AFN Special Chiefs Assembly
December 9-11, 2008 Ottawa, ON

Resolution no. 53/2008

SUBJECT:	SUPPORT FOR WORLD INDIGENOUS NATIONS SPORTS CONGRESS
MOVED BY:	Chief Gerald Ermineskin, Ermineskin Cree Nation, AB
SECONDED BY:	Chief Carolyn Buffalo, Montana First Nation, AB
DECISION:	Carried by consensus

WHEREAS:

A. The first World Indigenous Nations (WIN) Sports Congress concluded in Winnipeg, Manitoba on November 9, 2008;

B. Manitoba's Sports Minister, Eric Robinson, WIN Sports International and volunteers, did an outstanding job hosting the planning meeting; and

C. With the success of the WIN Sports Congress held in Winnipeg, it was identified that a National Indigenous Sport and Physical Fitness Conference is needed to meet two goals. One being, to initiate the development of a coordinated, researched and nation-wide program to aid in identifying, developing and supporting athletes to compete in the World Indigenous Games. The second being the initiation of the development of a cohesive, researched and far reaching national Indigenous sport and physical fitness strategy.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that:

1. The Chiefs-in-Assembly fully support the first World Indigenous Nations (WIN) Games to be held in Winnipeg, MB, August, 2012.

2. The mandate of the development and the implementation of a national conference be given to the company Indigenous Fitness in partnership with McGill University. This conference will be held in Montreal at McGill University in the summer of 2009.

3. The Chiefs-in-Assembly support the planning, organization and execution of the first WIN games by WIN Sports International (pursuant to the original Resolution adopted by the World Council of Indigenous Peoples on August 27, 1997 in Kiruna, Sweden).

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