



CHIEFS COUNCIL

RESOLUTION 01-23/01/13

Mamow-Wecheekapawetahteewiin (Standing Together) Regional Framework Strategy

Whereas the Matawa First Nations Chiefs Council unanimously passed the *Mamow-Wecheekapawetahteewiin* Unity Declaration in Webequie on July 13, 2011;

And Whereas the Matawa First Nations Chiefs Council decided on December 3, 2012 to initiate an action plan to move forward with a regional strategy, building on the *Mamow-Wecheekapawetahteewiin* Unity Declaration and taking into account community position papers;

Therefore be it resolved that:

1. The Matawa First Nations Chiefs Council support in principle the regional strategy for the Ring of Fire discussed at this meeting held in Marten Falls First Nation. All of us are committed to moving forward in this direction, without delay.
2. The draft regional strategy document circulated at this meeting will be amended, based on the discussions and any further advice, and forwarded to each First Nation for ratification.
3. To screen and select a Senior Negotiator, the list of seven top names discussed will be reviewed by the legal advisors; remaining interested candidates will have interview arranged with the Chiefs council by the week of February 4, 2013.
4. To cover the interim costs of legal advisors who are working to continue developing this regional process, as an interim measure each First Nation shall be responsible for the costs of its own advisor, and the Chiefs Council directs Matawa First Nations Management to seek reimbursement and additional funding for the process from the Province of Ontario.

Moved by: Chief Allan Towegishig, Long Lake # 58 First Nation

Seconded by: Chief Sonny Gagnon, Aroland First Nation

Carried (8)

Dated the 23rd day of January 2013 at a Matawa First Nations Chiefs Council Meeting in Marten Falls First Nation.





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Chiefs Present:

Chief Cornelius Wabasse, Webequie First Nation

Chief Allan Towegishig, Long Lake # 58 First Nation

Chief Sonny Gagnon, Aroland First Nation

Chief Peter Moonias, Neskantaga First Nation

Chief Eli Moonias, Marten Falls First Nation

Chief Roger Wesley, Constance Lake First Nation

Chief Johnny Yellowhead, Nibinamik First Nation

Proxy Councilor Charlie Okeese, Eabametoong First Nation

