Statement from the Iroquois Caucus regarding the Recognition of Quebec Nationhood. December 5, 2006 Given at the AFN Special Chiefs Assembly Westin Hotel Ottawa

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The members of the Iroquois Caucus acknowledge the current political statements by Canada to recognize the Quebecois as a nation within Canada.

We hereby declare, however, this recognition will have no bearing or effect on our people, their rights or territories, now or in the future.

As original Nations of this land we have always maintained that we are Nations within the meaning of International Law and have never given up this status.

We will take all necessary measures to protect the interests of our people, our communities, our Territories, our Nations and the Confederacy.

We call upon our Brothers and sisters of Turtle Island to renew ancient alliances in an effort to provide mutual assistance and support in protecting our common interests in our homelands.