



**Traditional O'odham Leaders**  
**Traditional O'odham Governors of O'odham Communities**  
**Sonora, Mexico**

- Whereas,** the Traditional O'odham Leaders represent O'odham communities of northern Sonora, Mexico, and are recognized as the official representatives sanctioned by the community members and recognized by the state and federal government of Mexico, and,
- Whereas,** the Traditional O'odham Leaders have discussed the proposal of Silver Scott Mines, Inc., to conduct open-pit mining operations near the community of Quitovac, Sonora, Mexico and,
- Whereas,** the Traditional O'odham Leaders, as the official recognized representatives of the O'odham community of Quitovac, Sonora, Mexico are outraged that the Mexican Government has not properly informed the affected region of their plans to consider the proposal of Silver Scott Mines, Inc., and,
- Whereas,** the Traditional O'odham Leaders are opposed to any disturbance of land within close proximity to the O'odham ceremonial grounds in Quitovac, Sonora, Mexico

**Now Therefore be it Resolved,** that the Traditional O'odham Leaders, after discussing the proposal of Silver Scott Mining, Inc., and after considering the damaging impacts the mining operations will cause to the environment and ecosystem, are strongly opposed to the operation proposal of Silver Scott Mines, Inc., and,

**Be it Further Resolved,** that the Traditional O'odham Leaders charge the Mexican Federal Government and the Government of the State of Sonora to enforce the existing cultural and environmental protections laws of Mexico, and to conduct a transparent Impact Assessment and a Cultural and Environmental Impact Study, so as to allow the community of Quitovac and its representatives to make an informed decision regarding the proposal and,

**Be it finally Resolved,** that the Traditional O'odham Leaders also charge the Mexican Government, both Federal and State, to honor its responsibility to facilitate open communication with the O'odham representatives in the State of Sonora, Mexico, and to support decisions in the best interest of the O'odham, the Original people of the Land.

**Resolution officially adopted on November 7th, 2011**  
**at official meeting of the Traditional O'odham Leaders**  
**held in Sonoyta, Sonora, Mexico.**