Did You Know?

National Indigenous History Month 2021

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THE HALDIMAND TREATY OF 1784

The Haldimand Treaty is an agreement that granted a tract of land to the Haudenosaunee (Six Nations or Iroquois Confederacy), in compensation for their alliance with British forces during the American Revolution. The University of Waterloo campuses are located on the Haldimand Tract, which extends 10km on either side of the Grand River.

Throughout the late 1700s and 1800s, the Crown and Haudenosaunee disputed rights to the land title. Negotiations about the title to the Haldimand Tract still continue between the Canadian government and the Six Nations Confederacy.

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