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Dear Erskin,

The World Council of Indigenous Peoples has just completed its Third General Assembly. The Assembly, held in Canberra, Australia, was most successful, attracting indigenous representatives from each of the WCIP's six regions.

During the Executive Council Meeting the discussion turned to the upcoming U.N. Conference on New and Renewable Sources of Energy, Nairobi, Kenya, 10-21 August 1981. The Executive Council felt it most important that indigenous peoples be represented at this conference. The WCIP is now preparing a submission by way of the Conference Secretariat.

The WCIP needs assistance to send three representatives to the Conference in Nairobi. Specifically, we request the United Nations Development Program to provide funds for the airfare of the three WCIP delegates. Representing the WCIP would be one delegate from the Kimberlies in Australia; a delegate from the United States; and the new President of the WCIP from Costa Rica. We would appreciate if round-trip tickets could be provided for each of these delegates. Please contact the WCIP Secretariat for further information.

I will probably be in New York towards the end of June, and hope to speak with you then.

Sincerely,

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the President of the
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