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Dear Tribal Leader:

I am writing to request your views and comments on the enclosed Fiscal Year 2011 Report to Congress on Administration of the Tribal Self-Governance Program.

The Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (ISDEAA), 25 U.S.C. § 450 et seq., was amended through the Tribal Self-Governance Amendments of 2000, 25 U.S.C. § 458aaa, to permanently establish the Tribal Self-Governance Program within the Indian Health Service (IHS). These amendments require that, prior to submitting the report to Congress, the IHS must seek your comments and views on the methods used to determine individual Tribal shares for inclusion in Self-Governance compacts or funding agreements and the report contents.

Please provide your views and comments for inclusion in the report by Friday, October 19, 2012. Comments may be submitted as follows:

- E-mailed comments may be sent to sgreport@ihs.gov.
- Comments delivered by postal mail may be sent to my attention at the following address:

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The IHS is committed to meaningful consultation with Tribes and Tribal organizations as we report to Congress the level of need presently funded in the Tribal Self-Governance Program. I look forward to your views and comments.

Sincerely,

/Yvette Roubideaux/

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Enclosure