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BIA BEGINS WORK TO REORGANIZE ITS MINNEAPOLIS AREA OFFICE

Acting Bureau of Indian Affairs Deputy Commissioner Sidney L. Mills has announced that the Minneapolis Area Office reorganization task force is working on the implementation of the reorganization of the Minneapolis office. The final restructuring of the office is scheduled to be completed by April, 1980.

The change is a continuation of Assistant Secretary of Interior for Indian Affairs Forrest Gerard's commitment to provide better service to the tribes in the five states covered by the Minneapolis area office.

All area offices nationwide are undergoing extensive review to determine how they can best provide management and technical assistance to Indian tribes and agencies.

The reviews are being conducted under the direction of Assistant Secretary Gerard's management improvement program in consultation with Indian tribes, Alaska Natives, employees and unions. Implementation of the reorganization recommendations is the responsibility of the Commissioner of Indian Affairs.

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