

Supplemental appropriations

WASHINGTON—Sen. Mike Gravel, D-Alaska, has asked both Senate and House Appropriations subcommittees to include \$1.6 million to the second supplemental appropriations bills under consideration, for payments to Alaskan villages and regional corporations.

The Alaska lawmaker requested the funds to provide the payments authorized in last year's Omnibus Act which amended the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act.

In letters to chairmen of the Subcommittee on Interior and Related Agencies of the two Appropriations Committees, Gravel requested the congressional add-on because the administration would not be able to get the budget requests in on time for funding in the Juneau, Sitka, Kenai and Kodiak.

The other \$600,000 would be for payments of \$100,000 each to the village corporations of Arctic Village, Elim, Gambell, Savoonga, Tetlin and Venetie.