SPECIAL CHIEFS ASSEMBLY
DECEMBER 6, 7 & 8, 2011, OTTAWA, ON

Resolution no.55/2011

TITLE:	Ongoing Impacts of Indian Residential Schools
SUBJECT:	Indian Residential Schools
MOVED BY:	Chief Dennis Cameron, Tootinawaziibeeng First Nation, MB
SECONDED BY:	Chief Cameron Catcheway, Skownan First Nation, MB
DECISION:	Carried by Consensus

WHEREAS:

A. The Indian Residential School Settlement Agreement (IRSSA) is slowly drawing to a conclusion.

B. Many issues remain unresolved in its development, process and implementation.

C. It is the Crown's contention that once the process closes it will have fulfilled its obligations to the survivors and the issue will be put to rest.

D. An apology was given prior to the start of the compensation hearings with no knowledge of its outcome, success or failure.

E. Many survivors are still being victimized by the IRSSA itself and how the Agreement was drawn out or implemented.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Chiefs-in-Assembly:

1. Direct the Assembly of First Nations to take charge in addressing these issues and demanding that the IRSSA process remain open pending a bi-lateral review of the process to investigate its effect on the survivors.

2. Direct the Assembly of First Nations to remind the Crown that the apology has not been fully endorsed and that Canada should not unilaterally state that the issue was successfully concluded and their apology accepted.

Certified copy of a resolution adopted on the 7th day of December, 2011 in Ottawa, Ontario

SHAWN A-IN-CHUT ATLEO, NATIONAL CHIEF