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Yellowknife, N.W.T.,
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Mrs. Agnes Semmler,
President,
Committee of Original People's Entitlement,
Inuvik, N.W.T.

Dear Agnes:

Re COPE resolutions on telephones and labour unions handed to me this morning by Val Wake, C.B.C. Yellowknife without covering letter.

Re telephones, on Monday last I asked the Commissioner to arrange to have a representative of C.N.T. appear before this Council before it ends. I will seek to have the concerns expressed in your second resolution made known to C.N.T. and endeavour to obtain assurances that the improvements required and requested are, in fact, to be made.

I lack background to your second resolution and will acquire this as soon as possible so I may put a motion before this Council if required.

Both resolutions as received will be tabled for Council's information early next week.

Yours truly,

Tom Butters.

c.c. Mr. N. Cournoyer,
Manager,
Radio Station CHAK

RESOLUTIONS

Resolutions on behalf of COPE 1661
By Agnes Semmler, President

- 1) Whereas Oil Exploration, Mining, Industrial and Transportation Companies are moving into the North West Territories creating wage employment for the original people of the Northwest Territories without adequate stabilized protection for these people

Be it resolved that the Territorial Government immediately take steps to insure that Labour Unions are of the type to allow maximum protection and benefits to the native Northerners.

- 2) Whereas communication in the North is at a minimum and the need exists to provide the barest necessary Radio and Telephone service to such places as Fort Franklin, Wrigley, Arctic Red, Coppermine areas and the sections of the Eastern Arctic of the Northwest Territories as a necessary part of today's basic communication requirements

Be it resolved that the Territorial Council look into what notice has been paid to the priorities set in the October Telecommunications Conference held in Yellowknife and what plans have been made to give these presently unserved areas better communication tools rather than building of major centres that are highly populated by southern employed people.