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## Tsi Nahóten Karihwanákere No'nenk News Release

### **Review of *Kahnawá:ke Membership Law***

#### **For immediate release**

**(Kahnawá:ke – 24, Kenténha/October 2007)** The Mohawk Council of Kahnawá:ke (MCK) announced the release of the document entitled *A Review of the Kahnawake Membership Law: Overview of Issues and Concerns*, which was prepared by the MCK's Membership Department and presented to both Chief & Council and the Council of Elders last month.

Due, in part, to concerns raised in the report, the activities of the Council of Elders were suspended, by mutual consent, in order for an Independent Review Committee to further investigate the processes, actions and authorities of the Council of Elders and offer recommendations.

“This report is the first to properly document the problems that have arisen since the law came into effect,” said Grand Chief Michael Ahrírhon Delisle, Jr. “There is an obligation to acknowledge the issues and find ways to make improvements. We feel the best way is to do so through an independent body.”

The *Kahnawá:ke Membership Law* was passed on 10, Kentenhkó:wa/November 2003.

Copies of the report are available at the main offices of the Mohawk Council of Kahnawá:ke and at the Social Development Unit located at the Services Complex.

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