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WHO: Carl J. Artman, assistant secretary – Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior
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Michael J. Thomas, chairman, Mashantucket Pequot Tribe of Connecticut
Kenneth Reels, vice-chairman, Mashantucket Pequot Tribe of Connecticut
Mitchell Cypress, chairman, Seminole Tribe of Florida, and vice president,
Seminole Tribe of Florida, Inc.
Richard Bowers, vice-chairman, Seminole Tribe of Florida, and president,
Seminole Tribe of Florida, Inc.
Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Tribe of Indians of Oregon officials
Oneida Tribe of Wisconsin officials

WHAT: Assistant Secretary Artman will host a signing ceremony to honor the memorandum of understanding between the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe of Connecticut and the Seminole Tribe of Florida of that formalizes the two tribes' cooperative economic relationship. The event is to kick off the Department's intertribal economic consortium initiative.

WHEN: Monday, February 11, 2008 at 11:00 a.m. (EST).

WHERE: Department of the Interior headquarters building, 1849 C Street, N.W.,
Room 7000 A&B, Washington, D.C.

CREDENTIALS: This invitation is extended to working media representatives, who are required to display sanctioned media credentials for admittance to the event.

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