



MOU

Between

ARMA Canada Region,

and,

ARMA Vancouver Chapter,

and, the

First Nations Summit Society

and, the

*British Columbia First Nations
Public Service Secretariat (BCFNPSS)*

Effective October 14th, 2010



FIRST NATIONS SUMMIT



First Nations Public Service Secretariat

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN:

ARMA Canada Region,

ARMA Vancouver Chapter,

AND

British Columbia First Nations Public Service Secretariat (*BCFNPSS*)

STATEMENT OF AGREEMENT:

GENERAL:

We, the undersigned, understand and support British Columbia First Nations in strengthening and enhancing capacity in First Nations communities and organizations on an organizational, individual and nation level. A critical component of strong and effective First Nations governance can be measured by the extent to which institutions of governance move Nations towards their respective visions. To build capacity for strong and supportive effective structures/institutions, First Nations require resources that are culturally appropriate and sufficient to achieve effective governance.

We state our intention to work collectively towards this goal within the mandates of our respective organizations, and to bring in other partners as appropriate. This will be accomplished by working with the British Columbia First Nations Public Service (*BCFNPSS*), an initiative of the First Nations Summit and First Nations Summit Society, to identify learning needs and develop and implement strategies to strengthen and enhance the capacity of First Nations governing structures/institutions.

DESCRIPTION OF THE WORK:





The purpose of this Memorandum of Understanding (*MOU*) is to describe the working relationship between ARMA Canada, ARMA Vancouver, The First Nations Summit Society and the *BCFNPSS* regarding training and capacity building opportunities for First Nations and First Nations organizations.

The parties recognize that ARMA Canada and ARMA Vancouver members, and committees have expertise relating to records and information management and associated methodologies, and the First Nations Summit Society and that the *BC-FNPSS* members and committees have expertise relating to working with BC First Nations communities to determine the nature of their capacity building opportunities and working together with them to identify options for strengthening and enhancing these opportunities.

In furtherance of the intentions described above, the parties will jointly develop and approve annual work plans regarding mentorship, training and capacity building opportunities prior to the delivery of any learning activity. Annual work plans will be implemented through an agreement (or agreements) of the

parties, which will address, among other things, intellectual property rights and copyright matters, including: mechanisms to enable First Nations to retain intellectual property rights in their traditional knowledge, copyright on jointly developed materials, and any rights of use of materials developed in accordance with this MOU for the BCFNPSS and the First Nations Summit Society or its assignee.

SIGNATORIES TO THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING:

<p>On behalf of the ARMA Canada Region</p>	<p>On behalf of the ARMA Vancouver Chapter</p>	<p>On behalf of the British Columbia First Nations Public Service Secretariat And the First Nations Summit Society</p>
 <p>Bernita Cogswell ARMA Canada Region Chair</p>	 <p>Sandra Dunkin ARMA Vancouver Chapter President</p>	 <p>Christa Williams Executive Director BC First Nations Public Service Secretariat</p>
		 <p>Howard Grant Executive Director BC First Nations Summit Society</p>

Signed this 14th day of October, 2010.