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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

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Mr. R. A. Guimond
Office of District Director
Canadian Postal Service
North Bay, Ontario, Canada

Dear Mr. Guimond:

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We are herewith returning the Application for Registration as Second Class Mail, providing the information requested as best we can at this point.

The Nishnawbe News was established in 1971 as an autonomous newspaper published by the Organization of North American Indian Students of Northern Michigan University (ONAIS). It is supported by funds provided by the Michigan Legislature in the general University budget, and also by gifts, grants and donations of organizations and individuals.

In order to build a readership, the paper has been circulated free in the Great Lakes Region of the United States and Canada and to many other points in both countries--mainly the USA. We are now in the process of requesting a definite subscription fee (\$2 per year for individuals and \$5 for organizations), and are putting the paper on a paid circulation basis. This changeover began last month. The paper will be denied to no one who wishes to receive it but cannot pay the subscription fee.

The Nishnawbe News operates from an office on this campus and is staffed by American Indian students enrolled here. Their organization, which publishes the paper, is a duly recognized student organization under the rules and regulations of this University, and has its constitution and bylaws.

Main aims of the paper are to promote native American culture, inform. Indian people on a broad range of issues, and to provide general news.

The U. S. Post Office at Marquette has accepted The Nishnawbe News for mailing under the University's non-profit organization permit. Under such an arrangement, we pay 1.7 cents per item.

Postage for the last (January) issue on paper mailed into Canada amounted to \$48. Canadian mailings are continually increasing and costs, too, are mounting. If our mailings to Canadian readers could be posted under a permit in Canada, we anticipate a reduction in mailing expenditures.

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We will appreciate any consideration you might give our request. Should additional information be helpful, we will be happy to supply it.

Sincerely yours,

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