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St. Mary's Native Corporation

P.O. Box 162
St. Mary's, Alaska 99658

April 4, 1977

Mr. Joe Orsini, Chairman
Senate Community & Regional
Affairs Committee
Alaska State Legislature
Pouch V
Juneau, Alaska 99811

Dear Mr. Orsini:

Re: Your letter March 28th with attached questionnaire concerning ANCSA Section 14(c)(3) & (4).

Thank you for asking our views on this subject. We have answered your questions as best we can for the moment, but we do not feel we can be responsive to the law until there is more knowledge and definition of it's terms. We would appreciate any advise or information your committee may develop. In interpreting our questions you might be alert to the fact that the following circumstances exist at St. Mary's.

1) There are three Village Corporations within the single core township.

2) Part of the core township is covered by a city.

3) There are two cities whose boundaries adjoin.

4) There are four village corporations who have land selections within the boundaries of one city.

5) There does not appear to be any Native Corporation selected lands within either of the two neighboring cities upon which there are "improvements". All improved areas have already been patented or covered by BLM townsite surveys. This includes State and Federal interests covered by the Federal Aid to Airports Act.

6) There is one village immediately adjacent to a city boundary, but outside the city, upon which there are typical village improvements and living facilities and which is on unpatented ground. This same village has land selections within the city boundaries.

Following are questions we seek answers to:

1) Ref; Sec. 14(c)(3), line 4....what is the definition of "improved land"? If there is no "improved land on which the Native village is located" involved, is there an obligation to convey any land at all? The following "provided" clause seems to go back again to the reference to "improved land". Further, line two seems to carry with it the connotation that the situation is a whole city within the boundaries of a village selection and possibly confining the requirement to a circumstance where that circumstance exists. That definitely is not the case we are faced

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we are faced with at St. Mary's.

2) Does each Village Corporation having selected lands within the boundaries of a city have to give a minimum of 1280 acres each to the City?

3) If a Village Corporation has selected lands in two or more cities does it have to give 1280 acres minimum to each and every city?

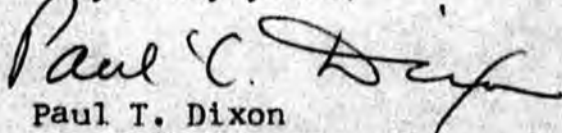
4) Does the 1280 acre grant from the village corporation to the city have to be within the core township and/or within city boundaries?

5) Would a city's zoning and land use planning powers superceed or give control over the exercise of transportation, utility, survey and other blanket type easements otherwise reserved in patents covering lands within a city? In this regard we are especially looking at the prospect of local governments being capable of regulating and restricting the routings of these kinds of activities so that routings become specific and not allowed to wander indiscriminately in opposition to a Village Corporation's own plans and best interests.

You might also advise, Mr. Orsini, if the legislature would look favorably on rural cities expanding their boundaries to outlandish sizes if, in the final analysis, it appears that is the only way in which local control over blanket easements can be maintained.

Thank you again for soliciting our comments. We anxiously await your answer to our questions.

Very truly yours,



Paul T. Dixon
General Manager

cc: City of St. Mary's
City of Mountain Village
Village Corporation Boards
of Directors
St. Mary's
Mountain Village
Pilot Station
Andreafsky
Pitkas Point

Has your Village been aware of the provisions of Section 14(c)(3) and (4) of the ANCSA?

Yes

Have you given consideration to taking some formal action in that regard?

yes

Have you conferred with the Municipality on this issue?

to a limited degree

Has any agreement been reached between you and the Municipality on how to proceed in this regard?

No

Have you reached any agreement with the Municipality on the lands to be conveyed under Section 14(c)(3) and (4)?

No

Does it appear as though there may be a confrontation on the issue?

possibly

What do you feel the State Legislature or Administration can do to help in this land selection and conveyance?

At this time we have unanswered questions, see attached letter.

Possibly provide technical and/or financial assistance for Master Planning so that City needs can be determined in the Unorganized Borough.

[Signature]

Prepared By: Paul E. Dixon
Title: General Manager
Village Of: St. Mary's Native Corp.

ST. MARY'S NATIVE CORP.
P. O. BOX 162
ST. MARY'S, ALASKA 99658

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Has your Village been aware of the provisions of Section 14(c)(3) and (4) of the ANCSA?

Yes.

Have you given consideration to taking some formal action in that regard?

Yes.

Have you conferred with the Municipality on this issue?

Yes.

Has any agreement been reached between you and the Municipality on how to proceed in this regard?

No.

Have you reached any agreement with the Municipality on the lands to be conveyed under Section 14(c)(3) and (4)?

No.

Does it appear as though there may be a confrontation on the issue?

No.

What do you feel the State Legislature or Administration can do to help in this land selection and conveyance?

I think assisting the City in developing their future requirements with respect to future expansion and needs of the City for lands under the ANCSA would be very beneficial. I would, however, caution and advise that the Corporation and the City work hand in hand with the State Community & Regional Affairs in the planning effort so as to avoid any future confrontation.

Prepared By: Sam L. Demmert

Title: President

Village Of: Yakutat, Alaska

YAK-TAT KWAAN, INC.

PHONE 907-784-3335

P.O. BOX 416

YAKUTAT, ALASKA 99689

April 4, 1977

Honorable Senator Joe Orsini
Chairman of Senate Community and
Regional Affairs Committee
Pouch V
Juneau, Alaska 99811

Sir:

This is in response to your questionnaire received
March 31, 1977, regarding 14 (c) (3) and (4) of the Alaska
Native Claims Settlement Act.

We have been well aware of this section of the act
and have been addressing the problem, both formally and informally
within the Board of Directors and with the City Council members
of the City of Yakutat.

Please find enclosed the completed questionnaire that
you requested.

Very truly yours,

YAK-TAT KWAAN, INC. CORPORATION



Sam L. Demmert
President

Enclosure:

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Nik'aghun, Limited
Nulato, Alaska 99765
March 31, 1977

Senator Joe Orsini
Chairman CRA Committee
Pouch V
Juneau, Alaska 99811

Dear Senator,

I am replying to the enclosed questionnaire recently received from your office.

I feel the questions raised by you will be high priority issues that cannot be ignored by any village corporation or municipality.

Any plausible solutions offered by your office to those inevitable concerns will certainly be received with acute interest.

Sincerely,

Peter Demoski
Peter Demoski, Pres.

1. Has your Village been aware of the provisions of Section 14(c)(3) and (4) of the ANCSA?
2. Have you given consideration to taking some formal action in that regard?
3. Have you conferred with the Municipality on this issue?
4. Has any agreement been reached between you and the Municipality on how to proceed in this regard?
5. Have you reached any agreement with the Municipality on the lands to be conveyed under Section 14(c)(3) and (4)?
6. Does it appear as though there may be a confrontation on the issue?
7. What do you feel the State Legislature or Administration can do to help in this land selection and conveyance?

Prepared By: Peter Demoski
Title: President
Village Of: Nulato Corporation

1. Yes, this has been a concern among several entities within our community. From the Village Corporation's standpoint itself, we foresee difficulties in any land reconveyance to the municipality, resident and non-resident Natives, resident non-Natives, local businessmen, and future business groups.

2. Interior Village Association, a non-profit corporation organized for the purpose of assisting village corporations administer to their land and financial assets, is presently in the process of itemizing foreseeable problems, and finding solutions that will enable village corporations to make land reconveyance agreements which will be in accordance with condition of ANSCA and state laws. Current conflicts among various agencies with interests in lands to be conveyed prevent the findings of IVA to be distributed to villages in the immediate future.

3. Yes, this has been raised repeatedly between us at corporation board meetings and village council meetings.

4. While both bodies realize the existence of the problems, and recognize the overall procedure of the reconveyance issue, attention to detail still needs to be determined and satisfactorily settled.

5. Only an unofficial assessment of the acreage of lands to be conveyed to the village has been discussed. No final acreage determination, acreage location, or acreage limitations has been agreed upon.

6. Yes. The existing suitable acreage in and around our village is limited due to natural obstacles, as waterways and swamps. Access to lands suitable for building and village expansion will be completed in the near future. I foresee conflicts between our corporation and council about the dispositions of suitable lands.

7. The State Legislature or Administration can work closely with organizations like Interior Village Association, since they have personnel familiar with their individual villages' problems. Settlements without this consideration will never be satisfactory to all corporations and agencies concerned with the issues.

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Has your Village been aware of the provisions of Section 14(c)(3) and (4) of the ANCSA?

yes

Have you given consideration to taking some formal action in that regard?

yes

Have you conferred with the Municipality on this issue?

yes

Has any agreement been reached between you and the Municipality on how to proceed in this regard?

yes

Have you reached any agreement with the Municipality on the lands to be conveyed under Section 14(c)(3) and (4)?

no

Does it appear as though there may be a confrontation on the issue?

no

What do you feel the State Legislature or Administration can do to help in this land selection and conveyance?


allow conveyance of lands under ANCSA to occur prior to state selection

Prepared By: Ronald Gray

Title: president

Village Of: Hoonah

Huna Totem Corp.
PO box 290
Hoonah, AK 99829



March 31, 1977

Alaska State Legislature
ATTN: Senator Joe Orsini
2912 Alder Drive
Anchorage, Alaska 99504

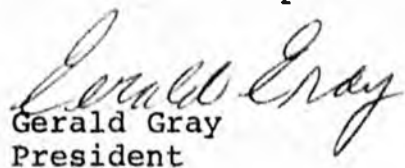
Dear Senator Orsini:

This Corporation was in receipt of your letter in reference
to Alaska Statute 44.47.150 and accompanying questionnaire.

Please find the completed questionnaire attached.

Sincerely,

Huna Totem Corporation


Gerald Gray
President

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Attachment

HUNA TOTEM CORPORATION

P.O. BOX 290 HOONAH, ALASKA 99829 907-945-3330

CAPE FOX CORPORATION



SAXMAN

May 13, 1977

The Honorable Joseph Orsini
Alaska State Senate
Pouch V
State Capitol Building, Rm. 101
Juneau, Alaska 99811

Dear Senator Orsini:

Received your letter of May 7 regarding your concern with the Section 14(c)(3).

Your analysis that the Corporations have been more active in addressing themselves to the issue, than have the municipalities is correct. We have discussed and concerned ourselves with this subject on several occasions, however, we have not arrived at any definitive conclusions. We do not anticipate a great deal of conflict in resolving differences between the Corporation and the Municipality of Saxman. However, our circumstances is perhaps better than some in that the Corporation is controlled exclusively by Natives and the Municipal Government leadership in Saxman is almost exclusively Natives. Most of the Municipal leaders are shareholders in the Cape Fox Corporation (C.F.C.).

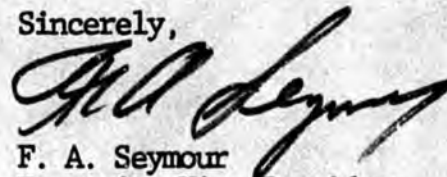
Despite the above-mentioned unity, we can foresee a long and protracted dialogue between the two groups before a final agreement can be reached. This will be a severe drain upon the financial and leadership resources of both C.F.C. and Municipal Government of Saxman. While I cannot speak to the needs of the M.G.S., I can assure you that this Corporation would appreciate financial assistance in meeting the cost of reaching a final agreement on 14(c). The legal fees and consulting fees will be extensive even under the most congenial and compatible circumstances.

As you may already know, the Village Corporations, in general, are incurring great expenses in start up cost and long delays in the acquisition of their lands that were pledged to them by the passage of the Claims Act. And, we estimate that it will be six months to two years before lands will be conveyed, and our administrative and management cost continue. The smaller villages with fewer shareholders are beginning to feel a severe financial pinch. 14(c) could very well be the straw that broke the camels back if we're not careful in most Village Corporations' circumstances.

I do not believe it appropriate for the State to provide direct counsel or assistance to the Corporation or to the Municipal Government. As you are very aware, this is a political circumstance and one that must be worked out between the two parties in question. However, it would be appropriate and desirable for the State to assist by providing grants and/or technical assistance to help the parties in question.

On behalf of the Cape Fox Board of Directors and shareholders, I want to thank you for your interest and concern with this very important issue.

Sincerely,



F. A. Seymour
Executive Vice President

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cc: City of Saxman
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CHIEF OF POLICE
507 ALCOCK BLVD
SAXMAN, OHIO

Has your Village been aware of the provisions of Section 14(c)(3) and (4) of the ANCSA?

Have you given consideration to taking some formal action in that regard?

Have you conferred with the Municipality on this issue?

Has any agreement been reached between you and the Municipality on how to proceed in this regard?

Have you reached any agreement with the Municipality on the lands to be conveyed under Section 14(c)(3) and (4)?

Does it appear as though there may be a confrontation on the issue?

What do you feel the State Legislature or Administration can do to help in this land selection and conveyance?

Prepared By: John Brodski
Title: Pres

Tutuh Corp. Village Of: _____

A Native Village
Corporation Within The
Chugach Native Region

TATITLEK CORPORATION

Box 758, Cordova, Alaska 99574. Ph. (907) 424-7347



April 7, 1977

Senator Joe Orsini, Chairman
Senate Community and Regional Affairs Commission
Pouch V
Juneau, Alaska 99811

Dear Senator Orsini,

I received your letter dated March 28, 1977 . I do not agree with you, in your letter where you state, "One of the less recognized aspects of the Alaska Native Land Claims Settlement Act has been those provisions of Section 14(c) (3) and (4) relating to the reconveyance of village lands to governmental agencies". I think all the villages, village corporations, and regional corporations through out Alaska are aware of and are greatly concerned about implementation of the provisions in Section 14(c) (3) and (4).

Tatitlek Corporation and the village of Tatitlek is also very concerned as to what procedures and guidelines your committee or any other appropriate committee will put into regulations in implementing Alaska Statute A.S. 44.77.150 village land conveyed in trust. (A) (B) (C) (D) (E) (F) (G).

I agree that your committee, villages, village corporations, and regional corporations should get together and look into possible areas of confrontation in implementing, procedures and guidelines in provisions set forth in Alaska Statute, (A.S. 44.47.150) (A) (B) (C) (D) (E) (F) (G).

I appreciate your suggestion that the state could possibly fund the planning process of the land to be conveyed.

Next monday the Bureau of Indian Affairs is sponsoring Land Planners Training at Anchorage. The University of Alaska will be conducting ten weeks of training, for three or four trainees from ATINA and Chugach Regions. Tatitlek Corporation was fortunate by having one nomination to the course. The course will be on 14 (c) related training and will actually do 14(c) planning. If the State could compliment funding on this kind of course it really would be a big help.

We appreciate your concern in this matter and look forward to more correspondence with you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive that reads "John Prodkin".

John Prodkin, President

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c.c. Andy Allen, Tatitlek Village Council

Answers to Questions concerning provisions
concerning 14(c).

1. Tatitlek Corporation board of directors have been aware of the provisions of Sec. 14(c) (3) and (4) of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act for the past two years. Last year during Tatitlek Corp. annual stockholders meeting we invited Carl Smith and Marliss Prasse from State of Alaska, Community and Regional Affairs Agency to discuss provisions of Sec. 14 (c) (3) (4) with our stockholders at Tatitlek.
2. Village of Tatitlek is seriously considering Incorporating as 2nd class municipality.
3. Yes! during our 1976 annual stockholders meeting at Tatitlek.
4. No. We need much more information before proceeding in this regard.
5. No. We need more information on Municipal government and planning on municipal needs on long range basis.
6. No. Provide planning is acceptable on 14 (c) (3) (4) to Tatitlek Village Council, Tatitlek Corporation.
7. Tatitlek Corporation feels through grant funding from the State agencies that we can implement provisions of Sec. 14 (c) (3) and (4) much quicker than the villages can. Most villages have no money, no budget and therefore have no means of implementing provisions of Sec. 14 (c) (3) and (4). Tatitlek Corporation and Village of Tatitlek strongly feels that the State legislature or Administration can help by funding in implementing provisions of Sec. 14 (c) (3) and (4).



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KOOTZNOOWOO, INC.

P.O. Box 116 — ANGOON, ALASKA 99820 — PHONE: 907-788-3571

May 10, 1977

Senator Joseph Orsini
Chairman
Community & Regional Affairs
Committee
Pouch B
Juneau, Alaska 99811

RE: Sec. 14 (c)(3) ANSCA

Dear Senator Orsini:

Your letter of May 7, 1977 has been referred to me for reply.

I am glad to see that the State Legislature is taking an active interest in any problems that may develop when reconveyance of lands takes place.

The amount of financial assistance to make knowledgeable decisions will probably vary by locality and the various problems encountered. Since we have a good relationship with our municipal government, I don't foresee any problems here in Angoon although there may be some in the future.

I would like to make one suggestion as you consider this issue that could be helpful to the outlying villages. There is a definite need for planning for municipal expansion and the reconveyance study could, at very little extra cost, provide much needed planning data.

I will at your request, develop a plan for reconveyance with the City of Angoon and provide you with a cost breakdown and time schedule. This may be of assistance to you as you consider the financial aspects.

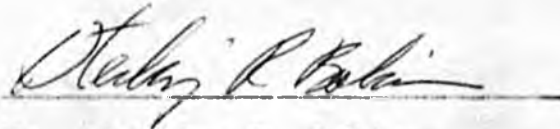
Senator Orsini
May 10, 1977
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There is often a tendency to suggest general solutions to very complex and diverse problems and I hope that your committee will not be overly pessimistic in your approach. It may be best to develop a set of flexible guidelines so that you can review these transfers on a case by case basis and only provide guidance when needed.

I hope I have been of assistance and I would be glad to discuss this with you at your convenience.

Kindest regards.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Sterling R. Bolina", is written over a horizontal line.

Mr. Sterling R. Bolina
Land Planner

SRB:fw

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Has your Village been aware of the provisions of Section 14(c)(3) and (4) of the ANCSA?

Yes, we have been aware of the reconveyance of Village lands to the Municipal Corporation or the State for the purpose of existing airport sites, easements etc.

Have you given consideration to taking some formal action in that regard?

Yes, we are against most of the easements proposed by recreationists and hunters because ~~most of the easements~~ most of the easements proposed run through our major hunting, fishing and trapping areas.

Have you conferred with the Municipality on this issue?

Not that I know of.

Has any agreement been reached between you and the Municipality on how to proceed in this regard?

No

Have you reached any agreement with the Municipality on the lands to be conveyed under Section 14(c)(3) and (4)?

No.

Does it appear as though there may be a confrontation on the issue?

I don't know.

What do you feel the State Legislature or Administration can do to help in this land selection and conveyance?

They can send us the State law ~~and~~ Federal law on reconveyance of lands. They can also explain the provisions of Section 14(c)(3) and (4) of the ANCSA in a way that we can better understand it.

Prepared By: Virginia Ned

Title: Secretary - Aata Kaa K'a Inc.

Village Of: Allakak, Alaska 99720

RESPONSE TO LETTER from Chairman CRA, State Senate
3/31/77

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Has your Village been aware of the provisions of Section 14(c)(3) and (4) of the ANCSA?

Yes.

Have you given consideration to taking some formal action in that regard?

No. Not yet.

Have you conferred with the Municipality on this issue?

No

Has any agreement been reached between you and the Municipality on how to proceed in this regard?

No

Have you reached any agreement with the Municipality on the lands to be conveyed under Section 14(c)(3) and (4)?

No

Does it appear as though : may be a confrontation on the issue?

No

What do you feel the State Legislature or Administration can do to help in this land selection and conveyance?

Actively support expeditious implementation of ANCSA; the legislature should pass a resolution directing the State Administration to do this.

Prepared By: Frank R Peterson
Title: President
Village Of: Ayakulik

cc: Sen. Poland
Rep. Snyder

Kodiak Area Nature Asso.
Box 172
Kodiak, AK 99615

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Has your Village been aware of the provisions of Section 14(c)(3) and (4) of the ANCSA?

YES

Have you given consideration to taking some formal action in that regard?

YES, IN VIEW OF TIMBER RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT CLOSE TO CRAIG, WE NEED A LAND USE PLAN IN ORDER TO PROCEED

Have you conferred with the Municipality on this issue?

YES

Has any agreement been reached between you and the Municipality on how to proceed in this regard?

ONLY THAT WE EACH HAVE A LAND COMMITTEE. WE SEE A NEED FOR PROFESSIONAL ADVICE IN TRYING TO DETERMINE LAND USAGE & ZONING.

Have you reached any agreement with the Municipality on the lands to be conveyed under Section 14(c)(3) and (4)?

NO

Does it appear as though there may be a confrontation on the issue?

NOT IF THE PROPER ADVICE IS RECEIVED ON USE & CITY POSITION IN REGARD TO THE DEVELOPMENT.

What do you feel the State Legislature or Administration can do to help in this land selection and conveyance?

ASSIST WITH THE PLANNING FINANCIALLY & TECHNICALLY. KLAWOCK HEENYA CORPORATION LANDS ADJACENT TO SHAAN-SEET & BOTH CITIES ARE INVOLVED. WE WOULD LIKE TO SEE AN AREA DEVELOPMENT PLAN DONE WITH STATE ASSISTANCE.

Prepared By:

Marjorie Young

Title:

President

Village Of:

Craig, Alaska

SHAAN-SEET, INC
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KIKIKTAGRUK INUPIAT CORPORATION

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April 19, 1977

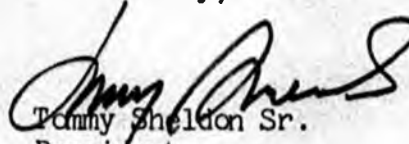
Honorable Joe Orsini
Chairman, Senate Community and Regional
Affairs Committee
Alaska State Legislature
Pouch V
Juneau, Alaska 99811

Dear Senator Orsini:

I have reviewed your letter of April 7 in regards to the provisions of 14 (c) (3a) and (4) of the Native Claims Settlement Act. We are, of course, acutely aware of the impact of these provisions and are actively working with our local municipality. However, I cannot see that the state should get involved in a problem that will either be resolved on the local level or in the Federal courts.

Involvement of the State of Alaska in an area which is complicated and untested in the courts can only serve to confuse the situation. It is my understanding that your political philosophy is to keep the state out of local affairs unless it is absolutely necessary. In keeping with that philosophy, I would urge that your committee drop any further inquiry into an area where you can be of no assistance.

Yours truly,


Tommy Sheldon Sr.
President

as

cc John Shively, Vice-President
Operations, NANA

Has your Village been aware of the provisions of Section 14(c)(3) and (4) of the ANCSA?

very well aware

Have you given consideration to taking some formal action in that regard?

yes

Have you conferred with the Municipality on this issue?

yes.

Has any agreement been reached between you and the Municipality on how to proceed in this regard?

No

Have you reached any agreement with the Municipality on the lands to be conveyed under Section 14(c)(3) and (4)?

No

Does it appear as though there may be a confrontation on the issue?

No

What do you feel the State Legislature or Administration can do to help in this land selection and conveyance?

Give technical assistance.

Prepared By: Louis A. Thompson

Title: President

Village Of: Kasaan, 99924
Kavilco, Incorporated.

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Has your Village been aware of the provisions of Section 14(c)(3) and (4) of the ANCSA?

Yes

Have you given consideration to taking some formal action in that regard?

Yes

Have you conferred with the Municipality on this issue?

Yes

Has any agreement been reached between you and the Municipality on how to proceed in this regard?

In process

Have you reached any agreement with the Municipality on the lands to be conveyed under Section 14(c)(3) and (4)?

No

Does it appear as though there may be a confrontation on the issue?

No

What do you feel the State Legislature or Administration can do to help in this land selection and conveyance?

In cases where municipalities exist, local decisions should be encouraged. If the State selects lands in areas without municipalities, it should promulgate regulations for public comment.

Prepared By: Mike Zachary

Title: President

Village Of: Dr Paul Island Ak.

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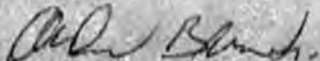
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May 14, 1977
Mt. Village, Alaska
9632

Senator Joe Orsini
Chairman, Community &
Regional Affairs Committe
Pouch V Juneau, Alaska 99811

Dear Senator Orsini:

Your letter dated May 5th has been received, and is under full consideration by the board of directors. The issue at this time is the 1280 acres and who will be responsible, whether Municipalities, or the village corporations, for selections of the land. In spite of some disagreements we need technical assistance as well as funds, it is pretty hard to estimate at this time how much money our corporation will need, my rough estimate would be around \$5000.00 you would be in a better position to be a interim chairman of the committee that will be formed soon, I and the rest of the board of Azachorak Inc. will be in full support of your endeavor for this, thank you very much.

Sincerely,



Andrew Brown Sr.
President, Azachorak Inc.

Has your Village been aware of the provisions of Section 14(c)(3) and (4) of the ANCSA?

YES

Have you given consideration to taking some formal action in that regard?

YES

Have you conferred with the Municipality on this issue?

YES

Has any agreement been reached between you and the Municipality on how to proceed in this regard?

YES

Have you reached any agreement with the Municipality on the lands to be conveyed under Section 14(c)(3) and (4)?

YES

Does it appear as though there may be a confrontation on the issue?

NO - NOTAAGHLEEDIN, LIMITED AND THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT NEGOTIATED A CONTRACT FOR RE-CONVANCE, IN MAY OF 1975.

What do you feel the State Legislature or Administration can do to help in this land selection and conveyance?

FROM A INCORPORATED CITY'S POINT OF VIEW I WOULD EXPRESS A DESIRE TO SEEK ASSISTANCE IN PROJECTING FUTURE GROWTH. A SYSTEM BY WHICH RURAL ALASKA COULD HANDLE A SIMPLE LAND TRANSACTION

WITHOUT GETTING ENTRAPED IN A "LEGAL BATTLE." AGAIN I EXPRESS "A SIMPLE SYSTEM."

Prepared By: Patel Suresh

Title: President

Village Of: Notaaghleedin, Ltd

FROM A NATIVE CORPORATE VIEW I WOULD NEED TO SEE A PROPOSAL FOR COMMUNITY EXPANSION. I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO SEE, IF REGULATIONS

ARE BEING CONSIDERED. "A CUT OFF DATE FOR
PROJECTED COMMUNITY GROWTH. PREFERABLY
DECEMBER 18th, 1991." THAT IS TO SAY, IF A
MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT WERE TO PLAN FOR
COMMUNITY EXPANSION AND MORE THE THE ALLOTTED
MINIMUM OF 1280 ACRE WERE NEEDED, BY WHICH
DATE ~~DO~~ WILL THE COMMUNITY MEASURE NEEDED
EXPANSION? 1985? 2000? 2025?

Has your Village been aware of the provisions of Section 14(c)(3) and (4) of the ANCSA?

Yes. This has been discussed. It is our intention to formally incorporate the municipality this summer.

Have you given consideration to taking some formal action in that regard?

Yes - we are studying which lands would be most suitable to reconvey so as to make the municipal conveyance viable.

Have you conferred with the Municipality on this issue?

No. It hasn't been organized formally yet. But when it is we will confer.

Has any agreement been reached between you and the Municipality on how to proceed in this regard?

(See above.) It is our feeling we will find agreement on reconveyances.

Have you reached any agreement with the Municipality on the lands to be conveyed under Section 14(c)(3) and (4)?

(See above)

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Prepared By:

Karl Armstrong

Title:

President

Village Of:

Leisnoi, Inc.

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Prepared By: *Jonathan Solomon*
Title: *Pres.*
Village Of: *Fort Yukon, Alaska 99740*

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WITHOUT PATENTS OR CONVEYANCES ANY COMMITTEES
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FRED H ELVSAAS, PRESIDENT, SELDOVIA NATIVE ASSOCIATION
INCORPORATED, DRAWER 1., SELDOVIA ALASKA 99663

1977 MAY 10 01 56

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Prepared By: Frank Long Jr
Title: Land Chief
Municipality Of: Naigsat Ak

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ALLOW THE VILLAGES TO DO IT THEMSELVES TO SPEED THE LAND CONVEYANCES TO THE VILLAGES.

Prepared By: Paul Roshak
Title: President
Village Of: Savoonga

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Kake Tribal Corporation

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Kake, Alaska 99830

April 12, 1977

Senator Joe Orsini
Pouch V
Juneau, Alaska 99801

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Respectfully,

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President

AD/br

cc: Village corporations
Sealaska Corp.

May 13, 1977

RE: Annexation by
City of Craig
of a portion of
Klawock-Heenya
Corporation's
Primary Land
Selection

Mr. Leonard Kato, Pres.
Klawock/Heenya Corporation
P.O. Box 74
Klawock, Alaska 99925

Dear Mr. Kato:

This is in response to your letter requesting my assistance regarding the above referenced matter.

In reviewing the correspondence you forwarded to me and after making contact with Pat Poland, Local Government Specialist, Department of Community and Regional Affairs, it appears that the optimum alternative available to you is to initiate proceedings to detach the land at issue from the City of Craig.

With this in mind, I have enclosed a letter sent to my Administrative Assistant from Mr. Poland which delineates the procedural steps involved in initiating and advancing this type of proceeding.

I appreciate your contacting me for assistance and if there is any further service I can render, please call me at 465-3758.

Sincerely,

Senator Joe Orsini
Chairman
Senate Community and
Regional Affairs
Committee

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April 1, 1977

Senator Joe Orsini
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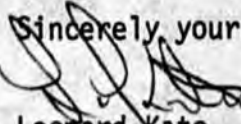
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Sincerely yours,

Leonard Kato
President

LK:rs

May 5, 1977

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I expect to be chairman of this interim committee, and as such would be interested in some of your specific concerns. Of particular importance would be your perception of an estimate of the amount of financial assistance you might need, so that an appropriation could be put into next year's state budget. I would be interested in hearing from you on this.

Sincerely,

Joe Orsini

Senator Joe Orsini
Chairman, Community
and Regional Affairs
Committee

JO/js

Honorable Senator:

Municipal selection had been made already within the process of 3 years. The following had been the process of the selection:

A) General Village Meeting

1. General selection

- i) lands selected for farmers, future expansion, road projection, water & sanitation feasibility
- ii) ~~Screening & Study by Municipal Government & final approval~~
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B) Screening & Study by Municipal Government & final approval

C) Sea Lion provides a technical man - local hire - same reason that made Sea Lion technical selection - Sea Lion pays the process

⊕ report on if state does finance the selection of (C).

No confrontation no problem unless screwed by some bureaucrats.

⊕ [Signature]

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Nik'aghun, Limited
Nulato, Alaska 99765
May 24, 1977

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Juneau, Alaska 99811

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Yes.

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No.

Does it appear as though there may be a confrontation on the issue?

No.

What do you feel the State Legislature or Administration can do to help in this land selection and conveyance?

I think assisting the City in developing their future requirements with respect to future expansion and needs of the City for lands under the ANCSA would be very beneficial. I would, however, caution and advise that the Corporation and the City work hand in hand with the State Community & Regional Affairs in the planning effort so as to avoid any future confrontation.

Prepared By: Sam L. Demmert

Title: President

Village Of: Yakutat, Alaska

Has your Village been aware of the provisions of Section 14(c)(3) and (4) of the ANCSA? *yes*

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Prepared By: *Janet Soloman*

Title: *Pres.*

Village Of: *Fort Yukon, Alaska 99740*

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Nik'aghun, Limited
Nulato, Alaska 99765
March 31, 1977

Senator Joe Orsini
Chairman CRA Committee
Pouch V
Juneau, Alaska 99811

Dear Senator,

I am replying to the enclosed questionnaire recently received from your office.

I feel the questions raised by you will be high priority issues that cannot be ignored by any village corporation or municipality.

Any plausible solutions offered by your office to those inevitable concerns will certainly be received with acute interest.

Sincerely,



Peter Demoski, Pres.

1. Has your Village been aware of the provisions of Section 14(c)(3) and (4) of the ANCSA?
2. Have you given consideration to taking some formal action in that regard?
3. Have you conferred with the Municipality on this issue?
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5. Have you reached any agreement with the Municipality on the lands to be conveyed under Section 14(c)(3) and (4)?
6. Does it appear as though there may be a confrontation on the issue?
7. What do you feel the State Legislature or Administration can do to help in this land selection and conveyance?

Prepared By: Peter Demroski
Title: President
Village Of: Nulato Corporation

1. Yes, this has been a concern among several entities within our community. From the Village Corporation's standpoint itself, we foresee difficulties in any land reconveyance to the municipality, resident and non-resident Natives, resident non-Natives, local businessmen, and future business groups.
2. Interior Village Association, a non-profit corporation organized for the purpose of assisting village corporations administer to their land and financial assets, is presently in the process of itemizing foreseeable problems, and finding solutions that will enable village corporations to make land reconveyance agreements which will be in accordance with condition of ANSCA and state laws. Current conflicts among various agencies with interests in lands to be conveyed prevent the findings of IVA to be distributed to villages in the immediate future.
3. Yes, this has been raised repeatedly between us at corporation board meetings and village council meetings.
4. While both bodies realize the existence of the problems, and recognize the overall procedure of the reconveyance issue, attention to detail still needs to be determined and satisfactorily settled.
5. Only an unofficial assessment of the acreage of lands to be conveyed to the village has been discussed. No final acreage determination, acreage location, or acreage limitations has been agreed upon.
6. Yes. The existing suitable acreage in and around our village is limited due to natural obstacles, as waterways and swamps. Access to lands suitable for building and village expansion will be completed in the near future. I foresee conflicts between our corporation and council about the dispositions of suitable lands.
7. The State Legislature or Administration can work closely with organizations like Interior Village Association, since they have personnel familiar with their individual villages' problems. Settlements without this consideration will never be satisfactory to all corporations and agencies concerned with the issues.

Has your Village been aware of the provisions of Section 14(c)(3) and (4) of the ANCSA?

Yes. This has been discussed. It is our intention to formally incorporate the municipality this summer.

Have you given consideration to taking some formal action in that regard?

Yes - we are studying which lands would be most suitable to reconvey so as to make the municipal conference.

Have you conferred with the Municipality on this issue?

No. It hasn't been organized formally yet. But when it is we will confer.

Has any agreement been reached between you and the Municipality on how to proceed in this regard?

(See above.) It is our feeling we will find agreement on reconveyances.

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(See above)

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Prepared By: Karl Armstrong
Title: President
Village Of: Leisner, Inc.

Has your Village been aware of the provisions of Section 14(c)(3) and (4) of the ANCSA?

YES

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YES

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Has any agreement been reached between you and the Municipality on how to proceed in this regard?

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YES

Does it appear as though there may be a confrontation on the issue?

NO - NOTAAGHLEEDIN, LIMITED AND THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT NEGOTIATED A CONTRACT FOR RE-CONVEYANCE, IN MAY OF 1975.

What do you feel the State Legislature or Administration can do to help in this land selection and conveyance?

FROM A INCORPORATED CITY'S POINT OF VIEW I WOULD EXPRESS A DESIRE TO SEEK ASSISTANCE IN PROJECTING FUTURE GROWTH. A SYSTEM BY WHICH RURAL ALASKA COULD HANDLE A SIMPLE LAND TRANSACTION

WITHOUT GETTING ENTRAPPED IN A "LEGAL BATTLE." AGAIN I EXPRESS "A SIMPLE SYSTEM."

Prepared By: Pat J. Swartz

Title: President

Village Of: Notaaghleedin, Ltd.

FROM A NATIVE CORPORATE VIEW I WOULD NEED TO SEE A PROPOSAL FOR COMMUNITY EXPANSION. I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO SEE, IF REGULATIONS



March 31, 1977

Alaska State Legislature
ATTN: Senator Joe Orsini
2912 Alder Drive
Anchorage, Alaska 99504

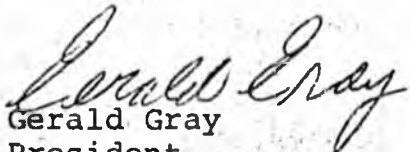
Dear Senator C

This Corporation was in receipt of your letter in reference to Alaska Statute 44.47.150 and accompanying questionnaire.

Please find the completed questionnaire attached.

Sincerely,

Huna Totem Corporation


Gerald Gray
President

GG:tj

Attachment

HUNA TOTEM CORPORATION

P.O. BOX 290 HOONAH, ALASKA 99829 907-945-3330

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allow conveyance of lands under ANCSA to occur prior to state selection

Prepared By:

Carroll Gray

Title:

President

Village Of:

Hoonah

Huna Totem Corp.

PO box 290

Hoonah, AK 99359

A Native Village
Corporation Within The
Chugach Native Region

TATITLEK CORPORATION

Box 758, Cordova, Alaska 99574. Ph. (907) 424-7347



April 7, 1977

Senator Joe Orsini, Chairman
Senate Community and Regional Affairs Commission
Pouch V
Juneau, Alaska 99811

Dear Senator Orsini,

I received your letter dated March 28, 1977. I do not agree with you, in your letter where you state, "One of the less recognized aspects of the Alaska Native Land Claims Settlement Act has been those provisions of Section 14(c) (3) and (4) relating to the reconveyance of village lands to governmental agencies". I think all the villages, village corporations, and regional corporations through out Alaska are aware of and are greatly concerned about implementation of the provisions in Section 14(c) (3) and (4).

Tatitlek Corporation and the village of Tatitlek is also very concerned as to what procedures and guidelines your committee or any other appropriate committee will put into regulations in implementing Alaska Statute A.S. 44.77.150 village land conveyed in trust. (A) (B) (C) (D) (E) (F) (G).

I agree that your committee, villages, village corporations, and regional corporations should get together and look into possible areas of confrontation in implementing, procedures and guidelines in provisions set forth in Alaska Statute, (A.S. 44.47.150) (A) (B) (C) (D) (E) (F) (G).

I appreciate your suggestion that the state could possibly fund the planning process of the land to be conveyed.

Next Monday the Bureau of Indian Affairs is sponsoring Land Planners Training at Anchorage. The University of Alaska will be conducting ten weeks of training, for three or four trainees from ATINA and Chugach Regions. Tatitlek Corporation was fortunate by having one nomination to the course. The course will be on 14 (c) related training and will actually do 14(c) planning. If the State could compliment funding on this kind of course it really would be a big help.

We appreciate your concern in this matter and look forward to more correspondence with you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "John Borodkin".

John Borodkin, President

encl

c.c. Andy Allen, Tatitlek Village Council

Answers to Questions concerning provisions
concerning 14(c).

1. Tatitlek Corporation board of directors have been aware of the provisions of Sec. 14(c) (3) and (4) of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act for the past two years. Last year during Tatitlek Corp. annual stockholders meeting we invited Carl Smith and Marliss Prasse from State of Alaska, Community and Regional Affairs Agency to discuss provisions of Sec. 14 (c) (3) (4) with our stockholders at Tatitlek.
2. Village of Tatitlek is seriously considering Incorporating as 2nd class municipality.
3. Yes! during our 1976 annual stockholders meeting at Tatitlek.
4. No. We need much more information before proceeding in this regard.
5. No. We need more information on Municipal government and planning on municipal needs on long range basis.
6. No. Provide planning is acceptable on 14 (c) (3) (4) to Tatitlek Village Council, Tatitlek Corporation.
7. Tatitlek Corporation feels through grant funding from the State agencies that we can implement provisions of Sec. 14 (c) (3) and (4) much quicker than the villages can. Most villages have no money, no budget and therefore have no means of implementing provisions of Sec. 14 (c) (3) and (4). Tatitlek Corporation and Village of Tatitlek strongly feels that the State legislature or Administration can help by funding in implementing provisions of Sec. 14 (c) (3) and (4).

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Prepared By: John Borodkin
Title: Pres

Tulitah Corp. Village Of: _____

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April 19, 1977

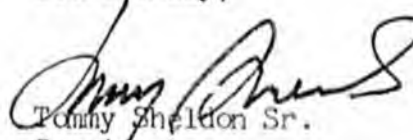
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Affairs Committee
Alaska State Legislature
Pouch V
Juneau, Alaska 99811

Dear Senator Orsini:

I have reviewed your letter of April 7 in regards to the provisions of 14 (c) (3a) and (4) of the Native Claims Settlement Act. We are, of course, acutely aware of the impact of these provisions and are actively working with our local municipality. However, I cannot see that the state should get involved in a problem that will either be resolved on the local level or in the Federal courts.

Involvement of the State of Alaska in an area which is complicated and untested in the courts can only serve to confuse the situation. It is my understanding that your political philosophy is to keep the state out of local affairs unless it is absolutely necessary. In keeping with that philosophy, I would urge that your committee drop any further inquiry into an area where you can be of no assistance.

Yours truly,


Tommy Sheldon Sr.
President

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cc John Shively, Vice-President
Operations, NANA

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Has your Village been aware of the provisions of Section 14(c)(3) and (4) of the ANCSA?

YES

Have you given consideration to taking some formal action in that regard?

YES, IN VIEW OF TIMBER RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT CLOSE TO CRAIG, WE NEED A LAND USE PLAN IN ORDER TO PROCEED

Have you conferred with the Municipality on this issue?

YES

Has any agreement been reached between you and the Municipality on how to proceed in this regard?

ONLY THAT WE EACH HAVE A LAND COMMITTEE. WE SEE A NEED FOR PROFESSIONAL ADVICE IN TRYING TO DETERMINE LAND USAGE & ZONING.

Have you reached any agreement with the Municipality on the lands to be conveyed under Section 14(c)(3) and (4)?

NO

Does it appear as though there may be a confrontation on the issue?

NOT IF THE PROPER ADVICE IS RECEIVED ON USE & CITY POSITION IN REGARD TO THE DEVELOPMENT.

What do you feel the State Legislature or Administration can do to help in this land selection and conveyance?

ASSIST WITH THE PLANNING FINANCIALLY & TECHNICALLY. KLIWOCK HEENYA CORPORATION LANDS ADJACENT TO SHAAN-SEET & BOTH CITIES ARE INVOLVED. WE WOULD LIKE TO SEE AN AREA DEVELOPMENT PLAN DONE WITH STATE ASSISTANCE.

Prepared By:

Marionne Young

Title:

President

Village Of:

Craig, Alaska

SHAAN-SEET, INC
Box 90

RESPONSE TO LETTER FROM Chairman CRA, State Senate

3/31/77

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Has your Village been aware of the provisions of Section 14(c)(3) and (4) of the ANCSA?

Yes.

Have you given consideration to taking some formal action in that regard?

No. Not yet

Have you conferred with the Municipality on this issue?

No

Has any agreement been reached between you and the Municipality on how to proceed in this regard?

No

Have you reached any agreement with the Municipality on the lands to be conveyed under Section 14(c)(3) and (4)?

No

Does it appear as though there may be a confrontation on the issue?

No

What do you feel the State Legislature or Administration can do to help in this land selection and conveyance?

Actively support expeditious implementation of ANCSA; the legislature should pass a resolution directing the State Administration to do this.

Prepared By: Frank R Peterson

Title: President

Village Of: Ayakulik

cc: Sen. Poland
Rep. Snyder

Kodiak Area Nature Asso.

Box 172

Kodiak, AK 91015

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Has your Village been aware of the provisions of Section 14(c)(3) and (4) of the ANCSA?

Yes, the provisions of 2 day course to the Municipal Corporation of the State in regard to treaty land selections

Have you given consideration to taking some formal action in that regard?

Yes, we are going over the agreements proposed by the state with a factor to be ~~included~~ most of the agreements are about hunting, fishing and trapping areas.

Have you conferred with the Municipality on this issue?

Not that I know of

Has any agreement been reached between you and the Municipality on how to proceed in this regard?

No

Have you reached any agreement with the Municipality on the lands to be conveyed under Section 14(c)(3) and (4)?

No

Does it appear as though there may be a confrontation on the issue?

I don't know

What do you feel the State Legislature or Administration can do to help in this land selection and conveyance?

They can send us the state law ^{and} federal law on conveyance of lands. They can also explain the provisions of section 14(c)(3) and (4) of the ANCSA in a way that we can understand it.

Prepared By: Richard A. ...

Title: Secretary, Pitmekeo Inc.

Village Of: Alutai, Alaska 99726

Has your Village been aware of the provisions of Section 14(c)(3) and (4) of the ANCSA?

Yes

Have you given consideration to taking some formal action in that regard?

Yes

Have you conferred with the Municipality on this issue?

Yes

Has any agreement been reached between you and the Municipality on how to proceed in this regard?

In process

Have you reached any agreement with the Municipality on the lands to be conveyed under Section 14(c)(3) and (4)?

No

Does it appear as though there may be a confrontation on the issue?

No

What do you feel the State Legislature or Administration can do to help in this land selection and conveyance?

In cases where municipalities exist, local decisions should be encouraged. If the State selects lands in areas without municipalities, it should promulgate regulations for public comment.

Prepared By: Mike Zachary

Title: President

Village Of: Dr Paul Island Ak.

Tarratjusix Corp

Has your Village been aware of the provisions of Section 14(c)(3) and (4) of the ANCSA?

very well aware

Have you given consideration to taking some formal action in that regard?

yes

Have you conferred with the Municipality on this issue?

yes

Has any agreement been reached between you and the Municipality on how to proceed in this regard?

No

Have you reached any agreement with the Municipality on the lands to be conveyed under Section 14(c)(3) and (4)?

No

Does it appear as though there may be a confrontation on the issue?

No

What do you feel the State Legislature or Administration can do to help in this land selection and conveyance?

Give technical assistance.

Prepared By: Louis A. Thompson

Title: President

Village Of: Kasaan, 99924

Kavilco, Incorporated

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CAPE FOX CORPORATION



May 13, 1977

The Honorable Joseph Orsini
Alaska State Senate
Pouch V
State Capitol Building, Rm. 101
Juneau, Alaska 99811

Dear Senator Orsini:

Received your letter of May 7 regarding your concern with the Section 14(c)(3).

Your analysis that the Corporations have been more active in addressing themselves to the issue, than have the municipalities is correct. We have discussed and concerned ourselves with this subject on several occasions, however, we have not arrived at any definitive conclusions. We do not anticipate a great deal of conflict in resolving differences between the Corporation and the Municipality of Saxman. However, our circumstances is perhaps better than some in that the Corporation is controlled exclusively by Natives and the Municipal Government leadership in Saxman is almost exclusively Natives. Most of the Municipal leaders are shareholders in the Cape Fox Corporation (C.F.C.).

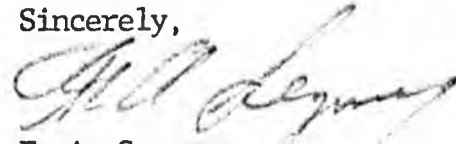
Despite the above-mentioned unity, we can foresee a long and protracted dialogue between the two groups before a final agreement can be reached. This will be a severe drain upon the financial and leadership resources of both C.F.C. and Municipal Government of Saxman. While I cannot speak to the needs of the M.G.S., I can assure you that this Corporation would appreciate financial assistance in meeting the cost of reaching a final agreement on 14(c). The legal fees and consulting fees will be extensive even under the most congenial and compatible circumstances.

As you may already know, the Village Corporations, in general, are incurring great expenses in start up cost and long delays in the acquisition of their lands that were pledged to them by the passage of the Claims Act. And, we estimate that it will be six months to two years before lands will be conveyed, and our administrative and management cost continue. The smaller villages with fewer shareholders are beginning to feel a severe financial pinch. 14(c) could very well be the straw that broke the camels back if we're not careful in most Village Corporations' circumstances.

I do not believe it appropriate for the State to provide direct counsel or assistance to the Corporation or to the Municipal Government. As you are very aware, this is a political circumstance and one that must be worked out between the two parties in question. However, it would be appropriate and desirable for the State to assist by providing grants and/or technical assistance to help the parties in question.

On behalf of the Cape Fox Board of Directors and shareholders, I want to thank you for your interest and concern with this very important issue.

Sincerely,



F. A. Seymour
Executive Vice President

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cc: City of Saxman
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Supervisor
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employed by the above mentioned person
and was not a member of the
union, the person mentioned in
the above mentioned person was not
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employed by the above mentioned person
and was not a member of the union.

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union and was not a member of the union.

Very truly yours,

Sincerely,



Stanley D. Ballew
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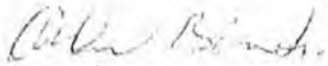
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May 14, 1977
Mt. Village, Alaska
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Senator Joe Orsini
Chairman, Community &
Regional Affairs Committee
Fouch V Juneau, Alaska 99811

Dear Senator Orsini:

Your letter dated May 5th has been received, and is under full consideration by the board of directors. The issue at this time is the 1280 acres and who will be responsible, whether Municipalities, or the village corporations, for selections of the land. In spite of some disagreements we need technical assistance as well as funds, it is pretty hard to estimate at this time how much money our corporation will need, my rough estimate would be around \$5000.00 you would be in a better position to be a interim chairman of the committee that will be formed soon, I and the rest of the board of Azachorsk Inc. will be in full support of your endeavor for this, thank you very much.

Sincerely,


Andrew Brown Sr.
President, Azachorsk Inc.

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Has your Village been aware of the provisions of Section 14(c)(3) and (4) of the ANCSA?

YES

Have you given consideration to taking some formal action in that regard?

WE HAVE BEEN WORKING ON THIS WITH AITNA INC.

Have you conferred with the Municipality on this issue?

NO MUNICIPALITY

Has any agreement been reached between you and the Municipality on how to proceed in this regard?

NO MUNICIPALITY

Have you reached any agreement with the Municipality on the lands to be conveyed under Section 14(c)(3) and (4)?

NO MUNICIPALITY

Does it appear as though there may be a confrontation on the issue?

NO

What do you feel the State Legislature or Administration can do to help in this land selection and conveyance?

PLANNING

Prepared By: Hector Ewan

Title: PRESIDENT

Village Of: COPPER CENTER, ALASKA

KLUPI-KAAH CORP.

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Has your Village been aware of the provisions of Section 14(c) (3) and (4) of the ANCSA?

Yes

Have you given consideration to taking some formal action in that regard?

Yes, however, we haven't received one square inch of our land entitlement under ANCSA.

Have you conferred with the Municipality on this issue?

No, there's no municipality in our Village. We will convey to the State in trust under A.S. 44.47.150.

Has any agreement been reached between you and the Municipality on how to proceed in this regard?

N/A

Have you reached any agreement with the Municipality on the lands to be conveyed under Section 14(c) (3) and (4)?

N/A

Does it appear as though there may be a confrontation on the issue?

We might have problems with the Bristol Bay Borough as it is claiming to be the recipient under 14(c) (3) of ANCSA. However, the Borough is obviously not a municipality "in" our Village, as required by 14(c) (3), so it is not entitled to any of our land.

What do you feel the State Legislature or Administration can do to help in this land selection and conveyance?

The legislature should amend A.S. 44.47.150 to make it unequivocally clear that the Borough is not entitled to a 14(c) (3) conveyance. It is obviously not a municipality "in" the villages and is not entitled to any land. The legislature has ultimate authority over the Boroughs under Alaska's Constitution and such action would assist in the orderly implementation of ANCSA.

Prepared By: Trejon Angasan, Jr.

Title: President

Village Of: Quinuyang Ltd.
April 21, 1977

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Has your Village been aware of the provisions of Section 14(c)(3) and (4) of the ANCSA?

Yes

Have you given consideration to taking some formal action in that regard?

Yes

Have you conferred with any State Officials on this issue?

NO

What do you feel the State Legislature or Administration can do to help in this land selection and conveyance?

Provide (1) Money to Community & Regional Affairs agency to work closely with, provide information to village corporations, and provide training services to village corp. and STATE are crucial to implement 14-c

(2) designate STATE agency (see (1) above) to coordinate for the STATE its implementation of 14-c.

Providing information, maps, surveys, up to date information from all areas of STATE Government and village, Regional corporations on 14-c

Prepared By: Larry Gilbert
Title: Village (Chairman)
Village Of: Koliganuk Ak

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Koliganuk, AK 99576