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Subject: Douglas Cardinal's case to reclaim Sacred Islands on the Ottawa River

This is to confirm our support for the above mention subject whereas Mr. Douglas Cardinal and Elders without Boarders are intervening on the private development of our Anishinabe Sacred Islands on the Ottawa River, specifically the Chaudierre, Albert and Amilia Islands that the Windmill Development Group plans for private development.

These islands on the Ottawa River are unceded Anishinabe Territory and do belong to the Anishinabe, the sale of these lands which were expropriated for industry should be returned back to the Anishinabe and not sold to a private developer.

On June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2015, Mr Jeff Westeinde of the Windmill Development Group and a few individuals from one community met with the Chiefs of the Algonquin Anishinabe Nation Tribal Council. The individuals do not represent their community nor do they represent my community, nor any of the 6 of the Algonquin Communities of the Algonquin Anishinabe Nation Tribal Council, which represents 6 of the 9 communities in the province.

This meeting by Windmill was not a consultation meeting and considered an information session as stated in a letter dated June 5, 2015; this letter was sent to the chiefs of the Algonquin Anishinabe Nation Tribal Council which is to be addressed to Mr Jeff Westeinde of the Windmill Development Group Ltd. This draft letter has not been addressed yet, whether we address it as individual bands or collectively as a nation, Long Point First Nation does not support sale of these Islands for private development.

Our people have never surrendered or ceded any land and we the people of Long Point First Nation maintain our position against the sale and the private development of our Anishinabe sacred islands to Windmill.

**Chief Derek Mathias** 

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