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Clarification of Process

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(Kahnawá:ke – 27, Enníska/February 2006) The Mohawk Council of Kahnawá:ke (MCK) would like to offer the community some insight into certain aspects of the MCK's decision-making process. This is being done for clarification purposes in regard to the document (Mohawk Council Resolution) that was prepared in advance of Chief & Council's non-confidence vote against Keith Myiow dated 14 Enníska/February 2006.

Standard operating procedure includes the pre-preparation of a draft Mohawk Council Resolution whenever a decision is expected from Chief & Council at a duly convened meeting (the 14 Enníska/February meeting met those conditions). At the conclusion of discussion, Chief & Council have the option of voting or declaring a consensus. If the decision is "yes," the draft Mohawk Council Resolution is brought forth for either signature or further revision as directed by Chief & Council. If the decision is "no," the draft Mohawk Council Resolution is not signed and has no force or effect.

In the recent incident, Chief & Council were aware on 9 Enníska/February that a decision was expected to be made on the afternoon of 14 Enníska/ February, therefore a draft Mohawk Council Resolution was prepared. In this instance, after discussion, there were revisions/amendments made to the original draft. When these were completed, eight (8) Chiefs signed the Mohawk Council Resolution of non-confidence (#10-2005/2006).

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