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Vice President Lizer participates in White House discussion as the Trump-Pence Administration presents “Core Principles” for Indian Country

WINDOW ROCK, Ariz. – Navajo Nation Vice President Myron Lizer participated in a discussion with key White House officials on Tuesday, as the Trump-Pence Administration presented its “Core Principles” for Indian Country, which outlines a plan entitled, “Putting America’s First Peoples First,” to address issues related to tribal sovereignty, promote safer communities, improve infrastructure to build economies, improve education, and deliver improved health care.

Federal officials that participated in Tuesday’s discussion included White House Office of Intergovernmental Affairs Director Douglas Hoelscher, Acting Director of Domestic Policy Brooke Rollins, Department of the Interior Secretary David Bernhardt, Asst. Secretary of Indian Affairs Tara Sweeney, Commissioner of the Administration for Native Americans Jeannie Hovland, U.S. Attorney Trent Shores, and Indian Health Service Director RADM Michael D. Weahkee, and Congressman Markwayne Mullin (R-OK).

“Any time that the White House provides an opportunity for our Native American tribes to champion a solution to long-held issues across Indian Country, we relish those collaborative endeavors to generate constructive movement. We thank President Trump, Vice President Pence, and their Administration,” added Vice President Lizer.

The plan also states, “President Trump is committed to honoring the heritage of America’s first inhabitants and partnering with Native Americans to build a brighter future.”

“As America is being restored to the American Dream, it is our pleasure and desire to remind our federal government family that we feel Indian Country has never been invited to the American Dream from the beginning. I join President Trump and his Administration in improving the opportunity in Indian Country and we relish the opportunity to work with President Trump in championing the change in the federal government’s relationship with Indian Country,” added Vice President Lizer.

The “Core Principles” for the “Putting America’s First Peoples First” plan is available on the White House website at: <https://www.whitehouse.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/10/Putting-Americas-First-Peoples-First.pdf>

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