

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



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## The Truth Gathering Process – Announcing Montreal Community hearing dates

**Vancouver, BC** - Chief Commissioner Marion Buller and Commissioners Audette, Robinson and Eyolfson are announcing the dates for Montreal community hearings as part of the Truth Gathering Process. The National Inquiry will host its Montreal hearings from March 12th to 16th at Hotel Bonaventure Montreal. Please visit the National Inquiry website at <u>www.mmiwg-ffada.ca</u> for more details.

The National Inquiry has held nine community hearings from coast-to-coast-to-coast. More than 697 families and survivors have shared stories of their lost loved ones and their experience of violence against Indigenous women and girls, including LGBTQ2S people. Approximately six hundred more are registered to participate in the Truth Gathering Process.

The Commissioners' mandate is to examine and report on the systemic causes of all forms of violence against Indigenous women, girls and LGBTQ2S people in Canada by looking at patterns and underlying factors. The mandate also includes examining institutional practices and policies implemented in response to violence experienced by Indigenous women and girls, including examining police investigation practices and responses, as part of this public investigation.

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