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JOYCE-- Had one letter in re Indian Education, and thought you might want copy of response.

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RESOLUTION #1

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The Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians holds this meeting at the Spokane hearings of the National Water Conference on September 9, 1973, at Spokane, Washington, and the Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians feel that time is somewhat of the essence in recording its reactions while the members of the Commission have a clear memory of what it was told by Indian witnesses during the hearings.

Enclosed is a copy of the Report of our Senate Appropriations Committee on the Supplemental Appropriation Bill that passed Congress this weekend. You will be pleased to note on page 20 that we have taken affirmative action on the Indian Education Act of 1972.

During the deliberations of my Subcommittee we agreed that this program must get underway right away, and that we should not wait until the regular appropriations for Fiscal 1974. We recommended the amount of \$36 million, which was approved by the Full Committee, the Senate, and we then took this to Conference with the House. The House had not considered this item, nor any of the Budget Requests for the Office of Education. As you will note, the President had not requested any funds for the Indian Education Act either, but in Conference with the House we were able to hold \$18 million. We have noted in the margin of page 20 the distribution of that final amount between the several sections in the Act.

MEMORANDUM

Our initial recommendations were almost identical to those you proposed in your letter of September 29th. Hopefully, we will be able to get the President to release these funds and initiate this new program, and starting mid-school-year, this should prove sufficient. Obviously more will be needed to cover a full academic year, but we'll face that battle next time around.

With best regards, I remain

Sincerely,

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