Block Grant funding to your office? Or is another HHS official designated to coordinate this effort with tribes?
- What information will your office use to determine that members of tribes would be better served by direct grants to tribes?
- What are the criteria for tribal plans for administering Community Services Block Grants? Would it be possible to prescribe such criteria through interim regulations for fiscal year 1982?

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We are hoping to clarify procedures for tribal governments to request and receive direct block grant funding so that funds for tribal governments can be reserved before States obligate their entire allotments. We feel that the intent of Congress is clear, that tribal governments are eligible to receive direct Community Services Block Grant funding, based upon their eligible populations.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely yours,

John R. Lewis

Executive Director

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