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Dear Jacob:

I have enclosed, as you requested, a copy of "The World Bank's New Indigenous Policy: A Change in International Economic Development Strategies". Neither the WCIP nor the National Congress of American Indians sponsored my work on this article. Though I continue to be affiliated with these organizations in various capacities, neither have the money to support my work. I am, therefore, continuing to work and earn a living through free-lance writing and research. As a consequence, you should understand that I am trying to find a publisher for this piece to help pay my bills.

After you have read the enclosed article I would like to call your attention to the fact that this article has aroused considerable interest among indigenous leaders in Mexico, Central America generally and Australia. In fact, I just spoke this morning with a representative of the Micmacs who wanted to discuss the possibility of organizing a coordinated effort among indigenous groups around the world to deal with this new Bank policy. I am hopeful you will call Wayne's attention to this article, because I believe he may see the potential political/economic leverage that can be organized to benefit indigenous peoples in Canada. I am also hopeful that you will call SWAPO's attention to the article. I believe that if a number of key indigenous groups in various parts of the world work together (Southern Africa, Canada, Mexico/Central America and Australia) significant international and "domestic" political/economic pressures can be imposed on the international monetary system to force nation-state concessions which can benefit the political and economic interests of indigenous peoples.

Please let me know if Wayne is interested in connecting the Shuswap Nation with perhaps the Zapotec and Mixtec of Mexico, Ab-origines of Australia, Micmac and Lakota of North America and others in an effort to formulate a systematic strategy to organize indigenous political and economic leverage in the light of the Bank's indigenous policy. I look forward to your comments; and please keep me in mind for work on the economic proposal you mentioned last night!

Warm regards,

RUDOLPH C. RYSER

Enclosure.