

# HUU-AY-AHT FIRST NATIONS

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## **Report of Executive Council on People's Assembly on Food, Social and Ceremonial Fish**

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**For consideration at the session of the  
Huu-ay-aht First Nations People's Assembly  
on Saturday, June 22, 2013**

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**BACKGROUND:**

At the December 8, 2012 People's Assembly the following two motions we adopted by Consensus:

**MOTION #2012-223**

WHEREAS food, social and ceremonial fish are a priority for Huu-ay-aht citizens,

BE IT RESOLVED to recommend that Executive Council treat food, social and ceremonial fish as a priority and budget \$125,000 for the period April 1, 2013 to March 31, 2014 for harvesting and distribution of the food, social and ceremonial fish allocations set out in Chapter 10 of the Maa-nulth Treaty.

**INFORMATION / UPDATE:**

Financially we could not meet the recommended amount of \$125,000; however the 2013 Budget for food, social and ceremonial fish was increased significantly over 2012. As well, capital money has been budgeted for such items as new nets, motors and equipment etc.

Approximately 1000 pounds of Halibut was stolen from the House of Huu-ay-aht in April, 2013. The halibut was stored in approximately 300 clear vacuum packed freezer bags and is valued at approximately \$15,000. This halibut was slated to be used for social and ceremonial events in the community. It is a great loss to the Nation. We are working closely with the RCMP and have offered a \$1000 reward through Crime Stoppers for information leading to an arrest or conviction.