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Excellency,

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated 20 February 2007, in which you informed me that the United States of America anticipates submitting in March or April 2007, in a single document, its fourth and periodic reports combined, due on 20 November 2003, and its sixth periodic report, due on 20 November 2005.

The Committee took note with interest that information in this report would include a direct response to the concluding observations of the Committee in relation to the situation of the Western Shoshone peoples (A/56/18, para. 400, adopted on 13 August 2001), as well as to issues raised in Decision 1 (68) on the United States of America, adopted on 8 March 2006.

Pending receipt and examination of the overdue periodic reports of the United States of America, provisionally scheduled for the 72nd session of the Committee to take place in Spring 2008, the Committee respectfully insists that due consideration be paid to the recommendations set forth in its Decision 1 (68).

Yours sincerely,

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