National Secretariat on Hate and Racism in Canada (NSHRC)

Meeting of *SEPTEMBER 24, 2004*

Present: Dianne Corbierre, Michael Kerr, Karen Mock, Soni Dasmohapatra, Liz Panighel, Victor Wong, Sandra Carnegie Douglas, Margaret Parsons, Charles Smith

Regrets: Mannie Dick, Margaret Froh, Anand Tansing, Fo Niemi, Avvy Go, Anita Bromberg

1) **Minutes of the Previous Meeting**:

The minutes of the August 27, 2004 meeting were approved.

2) Youth Involvement:

It was agreed that the NSHRC should have the active involvement of youth. Soni and Liz agreed to bring a proposal to the October meeting to strategize ways to do this.

Action Required: ***Youth involvement will be discussed as part of NSHRC membership at the October meeting.***

3) Discussion of Draft Workplan:

Having approved how the NSHRC will deal with communication and advocacy at the previous meeting, it was agreed that a similar template can be used for Education and Training and Convening Future Conferences. It was assumed that Networking would be ongoing as an integral part of the other activities.

Action Required: ***The NSHRC will need to identify concrete items for each component of its workplan. This will be done at the October meeting. As well, an information network will be established based on those who attended the***

March, 2004 conference and compiled from NSHRC members.

4) CBA Resolution on Aboriginal Appointments to the Supreme Court:

Members had received two background documents on this issue. It was suggested that this might be the first advocacy issue for the NSHRC.

Action Required: ***Agreement to take on this issue and strategies to do so will be discussed at the October meeting.***

5) Agenda and Materials for October Meeting:

The agenda for the October meeting is as follows:

a) Finalizing the workplan.
b) Confirming final list of members.
c) CBA Resolution on Aboriginal Appointments to the Supreme Court.
d) Environmental Scan.
e) Posting information on the website and communications.
f) Setting up agenda items for future meetings.
g) Other business.