Deh Cho First Nation

Leadership Meeting Hay River Reserve October 5 - 7, 1999

RESOLUTION # 09

RE: International Lobby

<u>WHEREAS</u>, the Deh Cho First Nations and Akaitcho Treaty 8 have initiated a number of processes at the United Nations including the follow-up on the implementation of the United Nations Treaty Study and the land rights study to focus on the issue of extinguishment and

<u>WHEREAS</u>, the Special Rapporteur on Land Rights of Indigenous Peoples, Madame Erica Irene Daes has been invited by the National Chief of the Dene Nation to come to Denendeh to participate in the Dene leadership meeting at the end of October 1999 and

<u>WHEREAS</u> there is a need for Deh Cho First Nations to make a strong presentation to Madame Daes on the Deh Cho First Nations relationship with the land and the push by Canada for Deh Cho Peoples to extinguish their rights to lands and resources and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the leadership meeting direct the Deh Cho First Nations to prepare a presentation to Madame Daes for inclusion in her final report and to focus the Deh Cho presentation on the history of the negotiations in the Deh Cho and the concerns raised by the citizens of Deh Cho on the matters related to land rights and the international status of the Treaties 8 & 11 concluded with the British Crown in 1899, 1921 and 1922.

Moved by:	Chief Tim Lennie
Seconded by:	Chief Dennis Deneron
Certified:	Grand Chief Michael Nadli

Accepted by consensus of leaders present. The meeting had lost quorum when this resolution was dealt with. No vote was taken.