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- I. Identifying IRA Traditional Village Councils
  - A. October 15, 1993 "Indian Entities Recognized and Eligible to Receive Services from the United States Bureau of Indian Affairs" (226 entities: 73 IRA organized; 8 IRA pending)
  - B. BIA Directory of Alaska Tribal Entities (published annually, notes whether IRA organized, includes addresses, phone numbers, and chair person names that may not be current)
  - C. BIA Branch of Tribal Government Services, Juneau (maintains copies of constitutions, charters, etc. for all IRA Councils and many traditional councils, although currency of traditional council materials is not assured)
    - 1. General: 586-7007
    - 2. Expert: Regina Parot: 586-7453
  - D. Alaska Inter-Tribal Council, Daylee Sambo, 277-2482
- II. Determining Capacity and Authority
  - A. IRA Section 16 Governmental Council
    - 1. Constitution
    - 2. Bylaws
    - 3. Resolutions (validly adopted under bylaws)
      - a. Authorizing person to sign and bind the Council

- b. Authorizing Council to enter into lease
- c. Authorizing waiver of sovereign immunity
- d. Transferring tribal property to business corporation or authorizing pledge of tribal assets
- B. IRA Section 17 Tribal Business Corporation
  - 1. Charter

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- 2. Bylaws
- 3. Resolutions (validly adopted under bylaws)
  - a. Authorizing person to sign and bind the Corporation
  - b. Authorizing Corporation to enter into lease
  - c. Acknowledging waiver of sovereign immunity
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  - 1. Constitution (if any)
  - 2. Bylaws (if any)
  - 3. Resolutions/Ordinances
    - a. Authorizing person to sign and bind the Council
    - b. Authorizing Council to enter into lease
    - c. Authorizing waiver of sovereign immunity
    - d. Authorizing pledge of tribal assets

### III. Issues

- A. Capacity and authority
  - 1. Constitution, Charter, Bylaws, Resolutions

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B. Financial Responsibility

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- Assets: What does council "own" free from trust status?
- 2. Does council have unencumbered funds: sources of income other than restricted grants?
- 3. Insurance, surety bond, collateral?

### C. Waiver of Sovereign Immunity

- 1. Sue and be sued clause not adequate
  - a. Should identify court with jurisdiction
- 2. Limitation to assets of entity
- 3. Immunity of "Trust Lands"
- 4. Questionable effect of arbitration clauses
  - a. Federal court treatment
  - b. State court treatment
- 5. Express Transactional Waiver Clause
  - a. Charlie Cole memo & proposed clause
  - b. Revised proposed clause
- 6. Constitutional requirements for approval: Council vote may not be sufficient; may require tribal membership vote

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#### WAIVER OF SOVEREIGN IMMUNITY

The [insert correct name of contracting council as stated in its documents or on BIA list] hereby irrevocably waives any sovereign immunity which it may possess, and consents to suit against itself or its officials in the courts of the State of Alaska as well as in any other court of competent jurisdiction, as to any and all causes of action, whether by the State of Alaska or any other person, arising out of or in connection with [specify lease]. Any order or judgment rendered by any court of the State of Alaska or other court of competent jurisdiction shall be subject to enforcement and execution against any and all assets and property interests of and of [ideally, name both Section 16 17 IRA entities], and however held. [contracting council] hereby also consents to and waives any immunity from informal or administrative action by the State of Alaska with respect to any interest in land or other asset which is the subject of this lease, and to any improvements or other property that may at any time be placed upon the leasehold. [contracting council] does not hereby waive or relinquish any sovereign right it may possess, other than immunity from suit and execution as stated above. However, nothing herein shall be construed as an admission or agreement by the State of Alaska that [contracting council] would, absent this provision, possess immunity or any other sovereign right.

Notes:

1. This language may be made part of the lease/contract, or may be prepared as a separate document that refers to the lease/contract.

2. The document containing this language should be signed by an official of the council (with clearly delegated authority) **on its behalf**.

3. If there is both an IRA Section 16 Council and an IRA Section 17 business corporation, the waiver should ideally be executed separately on behalf of each entity, even though the lease contract is only with one, and even if the individual signer is the same for each entity.

4. In any given case, it may be appropriate to identify

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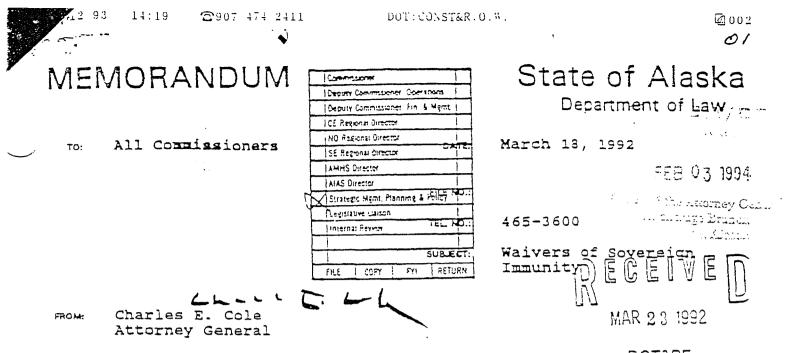
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Some agencies may not be consistently obtaining waivers of sovereign immunity from Native councils and Native villages in connection with State grants, loans, leases, or contracts. Without these waivers the State may find itself without the ability to enforce grant or contract terms, to obtain repayment of misapplied funds, or to protect itself against claims in connection with Native village projects.

Here is the problem: For a number of years some Native councils have asserted that they are recognized tribes and therefore have the status and authority of a sovereign, including sovereign immunity, i.e., immunity from lawsuits. The courts have not rendered any clear decisions on whether Alaska Native villages are tribes and, if they are, the extent of the powers that flow from tribal status. However, the judicial trend appears to be that if a Native yillage is a tribe, its tribal status will enable it to successfully assert sovereign immunity. Nevertheless, there may be ways for us to obtain redrass for state claims despite village sovereign immunity. However, the assertion of sovereign immunity by a Native village could be a substantial impediment to the State enforcing its rights, and make such effort more time-consuming and expensive. It might even leave the State without a remedy.

For these reasons, in the past the Department of Law has regularly advised State agencies that when they enter into a contract with a Native council, including grant and loan contracts, the agencies should obtain a waiver of sovereign immunity from the council. Some agencies already do this; others do not. Sometimes a waiver is required by statute (e.g., AS 29.60.140, 29.60.599[8][A], 46.08.900[12][A]); in other cases it is not. Whether it is required by law, for the State's cwn protection, these waivers should be a standard provision in any agreements between state agencies and Native councils.

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The execution of waivers of sovereign immunity should not be objectionable to village councils. In fact, as more businesses become awars of the jeopardy of commercial dealings with a Native council without obtaining a waiver, they are likely to become commonplace.

When requesting waivers of immunity, to the extent that you receive resistance, you may remind them that a waiver of sovereign immunity is not a concession that a village lacks sovereignty; it merely preserves the State's ability to enforce the terms of the contract, just as the village has the right to enforce the contract despite the State's sovereign immunity, which it has waived by statute. It also puts the village in the same position as anyone else who contracts with the State, i.e., it simply enables the State to enforce the legal obligations stated in the contract.

Attached is an example of a broad form waiver of sovereign immunity, which may be adapted to your particular needs. When in doubt on how and when to use it, please consult your attorneys in the Department of Law. This form of waiver enables the State to sue to require specific performance of a contract, to recoup damages resulting from failure to perform (including misappropriating grant or loan funds), and to protect itself from claims by third parties arising out of actions by the village in the course of executing the contract. This broad waiver is necessary to protect the State fully. Occasionally, a Native village may claim that a narrower waiver is sufficient to protect the State. Although we doubt that this will often be the case, the Department of Law is prepared to consider individual instances where the village believes a narrower waiver is sufficient. Again, please consult your regular staff attorney.

The waiver form also states that the state courts have jurisdiction over legal actions arising out of the contract, grant, lease, etc. This provision is necessary to avoid having to litigate claims against a village council in a tribal court appointed by that council. We are not suggesting any unfairness by the villages, but it is always prudent to ensure that judicial review of our contracts and claims be in a forum we know is neutral.

Finally, we advise that a waiver should be executed by the Native council itself, rather than by a chief, chairman, or other officials of a village. There have been cases in which courts found ineffective a waiver of sovereign immunity executed by an official rather than the full council. As an alternative, execution of the waiver by an official is appropriate if accompanied by a copy of a council resolution clearly delegating the power to execute a waiver of sovereign immunity to that official.

Please note that the requirement of a waiver applies only to Native villages, as well as to entities using another title

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(like IRA and traditional councils) that may claim status as a tribe. Purthermore, it applies to corporations which are subsidiaries or creations of village councils. When in doubt, ask us for advice.

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MARCH 1992 VERSION DISTRIBUTED TO COMMISSIONERS.

The Nativa Villaga of \_\_\_\_\_\_ hereby irrevccably waives any sovereign immunity which it may possess, and consents to suit against itself or its officials in the courts of the State of Alaska or any other court of competent jurisdiction, as to all causes of action by the Stata of Alaska or any other person arising out of or in connection with \_\_\_\_\_\_ [specify the contract, grant, lease, etc.].

[Note #1: This language may be made part of the contract itself or be in the form of a separate document which refers to the contract. In either case it should be clear that the execution is by the village council or an official clearly delegated authority by the council.]

[Note #2: There may be valid reasons to identify specific actions, events, or claims to which the waiver applies. For that reason, especially during the time when use of the waiver is relatively new and unfamiliar to your agency, I urge you to consult with your regular attorney to insure that the waiver meets your specific needs.] This meeting will be open to the public on October 18 from 8:30 to 9 a.m. for opening remarks and discussion of program guidelines. Attendance by the public will be limited to space available.

In accordance with provisions set forth in secs. 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), title 5, U.S.C. and sec. 10(d) of Public Law 92-463, the meeting will be closed to the public from 9 a.m. on October 18 until adjournment for the review, discussion and evaluation of individual grant applications. These applications and the discussions could reveal confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the applications, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

Ms. Lois DeNinno, Committee Management Officer, National Eye Institute, EPS, suite 350, National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, Maryland 20892, 301/496–5301, will provide, upon request, summaries of the meeting, rosters of committee members, and substantive program information, as well as, information regarding sign language interpretation or other reasonable accommodations.

This notice is being published less than 15 days prior to the meeting due to the difficulty of coordinating the attendance of members because of conflicting schedules.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program No. 93.867, Vision Research; National Institutes of Health.)

Dated: October 14, 1993.

Wendy Baldwin,

Acting Deputy Director for Extramural Research, NIH.

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#### DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

**Bureau of Indian Attairs** 

Indian Entities Recognized and Eligible To Receive Services From the United States Bureau of Indian Affairs

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs. ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given of the revision and update of the list of entities recognized and eligible for funding and services from the Bureau of Indian Affairs and is published pursuant to 25 CFR part 83.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Patricia Simmons, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Division of Tribal Government Services, 1849 C Street NW., Washington, DC 20240. Telephone number: (202) 208–7445.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice is published in exercise of authority delegated to the Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs under 25 U.S.C. 2 and 9 and 209 DM 8.

Published below are lists of federally acknowledged tribes in the contiguous 48 states and in Alaska. The list for the contiguous 48 states is updated from the last such list published in 1988 to include tribes acknowledged through the Federal acknowledgment process and legislation. The list for Alaska has been substantially revised from the 1988 list of Alaska entities for the following reasons:

In 1973 the Department of the Interior adopted regulations setting out . "Procedures for Establishing That an American Indian Group Exists as an Indian Tribe." 43 FR 39361 (Sept. 5, 1978). The regulations "establish a departmental procedure and policy for acknowledging that certain American Indian tribes exist. Such acknowledgment of tribal existence by the Department is a prerequisite to the protection, services, and benefits from the Federal Government available to Indian tribes. Such acknowledgment shall also mean that the tribe is entitled to the immunities and privileges available to other federally acknowledged Indian tribes by virtue of their status as Indian tribes as well as the responsibilities and obligations of such tribes. Acknowledgment shall subject the Indian tribe to the same authority of Congress and the United States to which other federally acknowledged tribes are subjected." 25 CFR 83.2.

Under the procedures, groups not recognized as tribes by the Federal Government may apply for Federal acknowledgment. Tribes, bands, pueblos or communities already acknowledged as such and receiving services from the Bureau of Indian Affairs were not required to seek acknowledgment anew. 25 CFR 83.3 (a), (b). To assist groups in determining whether they were required to apply, the procedures provided for the publication within 90 days of a list of "all Indian tribes which are recognized and receiving services from the Bureau of Indian Affairs." 25 CFR 83.6(b): This list is to be updated annually. *Ibid.* 

The first list of acknowledged tribes was published in 1979. 44 FR 7325 (Feb. 9, 1979). The list used the term "entities" in the preamble and elsewhere to refer to and include all the various anthropological organizations, such as bands, pueblos and villages, acknowledged by the Federal Government to constitute tribes with a government-to-government relationship with the United States. A footnote defined "entities" to include "Indian tribes, bands, villages, groups and pueblos as well as Eskimos and Aleuts." 44 FR at 7325, n. \*.

The 1979 list did not, however, contain the names of any Alaska Native entities. The preamble stated that: "[t]he list of eligible Alaskan entities will be published at a later date." 44 FR at 7235.

In 1932 the Department added to the list of tribal entities in the contiguous 48 states a "preliminary list" of Alaska Native entities under the heading Alaska Native Entities Recognized and Eligible To Receive Services From the United States Bureau of Indian Affairs. 47 FR 53133 (Nov. 24, 1982). The preamble to this list stated:

[U]nique circumstances have made eligible additional entities in Alaska which are not historical tribes. Such circumstances have resulted in multiple, overlapping eligibility of Native entities in Alaska. To alleviate any confusion which might arise from publication of a multiple eligibility listing, the following preliminary list shows those entities to which the Bureau of Indian Affairs gives priority for purposes of funding and services.

#### 47 FR at 53133-53134.

The meaning of this preamble was clarified by the 1982 list itself. The entities appearing on the list were traditional councils that were identified as tribes in the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act (ANCSA), 43 U.S.C. 1602(c), and that had been dealt with by the Bureau of Indian Affairs on a government-to-government basis and Indian Reorganization Act councils organized under the Indian Reorganization Act (IRA), 25 U.S.C. 473a, and dealt with on a governmentto-government basis by the BIA. These entities parallel the kinds of entities listed on the list for the contiguous 48 states. Not listed on the Alaska list were regional, village and urban corporations organized under state law in accordance with ANCSA. These corporations are not governments, but they have been designated as "tribes" for the purposes of some Federal laws, primarily the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (ISDA), 25 U.S.C. 450b(b), creating the overlapping eligibility referred to in the preamble.

The 1962 preamble, nonetheless, caused confusion as to the Department's intent. See, e.g., Board of Equalization v. Alaska Native Brotherhood, 666 P.2d 1015, 1024, n. 1 (Alaska 1983) (concurring opinion). A number of Alaska Native organizations complained. that the preamble was ambiguous and cast doubt on the tribal status of Alaska Native villages and regional tribes. The statement was dropped from the subsequent lists published in 1983, 48 FR 56862 (Dec. 23, 1983); 1985, 50 FR 6058 (Feb. 13, 1985); and 1986, 51 FR 25118 (July 10, 1986). However, this deletion did not eliminate lingering uncertainties over whether inclusion on, or exclusion from, the Alaska Native entities list constituted an official determination of the United States government as to the tribal status of Native entities. In addition, in 1986, a number of Alaska Native entities complained that they had been wrongly omitted from the lists published between 1982 and 1986.

In 1988, as part of the annual publication required by 25 CFR 83.6(b), the Department published a new list of Alaska entities. The 1988 list departed from the previous lists in a number of respects. Rather than being limited to traditional Native governments and governments reorganized under Federal law, as were the prior lists, the 1988 list was expanded to include nine categories of Alaska entities, including the statechartered regional, village and urban corporations established pursuant to ANCSA. The number of listed entities thus more than doubled to 500. The preamble to the list stated that the revised list responded to a "demand by the Bureau and other Federal agencies

\* \* \* for a list of organizations which are eligible for their funding and services based on their inclusion in categories frequently mentioned in statutes concerning Federal programs for Indians." 53 FR at 52,832.

The inclusion of non-tribal entities on the 1988 Alaska entities list departed from the intent of 25 CFR 83.6(b) and created a discontinuity from the list of tribal entities in the contiguous 48 states, which was republished as part of the same Federal Register notice. As in Alaska, Indian entities in the contiguous 48 states other than recognized tribes are frequently eligible to participate in Federal programs under specific statutes. For example, "tribal organizations" associated with recognized tribes, but not themselves tribes, are eligible for contracts and grants under the ISDA. 25 U.S.C. 450b(c), 450f, 450g. Unlike the Alaska entities list, the 1988 entities list for the contiguous 48 states was not expanded to include such entities.

Even more significantly, the change to the Alaska entities list compounded, rather than resolved, the question of the status of Alaska tribes raised by prior lists. First, the list did not distinguish between entities listed on the basis of

their status as tribes and non-tribal entities listed because of their eligibility to participate in Federal programs under specific statutes. Second, it omitted the language on some of the earlier lists which described the listed Indian groups as "Indian tribal entities which are recognized as having a special relationship with the United States" and instead included language applicable only to Alaska stating that:

Inclusion on a list of entities already receiving and eligible for Bureau funding does not constitute a determination that the entity either would or would not qualify for Federal Acknowledgment under the regulations, but only that no such effort is necessary to preserve eligibility. Furthermore, inclusion on or exclusion from this list of any entity should not be construed to be a determination by this Department as to the extent of the powers and authority of that entity.

53 FR at 52,832. Finally, the 1988 list further confused the status of a number of specific entities by using names for some villages that were different from the names of these villages used by the Native traditional councils.

These changes in the 1988 publication have raised a number of questions with respect to the Department's intent and the effect of the 1988 list. The omission in the preamble of all references acknowledging the tribal status of the listed villages, and the inclusion of ANCSA corporations, which lack tribal status in a political sense, called into question the status of all the listed entities. Numerous Native villages, regional tribes and other Native organizations objected to the 1988 list on the grounds that it failed to distinguish between Native corporations and Native tribes and failed to unequivocally recognize the tribal status of the listed villages and regional tribes.

In January 1993 the Solicitor of the Department of the Interior issued a comprehensive opinion analyzing the status of Alaska Native villages as "Indian tribes," as that term is commonly used to refer to Indian entities in the contiguous 48 states. The Solicitor analyzed the unique circumstances of Alaska Native villages. After a lengthy historical review, the Solicitor concluded that there are tribes in Alaska:

By the time of enactment of the IRA [Indian Reorganization Act of 1934, as amended in 1936], the preponderant opinion was that Alaska Natives were subject to the same legal principles as Indians in the contiguous 48 states, and had the same powers and attributes as other Indian tribes, except to the extent limited or preempted by Congress.

What constitutes a tribe in the contiguous 48 states is sometimes a difficult question. So also is it in Alaska. The history of Alaska is unique, but so is that of California, New Mexico and Oklahoma. While the Department's position with regard to the existence of tribes in Alaska may have vacillated between 1867 and the opening decades of this century, it is clear that for the last half century, Congress and the Department have dealt with Alaska Natives as though there were tribes in Alaska. The fact that the Congress and the Department may not have dealt with all Alaska Natives as tribes at all times prior to the 1930's did not preclude it from dealing with them as tribes subsequently.

Sol. Op. M-36,975, at 46, 47-48 (Jan. 11, 1993).

The Solicitor found it unnecessary for the purposes of his opinion to identify specifically those villages which are tribes, although he observed that Congress's listing of specific villages in the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act and the repeated inclusion of such villages within the definition of "tribe" over the 20 years since the passage of ANCSA arguably constituted a congressional determination that the villages found eligible for benefits under ANCSA, referred to as the "modified ANCSA list," are considered Indian tribes for purposes of Federal law. M-36,975, at 58-59.

In view of the foregoing, and to comply with the requirement of 25 CFR 83.6(b), the Department of the Interior has determined it necessary to publish a new list of Alaska tribal entities. The Bureau of Indian Affairs has reviewed the "modified ANCSA list" of villages and the list of those villages and regional tribes previously listed or dealt with by the Federal Government as governments and found that the villages and regional tribes listed below have functioned as political entities exercising governmental authority and are, therefore, acknowledged to have "the immunities and privileges available to other federally acknowledged Indian tribes by virtue of their status as Indian tribes as well as the responsibilities and obligations of such tribes.'

The purpose of the current publication is to publish an Alaska list of entities conforming to the intent of 25 CFR 83.6(b) and to eliminate any doubt as to the Department's intention by expressly and unequivocally acknowledging that the Department has determined that the villages and regional tribes listed below are distinctly Native communities and have the same status as tribes in the contiguous 48 states. Such acknowledgement of tribal existence by the Department is a prerequisite to the protection, services, and benefits from the Federal Government available to

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Indian tribes. This list is published to clarify that the villages and regional tribes listed below are not simply eligible for services, or recognized as tribes for certain narrow purposes. Rather, they have the same governmental status as other federally acknowledged Indian tribes by virtue of their status as Indian tribes with a government-to-government relationship with the United States; are entitled to the same protection, immunities, privileges as other acknowledged tribes; have the right, subject to general principles of Federal Indian law, to exercise the same inherent and delegated authorities available to other tribes; and are subject to the same limitations imposed by law on other tribes.1

A directive accompanying the Department of the Interior and Related Agencies Appropriations Act for FY 1992 directed the Secretary to study the historical evidence relating to five villages for purposes of determining whether they were inadvertently denied village or urban status under ANCSA. H.R. Rep. No. 102–256, 102d Cong., 1st Sess. 42–43 (1991). Four of these villages are listed below on the basis of their reorganization under Federal law. A decision on inclusion of the remaining village (Tenakee) will be made after the completion of the study.

Because the list published by this notice is limited to entities found to be Indian tribes, as that term is defined and used in 25 CFR part 83, it does not include a number of non-tribal Native entities in Alaska that currently contract with or receive services from the Bureau of Indian Affairs pursuant to specific statutory authority, including ANCSA village and regional corporations and various tribal organizations. These entities are made eligible for Federal contracting and services by statute and their non-inclusion on the list below does not affect the continued eligibility of the entities for contracts and services.<sup>2</sup>

'Sol. Op. M-36,975 concluded, construing general principles of Federal Indian law and ANCSA, that "notwithstanding the potential that Indian country still exists in Alaska in certain limited cases, Congress has left little or no room for tribes in Alaska to exercise governmental authority over lend or nonmembers." M-35,975, at 108. That portion of the opinion is subject to review, but has not been withdrawn or modified.

<sup>2</sup> Under longstanding BIA policy, priority for contracts and services in Alaska is given to réorganized and traditional governments over nontribal corporations. Proposed regulations to implement the 1988 Amendments to the Indian Self-Determination Act scheduled to be published

in the near future will incorporate this policy.

Native Entities Within the State of Alaska Recognized and Eligible To Receive Services From the United States Bureau of Indian Affairs Village of Afognak

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| <u>v</u> | ILLAGE NAME | TRIBAL/IRA NAME                       | DATE               | DATE                | DATE     |
| 1        | AKIACHAK    | AKIACHAK NATIVE COMMUNITY             | 12-03-48           | 12-03-48            | 8-6-48   |
| 2        | AKIAK       | AKIAK NATIVE COMMUNITY                | 11-21-49           | 11-21-49            | 5-11-48  |
| 3        | ANGOON      | ANGOON COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION          | 11-15-39           | 11-15-39            | 5-10-39  |
| 4        | АТКА        | NATIVE VILLAGE OF ATKA                | 05-23-39           | 05-23-39            | 5-15-39  |
| 5        | BUCKLAND    | NATIVE VILLAGE OF BUCHLAND            | 12-30-50           | 12-30-50            | 10-13-5  |
| 6        | CHRNEGA     | NATIVE VILLAGE OF CHINEGA             | 02-03-40           | 02-03-40            | 5-23-39  |
| 7        | CIRCLE      | CIRCLE NATIVE COMMUNITY               | 08-20-91           | NONE                | 10-4-91  |
| 8        | CRAIG       | CRAIG COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION           | 10-08-38           | 10-08-38            | 7-13-38  |
| 9        | DEERING     | NATIVE VILLAGE OF DEERING             | 10-26-45           | 10-26-45            | 9-10-45  |
| 10       | DIOMEDE     | NATIVE VILLAGE OF DICMEDE             | 01-31-40           | 01-31-40            | 5-15-39  |
| 11       | DOUGLAS     | DOUGLAS INDIAN ASSOCIATION            | 11-24-41           | 11-24-41            | 5-29-41  |
| 12       | EAGLE       | NATIVE VILLAGE OF EAGLE               | 04-29-89           | NONE                | 6-13-89  |
| 13       | ELIM        | NATIVE VILLAGE OF ELIM                | 11-24-39           | 11-24-39            | 5-23-39  |
| 14       | FORT YUKON  | NATIVE VILLAGE OF FORT YUKON          | 01-02-40           | 01-02-40            | 5-15-39  |
| 15       | GAMBELL     | NATIVE VILLAGE OF GAMEELL             | 12-31-39           | 12-31-39            | 5-23-39  |
| 16       | HAINES      | CHILKOOT INDIAN ASSOCIATION           | 12-05-41           | 12-05-41            | 5-27-41  |
| 17       | HOLIKACHUK  | ORGANIZED VILLAGE OF GRAYLING         | 05-17-48           | 05-17-48            | 5-17-48  |
| 18       | Hoonah      | HOONAH INDIAN ASSOCIATION             | 10-23-39           | 10-23-39            | 8-19-39  |
| 19       | HYDABURG    | HYDABURG COOPERATIVE ASSOCIATION      | 04-14-38           | 04-14-38            | 4-7-38   |
| 20       | KAKE •      | ORGANIZED VILLAGE OF KAKE             | 01-27-48           | 01-27-48            | 11-17-47 |
| 21       | KANATAK     | NATIVE VILLAGE OF KANATAK             | 03-01-41           | 03-01-41            | 5-15-40  |
| 22       | KARLUK      | NATIVE VILLAGE OF KARLUK              | 08-23-39           | 08-23-39            | 7-7-39   |
| 23       | KASAAN      | ORGANIZED VILLAGE OF KASAAN           | 10-15-38           | 10-15-38            | 8-22-38  |
| 24       | KENAI       | KENAITZE INDIAN TRIBE                 | 08-01-71           | NONE                | 6-21-71  |
| 25       | KETCHIKAN   | KETCHIKAN INDIAN CORPORATION          | 01-27-40           | 01-27-40            | 12-20-39 |
| 25       | KING ISLAND | KING ISLAND NATIVE COMMUNITY          | 01-31-39           | 01-31-39            | 12-20-39 |
| 20       | KIVALINA    | NATIVE VILLAGE OF KIVALINA            | 02-07-40           | 02-07-40            | 5-23-39  |
| 27       | KLAWOCK     | KLAWOCK COOPERATIVE ASSOCIATION       | 10-04-38           | 10-04-38            | 4-15-38  |
|          | KLUKWAN     | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · |                    |                     |          |
| 29       |             | CHILKAT INDIAN VILLAGE                | 03-27-41           | 03-27-41            | 3-4-41   |
| 30       | KOTZEBUE    | NATIVE VILLAGE OF KOTZEBUE            | 05-23-39           | 05-23-39            | 5-23-39  |
| 31       | KOYUK       | NATIVE VILLAGE OF KOYUK               | 07-23-46           | 07-23-46            | 7-23-46  |

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|      | ILLAGE NAME     | TRIBAL IRA NAME                                        | RATIFIED<br>DATE | RATIFIED<br>DATE | APR'<br>DATE    |
| 32   | KWETHLUK        | ORGANIZED VILLAGE OF KWETHLUK                          | 01-11-40         | 01-11-40         | <b>5-11-</b> 38 |
| 33   | KWIGILLINGOK    | NATIVE VILLAGE OF KWIGILLINGOK                         | 11-25-49         | 11-25-49         | 10-24-4         |
| 34   | KWINHAGAK       | NATIVE VILLAGE OF KWINHAGAK                            | 06-11-48         | 06-11-48         | <b>6-11-</b> 48 |
| 35   | MEKORYUK        | NATIVE VILLAGE OF MEKCRYUK                             | 08-24-40         | 08-24-40         | 5-15-40         |
| • 36 | METLAKATLA      | METLAKATLA INDIAN COMMUNITY<br>ANNETTE ISLANDS RESERVE | 12-19-44         | 12-19-44         | 8-23-44         |
| 37   | MINTO           | NATIVE VILLAGE OF MINTO                                | 12-30-39         | 12-30-39         | <b>5-23-</b> 39 |
| 38   | NAPAKIAK        | NATIVE VILLAGE OF NAFAKIAK                             | 07-29-46         | 07-29-46         | 7-23-46         |
| 39   | NIKOLSKI        | NATIVE VILLAGE OF NIKOLSKI                             | 06-12-39         | 06-12-39         | 5-23-39         |
| 40   | NOATAK          | NATIVE VILLAGE OF NOATAK                               | 12-28-39         | 12-28-39         | 5-23-39         |
| 41   | NOME            | NOME ESKIMO COMMUNITY                                  | 11-23-39         | 11-23-39         | 9-9-39          |
| 42   | NOORVIK         | NOORVIK NATIVE COMMUNITY                               | 11-23-39         | 11-23-39         | 5-11-39         |
| 43   | NUNAPITCHUK     | NATIVE VILLAGE OF NUNAPITCHUK                          | 01-02-40         | 01-02-40         | 5-23-39         |
| 44   | PERRYVILLE      | NATIVE VILLAGE OF PERRYVILLE                           | 09-01-50         | 09-01-50         | 9-13-49         |
| 45   | PETERSBURG      | PETERSBURG INDIAN ASSOCIATION                          | 05-21-48         | 05-21-48         | 3-22-48         |
| 46   | POINT HOPE      | NATIVE VILLAGE OF POINT HOPE                           | 02-29-40         | 02-29-40         | 5-15-39         |
| 47   | POINT LAY       | NATIVE VILLAGE OF POINT LAY                            | 03-22-46         | 03-22-46         | 5-23-39         |
| 48   | SAINT MICHAEL   | NATIVE VILLAGE OF SAINT MICHAEL                        | 03-31-48         | 07-31-48         | 6-11-48         |
| 49   | SAINT PAUL      | ALEUT COMMUNITY OF ST. PAUL<br>ISLAND ***              | 06-12-50         | 06-12-50         | 5-3-50          |
| 50   | SAVOONGA        | NATIVE VILLAGE OF SAVOONGA                             | 04-10-40         | 04-10-40         | <b>5-15-</b> 39 |
| 51   | Saxman          | ORGANIZED VILLAGE OF SAXMAN                            | 01-14-41         | 01-14-41         | 10-18-4         |
| 52   | SELAWIK         | NATIVE VILLAGE OF SELAWIK                              | 03-15-40         | 03-15-40         | 5-15-39         |
| 53   | SELDOVIA        | SELDOVIA VILLAGE TRIBE                                 | 04-03-92         | NONE             | 5-18-92         |
| 54   | SHAGELUK        | SHAGELUK NATIVE VILLAGE                                | 11-01-49         | 11-01-49         | 8-19-49         |
| 55   | SHAKTOOLIK      | NATIVE VILLAGE OF SHAKTOOLIK                           | 01-27-40         | 01-27-40         | 5-15-39         |
| 56   | SHISHMAREF      | NATIVE VILLAGE OF SHISHMAREF                           | 08-02-39         | 08-02-39         | 5-23-39         |
| 57   | SHUNGNAK        | NATIVE VILLAGE OF SHUNGNAK                             | 07-24-46         | 07-24-46         | 6-18-46         |
| 58   | SITKA           | SITKA TRIBE OF ALASKA                                  | 10-11-38         | 10-11-38         | 7-13-38         |
| 59   | STEBBINS        | STEBBINS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION                         | 12-05-39         | 12-05-39         | 5-10-39         |
| 60   | STEVENS VILLAGE | NATIVE VILLAGE OF STEVENS                              | 12-30-39         | 12-30-39         | 5-15-39         |
| 61   | TANACROSS       | NATIVE VILLAGE OF TANACROSS                            | 01-05-42         | 01-05-42         | 5-20-41         |
| 62   | TANANA          | NATIVE VILLAGE OF TANANA                               | 04-05-47         | 04-05-47         | 5-15-39         |

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| 63                                | TATITLEK                               | NATIVE VILLAGE OF TATIFLEK               | 12-31-46         | 12-31-46         | 5-23-         |
| 64                                | TETLIN                                 | NATIVE VILLAGE OF TETLIN                 | 03-20-40         | 03-20-40         | 5-15-         |
| 64                                | TULUKSAK                               | TULUKSAK NATIVE COMMUNITY                | 01-05-50         | 01-05-50         | 5-11-         |
| 66                                | TUNUNAK                                | NATIVE VILLAGE OF TUNUNAK                | 01-29-47         | 01-29-47         | 5-23-         |
| 67                                | TYONEK                                 | NATIVE VILLAGE OF TYONEK                 | 11-27-39         | 11-27-39         | 5-23-         |
| 68                                | UNALAKLEET                             | NATIVE VILLAGE OF UNALAKLEET             | 12-30-39         | 12-30-39         | 8-5-3:        |
| 69                                | VENETIE                                | NATIVE VILLAGE OF VENETIE                | 01-25-40         | 01-25-40         | 5-15-1        |
| 70                                | WALES                                  | NATIVE VILLAGE OF WALES                  | 07-29-39         | 07-29-39         | 5-23-1        |
| 71                                | WHITE MOUNTAIN                         | NATIVE VILLAGE OF WHITE MOUNTAIN         | 11-25-39         | 11-25-39         | 5-15-3        |
| 72                                | WRANGELL                               | WRANGELL COOPERATIVE ASSOCIATION         | 02-27-47         | 02-27-47         | 4-30-4        |
| 73                                | ARCTIC SLOPE<br>BOROUGH                | INUPIAT COMMUNITY OF THE ARCTIC<br>SLOPE | 08-26-71         | NONE             | 6-28-7        |
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