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BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
District III - Office of Justice Services
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Phoenix, Arizona 85004

IN REPLY REFER TO:
Office of Justice Services

(602) 379-6958   March 30, 2010

CERTIFIED MAIL – RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Cheryl Schmit
P.O. Box 355
Penryn, CA 95663

Dear Ms. Schmit:

On March 10, 2010, you submitted a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request with the BIA, Office of Justice Services seeking:

> "The purpose of this request is to gather documentation of Law Enforcement Service Level Commissions/Cards (SLAC's, SLEC's, and SLIC's) Memorandum of Understanding (MOU's) that includes the Hopland Indian Rancheria of California and the Colorado River Indian Tribes agreements with both Arizona and California:
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> 1. Any MOU between Hopland Indian Rancheria and Colorado River Indian Tribe and the BIA related to SLEC agreements.
> 2. Any record describing federal supervision or oversight by the BIA of the Colorado River Indian Tribe "Ranger" program. Tribal resolution or any other evidence of authorization of these officers."

The BIA, Office of Justice Services FOIA Office received the request on March 25, 2010. We assigned your request **FOIA control # 2010-00768** for processing. Please cite this number in all correspondence with the Department regarding this portion of your request.

We have classified your request as an "other-use" request, meaning that you are entitled to up to 2 hours of search time and 100 pages of photocopies before being charged for the processing of your request. Additionally, the Department of the Interior does not bill requesters for FOIA fees incurred in processing "other-use" requests when their fees do not exceed $30.00. We have determined that your request does not meet the minimum threshold to charge you fees for processing, therefore, the document will be released to you free of charge.

With respect to your first request for the MOU between Hopland Indian Rancheria and Colorado River Indian Tribe and the BIA related to SLEC agreements, we have identified 1 document (totaling 27 pages), which is responsive to this request. These responsive documents are being released to you.

With respect to your second request, the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, does not have an agreement in place to oversee/supervise the Colorado River Indian Tribes "Ranger" program. The "Ranger" program is supervised by the Colorado River Indian Tribal Chairman's office. In accordance with the Department of Interior's FOIA regulations (43 CFR 2.22(b)(2)), we are referring this letter to the respective department for a direct response to you. If you wish to contact them directly concerning your request, the contact information is as follows:

Eldred Enas, Chairman
Colorado River Indian Tribes
26600 Mohave Road
Parker, Arizona 85344

Telephone# (928) 669-9211
Fax# (928) 669-1216

I have consulted with Shari Mauney, Attorney-Advisor with the Office of the Solicitor, in reaching this decision.
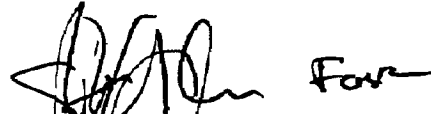
All appeals regarding the release of this information must be addressed to the FOIA Appeals Officer. The FOIA Appeals Officer must receive your FOIA appeal no later than 30 workdays from the date of this final letter responding to your FOIA request. Appeals arriving or delivered after 5 p.m. E.T., Monday through Friday, will be deemed received on the next workday. Your appeal must be in writing and addressed to:

> Freedom of Information Act Appeals Officer
> Department of the Interior
> Office of the Solicitor
> 1849 C Street, NW, MS 6556
> Washington, DC 20240

You must include with your appeal copies of all correspondence between you and the bureau concerning your FOIA request, including a copy of your original FOIA request and this denial letter. Failure to include this documentation with your appeal will result in the Department's rejection of your appeal. The appeal should be marked, both on the envelope and the face of the letter, with the legend, "FREEDOM OF INFORMATION APPEAL." Your letter should include in as much detail as possible any reason(s) why you believe the bureau's response is in error.

This concludes our response within the Department of the Interior. If you have any questions regarding any of the issues discussed in this letter, you may contact Cynthia Descheeny, FOIA Coordinator, at telephone number (602) 379-6958, extension 1820, by fax at (602) 379-6462, or by mail at: BIA, Office of Justice Services, Attention: Mailroom-4th Floor, 2600 N. Central Avenue, Phoenix, Arizona, 85004. Within the BIA, Office of Justice Services, we are committed to providing you, our customer, with the highest quality of service possible.

Sincerely,

Se anthongva McDonald
Special Agent In Charge
Office of Justice Services, District III

Enclosure

Privacy Act Notice: Before you choose to contact us electronically, there are a few things you should know. The information you submit, including your electronic address, may be seen by various people. We will scan a copy of your request into our electronic FOIA administrative/image file. We will key the information that you provide to us into our electronic FOIA tracking file. We may share it with other individuals, both within and without the Department, involved in FOIA administration. You may be contacted by any of these individuals. In other limited circumstances, including requests from Congress or private individuals, we may be required by law to disclose some of the information you submit. Also, e-mail is not necessarily secure against interception. If your communication is very sensitive, or includes personal information like your bank account, charge card, or social security number you might want to send it by postal mail, instead.

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March 10, 2010

Selanhongva McDonall
Special Agent Incharge
Bureau of Indian Affairs
Office of Law Enforcement Services
2600 N. Central Ave.
Phoneix, AZ 85004

RE: FOIA on SLAC's, SLIC's and SLEC's

Dear Special Agent Mc Donall:

There is a heighten awareness and concern of the plubic in California over the development of Federal Peace Officers on Indian Reservations. The concerns are due to a lack of knowledge over the scope or limits of authority of these Federal Peace Officers.

We write to request documents pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA"), 5 U.S.C. § 552 et seq., and pursuant to the Department of the Interior FOIA regulations, 43 C.F.R. § 2.11-2.20.

The purpose of this request is to gather documentation of Law Enforcement Service Level Commissions/Cards (SLAC's, SLEC's, and SLIC's) Memorandum of Understanding (MOU's) that includes the Hopland Indian Rancheria of California and the Colorado River Indian Tribes agreements with both Arizona and California:

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In the event any of the requested documents are not disclosable in their entirety, we request that you release any material that may be separated and released. For any documents or portions thereof that are determined to be exempt from disclosure, we request that you state with specificity the legal and factual grounds for withholding documents or portions of documents. We are willing to pay up to $100.00. Should the cost exceed this amount contact from you office
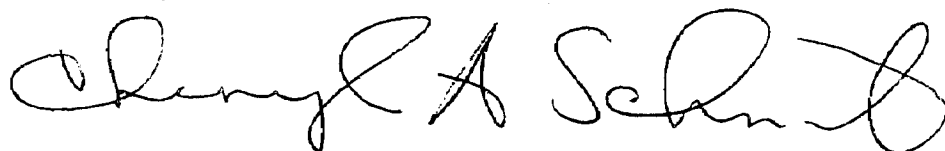
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advising us of the total amount would be appreciated giving us the opportunity to revise our
request.   Thank you in advance for your assistance.

Sincerely,

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