



RESPECTING INDIGENOUS PEOPLES' RIGHTS

PERSPECTIVES ON ECONOMIC RECONCILIATION

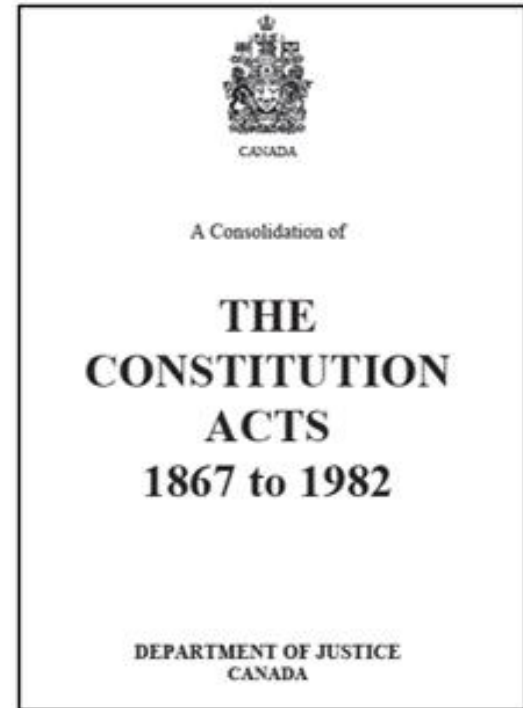
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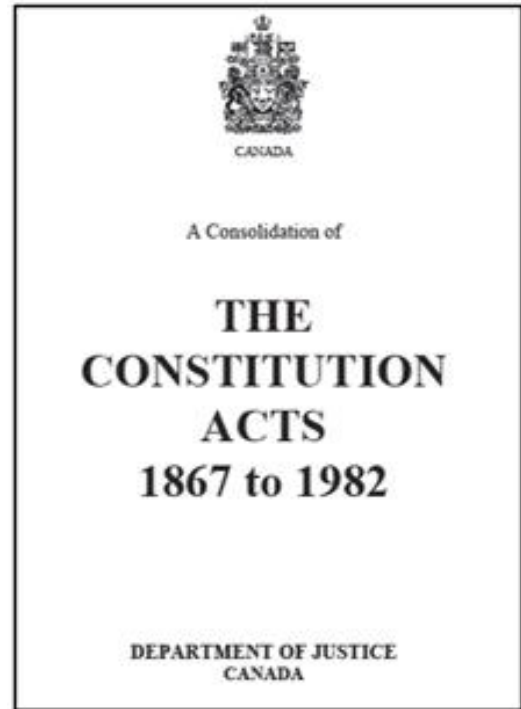
“Reconciliation... is a process flowing from rights guaranteed by s. 35(1) of the Constitution Act, 1982.” - Haida Nation v. British Columbia



SECTION 35 RIGHTS ARE PROSPERITY RIGHTS

The **right to thrive** as distinct peoples within their Homelands.

The **right to shape decisions** that affect Indigenous Peoples' lives and livelihoods.



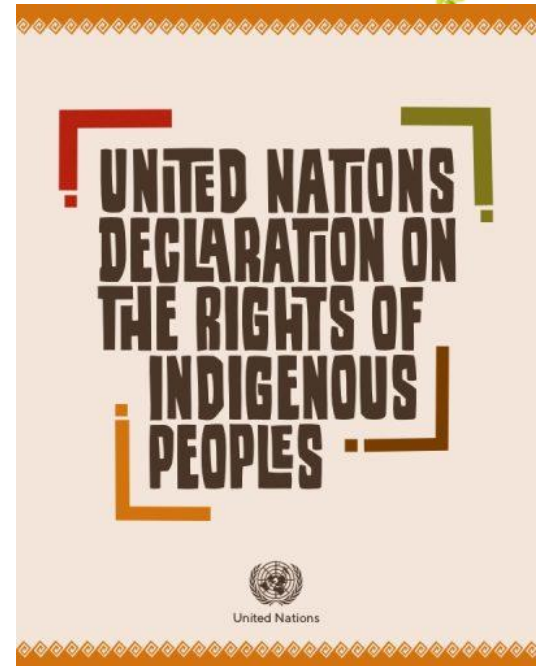
THE INHERENT RIGHT TO ECONOMIC SELF-DETERMINATION

Article 3:

*Indigenous peoples have the **right to self-determination**. By virtue of that right they freely determine their political status and **freely pursue their economic, social and cultural development**.*

Article 20:

*Indigenous peoples have the **right to maintain and develop their political, economic and social systems or institutions**, to be secure in the enjoyment of their own means of subsistence and development, and to **engage freely in all their traditional and other economic activities**.*





How can forests become an environment in which economic self-determination and reconciliation can thrive?