is the lesser sum. One-[third] tenth of the grant shall be deposited into the special account during fiscal year 1971 and the remainder deposited into the account in equal amounts in each of the succeeding [four] eighteen fiscal years and shall

earn interest in the amount of 4 percent per annum.

(b) Each year the Secretary shall apportion [90] 75 percent of the funds then in the special account among the Native groups in Alaska and 20 percent among the regional native economic improvement corporations. The apportionment shall be in the ratio that the number of Natives [in] on the original roll of each Native group or regional corporation bears to all of the Natives on the original rolls. The funds apportioned among each Native group may be advanced, expended. invested, or reinvested for any purpose that is authorized by the governing organization of the Native group and that is approved by the Commission established by this Act. Each year the remaining funds then in the special account shall be credited to the Statewide Native Economic Improvement Corporation. [and such] Such funds, together with all other revenues available to the [Corporation] corporations, may be expended by the [Corporation,] corporations, in accordance with an annual budget prepared by each corporation [the Corporation] and not disapproved by said Commission.

(c) Before apportioning any money under the provisions of subsection (b) of this section to the Native groups composed of Tlingit and Haida Natives who participated in or received benefits from, the judgment awarded to the Tlingit and Haida Natives in Court of Claims docket numbered 47,900, the Secretary shall deduct the pro rata share, after the deduction of attorneys' fees and litigation expenses, of said money judgment.

METLAKAHTLA INDIANS

Sec. 15. The provisions of this Act shall not apply to the Native groups of Metlakahtla Indians in the Annette Island Reservation but such groups shall be eligible to receive any benefits the Statewide Native Economic Improvement Corporation may provide.

ALASKA NATIVE COMMISSION

Sec. 16. In order to assist the Secretary in the administration of this Act, the President [may] shall appoint an Alaska Native Commission of [not to exceed three] five members who shall serve [at the pleasure of the President] for five years overlapping terms. [A majority of the] The members shall have been residents of Alaska for one or more years preceding appointment and at least two members shall be or be descended from Alaska Natives. The Commission shall be located within the Department of the Interior and directly under the Secretary and shall have the duties and powers prescribed in this Act and in Chapter-, S.L.A. 1968, subject to the concurrence of the State of Alaska, and such other duties and powers as the Secretary may from time to time delegate. The Secretary shall also prescribe the compensation to be paid to the members and provide for payment of Commission expenses, including employment of necessary personnel. The Secretary may utilize, with or without reimbursement. personnel and facilities of the Department of the Interior to assist the Commission in carrying out its functions. The seat, meeting place, and principal offices of the commission shall be located in Alaska. The final decision of the Commission shall be subject to judicial review.

NATIONAL FOREST LANDS

Sec. 17. The Native groups shall qualify as communities within the meaning of section 6(a) of the Alaska Statehood Act and 100,000 acres of the land therein granted shall be granted by the Secretary of Agriculture to Native groups.

APPROPRIATIONS

Sec. 18. (a) There are authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary such sums as may be necessary to defray the costs of the planning, subdivision, survey, management, and disposal of lands under this Act, either directly by the Secretary or by contract, and to pay the expenses of the Commission established by this Act, and to carry out other functions authorized by this Act. Such sums shall be available until expended.