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MCK, Canada Agree to New Funding Arrangement

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(Kahnawá:ke – 14, Enniskó:wa/March 2005) The Mohawk Council of Kahnawá:ke (MCK) announced today that it has signed an agreement with the Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development (DIAND) on a new funding arrangement between the two parties.

The Canada-Kahnawá:ke Funding Agreement falls outside the Canada First Nations Funding Agreement (CFNFA) model that DIAND has instituted with other Native communities in Canada.

Though it reflects Kahnawá:ke's needs and its spirit of independence, Grand Chief Michael Ahrihron Delisle, Jr. says it's only a partial victory.

"For many years, the MCK administration has tackled the challenges of efficiently managing the limited funds made available from the federal government," he said. "By creating this arrangement we will at least maintain some flexibility and control of our budgets. But it still falls short of our true needs."

The new agreement will come into effect on April 1st, the first day of the new fiscal year.

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