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To

The Joint Director,  
Anthropological Survey of India,  
Government of India,  
Indian Musium,  
27, Jawaharlal Nehru Road,  
Calcutta - 700 016

Sub:- Construction of 87 - 110 KM stretch of Andaman  
Trunk Road - Resumption of Work - Association  
of Anthropological Survey of India with the  
study of Jarawas - regarding.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to your letter No.68/11-81/  
PMI(PC) dated 5/3/1984 on the above subject and to state  
that the Government of India, Ministry of Home Affairs  
have constituted a committee to advise the UT Administration  
on the general approach to be followed in regard to develop-  
ment of primitive tribes in these islands. This Committee  
suggests broad outlines of the programmes to be undertaken  
and reviews the progress made in implementation of such  
programmes from time to time. The Director, ASI is one of  
the members of the committee. A copy of the Ministry of  
Home Affairs O.M.No.BC.11031/19/75-SCT-III dated 27th  
December, 1975, constituting the Committee is enclosed.  
A meeting of the Committee <sup>was</sup> ~~is~~ also held recently in  
January, 1984.

The Regional Officer, ASI, Port Blair is a Member  
of the Andaman <sup>Adim</sup> Janjati Vikas Samiti, an autonomous body  
set up for looking after the welfare of the primitive  
tribes. He is also a member of the Jarawa Cell which is  
entrusted with the responsibility of establishing contacts  
with the Jarawas. If any change about the representation  
of the Anthropological Survey of India in the Andaman

Adim Janjati Vikas Samiti or the Jarawa Cell is desired,  
kindly let us know.

Encl: As above

Yours faithfully,

Director (Tribal Welfare)

① The Construction work  
of Andaman Trunk Road  
has been suspended from 14th  
March 1984. The work  
was suspended at 87k.Ms  
earlier. A detailed report  
as required in para in this  
behalf is being prepared.