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## **NIGC Chair Releases Statement in Response to Questions Surrounding His Statutory Term End Date**

At the end of my statutory term, I greatly appreciated the opportunity to reflect on my time as chairman. It has been an incredible honor to serve Indian country and the general public in my capacity as chairman, and as my time at NIGC winds down, I want to do whatever I can to ensure stability at the agency and the industry. While the conclusion of my statutory term does not require that I immediately depart the agency, it does present an opportunity for reflection and planning. I should be clear however that I have no intention of leaving immediately. I have been and remain committed to a smooth transition and, in the near future, will announce a departure date. In the meantime, though, I anticipate working with our incredible team through at least a good part of the summer to close out as many matters as possible.