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Assistant Secretary -- Indian Affairs Forrest J. Gerard announced today the detail of Phoenix Arizona Director John Artichoker to manage the training and personnel assistance project which will determine the feasibility of establishing a national training center for Indian tribes and the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

Gerard said Artichoker's educational background and professional experience make him eminently qualified to carry out the congressionally mandated study.

An acting area director will be named for the Phoenix area shortly, Gerard said. Artichoker's detail was effective December l, 1978, and the study will begin in Phoenix.