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

RESOLUTION 96 OCT-LA #07

Re. Formal Rejection of DIAND Process for Attempting To Amend the *Indian Act* and Support for AFN Resolution of 96 SEP 24

WHEREAS the Deh Cho Dene and their descendents have consistently disapproved of the *Indian Act*'s intervention into the customary governance of our peoples,

AND WHEREAS the *Indian Act* was enacted and has been amended from time to time without our consent,

AND WHEREAS DIAND has been attempting to amend the *Indian Act* in recent years without the full and direct participation of our peoples,

AND WHEREAS DIAND presented these proposed amendments to the *Indian Act* in Winnipeg in September to an Assembly of First Nations (AFN) Assembly, which rejected the proposed amendments —

THEREFORE, by our inherent right to govern, the Deh Cho First Nations Leadership formally rejects the proposed amendments by DIAND to the *Indian Act*, and disapproves of the process through which the proposed amendments were attempted,

AND THEREFORE, we further resolve to support the process expressed in the AFN resolution passed by consensus on 96 SEP 24 in Winnipeg toward resolving the First Nation-Crown relationship

MOVED BY

Chief Pat Martel, Hatlo Deh

SECONDED BY Ch

Chief Dennis Deneron, Sambaa K'e

CARRIED BY CONSENSUS President Marilyn Napier abstained