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1992 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETI

Resolution 92-8

Regarding the United Nations' International Year of Indigenous Peoples

- WHEREAS 1993 has been declared by the United Nations to be the *International Year of Indigenous Peoples*;
- WHEREAS national governments have been given the responsibility for developing and implementing processes which fully involve their Aboriginal populations;
- WHEREAS the national Aboriginal leadership has made it clear that they do not wish to see the Department of Indian and Northern Affairs be the coordinating body for the Government of Canada with regard to planning for the International Year of Indigenous Peoples; and
- WHEREAS the national Aboriginal leadership has made it clear that their participation in *International Year of Indigenous Peoples* activities is conditional upon the national Aboriginal representative organizations receiving adequate funding to support this work especially in light of the continued erosion of our core funding yet Treasury Board has decreed that no such funding shall be made available;
- THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Inuit Tapirisat of Canada reaffirms its request to have co-ordination of International Year of Indigenous Peoples activities carried out by a department of the Government of Canada other than the Department of Indian and Northern Affairs;
- THAT the Inuit Tapirisat of Canada reaffirms its request for adequate funding to support participation in the planning and implementation of activities related to the International Year of Indigenous Peoples; and
- THAT this Annual General Meeting mandates the ITC Executive and Board of Directors to initiate discussions with the three other national Aboriginal representative organizations with regard to boycotting all *International Year of Indigenous Peoples* activities co-ordinated by the Department of Indian and Northern Affairs, and stating the case for independent participation by the Aboriginal peoples of Canada directly to the United Nations.

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Moved:

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Seconded:

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AGM Action:

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

July 28, 1992