



Alliance of European Support Groups for Indigenous Peoples in North America

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To the family and friends of Arthur Manuel

We are deeply shocked to learn that our good friend and ally in the struggle for indigenous rights, Arthur Manuel, has passed on so unexpectedly.

Art was not only an outstanding leading figure in Indigenous Canada, he also was a visionary. He was a fighter for indigenous rights on the international level within United Nations' institutions. He would never have accepted anything from the Canadian governments below real self-determination - politically and in terms of economics. He would never have given in for short term handouts and unjust treaties.

We think that the future of Indigenous Peoples in Canada would be brighter if all of them would accept and implement his approach – beyond existing „treaty rights“; he would only opt for the implementation of “Aboriginal Title“.

We wish the young people in his footsteps the best of luck in the continuation of Art's work. Whenever needed, they can be sure of our support.

We extend our deep condolences to his family, his friends and his people. We will never forget Arthur Manuel.

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