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Missanabie Cree
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Stan Louttit, Grand Chief

September 22, 2005
Moose Factory, Ontario

**Government's Unfair Nishnawbe Aski
Police Services Analysis and Need for
New Analysis**

WHEREAS in 2002 the Federal Solicitor General's department commissioned a report regarding the operations of the Nishnawbe Aski Police Services, entitled "Business Case Analysis: Final Report September 2002"; and

WHEREAS this report was severely critical of the NAPS services being provided, without taking into account the unique circumstances encountered when providing policing services in northern communities; and

WHEREAS the quality and effectiveness of these services are directly related to the lack of resources made available by the respective levels of government; and

WHEREAS other police services such as the Royal Canadian Mounted Police and the Ontario Provincial Police, unlike NAPS, continue to receive funding that provides for sufficient staffing, training, communication, equipment and organization; and

WHEREAS the inappropriate methodology and unwarranted criticism in the "Business Case Analysis: Final Report September 2002", and the lack of adequate Federal and Provincial funding for NAPS, appears to again demonstrate the underlying systemic discrimination and racism that we

Mushkegowuk people have often experienced; and

WHEREAS the Chiefs in Assembly in 2004 directed the Mushkegowuk Executive to undertake its own Study and Review of the status of Nishnawbe Aski Police Services specific to the communities of Mushkegowuk for the purpose of exploring our own Mushkegowuk Policing Service.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Chiefs in Assembly condemn the unfair and inadequate federal review of the operations of the Nishnawbe Aski Police Services entitled "Business Case Analysis: Final Report September 2002", and deplore the systemic discrimination and racism that underly the methodology of the report and the deliberate and racist under-funding of First Nation policing that is the primary underlying cause of NAPS difficulties; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that the Chiefs in Assembly urge the federal and provincial governments to end the discriminatory and racist under-funding of police services in Mushkegowuk communities; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that the Mushkegowuk Chiefs in Assembly urge the federal and/or provincial governments to assist with funding for a proposed "Independent Review and Analysis of the Nishnawbe Aski Police Services (within the Mushkegowuk communities)" as commissioned by

Mushkegowuk Council and described by Allan Pelletier & Associates; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that the Mushkegowuk Chiefs in Assembly continue to review the possibility of a future Mushkegowuk Police Services.