



"Considering their numbers and the opportunities for social and economic development which are available to them, these Indians also merit the special attention they will get through having an Area Office separate from the large Navajo tribe," Udall said.

The new Area Director at Window Rock will be Graham E. Holmes, currently Assistant Commissioner for Legislation in the Washington office of the Indian Bureau. Holmes previously served as Director of the Bureau's Area Office in Muskogee, Oklahoma, and at one time was an Assistant Area Director in Gallup. He has been the Superintendent of the Rosebud Sioux Reservation in South Dakota, and Assistant Solicitor for Indian Affairs for the Department of the Interior. He is a native of Oklahoma.

Glenn R. Landbloom, who for the past seven years has been General Superintendent of the Navajo Reservation, will become the Area Director of the Indian Bureau's office in Minneapolis, Minnesota. Prior to joining the Navajo Agency staff, Landbloom was an Assistant Area Director in Aberdeen, South Dakota. He is a graduate of North Dakota State University.

Named as Area Director for the New Albuquerque office is Walter O. Olson, presently General Superintendent of the United Pueblos Agency. He is a former Assistant Area Director in Gallup and Superintendent of the Mescalero Apache Agency in New Mexico.

Fredrick M. Haverland, who has been Gallup Area Director since 1962 will join the Washington staff of the Indian Bureau for an assignment with the Commissioner's Office. He formerly directed the Bureau's Area Office in Phoenix and was an Assistant Area Director previously in Billings, Montana, and Muskogee, Oklahoma.

In order to begin staffing the new Albuquerque office, the Indian Bureau expects to transfer about 24 persons from Gallup. The total planned Albuquerque complement of 116 will be reached over the next 12 to 18 months, largely through the transfer of persons now employed in Gallup.

Although Window Rock will be the location of the Navajo Area Office, there is not expected to be any increase in the number of Bureau employees stationed there. Instead, Bureau personnel now on the Navajo Agency staff will be moved into positions with the new Window Rock office. Approximately 185 persons--out of the present total of 309--will remain in Gallup, most of them to provide administrative and supporting services to both new Area Offices.

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