

BIA Commissioner Appoints Tony Lincoln

PHOENIX, ARIZ., April 15--- Commissioner of Indian Affairs Louis R. Bruce announced here today the appointment of Anthony P. Lincoln, a Navajo Indian, as the Bureau of Indian Affairs' area director for the Navajo area, the bureau's largest field office operation.

In his new assignment, Lincoln becomes the first Navajo to serve as Navajo Area Director. He will oversee administration of all the

BIA programs and services for the 26,000 square mile reservation serving more than 150,000 Navajos from the area office in Window Rock, Ariz.

The announcement of Lincoln's appointment was made at a meeting of the 11 BIA area directors, agency superintendents and members of the BIA Washington executive staff underway in Phoenix.