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Dear Mr. Uram:

The Secretary has asked the Solicitor's Office to respond to your letter to him of January 6, 2011, requesting a stay and reconsideration of the decision by the Assistant Secretary – Indian Affairs regarding the organization of the California Valley Miwok Tribe. After discussing the matter with the Assistant Secretary and his staff, I have been advised that the Assistant Secretary has declined to reconsider the December 22, 2010 decision by Mr. Laverdure on his behalf.

Sincerely,

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