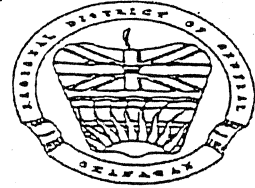




STATEMENT OF POLITICAL RELATIONSHIP  
 BETWEEN THE WESTBANK FIRST NATION  
 AND THE REGIONAL DISTRICT OF  
 CENTRAL OKANAGAN  
 JANUARY 1999



WHEREAS the Okanagan people of Westbank have lived in the Okanagan territory since time immemorial; and

WHEREAS it is now some 150 years since the first non-native people came to the Okanagan Valley; and

WHEREAS in recent years, the Okanagan People are experiencing a resurgence of their population and culture, and a continued assertion of their lawful inherent rights; and

WHEREAS the descendants of the first settlers and newcomers now insist that their governments, in keeping with the judgements of the courts, deal justly, honourably and fairly with the Okanagan and other native peoples, on the basis of equality; and

WHEREAS the Chief and Council of the Westbank First Nation and Directors of the Regional District of Central Okanagan have inaugurated formal meetings between the two bodies; and

WHEREAS the Chairperson of the Regional District of Central Okanagan and the Chief and Council of the Westbank First Nation, on behalf of the good citizens of each, declare their mutual intentions to pursue a lasting relationship based upon mutual respect and honour, in respect and recognition; and

IN FURTHERANCE OF this renewed relationship, the following commitments are hereby undertaken:

1. At least twice each year, the Chief and Council of Westbank First Nation and the Chairperson and Directors of the Regional District of Central Okanagan shall hold a meeting to discuss matters of mutual concern.
2. To ensure continuity between the aforesaid meetings, the respective administration of the Westbank First Nation and Regional District of Central Okanagan shall be directed to undertake such tasks, or perform such duties, as are required to fulfill any mutual decision reached at the said meetings, and to facilitate the ongoing agenda and goals.

SIGNED ON BEHALF OF:

WESTBANK FIRST NATION

Chief *Robert [Signature]*  
 councillor *Charles [Signature]*  
 councillor *[Signature]*  
 councillor *[Signature]*  
*[Signature]*

REGIONAL DISTRICT OF  
 CENTRAL OKANAGAN

*Robert [Signature]*  
*[Signature]*  
*[Signature]*  
*[Signature]*  
*[Signature]*  
*[Signature]*  
*[Signature]*  
*[Signature]*

THIS 19<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF JANUARY 1999

MASTER AGREEMENT

This Agreement dated for reference the 28<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2000

AMONG:

WESTBANK FIRST NATION as represented by the Council of the Westbank First Nation, 515 Highway 97 South, Kelowna, British Columbia, V1Z 3J2

(hereinafter referred to as "Westbank")

AND:

THE REGIONAL DISTRICT OF CENTRAL OKANAGAN, a regional district incorporated pursuant to the *Municipal Act* having its offices at 1450 K.L.O. Road, Kelowna, British Columbia, V1W 3Z4

(hereinafter referred to as the "District")

AND:

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF KELOWNA, a municipality incorporated pursuant to the *Municipal Act* having its offices at 1435 Water Street, Kelowna, British Columbia, V1Y 1J4

(hereinafter referred to as the "City")

AND:

THE BLACK MOUNTAIN IRRIGATION DISTRICT, an improvement district incorporated pursuant to the *Municipal Act* having its offices at 285 Gray Road, Kelowna, British Columbia, V1X 1W8

(hereinafter referred to as the "BMID")

AND:

THE SOUTH EAST KELOWNA IRRIGATION DISTRICT, an improvement district incorporated pursuant to the *Municipal Act* having its mailing address at P.O. Box 28064, East Kelowna, British Columbia, V1W 4A6

(hereinafter referred to as the "SEKID")

## WHEREAS:

- A. The Westbank First Nation Development Co. Ltd. (Inc. No. 127971), a company wholly owned by the Chief and Council of Westbank in trust for the members of Westbank First Nation, is the registered owner in fee simple of the Lands;
- B. Westbank has requested that Her Majesty in Right of Canada acquire and set aside the Lands as land reserved for Indians pursuant to section 91(24) of the *Constitution Act* and a Reserve pursuant to section 2(1) of the *Indian Act* (Canada);
- C. The parties hereto have agreed to enter into this formal agreement to record their mutual understanding, and to set out their respective rights and obligations to and with each other in this Agreement;
- D. Westbank Council has resolved by Westbank Council Resolution 1998/99-78 duly passed at a Westbank Council meeting on November 10, 1998, that once the Lands are set aside as Reserve, the Lands be used for community housing for the members of the Westbank First Nation and has authorized the execution of this Agreement on behalf of Westbank First Nation by a Westbank Council Resolution duly passed at a meeting of Westbank Council held on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2000, a copy of which is attached hereto as Schedule A;
- E. The District Board has authorized the execution of this Agreement by the Chair and Secretary of the Board pursuant to a resolution duly passed by the Board on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2000, a copy of which is attached hereto as Schedule B;
- F. The City Council has authorized the execution of this Agreement by the Mayor and City Clerk pursuant to a resolution duly passed by the City Council on the 29<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2000, a copy of which is attached hereto as Schedule C;
- G. The BMID Board of Trustees has authorized the execution of this Agreement by the Chair and Administrator pursuant to a bylaw duly adopted on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2000, a copy of which is attached hereto as Schedule D;
- H. The SEKID Board has authorized the execution of this Agreement by the Chair and Secretary-Manager pursuant to a bylaw duly adopted on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2000, a copy of which is attached hereto as Schedule E;

**NOW THEREFORE THIS AGREEMENT WITNESSES** that for and in consideration of the premises and the mutual covenants and agreements hereinafter contained, the parties hereto covenant and agree each with the other as follows: