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How the Six Nations Meet

When it is needed for the the six nations to meet to straighten out whatever is desired or whatever important issues are on their agenda, what they do is to have a runner from among the fast runner who hire out to do this run off and tell the first other Iroquois nation. When he gets there where they live, then they send out to carry on to the next settlement. They always carry a wampum belt. Then the chiefs and women and the children are gathered in their meeting place before a fire in a longhouse. I should say that the ones who make the laws carry the power of the same nation. Eighteen of them have been selected to meet. The entire group has spoken and voted in those who meet. No issue is done until three quarters of the clan mothers have approved it.