Cassiar batholith. Previous surface and underground work has outlined 72,000 tonnes grading 367 g/t Ag, 6% Zn, 2.8%

Skutsil Knob (93M 117)- Hathor Exploration has optioned this stratabound volcanic flow-top copper prospect 80 km northeast of Smithers. Originally a Cominco property, it was drilled by Craigmont in 1974 who identified a resource of 900,000 tonnes at 2% Cu, 48 g/t Ag.

Teck field crew passed through Smithers on route to 3 months of geology/prospecting on new Eskay-VMS claims at Homestake Ridge and Illiance River south of Stewart. It has been a long time since a prospecting program like this has occurred in the NW.

FIRST NATIONS

W. Bergen was interviewed by consultants in relation to the First Nations Environmental Assessment Toolkit. If the Toolkit assists to create a better working relationship between the EA process and First nations the Toolkit will be time well spent.

On June 20 <u>Daryl Hans</u>on and <u>Shelley Guthrie</u> met with <u>Kaska Dene</u> in <u>Good Hope Lake</u> to exchange information regarding Kaska Dene and ministry processes in relation to mineral exploration and placer activity. This is an outcome of the Interim <u>Measures Agreement</u> in relation to consultation which was signed with the Kaska Dene. The meeting went well with useful information exchanged and some understandings built.

GENERAL

On June 27-28 two ministry vehicles were damaged in attempted vehicle thefts. One vehicle had the side window smashed and the ignition lock/steering column smashed and a second had the side window smashed. Estimated c ost for repairs \$1500.

Arrangements are being made to park the vehicles in an empty portion of the MoWLA compound.

A mining golf tournament was held in <u>Smithers</u> on <u>June 23rd</u> with participants from Endako, Huckleberry, Kemess, Eskay Cr. and the ministry. About 50 golfers attended with prizes for all. Organizers were from Kemess and Huckleberry.

The Smithers Exploration Golf Tournament is coming up. Thursday, September 13, is a Smithers area field trip geological formations of exploration interest. Friday, September 14, is the Golf Tournament, with Tee-off at 10:00 A.M. and Steak Dinner and Awards from 5:00 P.M. onwards.

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