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**DCFN Leadership Assembly**  
**Łíidlj Kóé, Denendeh — 96 OCT 18-19**

**RESOLUTION 96 OCT-LA #05**  
**Re. Oil & Gas Industry Protocols**

**WHEREAS** certain traditional lands used since time immemorial by peoples of the Deh Cho are under oil and gas exploration, at times without the consent of the Deh Cho peoples,

**AND WHEREAS** the Deh Cho Leadership passed a resolution calling for oil and gas industry representatives to meet with them before approaching individual communities,

**AND WHEREAS** Deh Cho Leaders understand and recognize the right of each community government to undertake economic development through the oil and gas industry to meet the needs and interests of their people,

**AND WHEREAS** DIAND and Territorial ministries have expressed interest in supporting Deh Cho communities in oil and gas issues related to use of Deh Cho lands for exploration and negotiation of impact/benefit agreements with oil and gas companies,

**AND WHEREAS** the Deh Cho Leadership encourages Deh Cho community governments to co-ordinate approach to protection of our lands and interests in economic development —

**THEREFORE, by our inherent right to govern,** the Deh Cho Leadership resolves to support our community governments on issues relating to oil and gas use of Deh Cho Lands

**AND THEREFORE, we further direct** that the resolution be implemented for oil and gas industry officials to approach Deh Cho First Nations to arrange for appropriate introduction to Deh Cho communities at a Leadership Assembly,

**AND THEREFORE, we further direct** the DCFN office to inform DIAND and Territorial officials to communicate on oil and gas issues directly with the DCFN Grand Chief, who will arrange for co-ordinated responses through Deh Cho community governments