Dialogue Session

Policing Reform Update

Monday December 2, 2024 • 1:00 PM – 2:30 PM • Room 205, Rogers Centre

Session Description:

This session will provide First Nations-in-Assembly with an update on efforts to address police reform in the wake of recent police killings of First Nations people across Canada. There will also be an update on efforts to re-engage with Public Safety Canada on the co-development of a legislative framework recognizing First Nations Policing as an essential service and the advocacy around reaffirming First Nations inherent, Treaty and constitutional rights over policing.

The last part of this session will provide an update on litigation files, including the status of the Indigenous Police Chiefs of Ontario's (IPCO) Canadian Human Rights Commission complaint, which will be heard by the Canadian Human Rights Tribunal in January 2025. Other litigation file updates include the status of the *Attorney General of Québec v. Pekuakamiulnuatsh Takuhikan* Supreme Court of Canada appeal, and the Association of First Nations and Inuit Police Directors of Quebec Canadian Human Rights Complaint.

SPEAKERS LIST:

- Knowledge Keeper Eldon Bernard
- Kyrie Tristary, Director, AFN Justice Sector (Moderator)
- Regional Chief Ghislain Picard, Justice and Policing Co-Portfolio Holder
- Julie McGregor, AFN Sr. Legal Counsel
- Grand Chief, Linda Debassige, Anishinabek Nation
- James Killeen, Chief of Police, United Chiefs and Councils of Manitoulin Anishnaabe Police

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Time	Agenda Item	Leads
1:00 PM	Opening Prayer	Knowledge Keeper Eldon Bernard
1:05 PM	Welcome and Introductions	Regional Chief Ghislain Picard
1:15PM	Calls for Police Reform and Accountability A summary of recent events and updates on AFN advocacy on Police Reform	Kyrie Tristary Linda Debassige James Killeen
1:30PM	Update on Re-engagement efforts with PSC for co-development of policing legislation	Kyrie Tristary
1:40PM	 Updates on First Nations Policing Litigation: IPCO Canadian Human Rights Complaint Update Attorney General of Québec v. Pekuakamiulnuatsh Takuhikan Supreme Court of Canada appeal Association of First Nations and Inuit Police Directors of Quebec Canadian Human Rights Complaint 	Julie McGregor
1:55PM	Facilitated Question and Answer Session	Kyrie Tristary
2:25PM	Closing Prayer	Knowledge Keeper Eldon Bernard