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Chair DehCho Land Use Planning Committee

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Re: Acho Dene Koe First Nation and DehCho Land Use Plan

Further to your correspondence of recent date regarding the above mentioned matter, we are forced to set the record straight on several points.

We appreciate the need for a regional approach to land use planning in the Deh Cho but it must be done in a way that reflects the realities found in the Deh Cho region.

As you know both DFN and ADK are negotiating their separate treaties. To ensure the integrity of both treaties, it is essential that ADK and DFN have authoritative decision-making regarding their respective lands. To be clear ADK respects DFN authority on DFN Lands and does not want to dictate what happens on DFN lands and expects the same from DFN regarding ADK Lands.

We strongly advise DFN that before it continues further in its Land Use Plan it contact ADK to discuss the ADK Traditional Lands boundary, so that there is legal certainty to the lands addressed in the Land Use Plan. Clearly, lands in the ADK's territory will be of major concern to ADK and ADK will be the sole authority regarding the use of such lands.

As to the list of Meetings /Updates with ADK Representatives attached to your correspondence we see this as a utterly specious, as ADK has had no meaningful say to date in the formulation of the DFN Land Use Plan. In sum, decline your offer to meet.

To address the above, ADK invites DFN to begin overlap discussions so that both parties can continue the DehCho Regional Land Use Plan.

We trust that the above will initiate boundary discussion by our respective governments. Please contact Mr. Robert Diaz at our office to arrange a meeting (rdiaz@dmcsltd.net / 250-888-9009)

Yours truly



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