UNITED SOUTHEASTERN TRIBES, THO. NO. 74-38

BIA Eastern Area Office Resources

- WHEREAS, the Bureau of Indian Affairs has elevated the Southeastern Agencies
 Office to Area Office status as the Eastern Area Office in spite of
 USET objections to decentralization, and
- WHEREAS, decentralization is now the policy and method of operation of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, and
- WHEREAS, the Eastern Area Office continues to operate with a staff of fewer than five persons and continues to have to depend on a reduced BIA central staff to perform certain functions which other Area Offices are able to perform internally, and
- WHEREAS, this situation indicates to USET, Inc., that the eastern Tribes remain in a "second-class" status with regard to BIA services;
- NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that United Southeastern Tribes, Inc., urges the Commissioner of Indian Affairs to allocate to the Eastern Area Office resources sufficient to assist Agencies in the area of personnel, budgeting, purchasing, education, credit, social services, realty, etc., through the addition of technical personnel answerable to the Area Director.

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that at a meeting of the Executive Committee, Board of Directors of the United Southeatern Tribes, Inc., properly convened and held in New Iberia, Louisiana, November 13-15, 1974, the above resolution was duly adopted.

Président

United Southeatern Tribes, Inc.

Secretary

United Southeastern Tribes / Inc.