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Ms. Oranna Felter
Mixed Blood Uintas of Utah
Post Office Box 465
Fort Duchesne, Utah 84026

Dear Ms. Felter:

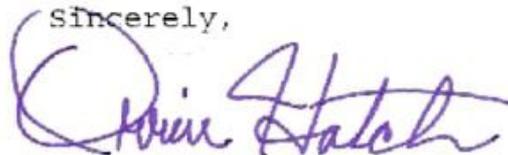
Thank you for your most recent letter challenging whether the mixed-blood Utes actually voted to terminate their tribal status in 1950's.

While I do not have enough of the details surrounding the date and nature of the vote to initiate research into the matter, I recommend you write to the Division of Tribal Government Services at the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) for proof of the termination vote:

Tribal Government Services
Bureau of Indian Affairs
MS 4513 MIB
1849 C Street, NW
Washington, DC 20240

I would be interested in seeing the BIA's response to your request. Again, thanks for writing. I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely,



Orrin G. Hatch
United States Senator

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