

**STATEMENT
OF
SENATOR DANIEL K. INOUE
VICE CHAIRMAN
COMMITTEE ON INDIAN AFFAIRS
BEFORE THE
APRIL 5, 2001 HEARING
ON THE GOALS AND PRIORITIES
OF THE
MEMBER TRIBES
OF THE
UNITED SOUTH AND EASTERN TRIBES
FOR THE
107 TH SESSION OF THE CONGRESS**

The Committee on Indian Affairs meets this morning for the second in a series of hearings on the goals and priorities of Indian Country for the 107th session of the Congress.

I want to reiterate that the Committee will be soliciting the views and concerns of all of the federally-recognized tribes, Alaska Native communities, and Native Hawaiian organizations.

On behalf of the Committee, I am pleased to welcome Keller George, the President of the United South and Eastern Tribes and member of the Oneida Indian Nation of New York.