

Mr. PATENCIO. Yes; personal property is nontrust.

Mr. EDMONDSON. But, the land——

Mr. PATENCIO. Trust property.

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Mr. PATENCIO. Yes.

Mr. EDMONDSON. You feel this trust responsibility should be continued, and because of the value of the land and because of its additional trust character, you feel that supervision should be continued indefinitely in the future?

Mr. PATENCIO. Yes.

Mr. SIMPSON. Mr. Chairman?

Mr. EDMONDSON. Yes.

Mr. SIMPSON. May I, with the committee's permission, add one comment to Mr. Patencio's?

Mr. EDMONDSON. Before you do, I'd like to ask the individual members of the tribal council if they concur with that statement that the trust responsibility should be continued as to the trust lands in the future in the Secretary of the Interior, and I ask, Mr. Pierce, if you agree to it, that it should be?

Mr. PIERCE. Do you want a yes or no?

Mr. EDMONDSON. If you can give it yes or no, I'd like to have it.

Mr. PIERCE. Yes. I believe, and I don't see any inconsistency whatsoever.

Mr. EDMONDSON. Mr. Patencio, Mr. Raymond Patencio, do you feel they should be?

Mr. PATENCIO. Yes.

Mr. EDMONDSON. Mr. Siva?

Mr. SIVA. Yes; I agree.

Mr. EDMONDSON. And, Mr. Segundo?

Mr. SEGUNDO. Yes.

Mr. EDMONDSON. And, you want to add something?

Mr. SIMPSON. The only point I wanted to make, Mr. Edmondson, regarding the apparent inconsistency, is to on one hand claim you are competent, and on the other hand claim that you want to have somebody maintain a control and management position. The reason that is basically not inconsistent, and the tribe has taken throughout is that for years they have faced the situation where, in a competitive economy they have been unable to compete.

Now, at the present time, you have land carrying a value, according to the latest figures utilized by the Bureau of approximately 50 million. You have income from it in aggregate amounting to approximately 2 percent of that. The tax rate in Riverside County amounts on real property to approximately 2 percent so if this were all tribal property, tribal land, and you immediately ended the trust, to sell this in the position that the Bureau has, you would face a situation where the first year's rent on the tribal land would be going to the county to pay taxes. This, of course, is mostly allotted land, so some people have more income than others, but the members of the tribe believe that certainly they should retain this advantage until this land has been, or has approached the point where the income generated from it is sufficient to permit the payment of taxes and to also have a reasonable return from the corpus of the trust left over, and for this reason they feel that we have supplied money to the Bureau, that they