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BENJAMIN REIFEL

AREA DIRECTOR, BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS, ABERDEEN, SOUTH DAKOTA

SENATOR LANGER RECEIVED WIRE FROM YOUNGBIRD FORT BERTHOLD
THAT "OLD DEBITS" ARE BEING BROUGHT UP WHICH MAKES TOTAL LOANS OVER
\$1500 REQUIRING APPROVAL AREA OFFICE RATHER THAN LOCALLY. EXPLAINED
TO CHUMBRIS IF OLD DEBITS WERE OWING TO TRIBES THIS PROCEDURE ACCORDANCE
UNDERSTANDING FIRST PARAGRAPH, PAGE 3 OUR LETTER APRIL 13. IF DEBITS
WERE TO OTHER CREDITORS IT WOULD NOT BE. SUGGEST YOU LOOK INTO THIS
MATTER AND MAKE CERTAIN AGREED UPON PROCEDURES BEING FOLLOWED. URGE
PROMPT ACTION ON APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED TO AREA OFFICE.

(SGD) FRED H. MASSEY
ASSISTANT

COMMISSIONER

CONFIRMATION

Copy to: Fort Berthold Agency
Thru: Area Director, Aberdeen

Hon. William Langer (Attention: Mr. Chumbris)
United States Senate
Washington 25, D. C.