

The Mapuche Declaration

In reconfirming a spirit of unity, the following Mapuche organizations are calling upon other Indigenous peoples of Chile to prepare one proposal for the future constitution and for democracy in Chile: Nehuen Mapu, Centros Culturales Mapuches, Lautaro Ni Aylla-Rehue, Ad-Mapu, A.G. Arauco, Choin Foliche, Callfullican, Union

Araucana, Buta Hullimapu. In addition, members of Futa Tranun Kinewan Pu Mapuche (United Mapuche Grand Parliament) came out with a public statement denouncing the manipulation of Mapuches by the government and by other private organizations for their own benefit.

Ad/Mapu Holds 5th Annual Meeting



The annual meeting of Ad/Mapu took place from the 26th to the 28th of April, 1988, in Temuco.

The principle themes were:

- (1) Political and Ideological issues:
 - (a) Autonomy;
 - (b) Historical project;
 - (c) Constitution proposal;
- (2) Policies regarding alliances;
- (3) Plebiscite; and
- (4) Work for women and youth.

Resolutions included:

Whereas:

Imperialism and the military regime in Chile have implemented a variety of means to ideologically penetrate and divide the Mapuche people.

Religious sects such as the Summer Linguistics Institute have always tried to create divisions among the people between believers and non-believers and also undermine and negate the Mapuche culture.

Whereas:

The laws dictated by the current regime threaten the lives of our people, destroying communal property, impoverishing the people and integrating them into the system of capitalistic exploitation.

Under the present military regime in Chile, the Mapuche people have, since 1973, lost a large portion of their ancestral land.

Resolved:

To encourage an ideological policy based on the historic interests of the Mapuche people.

To proclaim territorial autonomy and autonomy in policy making and over natural resources.

Reject the Plebiscite called by the regime to maintain power through acts of fraud.

To call the Gathering of Mapuche Youth.

To call the First National Meeting of the Mapuche Women.

