

SELECTION OF PUBLIC LANDS . . .

Oscarville, Southwest Coastal Lowland.
 Ouzinkie, Kodiak.
 Paradise, Koyukuk-Lower Yukon.
 Paulof Harbor, Aleutian.
 Pedro Bay, Cook Inlet.
 Perryville, Kodiak.
 Petersburg, Southeast.
 Pilot Point, Bristol Bay.
 Pilot Station, Southwest Coastal Lowland.
 Pitkas Point, Southwest Coastal Lowland.
 Platinum, Southwest Coastal Lowland.
 Point Hope, Arctic Slope.
 Point Lay, Arctic Slope.
 Portage Creek (Ohgsenakale), Bristol Bay.
 Port Ashton, Gulf of Alaska.
 Port Graham, Cook Inlet.
 Port Lions, Kodiak.
 Port Heiden (Meshik), Aleutian.
 Port Nellie Wayn, Gulf of Alaska.
 Quinhagak, Southwest Coastal Lowland.
 Rampart, Upper Yukon-Porcupine.
 Red Devil, Upper Kuskokwim.
 Ruby, Koyukuk-Lower Yukon.
 Russian Mission (Kuskokwim) (or Chauthaluc), Upper Kuskokwim.
 Russian Mission (Yukon), Southwest Coastal Lowland.
 Saint George, Aleutian.
 Saint Mary's Southwest Coastal Lowland.
 Saint Michael, Bering Strait.
 Saint Paul, Aleutian.
 Salamantof, Cook Inlet.
 Sand Point, Aleutian.
 Savonoski, Bristol Bay.
 Savoonga, Bering Sea.
 Saxman, Southeast.
 Scammon Bay, Southwest Coastal Lowland.
 Selawik, Bering Strait.
 Seldovia, Gulf of Alaska.
 Seward, Gulf of Alaska.
 Shageluk, Koyukuk-Lower Yukon.
 Shaktoolik Bering Strait.
 Sheldon's Point, Southwest Coastal Lowland.
 Shishmaref, Bering Strait.
 Shungnak, Bering Strait.
 Sitka, Southeast.
 Skituk, Cook Inlet.
 Slana, Copper River.
 Sleetmute, Upper Kuskokwim.
 Solomon Council, Gulf of Alaska.
 South Naknet, Bristol Bay.
 Sqaw Harbor, Aleutians.
 Stebbins, Bering Strait.
 Stevens Village, Upper Yukon-Porcupine.
 Stony River, Upper Kuskokwim.
 Tanacross, Tanana.
 Tanana, Koyukuk-Lower Yukon.
 Tatilet, Gulf of Alaska.
 Talida, Upper Kuskokwim.
 Teller, Bering Strait.
 Tetlin, Tanana.
 Togiak, Bristol Bay.
 Toksook Bay, Southwest Coastal Lowland.
 Tuluksak, Southwest Coastal Lowland.
 Tuntutuliak, Southwest Coastal Lowland.
 Tununak, Southwest Coastal Lowland.
 Twin Hills, Bristol Bay.
 Tyonek, Cook Inlet.
 Ugashik, Bristol Bay.
 Unalakleet, Bering Strait.
 Unalaska, Aleutian.
 Unga, Aleutian.
 Uyak, Kodiak.
 Valdez, Gulf of Alaska.
 Venetie, Upper Yukon-Porcupine.
 Wainwright, Arctic Slope.
 Wales, Bering Strait.
 White Mountain, Bering Strait.
 Wiseman, Koyukuk-Lower Yukon.
 Wrangell, Southeast.
 Yakutat, Southeast.

appropriation under the public land laws, including the mining and mineral leasing laws, all public lands within sections 5-8, inclusive, of every township in the State of Alaska not otherwise withdrawn pursuant to this section.

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SEC. 11. (a) (1) Each Native village listed in section 10 (c) is hereby granted and shall be entitled to select, within eighteen months after the effective date of this Act, a total of 92, one hundred sixty acres of five hundred acres per member, as shown on the temporary census roll prepared pursuant to section 7 (a), whichever amount is greater, from the lands withdrawn in accordance with section 10: *Provided*, That a Native village having a reserve set aside for its use or benefit prior to the effective date of this Act shall have a right to select such reserve in accordance with section 15 (b) and (c).

(2) Where the Native villages within any region of Alaska, as defined in section 9 (a) of this Act, are entitled to select in the aggregate less than 5 per centum of the total land area of such region, such villages are hereby granted and shall be entitled to select, within eighteen months after the effective date of this Act, such additional amount of land as is necessary to increase their aggregate entitlement to five per cent of the total land area of such region. Selection rights under this subsection shall be apportioned among the various Native villages of a region in direct relation to the population thereof, as shown on the temporary census roll prepared in accordance with section 7 (a).

(3) In exercising its selection rights pursuant to paragraphs (1) and (2), a village shall first select from among the public lands withdrawn pursuant to section 10(b), and all such selections shall be contiguous and in reasonably compact tracts, except as separated by bodies of water or by lands which are unavailable for selection, and, wherever feasible, shall be in units of not less than one thousand two hundred and eighty acres. In the event the public lands withdrawn pursuant to section 10(b) are not sufficient in amount to satisfy the entitlement of any Native village under paragraphs (1) and (2) hereof, such village may select noncontiguous tracts from among the public lands withdrawn pursuant to section 10(d), in order of their proximity to the center of the village, until its selection rights are exhausted.

(b) If a Native village possesses a council, board of directors or other governing body recognized by the Secretary as having authority to act for such village, and which is both composed of and elected exclusively by Natives, such council, board of governing body is hereby authorized to exercise the land selection rights of its village. In the absence of a recognized council, board of directors or other governing body of a Native village listed in section 10(c), the Secretary shall hold an election for such village, under such rules and regulations as he may prescribe, at which a five-man village land selection committee shall be chosen, and the committee so elected is hereby authorized to exercise the land selection rights of its village. The Secretary shall hold all village elections hereunder within one year after the effective date of this Act, and the persons entitled to vote therein or serve on the land selection committee shall be the members of each Native village nineteen years of age or



ESKIMO LEADERSHIP—Joe Upicksoun, first vice-president of the Arctic Slope Native Association, and Eben Hopson, Executive Director of ASNA, are both considered as spokesmen for the Eskimos of the North Slope. Hopson is also second vice-president of the Alaska Federation of Natives and is a former state legislator. Both are in the forefront of ASNA's battle with the

State of Alaska for lands on the oil rich North Slope which they claim through historical use and occupancy. Both leaders now reside in Barrow, although Upicksoun is originally from Wainwright. The two are seen conferring during the fourth annual AFN Convention in Anchorage, on October 3.

over, as shown on the temporary census roll prepared pursuant to section 7(a).

(c) (1) Where two or more Native villages, because of proximity in location, are entitled to select lands in the same townships and actually select the same lands, their respective village councils, boards, governing bodies or land selection committees, as the case may be, shall be authorized to settle the overlap by negotiation and, in furtherance of any such settlement, to release selected lands to each other. A Native village at any time may, and, if the villages which are parties to the overlap do not reach agreement within six months after the date such overlap arises, the Secretary shall, refer the overlap to the Commission for decision in accordance with section 6 of this Act. The Commission shall award the land, or portions thereof, to the village or villages shown historically to have made greater use and occupancy thereof by a preponderance of the evidence, or in such manner as will do substantial justice.

(2) A Native village which releases selected lands in order to settle an overlap, or which loses selected lands under a Commission award in accordance with paragraph (1), shall be entitled to select additional public lands pursuant to subsection (a) (3) until its selection rights are exhausted, and, notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (e) hereof, all townships withdrawn under section 10(b) around a Native village which is a party to a selection overlap shall remain in withdrawn status until three months after final settlement of the overlap or a final decision of the Commission concerning such overlap, including any appeal.

(d) The regional corporations created pursuant to section 9(b) of this Act are hereby granted and shall be entitled to select, during the period beginning eighteen months and ending ten years after the effective date of this Act, from the public lands withdrawn in accordance with section 10(d), such amount of land as represents the difference, if any, between forty million acres and the total acreage selected by Native villages under this section and section 15 hereof. Selection rights under this subsection shall be apportioned among the various regional corporations in direct relation to the population of the Native village within each region, as shown on the temporary census roll prepared in accordance with section 7(a): *Provided*, That, in exercising selection rights under this subsection, each regional corporation may give consideration to the needs of Native villages which are entitled to select an area of land substantially smaller than the acreage actually used by such villages for subsistence hunting, fishing, and gathering on the effective date of this Act.

(e) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (c) (2) hereof, all public lands withdrawn pursuant to section 10(b), which have not been selected by a Native village under this section, shall be restored eighteen months after the effective date of this Act, or six months after the election required under subsection (b) hereof, whichever later occurs, to the status in which such lands had been placed prior to the effective date of this Act: *Provided* That any such lands previously included within a reserve revoked pursuant to section 15(a) hereof shall be restored to the public domain. All public lands

withdrawn pursuant to section 10(d), which have not been selected by a Native village or regional corporation under this section, shall be restored ten years after the effective date of this Act to the status in which such lands had been placed prior to the effective date of this Act.

CONVEYANCE OF LANDS

SEC. 12. (a) The Secretary shall promptly survey the townships withdrawn under section 10(b) and the areas selected for conveyance to Native villages and regional corporations pursuant to the provisions of sections 11 and 15 of this Act, but need monument only the exterior boundaries of these townships or areas. He also shall promptly survey (1) within the townships withdrawn or areas selected all lands occupied as a primary place of residence, a primary place of business, subsistence campsites, reindeer grazing grounds, and for other purposes as required under subsection (b) (2) hereof, and (2) any other land to be patented under this Act.

(b) (1) Upon completion of the survey of lands selected by a Native village, as provided in subsection (a) hereof, the Secretary promptly shall issue a patent or patents to such village to the land and all interests therein, except minerals covered by the mining and mineral leasing laws, subject to valid existing rights, and subject to the provisions of paragraph (2) hereof: *Provided*, That the Secretary shall hold the lands and interests in lands to which the village may be entitled in trust until such village organizes a corporation or otherwise qualifies to own real property. At the time of conveyance, the village corporation shall succeed and become entitled to any and

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