

United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc.

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USET Resolution No. 2010:035

REQUESTING QUARTERLY REPORTS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, TRIBAL JUSTICE ADVISORY COMMITTEE/TRIBAL NATIONS LEADERSHIP COUNCIL

WHEREAS, United South and Eastern Tribes Incorporated (USET) is an intertribal organization comprised of twenty-five (25) federally recognized Tribes; and

WHEREAS, the actions taken by the USET Board of Directors officially represent the intentions of each member Tribe, as the Board of Directors comprises delegates from the member Tribes' leadership; and

whereas, members of the USET Tribal Justice Committee, Chief of Public Safety Daniel Collins, Mashantucket Pequot Tribe, and Chief of Police Robert Bryant, Penobscot Indian Nation, were actively involved and participated in the Tribal Justice Advisory Group (Advisory Group) for the Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs (DOJ/OJP); and

WHEREAS, Chief Collins and Chief Bryant recommended numerous suggestions on improving various programs, grants and projects through the Advisory Group which would benefit Tribal governments and departments operating in Indian Country; and

WHEREAS, Chief Collins and Chief Bryant have requested the status or implementation actions taken on their suggestions through the Advisory Group from the Department of Justice; and

WHEREAS, Chief Collins and Chief Bryant have received no communications from DOJ/OJP concerning their request and the Advisory Group has been discontinued but recreated under a new name, Tribal Nations

Leadership Council, which is charged to facilitate dialogue and coordinate efforts between the Department of Justice and Tribal governments concerning law enforcement, civil rights and other issues, furthering the government-to-government relationship between the United States and Tribal Governments; and

whereas, the USET Tribal Justice Committee, which represents Tribal law enforcement for member Tribes requests quarterly updates on status and implementation of recommendations concerning law enforcement issues from both the Advisory Group and the newly formed Tribal Nations Leadership Council from DOJ/OJP; therefore be it

the USET Board of Directors, requests open communications with the Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs specifically requesting a quarterly report on the findings, recommendations and implementations on programs, grants or projects, as a result of this consultation process, which could impact Tribal justice agencies within the member Tribal Governments.

CERTIFICATION

This resolution was duly passed at the USET Semi-Annual Meeting, at which a quorum was present, in Mobile, AL, on Thursday, June 17, 2010.

Brian Patterson, President
United South and Eastern Tribe, Inc.

RESOLVED

Robert McGhee, Secretary United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc.