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Collection Overview

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Administrative Information

Provenance

The material was collected by JoAllyn Archambault, of the Department of Anthropology. In 1987, when the department became concerned about a request from the Glenbow Institute for the loan of specimens for the exhibit entitled "The Spirit Sings," Chairman Adrienne Kaeppler assigned Dr. Archambault the task of looking into the problem and in the course of this Dr. Archambault began to receive the mailings.

Citation

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Biographical / Historical

Around 1985, following several decades during which land claims were pressed, the Lubicon Lake Cree Indians began a series of actions that publicized their problems to a world-wide audience. Among the actions were an attempt to boycott the 1988 Winter Olympics and a partially successful effort to get museums in the United States and Europe to refuse to make loans for an exhibit "The Spirit Sings" which was planned by the Glenbow Museum in Calgary in connection with the Winter Olympics. To further publicize its activities, the Indians distributed copies of materials that outlined their stand in the dispute with the Alberta provincial government and the federal government of Canada and the reaction to their claims from groups around the world.

Scope and Contents

The file consists of transmittal notes together with copies of documents such as letters, newspaper clippings, and news releases.

Local Numbers

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Local Note

Electrostatic copies of miscellaneous documents

Names and Subject Terms

This collection is indexed in the online catalog of the Smithsonian Institution under the following terms:

Subjects:

Cree
Cree Indians -- Land tenure
Indians of North America -- Alberta
Indians of North America -- Great Plains
Indians of North America -- Subarctic
Lubicon Lake Cree

Cultures:

Cree
Indians of North America -- Great Plains
Indians of North America -- Subarctic
Lubicon Lake Cree