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Mr. Darryl Jones, Editor
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Dear Mr. Jones:

I am a member of the Cowlitz Tribe with about fourteen years of professional experience in Indian Affairs. During the last several years, I served as the Special Assistant to the president of the World Council of Indigenous Peoples under George Manuel. More recently, I was the Deputy Director and Counselor for International Relations for the National Congress of American Indians in the United States.

During my tenure in these and other positions, I wrote numerous essays and monographs concerning economic, political and international issues affecting indigenous populations. Many of my writing efforts have been published in journals, anthologies and assorted periodicals. My most recent monograph, "Fourth World Wars: Indigenous Nationalism and the Emergin New International Political Order" will be published this Spring as a part of the volume Aboriginal Rights: Toward an Understanding. (University of Toronto Press)

I am looking for an publisher to handle my book-length manuscript (I'm still typing it for final draft) which has the working title of Indigenous Nationalism in North America. Dr. J. Anthony Long at the University of Lethbridge gave me the name of your firm as one which may be interested in works written from an indigenous perspective. He is one of the editors of Aboriginal Rights.

I have written Indigenous Nationalism in North America after years of directly working with Indian leaders and Indian governments in Canada and the United States. The book describes the "cold-war politics" of tribal/state conflict in Canada and the United States, and shows similarities and differences. Much of the book's emphasis is on the struggle of indigenous nations as they seek a recognized political status as separate nations. Contemporary dimensions of the "small nation" and large state conflict are explored from the indigenous perspective within the context of international relations.

I believe my book would be suitable for use in Indian Studies Programs and by Political Science Departments as well as a general readership. For your additional information, I have enclosed a chapter outline with summaries. Your consideration will be appreciated.

Yours sincerely,

RUDOLPH C. RYSER

Enclosure.