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Letter from Wesley D'Ewart to Senator Langer Regarding Election Request, July 23, 1956

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UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

JUL 23 1956

My dear Senator Langer:

This is in further reference to your letter of May 24, 1956, relative to an election for councilmen to serve on the Fort Berthold Tribal Business Council. In my letter of June 11, 1956, I advised that the Commissioner of Indian Affairs had asked that the Solicitor re-examine the Fort Berthold tribal constitution, the statute under which it was adopted, and the Departmental rules and regulations issued pursuant to the statute with a view to reconsidering his position with respect to the eligibility of non-resident tribal members to participate in tribal elections.

I am happy to give you a copy of my letter which I have today directed to the Chairman of the Fort Berthold Tribal Business Council forwarding a copy of the Solicitor's Opinion (M-36350) dated June 20, 1956, Subject: "Fort Berthold--Proposed election order to submit proposed Amendment I to Constitution and Bylaws to a vote".

Sincerely yours,

Assistant

Wesley A. DeWart
Secretary of the Interior

Honorable William Langer
United States Senate
Washington 25, D. C.

Enclosure