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### *MEDIA ADVISORY*

#### **MEETING SCHEDULED ON EASTERN PEQUOT AND PAUCATUCK EASTERN PEQUOT INDIANS OF CONNECTICUT**

The Bureau of Indian Affairs has scheduled a public meeting August 8- 9,2000 in Reston, Virginia, to address technical questions that have been raised by state, local and tribal officials concerning the Bureau of Indian Affairs' March 31, 2000 proposed findings to acknowledge federal recognition of the Eastern Pequot Indians of Connecticut and the Paucatuck Eastern Pequot Indians of Connecticut.

The meeting was requested May 18,2000 by the Connecticut Attorney General's office. Comments on the proposed findings are due by September 27, 2000.

The meeting will run from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., August 8- 9,2000 at the Bureau of Indian Affairs, 2051 Mercator Drive, Reston, Virginia.

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