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Assistant Secretary Anderson to Speak June 25 at 2004 National UNITY Conference

WASHINGTON – Assistant Secretary – Indian Affairs David W. Anderson will address the delegates to the United National Indian Tribal Youth, Inc. (UNITY) 2004 National Conference being held June 25-29 at the Sheraton Wild Horse Pass Resort on the Gila River Indian Reservation near Phoenix, Ariz. Anderson will speak just after 2:00 p.m. (local time) on the afternoon of June 25 following the conference's official opening ceremonies.

UNITY is a national non-profit organization that promotes personal development, citizenship and leadership among American Indian and Alaska Native youth through a network of over 200 Youth councils representing over 45,000 young people from tribes across the United States.

The National UNITY Conference is one of the largest annual gatherings in the country of Native American youth ages 15 to 24. The event provides attendees with leadership, problem-solving and public speaking skills through hands-on experience as facilitators, team leaders, hosts and other conference roles. The UNITY conference also provides an opportunity for colleges and universities to reach out to this important segment of the American Indian and Alaska Native population.

WHO: David W. Anderson, Assistant Secretary – Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior

WHAT: Anderson will address the 2004 National UNITY Conference.

WHEN: Friday, June 25, 2004 starting at 2:00 p.m. (local time)

WHERE: Sheraton Wild Horse Pass Resort, Gila River Indian Community, Sacaton, Ariz.

Note to Editors: Credentialed media covering the event should be in place by 1:45 p.m. Press seating will be provided. The program will begin at 2:00 p.m.

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