

UNITED SOUTHEASTERN TRIBES, INC.
USET RESOLUTION NO. 74-01

ONAP Administration

WHEREAS, the USET Board of Directors has passed a resolution objecting to the manner of selecting the present Director of the Office of Native American Programs, and voicing support of the Director, Dr. George Bluespruce;

WHEREAS, many of the tribal chairmen of USET member tribes and the Executive Director of USET have met with Dr. Bluespruce to express their opinions and desires concerning the continuing operation of ONAP, their desire for proper communication from the Indian communities, and ONAP's responsiveness to the needs of the federally recognized tribes;

WHEREAS, it appears that Dr. Bluespruce has initiated substantial change in the administration of ONAP which will include the setting of criteria, policies, standards of operation and eligibility to services without providing a link of communication from the Indian people throughout the country;

WHEREAS, legislation affecting ONAP is before Congress, which legislation does not include input from federally recognized tribes or reflect their wishes and concerns;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that ONAP provide for a formal link of communication between ONAP and the federally recognized tribes;
and

RESOLVED further that no policies, criterion or procedures affecting federally recognized tribes be adopted before the federally recognized tribes have had the opportunity to review them and voice their position concerning them to ONAP, and

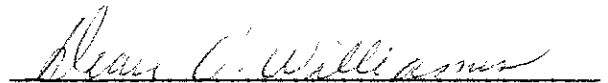
RESOLVED further that this formal link of communication and opportunity to review them and voice their position concerning them to ONAP policies, criterion and procedures be implemented immediately.

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that at a meeting of the Executive Committee, Board of Directors of the United Southeastern Tribes, Inc., properly convened and held in Cherokee, North Carolina, October 3-4, 1974, the above resolution was duly adopted.



President
United Southeastern Tribes, Inc.



Secretary
United Southeastern Tribes, Inc.