



Intergovernmental Process in the NWT

What's it all about?

An intergovernmental process (IGP), or forum, is being discussed as a way to allow Aboriginal leaders, the territorial government and the federal government to talk about issues of common interest facing the Northwest Territories as a whole.

Initial indications are that devolution, revenue resource sharing, and economic development may be issues raised in this process. It is recognized in the NWT that these issues cannot be addressed at a regional level. It is also recognized that without the intergovernmental forum there is no mechanism to address broad territorial topics or how parties would interrelate on territorial issues. The intergovernmental process would get all three parties involved on a government-to-government-to-government basis.

Where we're at

To advance the concept of an intergovernmental process in the NWT, the Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development invited representatives from Aboriginal governments and the Government of the Northwest Territories to a meeting in June 1999, to discuss how to proceed. In November 1999, a second meeting was held to prepare for an intergovernmental forum in the spring of 2000.

More background

Fact sheets:

Devolution

Fact sheets are available by contacting

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