



Media Advisory

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**Knowledge Keeper, Expert and Institutional Hearing:
Sexual Exploitation – human trafficking and sexual violence**

Vancouver, BC - The National Inquiry into Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls will continue with Part II and III of the Truth Gathering process by hosting the final Knowledge Keeper, Expert and Institutional Hearing. The topic is Sexual Exploitation and human trafficking and sexual violence will be explored.

Part II and Part III of the Truth Gathering Process focuses on the testimony of Knowledge Keepers, experts and institutional representatives. As part of the hearing process, National Inquiry lawyers and Parties with Standing have the opportunity to ask questions of witnesses or cross-examine them for clarity. These hearings are conducted differently than the Community Hearings where families and survivors shared their truths. Please note that no personal statements or evidence from survivors or loved ones will be gathered during the hearing.

This event will take place in St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador at the Sheraton Hotel from Monday, October 15 to Thursday, October 18, 2018. There are nine witnesses scheduled to appear. The hearing is **open to the public**.

A schedule of events and ceremony agenda will be available on our website:
<http://www.mmiwg-ffada.ca>

All media wanting to participate must RSVP through the email account: media@mmiwg-ffada.ca. Accreditation forms can be found on our website: <http://mmiwg-ffada.ca/en/media-room/media-accreditation/>.

A mandatory technical briefing will begin in the lobby of the hotel on **Monday, October 15, 2018 @ 8:30 am** for media reporting on-site.

The hearings will be live streamed:
Website: <http://www.mmiwg-ffada.ca/>
Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/MMIWG/>

The entire process will be guided by the people of the territory. All Ceremonies are open to the public. Out of respect for local protocols photos or videos may be prohibited during ceremonies.



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