DCFN LEADERSHIP MTG RESOLUTION#008 090CT97

RE: MINISTERIAL ENVOY

WHEREAS resolutions from December, 1996 Special Assembly and January 1997 leadership meetings give direction and parameters controlling future movement in resolving Deh Cho - Crown relationships; and

WHEREAS the Minister of Indian Affairs is willing to meet with leaders of the Deh Cho and Deh Cho leaders have been given direction to meet with government the Minister and other government officials to further the establishment of an equitable relationship with the Crown based on the Dene version of Treaty 11; and

WHEREAS the use of the work "discussion" in resolution 97AUG28-#02 CLAUSE 6. is not intended to block movement but to use terms which provide for decisions which do not use government terminology; and

WHEREAS the leadership do not see meeting with a Ministerial Envoy to identify common ground and differences as contrary to Assembly intentions in resolution 97AUG28-#02;

THEREFORE be it resolved that the leadership of the Deh Cho hereby authorize the implementation team to travel to Ottawa to meet with government officials; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the leadership hereby accept to enter into talks with the Ministerial Envoy in the interest of identifying common ground and differences in preparation for a Special Assembly to be held as soon as possible after this work with the Special Envoy is completed.

Moved by: Elder Gabe Hardisty Signature

Seconded by: President Marilyn Napier

Signature

Carried unanimously

Certified by:

DCFN Grand Chief