I was grateful to have the opportunity to meet Menominee Gaming Commission at its tribal offices Sept. 27. It was a privilege to have been the first NIGC Chairman to visit the Nation.

I want to reiterate my appreciation for the long-standing leadership at the commission - Executive Director Miller's tenure is a source of pride for Indian gaming and showcases the Tribe's strong regulatory capacity.

During my visit I discussed the evolution of Indian gaming's background and licensing practices. Specifically, I outlined the innovations taking place in licensing data, records management are creating a more sustainable, and modern culture among Indian gaming's licensing practices. I believe the core of this conversation focuses on to following to maintain a culture of integrity in gaming regulation:

- Integrating new technology
- Conducting renewed risk assessments
- Developing new workforce practices

Also on the top of my mind during my visit was October's Cyber Security Awareness month. Cyber security remains an important topic not only across Indian gaming's regulatory community, but across many national and local industries. It was helpful to hear Commission Chairperson Demarce share the Menominee Nation's experience with a cyber-attack. I plan to remain engaged with her on the topic of cyber security, because establishing a network of gaming regulatory expertise around emerging cyber threats is critical to the both the current and future integrity of the Indian gaming industry.

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