



DEHCHO FIRST NATIONS

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Fall Leadership Meeting
October 7 – 9, 2008
Fort Providence, NT

Resolution #04

RE: Dehcho First Nations Cash Grants

Moved by:

Proxy Richard Lafferty
Fort Providence Métis Nation

Seconded by:

Proxy Rita Cli
Liidlil Kue First Nation

Carried Unanimously

Certified copy of resolution
made in Fort Providence, NT,
on October 9, 2008.

Gerald Antoine
Grand Chief

Whereas, the Government of Canada says its policy is not to provide grants to salaried community leaders; and

Whereas, the Dehcho First Nations pays delegates at Assemblies and Leadership Meetings cash grants; and

Whereas, Dehcho community leaders and elders receive limited salaries for their community governments; and

Whereas, the Dehcho First Nations have the right to determine the level of remuneration its members receives; and

Whereas, Canada did not consult with the Dehcho First Nations on the implementation of this policy; and

Whereas, Dehcho First Nations does not consider DIAND's policy to withhold honourarium payments as fair and consistent with other jurisdictions such as the Legislative Assembly, the Government of Northwest Territories or the Federal Government.

Therefore be it resolved that:

1. Dehcho First Nations not accept the implementation of the DIAND policy to withhold honourarium payments for attendance at Dehcho First Nations meetings to salaried leaders; and

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2. Dehcho First Nations has determined that leaders paid salaries by their community governments will be entitled to continue to receive cash grants for the participation at Dehcho First Nations meetings; and
3. Dehcho First Nations Leadership tasks the Executive Committee to bring parity to the Federal Government in terms of salary.