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Mr. K. Vesala Area Postmaster Sault Ste. Marie Ontario, Canada

Dear Mr. Vesala:

The Organization of North American Indian Students of Northern Michigan University publish The Nishnawbe News, a monthly newspaper devoted to the interests of the American Indian. The paper is autonomous, published under the sponsorship of the University, and its offices are located here.

Primarily intended for Indians of the Great Lakes region, The Nishnawbe News is circulated nationwide, and there is a substantial and growing readership in Canada, especially in Ontario. Total circulation of the paper is approximately 8,000. It is mailed free to Indians, although a nominal subscription (\$2 per year) is asked on a donation basis if the reader is able to pay. The fee, also on a donation basis, is \$5 annually for libraries, universities and other non-Indian institutions and organizations.

The paper is presently being mailed under the university's non-profit permit at 1.7 cents per item. As our circulation in Canada is growing, we are finding that the Canadian mailings (at 8 cents per item) are becoming increasingly expensive. Could you inform us if it would be possible to mail the paper in Canada under a similar permit such as being used in the United States? Samples of The Nishnawbe News are enclosed.

Sincerely yours,

James L. Carter Assistant Director

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