

# Letters from Here and There

March 6, 1970

Interim Congress  
P.O. Box 545  
Nome, Alaska

Dear Mr. Nakak:

From afar an anonymous well wher has observed your valiant efforts to preserve the personal and collective dignity of native Alaskans. The Interim Congress is the kind of resistance necessary to illuminate the oppressive tactics with which you are contending. The check enclosed comes with warm wishes for success from many admirers in this area, both of the Interim Congress and AFN.

Sincerely,  
W.H. Ferry  
Agent

Encl. check \$100.

March 10, 1970

3 Fairtree Mews  
906 Garden St.  
Santa Barbara, Calif. 93101

Dear Mr. Ferry:

I have just received your most encouraging and welcome note and donation of \$100.00 to our cause of human justice.

Words cannot explain how this affects us; I can just say, "we do not feel alone in our struggle anymore..."

I have just opened a checking account for the Interim Congress, and be assured, it will be put to the best use possible.

You have helped to ease a struggle in which we, the Native,

have all to lose and just basic human rights to gain.

Again, I thank you and our admirers for your support and wish the best for you all. Please convey my feelings to all the other people who give us their support, whether it be oral, moral, financial or whatever.

Very truly yours,  
Alfred C. Nakak

107 Stedman Street  
Ketchikan, Alaska 99901  
March 24, 1970

Dear Sir:

Your issue of March 18th reports that the State of Alaska is interested in partial involvement in the war on poverty in Alaska. Your readers should know that the State of Alaska has had the opportunity at any time to involve itself in poverty problems. Its only interest to date has been in massive attempts to kill the program or to take it over entirely for personal manipulation by the Administration.

Tundra Times readers who would care to verify the above need only look at the measures sponsored by the Administration in this session of the Legislature to see how much the State cares.

Of all the talk about great State wealth there is bloody little talk about creative spending to cure poverty.

Very truly yours,  
Richard Whittaker