SPECIAL CHIEFS ASSEMBLY
DECEMBER 4, 5 & 6, 2012, GATINEAU, QC

Resolution no. 46/2012

TITLE:	Action to Implement Fisheries Supreme Court Case Decisions
SUBJECT:	Fisheries
MOVED BY:	Cliff Atleo, Proxy, Kyuquot/Checleseht First Nation, BC
SECONDED BY:	Chief Byron Louis, Okanagan Indian Band, BC
DECISION:	Carried; 1 opposed, 3 abstentions

WHEREAS:

A. The Supreme Court of Canada has continually reaffirmed First Nations rights to access and harvest fish.

B. The Government of Canada continues to litigate against First Nations and has failed to implement multiple Supreme Court Decisions.

C. The Chiefs-in-Assembly have previously directed the Assembly of First Nations to create a mechanism to negotiate and implement Supreme Court Decisions in Resolution 67-2010.

D. Further mandates are necessary to take concrete steps to implement Resolution 67-2010.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Chiefs-in-Assembly:

1. Call on the Assembly of First Nations to seek resources to implement Resolution 67-2010.
2. Direct the Assembly of First Nations to continue to work directly with First Nations on court case negotiation and implementation through preferred regional processes.
3. Direct the Assembly of First Nations to seek resources to convene a National Forum to facilitate dialogue between Inherent, Aboriginal and Treaty based fisheries, to share traditional governance systems and strategies on the implementation of Supreme Court decisions.

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4. Mandate the Assembly of First Nations to coordinate with First Nations to develop strategies for the enhanced economic operation of First Nations fisheries, consistent with current court case decisions that recognize economic fisheries.

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