

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



Media Advisory

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The Truth Gathering Process - Five New Community Hearings and Statement Gathering Events

Vancouver, BC - Chief Commissioner Marion Buller and Commissioners Audette, Robinson and Eyolfson are announcing three community hearings and two statement gathering events as part of the Truth Gathering Process.

Community hearings:

- Moncton, NB: February 13-14, 2018
- Rankin Inlet, NU: February 19-22, 2018 (announced before Holiday season)
- Vancouver, BC: April 4-8, 2018

Statement gathering events:

- Prince George, BC: February 5-9, 2018
- Lower Post, BC: February 28 March 2, 2018*

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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*updated to reflect confirmed location and dates (10/02/2018)

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