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Ms. Wilma P. Mankiller
Principal Chief
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P.O. Box 948
Tahlequah, Oklahoma 74465

Dear Ms. Mankiller:

Michael Malahy Morris kindly hand delivered your letter and materials concerning the 1843 - 1993 International Indian Council. I have no doubt this will be a very exciting conference indeed, and would very much like to consider support for the program. Unfortunately, however, we do not have discretionary grantmaking authority, and every proposal must go to our board of directors for approval. The next meeting of the board is not until after your meeting commences in late September. Therefore, I truly regret that we will not be able to provide funding for this conference.

I have, nonetheless, taken the liberty of sharing your materials with my colleague, Tamar Datan, the Trusts' program officer for the Interdisciplinary Fund. She leads the institution's work in the areas of rural development and American Indian culture and heritage. I have no doubt she would be extremely interested to learn more about your activities.

Please allow me to express my gratitude for your interest in the Trusts. I hope you will accept my best wishes for continued success with your very important work.

Sincerely,



Rebecca W. Rimel

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cc: Tamar R. Datan