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PRESS RELEASE

KLCC announces confirmation of Categorization for proposed Cannabis legislation

For immediate release

(Kahnawake – 15, Kentenhkó:wa/November 2017) The Kahnawà:ke Legislative Coordinating Commission would like to inform the community of the confirmation of Categorization for proposed Cannabis legislation as Type II (laws that are regulatory in nature) in the *Community Decision Making Process*.

The KLCC had received two (2) proposals for legislation (the *Cannabis Act* and the *Cannabis Control Law*). By process, the KLCC must submit a Request for Categorization to Chief & Council for <u>all</u> proposals for legislation. This took place on 6, Kentenhkó:wa/November 2017 and was confirmed by a vote of 11 to 1 (with Ratsénhaienhs Carl Horn objecting).

The next steps will see the Technical Drafting Committee meeting to:

- 1. Define the Scope of the proposed legislation;
- 2. Have the Scope approved by Chief & Council, which will allow for the Confirmation of the Mandate;
- Ensure that a Political Assessment has been completed and presented to Chief & Council for approval. (This is conducted by the Office of the Council of Chiefs);
- 4. Conduct Consultations with the Community and Stakeholders;
- 5. Create an official Draft for posting online. This Draft will then be brought to the Community through the Community Decision Making Process.

For clarity, please note that only one proposed law will go through the Community Decision Making Process. More information on this will be forthcoming.

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