## Thcho Assembly Special Session Directive September 25, 2008

The Thcho Assembly met in special session on September 23, 24, and 25, 2008 in Behchokò to hear an appeal brought by Chiefs Lafferty, Gon and Nitsiza to the constitutional validity of sections 12 and 13 of the Future Chiefs Executive Council Meetings Law (the Law).

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The Thcho Assembly heard argument from counsel for Chiefs Lafferty, Gon and Nitsiza and for the Thcho Government.

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The Thcho Assembly reviewed the evidence and arguments filed and met September 25, 2008 and made a decision on the challenge made to the Law.

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The Thcho Assembly decided that the Law was consistent with the Thcho Constitution because section 8.1 and 8.5 give the Thcho Assembly the responsibility to ensure good government of the Thcho Government and the Law is intended to contribute to the restoration of unity of the Thcho Nation consistent with section 1.1 of the Constitution.

The Thcho Assembly therefore directs:

- 1. The validity of the Future Chiefs Executive Council Meetings Law enacted November 8, 2007 in Whati is confirmed. This law is consistent with the Thcho Constitution.
- 2. The appeal of the Future Chiefs Executive Council Meetings Law brought by Chiefs Lafferty, Gon and Nitsiza is dismissed.

Signature:

Grand Chief George Mackenzie signed this Directive on September 25, 2008.