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July 26, 1982

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On behalf of the President, I would like to thank you for your letter of July 12 inviting him to give the dedicatory address on September 3 for the grand opening of the Inn of the Mountain Gods.

Although the President is honored by your invitation and would very much enjoy being with you on this occasion, due to the heavy demands on his calendar through September, it will not be possible for him to accept your kind invitation.

The President sends his warm best wishes to you and your associates of the Mescalero Apache Tribe and appreciates your interest.

Sincerely,

WILLIAM K. SADLER
Special Assistant
to the President

Mr. Wendell X Chino
President
~~Mescalero Apache Tribe~~
Mescalero, NM 88340

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DRAFT REPLY

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MESCALERO *Apache* TRIBE
Wendell Chino, President Mescalero, New Mexico 88340

July 12, 1982

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Date 7/19/82

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*Scheduling
9/3/82*

THE PRESIDENT
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

The Mescalero Apache Tribe has completed the Inn of The Mountain Gods, a unique and beautiful resort captioned - "New Mexico's Most Distinguished Resort". The completion of this resort is another step forward in the Apache Tribe's attempt to achieve social and economic self-sufficiency. We are now making plans for a grand opening.

We respectfully request that you provide the dedicatory address on September 3, 1982 for the Grand Opening. If an alternative date better fits your schedule please advise. It will also be an unprecedented event as no President has ever visited an Indian Tribe and reservation in the memory of the American people. We are certain that the New Mexico Congressional delegation would also be delighted to welcome you to our reservation and New Mexico.

We shall be most honored to have you visit our reservation and dedicate the resort for us.

Very truly yours,
Wendell Chino

Wendell Chino, President
Mescalero Apache Tribe

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THE SAN CARLOS APACHE TRIBE

P.O. BOX 0
SAN CARLOS, ARIZONA 85550

(602) 475-2361



Ned Anderson
Chairman
Wesley Gilbert
Vice Chairman

April 22, 1982

Morton Blackwell
Whitehouse
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. Blackwell,

You are cordially invited to attend an inauguration ceremony of the San Carlos Apache Tribe at 10:00 A.M. on Thursday, May 13, 1982, at San Carlos, Arizona, in Burdette Hall.

At the ceremony the following people will be installed:

Ned Anderson, Tribal Chairman - re-elect

Allen Early, Vice-Chairman - elect

Brazie Goseyun, Bylas District Councilmember - elect

Hutch Noline, Peridot District Councilmember - elect

Charlotte Titla, Gilson Wash District Councilmember - elect

Leo Natsyn, Seven Mile Wash District Councilmember - re-elect

As you will be our special guest, you are requested to stop at the tribal headquarters (located enroute to Burdette Hall and identifiable by a Geronimo Monument in its front yard) upon arrival for registration. You are also requested to remain for a free barbeque immediately following the ceremony.

We look forward to your being with us on this eventful day.

Sincerely yours,

Udell T. Brown, Chairman
Inauguration Committee
San Carlos Apache Tribe

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THE JICARILLA APACHE TRIBE

P. O. BOX 147 • DULCE, NEW MEXICO 87528

December 31, 1981

John McClaughry 227 OEOB
THE WHITE HOUSE
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. McClaughry;

In a recent article of the Farmington Daily Times, we have learned about the proposed meeting between Administration Officials and Navajo Tribal Officials. The article expressed the administration interest regarding the effects of the Federal budget cuts on Native Americans.

Should the meeting take place as planned, we will like your consideration on our position. We feel the effects of the budget cuts are equally negative on all Indian Reservations. The effects are felt on Indian Reservations due to the inability of private industries to locate on Indian Lands. This is one of many reasons why we feel that a blanket fiscal policy can not work for everyone.

If the administration can develop some type of job creating projects in the absence of private sectors, it can help sustain local levels of Indian economies. In this endeavor we will like consultations with you or other key members of the administration. There is no doubt this type of action will lessen the adverse impact of the Federal Budget cuts on Indian Reservations while staying within the administration's goals of balance budget.

If you have further question, please do not hesitate to get in touch with me. My number is ext. #214 (505) 759-3242.

With best regards,

Arnold Cassador
Administrative Assistance

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xc: President-Jicarilla Apache Tribe
Martin Blackwell
Senator Domenici
Congressman Manuel Lujan
Congressman Joe Skeen

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S from the tribe within a week. been waiting since last fall.

Funding Cuts Remain for Talk

WINDOW ROCK, Ariz. — A White House spokesman said Monday that he and other Reagan administration officials are willing to discuss with Navajo leaders the effects of federal budget cuts have on Native Americans.

John McClaushry, a senior policy adviser at the White House, said he was not sure, however, if the talks would change anything.

Navajo Tribal Chairman Peter MacDonald plans to head a delegation of Navajo leaders to meet in the next few days with Reagan administration officials to explain what they say is "a dis-

astrous" effect of the cut-backs.

McClaushry agreed that Indians are facing some unique problems. "Because they are such a small part of the population, with their own peculiar problems, it is easy for them to get lost in the process," he said.

MacDonald said Monday he is optimistic that the talks would provide some aid to tribal Indian governments. At the least he said, the talks should convince federal officials that any further cuts in Indian programs would be extremely unfair.

That Darn Cat
People, Places 'N' Things
 12-29-81

"That Darn Cat," a two-hour film produced by Disney Studios and starring Hayley Mills, Dean Jones and Roddy McDowell, will be shown at the Farmington Public Library Wednesday and Thursday. The free showings are scheduled for 1 and 3:30 p.m. Wednesday at the main library, 302 N. Orchard, and at 10 a.m. Thursday at the Farmington Library East on E. 22nd Street. The film involves a cat that is the only clue in a bank robbery.

The Farmington Senior Citizen center will be open New Year's Eve from 8 p.m. until 1 a.m. for dancing and card playing for all senior citizens.

The annual "legislative send-off" sponsored by the Farmington League of Women Voters has been scheduled for 7:30 p.m. Jan. 5 at St. John's Episcopal Church on North Orchard. Members of the public are invited to attend and ask questions of San Juan County legislative delegation members. The Legislature convenes Jan. 11 for a special session on congressional redistricting and begins its regular 30-day financial session following that.

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PRESIDENT RONALD REAGAN
WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON DC 20500

HAVE REVIEWED YOUR PROPOSED LETTER TO PRESIDENT REAGAN RECOMMENDING 22 MILES OF SALT RIVER IMMEDIATELY BELOW FORT APACHE INDIAN RESERVATION BE DESIGNATED A WILD SCENIC RIVER. PROPOSAL CONTAINS GROSS MISREPRESENTATIONS AND IS ILLEGAL AND CONFISCATORY, CONSTITUTING A SEIZURE OF WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBAL RIGHTS IN SALT RIVER AND ITS TRIBUTARIES. PROPOSED LETTER TOTALLY IGNORES MY LETTER AND REPORT DATED SEPTEMBER 4, 1980 TO KIMBALL FOREST SUPERVISOR, TONTO NATIONAL FOREST, SETTING FORTH IN DETAIL THE TRIBE'S OBJECTIONS AND THE CONFISCATORY NATURE OF THE PROPOSAL. THE TRIBE WILL TAKE WHATEVER ACTION IS NECESSARY TO ENJOIN PROPCSAL. AS WRITTEN YOUR LETTER TO THE PRESIDENT IS A GROSS MISREPRESENTATION OF FACTS CONCERNING WHICH REGIONAL FORESTER IS FULLY AWARE.

CC: PRESIDENT RONALD REAGAN
SECRETARY OF INTERIOR WATT
SENATOR GOLDWATER
SENATOR DECONCINI
RONNIE LUPE
CHAIRMAN
WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE
WHITE RIVER, ARIZONA

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May 8, 1981

Dear Ms. Cleghorn:

Thank you for your letter of April 17. I apologize for the delay in responding, but recent circumstances have left Mr. Baker behind in his correspondence.

Mr. Baker appreciates your bringing your specific concerns regarding the need for Indian set asides in the block grant process to his attention. He has asked me to forward your letter to Morton Blackwell, Special Assistant to the President for Public Liaison, for his information and attention. Please be assured that Mr. Blackwell will give serious consideration to your concerns and will be in touch with you as soon as he has had an opportunity to review your correspondence.

Mr. Baker thanks you once again for your interest in bringing this to his attention.

Sincerely,

Katherine Camalier
Staff Assistant to
James A. Baker, III

Ms. Mildred I. Cleghorn
Route 2, Box 121
Apache, Oklahoma 73006

✓cc: Marton Blackwell--please have appropriate member of your staff send a more detailed reply, if necessary

Morton Black
SA to P for Paul



FORT SILL — CHIRICAHUA — WARM SPRINGS — APACHE TRIBE

ROUTE 2, BOX 121 — APACHE, OKLAHOMA 73006

April 17, 1981

James A. Baker III
Chief of Staff, White House
1600 Pennsylvania Ave., N.W.,
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Sir:

During his campaign, President Reagan promised to treat tribal government on a "government-to-government" basis, as they should be treated. Although in the minority our Indian people are not of the 'minority groups' as seen by the U.S. citizen. Federally recognized tribes have sovereignty, and should be treated with the same dignity as states.

We as a small tribe of 300 members would be completely lost in a block-grant to state situation. The block-grant-with-Indian-set-aside approach would more nearly cover the unique Indian needs on a federal departmental or program basis. For a small tribe the Administrative cost leaves little for services. Tribal sovereignty requires direct tribal inclusion in the block grant process, in the same way that the concepts of state's rights serves as the rationale for that process.

Indian set asides in the block grant process would assure a greater emphasis on the federally-recognized tribes in developing their communities in all phases of tribal life. Direct grants to federally-recognized tribes outside of the state process has been beneficial to tribal self-determination and encouraging to tribal self-sufficiency and eliminates state agency red tape.

The Bureau of Indian Affairs would be able to maintain this function. There are many among us, as Indians, who still need the guidance the Bureau affords, especially our elderly and uneducated.

Our federally-recognized tribe have made much progress through the policy of Self-Determination. Without the help of federal programs such as grants, small tribes with no tribal resources cannot exist or continue to progress toward self-sufficiency.

FORT SILL APACHE SEAL

The seal has a picture of an Apache warrior as the main focus. The cactus and mountains symbolize the terrain in which the Apache are at home. The "Gods Eye" patterns symbolize the four directions and symbolize spiritual belief. The designs are representative of Apache beadwork designs. The crossed arrows represent peace and friendship. The eagle heads symbolize the freedom and dignity of Apache people.

I wonder if you and your colleagues realize that within the 300 members of the Fort Sill Apache Tribe there still lives 12 members who are ex-Prisoners of War held prisoners with Geronimo on the Ft. Sill Military reservation. A portion which was promised to us as our "permanent home", I can say "us" for I am one of the 12. Again the means by which we may become more self-sufficient is being threatened.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Mildred I. Cleghorn". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'M'.

MILDRED I. CLEGHORN
Chairperson
Ft. Sill Apache Tribe