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Acting Assistant Secretary Martin to Appear April 25 in Native America Calling's "Spotlight"

WASHINGTON, D.C. – Acting Assistant Secretary – Indian Affairs Aurene M. Martin will be a guest on the “Indian in the Spotlight” program of Native America Calling on the show’s April 25, 2003, edition. NAC is the national public affairs and news radio program on the American Indian Radio on Satellite (AIROS) and National Public Radio networks.

Assistant Secretary Martin will speak on today’s Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA), the 179-year-old federal agency that serves the nation’s 562 federally recognized tribes. She will discuss topics such as the pending reorganization of the Bureau, the progress being made in replacing aging BIA schools, the goals of the recently established American Indian Education Foundation (AIEF), as well as her perspective on the BIA’s role in improving economic and employment conditions in Indian Country. She will respond to questions called in by listeners.

For more information, contact NAC at 505-277-7999 or visit NAC’s web site at www.nativeamericacalling.com.

WHO: Aurene M. Martin, Acting Assistant Secretary-Indian Affairs,
U.S. Department of the Interior.

WHAT: Guest appearance on the “Indian in the Spotlight” program of Native America Calling, the national call-in radio program covering news, public affairs and events affecting Indian Country.

WHEN: 1:00 EDT, Friday, April 25, 2003.

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