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## Tsi Nahóten Karihwanákere No'nenk - News Release

### **QKR meetings get underway**

(Kahnawá:ke - 20 Onerahtokó:wa/May 2004) A “main table” meeting between the Mohawk Council of Kahnawá:ke (MCK) and the Province of Quebec is being held in Montreal today, officially beginning the negotiation process for the renewal of the Quebec-Kahnawá:ke Relations (QKR) Agreements.

The MCK has designated four chiefs (Mike Delisle, Arlene Jacobs, Marvin Zacharie and Peggy Mayo) to take part in the negotiations, along with several technicians. Former Premier Daniel Johnson heads the provincial team.

The MCK negotiating team is expected to discuss/reconfirm priorities, while both sides will establish the general process for discussions.

The current Agreements, signed in 1999 for a period of five years, include agreements on transport and user fees; economic development; the administration of justice; child care; police services; professional combat sports permits; liquor permits; registration of births, marriages and deaths; fiscal matters related to consumer goods and services; and fiscal matters related to tobacco, petroleum and alcohol products.

The negotiations are expected to last several months.

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