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

Resolution no. 73/2012

TITLE:	Support for First Nation Veterans of Canada
SUBJECT:	First Nation Veterans
MOVED BY:	Nathan Matthew, proxy, Whispering Pines/ Clinton First Nation, BC
SECONDED BY:	Chief Percy Joe, Shackan Indian Band, BC
DECISION:	Carried by Consensus

WHEREAS:

A. The Assembly of First Nations (AFN) and First Nation Veterans of Canada have signed a protocol for support in the pursuit of justice and resolution to veterans outstanding grievances, with Governments that they have served under in Military conflicts and peace keeping duties.

B. There has been a demonstrated need to have the assistance of the AFN and its membership to support a full-time staff person and operating costs for a year to help the Veterans mobilize a secretariat for seeking annualized funding.

C. Many of the returning veterans helped to create our present day political organizations and structures that have greatly assisted our communities and nations drive to achieving the terms and processes to protect our Treaty Rights and Lands.

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

1. Direct the AFN Executive and National Chief to make every effort to assist the veterans in the pursuit of justice for First Nation Veterans and establishing an office for the First Nation Veterans.

Certified copy of a resolution adopted on the 6th day of December, 2012 in Gatineau, Quebec

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