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Randall Head January 31 at 2:51pm Report
Aya, Chief.

We have suffered another setback. I met with Senator Long on Thursday and presented Calcieri and the BIA policy regarding state recognition to him. These helped a great deal, but he views the possibility of the Miami getting federal recognition and then a casino as insurmountable. I explained the Supreme Court case and the policy, but he feels that the Supreme Court could change its ruling and the BIA could change its policy and that you could end up with a casino in Peru. I argued for you, but the bottom line is that Sen. Long is the President Pro Tem of the Senate, and his decision will carry the day as long as he holds that title.

I am so sorry we will not even get a hearing on this bill. I still stand with you. You are a tribe, and there is no question about it.

I would like for us to talk about strategy from here on out. Should we write our U.S. Congressmen and Senators and ask that they pass a federal law that removes gaming from tribal recognition? Until that happens, Senator Long will be a roadblock for us. This casino thing is causing us a lot of trouble.

Randy