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David Cameron
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Violation of Iroquois Sovereignty

Dear Mr. Cameron,

We have been informed that the United Kingdom is denying entry to the Iroquois Nationals Lacrosse Team to participate at the 2010 Federation of International Lacrosse World Championship, already under way in Manchester.

We are strongly disappointed that one of the best Lacrosse teams in the world will be unable to attend a championship based on a game that was invented by the predecessors of those athletes who are prevented from travelling to the UK now.

The Iroquois passport is a peaceful expression of the distinctiveness as a people and their right to identify as sovereign indigenous nations.

As the United Kingdom has endorsed the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, adopted by the General Assembly in 2007, we urge you to follow the example of U.S. Secretary of State, Hillary Clinton, who already agreed to let the Iroquois travel on their own passports.

The United Kingdom will greatly benefit from welcoming these great athletes to the World Championship.

We urge you to grant entry to the Iroquois Nationals lacrosse team.

Sincerely

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Iroquois Nationals Lacrosse