

## National Inquiry into Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls Enquête nationale sur les femmes et les filles autochtones disparues et assassinées



**Media Advisory** 

Thursday February 8,2018

## Accreditation and Scheduling of Community Hearings in Rankin Inlet, NU

**Vancouver BC**- The National Inquiry into Missing and Murdered Women and Girls will hold Community Hearings at the Siniktarvik Hotel and Conference Centre in Rankin Inlet, Nunavut from February 20-22, 2018.

Commissioners Qajaq Robinson and Michèle Audette will hear from approximately 20 family members and survivors through public and private hearings, sharing circle testimonies and artistic expression panels. There will also be statement gatherers on-site that can accommodate up to another 6 walk-ins who may wish to register. Scheduling runs from 9 am through 5 pm CT daily.

Media are invited to the public hearings. All media that want to participate must RSVP through our email account: <a href="mailto:media@mmiwg-ffada.ca">media@mmiwg-ffada.ca</a>. You can download the accreditation form on our website: <a href="http://mmiwg-ffada.ca/en/media-room/media-accreditation/">http://mmiwg-ffada.ca/en/media-accreditation/</a>.

A mandatory technical briefing will take place on **Monday, February 19, 2018 (a) 3:00 PM** for media that would like to report on-site in Rankin Inlet. If you can meet us in the lobby of the Siniktarvik Hotel and Conference Centre, we can show you around the sites.

**Location:** Siniktarvik Hotel and Conference Centre 2-4 Arvinggak Ave, Rankin Inlet, NU, XoC oGo, Canada

There **WILL NOT** be a press conference during the week. However, there will be opportunity during the week for journalists to speak with Commissioners, including:

- in the morning before hearings start
- during lunch break
- or after the close of each day



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You will **need to provide detail requests in advance** with our Communications team onsite: Shaylen Smith. If the questions are more technical and process focused, we may direct your requests to staff that are designated as subject matter experts.

A reminder for those who can't attend, the Rankin Inlet Community Hearings will be live streamed on our website and Facebook page:

Website: <a href="http://www.mmiwg-ffada.ca/">http://www.mmiwg-ffada.ca/</a>

Facebook: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/MMIWG/">https://www.facebook.com/MMIWG/</a>

The entire process will be guided by the people of the territory. All Ceremonies are open to the public but out of respect for local protocols no photos or video will be tolerated.

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