

We recognize, however, that it may not be possible to secure the enactment of such a law. In this case, there are other means by which a more general corporate law may be made applicable to the proposed corporation: by act of Congress, by an executive order of the President or by an order of the Secretary of the Interior. Each of these "have the effect of law in the Trust Territory." 1/ Such action would accord with the contract obligation of the United States, pursuant to our recommendation above, to act affirmatively to facilitate the operation of the corporation and to protect its legal status and powers.

One problem associated with direct action by the U.S. in this fashion is that it appears to be inconsistent with providing increased self-government for the Trust Territory. However, it must be noted that the execution of the contract and the transfer of land to the corporation may well be accompanied by such an action, particularly by an order of the Secretary of the Interior. Because the formation of the corporation (and thus the question of its powers, procedures and limitations) arises as part of the same transaction, there

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1/ 1 T.T.C. §101(2).