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Quatre projets de réserves de biodiversité dans la
province naturelle du Plateau de la Basse-Côte-Nord

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Concerns about the bio-diversity project

Subject: Projets de ressources de biodiversité dans la province naturelle du Plateau de la Basse-Côte-Nord

Having participated in the meeting of the public hearing of the Environment that was held in Blanc-Sablon on October 18, 2006, I was very disappointed to learn that the ministry decided to take such a big territory without having consulted the population of the Municipality of Bonne-Esperance, as well as, without having conducted the proper studies about the resources in this territory such as Mining, Forestry, as well as the hydroelectric potential. In the same respect, without having made a study about the Fauna and Flora in the area.

How can one determine this territory without the boundaries between Labrador and Quebec being not well defined? We especially speak of the territory North of the Municipality of Bonne-Esperance.

The Municipal Council of Bonne-Esperance is requesting that this reserve project of bio-diversity be cancelled until, at the very least, a complete inventory of all resources that are on this territory be properly researched.

The population of Bonne-Esperance have traveled this territory many times over the years and we always took care to respect and protect this region.

Therefore, we ask the Minister of Environment to put a moratorium on the setting up of a bio-diversity reserve anywhere adjacent to the Municipality of Bonne-Esperance before all potential development is explored.

Hoping that the commission will take our request seriously, I thank you in advance for your cooperation on this very important matter.


Lionel Roberts,

Mayor, Municipality of Bonne-Esperance