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#### Preamble:

On March 22, 2001, the Squamish and Lil'wat Nations (the Nations) signed an historic Protocol Agreement to work together on issues of concern within their shared territories and identified three major common objectives – to respect the Nations' historic and current presence in the region, to protect the Nations' Aboriginal rights and title, and to take advantage of economic opportunities, including the proposed hosting of the 2010 Olympic Winter Games in areas of Vancouver and of Whistler.

The Vancouver 2010 Bid Corporation was formed to prepare Vancouver's Bid for the Games. The member partners of the Bid Corporation are the Government of Canada, the Government of British Columbia, the City of Vancouver, the Resort Municipality of Whistler and the Canadian Olympic Committee. If the Bid is successful and Vancouver is selected by the IOC to host the 2010 Games, the Bid Corporation will be succeeded by the Organizing Committee of the Olympic Games (OCOG), which will receive from the Bid Corporation an assignment of all arrangements underlying the bid and shall be the organization to conduct the Games and carry out the rights and responsibilities of the Bid Corporation, including those described in this Agreement. The IOC requires that all agreements entered into by the Bid Corporation related to the Games be submitted for prior approval of the IOC.

Fourteen of the 20 Olympic and Paralympic events are scheduled to take place in the Nations' shared territories, nine Olympic events and all five Paralympic events.

The Nations were invited to participate and have been welcomed by member partners of the Vancouver 2010 Bid Corporation. The Nations have representation on the Board of Directors, on the Executive Committee and all relevant work groups. The Bid Corporation, and the federal and provincial governments have assisted the Nations in establishing an Aboriginal Secretariat to ensure that the Nations' interests are accommodated in the Bid process.

The Bid Corporation has been working with all its partners to identify and establish lasting legacies and benefits for their communities. The federal and provincial governments have each committed half the total capital budget of \$620 million to prepare venues for the Games, and for after the Games. Should Vancouver's Bid be successful, it is estimated that the Games, if combined with such infrastructure improvements as an expanded Vancouver Convention and Exhibition Centre, could generate as much as \$2.5 billion in new revenues to the federal and provincial governments, could create as many as 228,000 jobs, could trigger over \$10 billion in new economic activity in British Columbia, and could leave behind excellent sports and training facilities.

The Nations have always valued peace and harmony between peoples and live with the responsibility to preserve and protect their territories and waters for generations to follow.

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Recognizing that the Games would take place in their shared territories, the Nations have welcomed the opportunity to create new partnerships, to help plan and host a successful Games, and to share in the legacies and benefits of the Games.

Along with the member partners of the Bid Corporation, the Nations support the fundamental principles of the Olympic Charter such as the balanced whole of body and mind, the blending of sport with culture and education, the joy found in effort, the educational value gained from good role models, the importance of respect for universal ethical principles, and the legacy of lasting benefits for communities that host the Olympic Games.

The Nations and the member partners also share a fundamental support for the goal of the Olympic Movement: to contribute to building a peaceful and better world by educating youth through sport, practiced without discrimination of any kind, and embodying mutual understanding with a spirit of friendship, solidarity and fair play among the Olympic participants.

With these principles and goals in mind, and in consideration that the Nations' representatives will recommend that their respective Councils, on behalf of their communities, support the Olympic Bid process, the Nations, the Bid Corporation, and the Province of British Columbia have discussed and agreed on a package of benefits and legacies related to the Games that recognize the important contribution being made by the Nations and that promote harmony, sharing, education, fairness and partnership. Together, they have put together a package of shared legacies and benefits as follow.

### HIGHLIGHTS OF PARTNERS CREATING SHARED LEGACIES

#### LANDS FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

- The Province has agreed to provide 300 acres of fee simple land (the lands) for the Nations to
  pursue economic development opportunities within their shared territories.
- The lands can be selected as several parcels in different areas or as one continuous parcel.
- The lands, and all surface resources related to the lands, will be transferred to the Nations, or an entity set up by the Nations, at no costs to the Nations or the entity.
- The exact location and use of these lands will be determined by the Nations jointly with the Province after consultation with the Nations' communities and after review of a feasibility study.
- Several opportunities have been identified to date as being potential uses on these lands
  including, but not limited to, a public championship or executive golf course, Nordic Lodge
  (75-100 room facility) and recreational campground (including RV camping) and related
  services.
- The Province agrees to use best efforts to ensure that the transfer is done expeditiously and agrees to facilitate any and all processes, to which it has direct control, to ensure that the land can be beneficially used by the Nations in a timely manner.
- The process for initiating and completing the feasibility study (both the land location analysis
  and the land use opportunity analysis), which may be conducted in phases, will commence
  within 60 days and be completed by June 30, 2003.

- The Province agrees to provide \$50,000 to the Nations towards the feasibility study costs within 60 days.
- The Province will work with the Nations, provide the cooperation of its agencies for information gathering.
- The Parties agree to target the completion of the land transfer between April 1, 2005 and April 30, 2005.

#### SKILLS AND TRAINING LEGACY PROJECT

- A Skills and Training Legacy Project (the Skills Legacy) will be created through the joint efforts of all parties to enhance training and capacity building for the Nations.
- The Province has agreed to contribute \$2.3 million over three years to establish the Skills Legacy.

### SQUAMISH AND LIL'WAT NAMING AND RECOGNITION PROJECT

- The Province and the Nations understand the importance of "naming" and how it provides
  recognition and a sense of pride to the Nations in their territories while creating new cultural
  and tourism opportunities and, in this context, have agreed to initiate the Naming and
  Recognition Project.
- The Nations will work in partnership with the provincial and federal agencies responsible for education, culture and tourism to promote and maximize the benefit of this project.
- The investment will generate enhanced cultural recognition and tourism to the region which will benefit businesses who cater to these markets as well as bring in new revenue to the Province.
- The Province and the Nations have agreed to initiate a process to dual name places in the shared territory including the Callaghan Valley to include a name chosen by the Nations.
- The dual naming will be done in a manner taking into account the primary importance of using the Whistler "brand" name for international tourism promotion purposes.
- In addition, the Province has agreed to provide a \$200,000 contribution to the Nations within 60 days as seed monies towards the Naming and Recognition Project and a further \$300,000 to the Nations on June 30, 2003.
- The types of products and deliverables from the project may include, but are not limited to, the preparation of a map of the combined two territories with names and places identified by the Nations supported by descriptive stories, designs, legends or notes of interests, construction of signs, interpretative plaques and sites at particular points of interests throughout the territories of the Nations. Examples of where some of the products may be used include media kits for the Games, tourism packages (both domestic and international), and videos for use in schools, educational seminars and at the Cultural Centre.

#### SQUAMISH AND LIL'WAT CULTURAL CENTRE

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 The provincial government has agreed to contribute \$3.0 million towards the construction of a proposed \$15 million Squamish and Lil'wat Cultural Centre (the Cultural Centre) to be located on a 3.9 acre parcel of leased lands in the Resort Municipality of Whistler.
 British Columbia also provided a favourable lease arrangement for the Cultural Centre.

- The Parties agree that there is a shortfall in contributions to allow the centre to be completed and open for the summer of 2004 and have agreed to work together to find additional contributions as a legacy under this agreement.
- The goal of the Parties is that the legacy contributions will allow the Centre to be completed and open for the summer of 2004.
- The Cultural Centre/tourist facility will showcase and celebrate the First Nation cultures encouraging and fostering goodwill, understanding and appreciation.
- The Cultural Centre will also provide a Whistler base for outbound First Nation ecocultural/tourism adventures that will add to the broader tourism pool of quality activities.

It has been agreed that the above four legacies and benefits will be implemented whether or not the Bid is successful.

The following five legacies and benefits will be implemented only if the Bid is successful, in which case the Bid Corporation will assign its rights and obligations under this Agreement to the OCOG. The obligations of the OCOG under this Agreement will require the prior approval of the IOC Executive Committee. In this Agreement, some of the rights and obligations of the Bid Corporation are referred to as rights and obligations of OCOG as if the assignment has already taken place.

#### SHARED OWNERSHIP OF NEW ATHLETIC FACILITIES

The Nations will be Members, with key stakeholders of a Legacies Society which will own, manage and operate the:

- Nordic Centre World-class Nordic Centre in Callaghan Valley (estimated investment of \$102 million).
- Sliding Centre Unique Bob/Luge attraction on Blackcomb Mountain (estimated investment of \$55 million).
- Athlete Centre Development of accommodation for athletes to allow ongoing training and hosting of world cups with dedicated accommodation base (estimated investment of \$13 million).
- The ownership structure will be set up in a manner that individual members will not retain liability for the facilities.

The Nations Membership role in these facilities through the Legacies Society will support opportunities for Aboriginal athletes to train in world class sports facilities, with other world class athletes for world class events.

#### ENDOWMENT FUND

A 5! 10 million endowment fund will be established by the Province and the Government of
Canada to assist with the operation of the Nordic Centre, the Sliding Centre and a new
speedskating oval pursuant to the Multiparty Agreement signed on November 14, 2002. The
Nations as Members of the Legacies Society, which will own the Nordic Centre and the
Sliding Centre facilities, will also indirectly benefit from the endowment fund established for
these two facilities.

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#### OLYMPIC LEGACY HOUSING FOR THE NATIONS

- With the assistance of a \$60 million Olympic contribution, approximately 800 housing units
  will be developed as part of the two proposed Olympic Villages. The majority of these units
  will be for needed non-market housing for the communities of Vancouver and of Whistler.
- The Bid Corporation has agreed to contribute \$6.5 million towards needed housing for the Nations.
- The contribution will go first to the costs of the construction of 50 moveable houses (approximately 1,000 square feet each) as part of the Whistler Olympic Village.
- The houses will be constructed using good quality pre-fabricated housing material (possibly house logs), that meet national and provincial housing code standards.
- After the Games the houses will become the property of the Nations for their use and benefit and either moved or disposed of at the option of the Nations, with any proceeds going to the Nations to support housing requirements of the Nations.
- Neither the Province nor the Bid Corporation will fund costs associated with moving and/or
  infrastructure/servicing should the houses be moved. However, the Bid Corporation agrees
  to work with the Nations to assist them in their requests for financial assistance from Canada
  and/or other parties related to moving, infrastructure and servicing.

#### ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES

- The Bid Corporation guarantees that there will be contracting opportunities for the Nations and gives it's assurance that significant contracts in the Callaghan Valley will be directly undertaken by the Nations.
- The procurement policy for the OCOG will be developed and approved by the OCOG Board
  of Directors (which will include at least one nominee from the Nations) and may contemplate
  joint ventures and other arrangements between the OCOG and its partner stakeholders, such
  as the Nations, to undertake construction and enhancement of Games venues.
- The type of contracting opportunities may include, but are not limited to, such projects as trail clearing, trail legacy construction, environmental works to mitigate or avoid negative impacts, processing of timber on site, supplying and/or constructing pre-fab or log homes for the Village, supplying material and/or construction of the day lodge, replanting (including silviculture) and site restoration, pursuant to the OCOG procurement policy.

#### ABORIGINAL YOUTH SPORTS LEGACY

- An Aboriginal youth sports legacy endowment fund will be created for the use of all Aboriginal youth in British Columbia in pursuing excellence in sports.
- The Province will contribute \$3 million towards the establishment of this fund before April 30, 2005, but not before April 1, 2005.
- The Province, the Bid Corporation and the Nations will approach Canada for matching funds which would allow the fund to be available to Aboriginal youth across Canada.

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#### OTHER ISSUES

- The Province will seek to resolve a separate agreement with the Nations in respect of other issues such as the Sea to Sky Highway upgrades and in respect of participation in the Sea to Sky LRMP.
- The Nations participation in the Bid process has been supported and endorsed by the National Assembly of First Nations and British Columbia's First Nation Summit. The Nations will seek to resolve separate support and endorsement with other First Nations, organizations and communities.

#### Callaghan Valley

- In the Callaghan Valley the Parties recognize the current conflicting development pressures in the Valley, including the proposal for the Nordic Centre for the 2010 Vancouver Bid.
- The Province and the Nations have agreed to strengthen their current working relationship in this area.
- The Parties agree to work in a co-operative manner that respects the Nations' rights, interests and sensitive sites in the Valley.
- The Province will provide funding through planning processes for the Nations to further assess their interests in the Callaghan Valley.
- The Parties recognize the need for an enhanced management framework for the Callaghan Valley and will work together to determine both the issues for consideration and the structure of an appropriate body to accomplish this task.

Approved and agreed this 22nd day of November, 2002 by:

The Honourable Gordon Campbell, Vremier of British Columbia

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