From: Dougal MacDonald
To: Angela Matchim <Angela.Matchim@aadnc-aandc.gc.ca>; Serge Beaudoin <Serge...
CC: Steve Young <Steve.Young@aandc-aadnc.gc.ca>; Harold Hines <Harold.Hines@...
Date: 10/18/2013 8:43 AM
Subject: Protest

Approximately 12 people were present on the Rexton site this am. Equipment has been removed and roads are open. The 40 individuals that were arrested yesterday, they will appear in court today in 3 separate locations. They are expecting protesters at each of these sites, Moncton, Shediac and 3rd site not clear. We also have heard that a protest is planned for the Canso Causeway in NS today. Finally, media has reported that Chief Aaron Sock will be meeting with the premier this PM in Fredericton.

Dougal

From: Dougal MacDonald
To: Angela Matchim <Angela.Matchim@aadnc-aandc.gc.ca>
Date: 10/18/2013 7:44 AM
Subject: Fw: News

Fyi

>>> William Nye 10/17/2013 8:43:33 PM >>>
There's a posting on facebook of a planned demonstration in Halifax tomorrow at 1500 hrs at the corner of Robie and Charles Streets. According to the post, over 150 demonstrators are planning to attend. The demonstration is in solidarity with the protest in Rexton.
Also, a protest is planned for the Canso Causeway tomorrow.

Dougal MacDonald - Fwd: RCMP press release from today

From: Dougal MacDonald
To: Adam Schjott; Angela Dowe; Serge Beaudoin
Date: 10/18/2013 4:37 PM
Subject: Fwd: RCMP press release from today
CC: Harold Hines

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fyi

>>> Ronald Levesque 10/18/2013 3:48 PM >>>
Note mention of attempt to burn down RCMP station on-reserve. -Ron

RCMP respond to serious threat to public safety; explosives, firearms and knives seized, Rexton, N.B. 2013/10/18

http://www.rcmp-grc.gc.ca/nb/news-nouvelles/releases-communiques/13-10-18-142855-eng.htm

The RCMP seized a number of firearms from an encampment at a protest site set up along Highway 134 in Rexton on October 17, 2013. Police also discovered improvised explosive devices, a large amount of ammunition, knives and bear spray.

During yesterdays police operation, several shots were fired from within the encampment, Molotov-style explosives were thrown at police, six RCMP vehicles were destroyed by fire, and several improvised explosive devices were discovered and defused. These explosives contained shrapnel and had the potential to seriously injure or kill people. There were no reported serious injuries to either police or people gathered in the area. The previous day, on October 16, death threats were made by some of the protestors against members of a private security firm at the compound being blocked.

The weapons and explosives we seized show that this was no longer a peaceful protest and there was a serious threat to public safety. We took the action necessary to address that threat, says New Brunswick RCMP Commanding Officer Assistant Commissioner Roger Brown. Police officers demonstrated incredible professionalism as they worked to resolve the situation under tremendously difficult and dangerous circumstances. Some in the crowd threw rocks and bottles at them and sprayed them with bear spray. Setting police cars on fire created a dangerous situation for everyone in the area, and it was at that point that police were forced to physically confront some in the crowd who refused to obey the law.

Forty people were arrested. Nine people are expected to appear in court on October 18 to face a variety of charges including pointing a firearm, mischief, assaulting a police officer, resisting arrest, obstruction of justice and failing to abide by a court injunction. Thirty-one other people were released on police undertakings and promises to appear in court at later dates. Our investigations continue and additional charges are expected.

At approximately 2:30 a.m. on October 18, an attempt was made to burn the Elsipogtog First Nation RCMP office. Minor damage was sustained, and the Elsipogtog Fire Department was able to put out the fire. This is a building owned by Elsipogtog First Nation.

The RCMP respects the rights and traditions of aboriginal communities and we know that the criminal behaviour

of some individuals yesterday is not representative of the greater First Nations community, says A/Commr. Brown. I met with the Elsipogtog Chief and Council last night and I was reassured to hear them say they dont condone violence and want peaceful discussions. We urge all those who want to demonstrate to do so peacefully and lawfully and allow things to calm down."

The RCMP is asking anyone with information that can help identify those responsible for criminal acts to contact the RCMP, or to provide information anonymously through Crime Stoppers at www.crimenb.ca or 1-800-222-TIPS (8477).

Dougal MacDonald - Re: Contact info

From: Melanie Book
To: Dougal MacDonald <Dougal.MacDonald@aandc-aadnc.gc.ca>
Date: 10/17/2013 1:37 PM
Subject: Re: Contact info

Hey,

Can I get an email update on the elsipogtog situation within the next. Hour or so?

Mel

>>> Dougal MacDonald 10/17/2013 12:33:21 PM >>>
I left my blackberry at home today if case you are trying to contact me by PIN.

I am monitoring my messages

From: Dougal MacDonald
To: Serge Beaudoin <Serge.Beaudoin@aadnc-aandc.gc.ca>
Date: 10/18/2013 11:10 AM
Subject: Re: Dial in info for 10 am call

Serge Do you want me to participate on tomorrow ams call?

Dougal

>>> Serge Beaudoin 10/18/2013 9:56:05 AM >>>
Date: 18 Oct 2013
Time: 10:00 EDT
Phone number: 613-960-7513
Toll-Free: 1-877-413-4788
Conference Code: 6821765
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>>> OPSCentre - NOB 10/18/2013 7:28:53 AM >>>

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>>> [redacted] 10/18/13 07:28 >>>

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From: Dougal MacDonald
To: Serge Beaudoin <Serge.Beaudoin@aadnc-aandc.gc.ca> s.16(2)(c)
CC: Tina Roach <Tina.Roach@aandc-aadnc.gc.ca>
Date: 10/18/2013 12:32 PM
Subject: Re: Dial in info for 10 am call

Ok, assume I will get the dial in and time details sent to me.

>>> Serge Beaudoin 10/18/2013 10:14:19 AM >>>
Thanks Dougal. I think it would be good if you or your rep was present. As you could gather from the call, you seemed to be the one with the most recent/relevant info.

I or Richard Budgell will also be on the call.

Cheers.
Serge

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Dougal MacDonald - Re: Protest in NB

From: Melanie Book
To: Dougal MacDonald
Date: 10/17/2013 3:31 PM
Subject: Re: Protest in NB

Thank you for this!

Melanie

Melanie Book
Policy and Regional Affairs Advisor and Scheduling Assistant to the Minister of Aboriginal Affairs/
Conseillère en politique et affaires régionales et adjointe à l'agenda du Ministre des affaires autochtones
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>>> Dougal MacDonald 10/17/2013 2:25 PM >>>
Last week, a New Brunswick judge granted an injunction in response to a complaint from SWN Resources. The company is doing seismic testing to determine if land near Highway 134, north of Moncton, near the community of Rexton is suitable for the extraction of shale gas. SWN was granted the right to do testing on provincial crown land by the Government of New Brunswick.

The testing ceased in the summer, and was due to restart in the fall, when a group from the Elsipogtog First Nation set up a blockade to prevent SWN from accessing its equipment on the test site. The First Nation council made a declaration that they were taking back their traditional rights to the land in question and let SWN know they were no longer welcome. Protestors are both aboriginal and non-aboriginal.

The judge issued the injunction and the RCMP were placed into a position where they needed to follow the judge's direction. This morning, the RCMP took action beginning on Highway 11 in the area and then onto 134. This is the official position stated by the RCMP to the media.

Julie Rogers-Marsh, an RCMP spokeswoman, could not confirm how many officers were on the scene. "What I can confirm for you is that police are enforcing a court injunction and in order to ensure public safety we have closed the road until the situation is resolved," said Constable Rogers-Marsh. RCMP in Fredericton have confirmed as of 1:30 pm to Public Safety Canada that no one has been shot.

Some protestors were arrested including Chief Sock of the Elsipogtog First Nation and some council members, (confirmed through CBC interview with TJ Burke, the First Nation's legal representative). Some police vehicles have been lit on fire that can be confirmed in pictures coming from the scene near Rexton.

Four AANDC employees were in the area on business unrelated to the protest. They have consulted departmental security and are making their way around the trouble zone and back to the regional office. School Board officials have elected to close three schools near the protest area as a precaution as well.

Some other First Nations have indicated that they may blockade other highways in New Brunswick in solidarity with Elsipogtog including the Trans Canada near Perth-Andover and have ended or cancelled interactions with at least one federal government department. Additional protestors are bound for Rexton from various First Nations throughout the Maritimes. Some additional First Nations in other regions are planning events as well.

Below is a RCMP press release issued this pm

We have been in contact with provincial aboriginal affairs and are continuing to monitor press reports and social media and will advise of any changes as the situation evolves
Dougal

RCMP PM Release

At least 40 people arrested for firearms offences, threats, intimidation and violating a court injunction, Rexton, N.B.
2013/10/17

The New Brunswick RCMP has arrested at least 40 people for various offences including firearms offences, uttering threats, intimidation, mischief, and for refusing to abide by a court injunction on Route 134, in Rexton, N.B.

The arrests were made on October 17, 2013, at the site of an ongoing protest. The court injunction was enforced and police were met with resistance by some of those at the site.

At least one shot was fired by someone other than police, Molotov cocktails were thrown at police, and at least five RCMP vehicles were destroyed by fire. The RCMP is also investigating suspected explosive devices at the scene.

"The RCMP has worked diligently with all parties involved in hopes for a peaceful resolution. Those efforts have not been successful. Tensions were rising, and serious criminal acts are being committed," says Cst. Jullie Rogers-Marsh of the New Brunswick RCMP. "There have been threats made to employees who were working with a private security firm at the site, as well as firearms offences, incidents of intimidation, mischief and other criminal behavior. For those reasons, and to ensure public safety, police action was required."

Police remain at the scene to deal with a large gathering of protesters, and continue to monitor the situation. A wide perimeter was set up around the area, in order to ensure public safety.

Route 134 at Rexton and Route 11 between Richibucto and Sainte-Anne-de-Kent remain closed to all traffic. Motorists are asked to use Route 126 instead of Route 11.

The public is reminded that a court injunction remains in effect and anyone who violates the conditions of that injunction could be arrested and face charges. The RCMP respects and protects the right to peaceful demonstration, however it must be done in a safe, peaceful and lawful manner.

Cst. Jullie Rogers-Marsh
Media Relations Officer
New Brunswick RCMP

From: Ritu Sood
Sent: 10/17/2013 1:47:40 PM
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CC: Chantal.Boisvert@aadnc-aandc.gc.ca;Amy.Seibert@aadnc-aandc.gc.ca;Louise.Trepanier@aadnc-aandc.gc.ca
BCC:
Subject: Re: Elispogtoq Chief/council arrested: Shale gas

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No problem, I can contact Richard now.

>>> Michael Nadler 10/17/2013 1:42:08 PM >>>Thanks all: [redacted]

Michael

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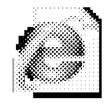
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From: Elizabeth Pigeon
Sent: 10/17/2013 1:57:28 PM
To: Chantal.Boisvert@aadnc-aandc.gc.ca
CC:
BCC:
Subject: Fw: Elsipogtog Lines

Voilà:

>>> Michael Nadler 10/3/2013 11:04:43 AM >>>Thanks: Yes. I will call Patrick F. soon (we have a couple of CFNs in town right now, so I'm a little jammed). Here are the lines...

MN

ISSUE
Anti-fracking protesters have blocked Route 134 near the junction of Highway 11 in southeastern New Brunswick and have promised to do so until SWN Resources leaves the province. (01/10/2013).

POSITIONING STATEMENT:

Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada is aware of the blockade and encourages a resolution of the concerns raised by the protestors through dialogue among the concerned parties. A forum for the negotiation of Aboriginal rights, including rights to lands and resources, exists with the Government of Canada, the Government of New Brunswick, and the Assembly of First Nations Chiefs of New Brunswick.

KEY MESSAGES

[redacted]

If pressed on Aboriginal rights negotiations with First Nations in New Brunswick:

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BACKGROUND

These lines have been prepared in anticipation of any media call regarding the most recent (Fall 2013) protests on shale gas exploration in New Brunswick.

SWN Resources Canada (www.swnnb.ca), a wholly owned subsidiary of Southwestern Energy Company, will resume seismic testing soon in Kent County (New Brunswick) to see if there is viable gas industry in the area. In March 2010, the Province of New Brunswick accepted the companys bid for a licence to search, exploring 1 million hectares (2.5 million acres) in the province.

The protesters have been holding demonstrations and blocked Route 134. Media reports state the protesters have claimed the road will remain blocked until SWN leaves the province. In a press release Sept. 30, Elsipogtog Chief Arren Sock announced a Band Council Resolution to undertake stewardship of all unoccupied Crown land would be publicly unveiled October 1. The Elsipogtog First Nation and the Signigtog District Grand Council state that the Original people of the territory, together with their hereditary and elected leaders, believe that their lands and waters are being badly mismanaged by Canada, the province and corporations to the point of ruin. Now facing complete destruction, they feel that the lands are no longer capable of providing enough to support the populations of the region.

The release further states that Mi'kmaq people of Signigtog are resuming stewardship of their lands and waters to correct the problems and are planning measures to restore them back to good health.
In 1999, the Supreme Court of Canada found in Marshall that the Mi'kmaq and Maliseet of the Atlantic provinces possess a historic treaty right to fish and harvest for a moderate livelihood based on the 1760 Peace and Friendship Treaties. In the wake of this decision, Canada began negotiations with Mi'kmaq and Maliseet groups in Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and Quebec.
As the 1760 treaties were relationship agreements and did not address Aboriginal rights, these negotaitions focus on both the implementation of the historic treaty and the reconciliation of Aboriginal rights, including Aboriginal title. Canada, the Province, and the Assembly of First Nations Chiefs of New Brunswick, which represents 14 New Brunswick First Nations (including Elsipogtog), achieved an umbrella agreement for the negotiation process in 2011 and have now concluded a framework agreement which will guide all future negotiations. This framework agreement is presently awaiting signature by the parties.

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REGIONAL APPROVALS:
Steve Young, Manager, Atlantic Communications, Oct. 1, 2013
Teresa Joudrie, A/RDG, Atlantic Region, Oct. 1, 2013

>>> Ritu Sood 10/3/2013 11:00 AM >>>
Thanks Michael - is there an attachment? I don't see any lines. Also, I contacted the prov (John

Smith) last night on this. Waiting to hear back. Perhaps the DM Pat Francis may have some info for you?

>>> Michael Nadler 10/3/2013 10:57:18 AM >>>
Hi gang: Here are the lines sent up the chain for approvals. We can refine as needed.

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Michael Text.htm

From: **Amy Seibert**
Sent: **10/17/2013 1:45:50 PM**
To: **Chantal.Boisvert@aadnc-aandc.gc.ca**
CC:
BCC:
Subject: **Fwd: Re: Elispogtoq Chief/council arrested: Shale gas**

Hi Chantal,
Wld you mind pulling some of the media lines we've recently done for NB and picking out the relevant background on the rights process. I think this is probably the scope of what will be needed by the EM folks.
Amy

From: **Michael Nadler**
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Thanks all: I have advised MINO. It would be useful to make contact with the Emergency Management and start to manage the file with them. Louise or Ritu, would you be able to call Richard Budgell this afternoon to start coordinating. They will be preparing their EM briefing as we speak, I imagine, so may need some background on the rights negotiations and would likely value the heads-up on other possible action.

Michael

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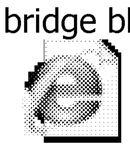

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Perfect!! We're here if you need us!

>>> Richard Budgell 10/17/2013 2:05:11 PM >>>I'm very well, thanks! Hope you are too.

[redacted]

Thanks for your offer of help, I'll let you know if we need anything.
Best regards,
Richard

>>> Ritu Sood 10/17/2013 1:51:02 PM >>>Hi Richard: hope you're well! Pls see email chain below. The issue is not directly related to the negotiations, but we do have media lines prepared in case of inquiry.

Pls let me know if there is anything you need from us. Elizabeth and I are on the road with no phone access (only wifi, so email is not an issue), but Amy is in the office.

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Subject: Re: Elsipogtog Update

I know... Terrible situation... Tx for sending!

>>> "MacNeil Rolls, Carol Ann" <CAMACNEI@gov.ns.ca> 10/17/2013 2:02:31 PM >>>Fyi...

Carol Ann MacNeil Rolls
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[OAA Logo SM] October is Mi'kmaq History Month. Please visit http://mikmaqhistorymonth.com/ or novascotia.ca/abor<http://novascotia.ca/abor> for more details.

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From: Moore, Denise
Sent: Thursday, October 17, 2013 2:39 PM
To: ABOR_ALL
Subject: Elsipogtog Update

Elsipogtog Chief and Band Councilors arrested at Rexton protest. Tensions are escalating with 2 police cruisers now on fire ...

http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/new-brunswick/shale-gas-protesters-clash-with-police-in-rexton-n-b-1.2100703

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Pictou Landing Band Council – Judicial Review Decision

Issue

On April 4, 2013 Justice Mandamin of the Federal Court directed AANDC to reimburse Pictou Landing Band Council for exceptional costs incurred providing home care to a severely disabled youth from May 27, 2010 to present. Justice Mandamin ruled that AANDC and the Province of Nova Scotia had mistakenly interpreted provincial legislation in denying Pictou Landing Band Council's request for extraordinary funding. He also ruled that Jordan's Principle applied in this case, contrary to the position that both AANDC and the province had taken.

Background

This case first came to the attention of Health Canada and AANDC's regional officials in February 2011. The question of jurisdiction was not at issue because the case was on reserve, and it was felt by federal and provincial officials that Jordan's Principle did not apply. The federal parties proceeded to establish the normative standard of care in the Province of Nova Scotia, in consultation with its provincial counterparts. On the basis of this consultation both Health Canada and AANDC responded to Pictou Landing Band Council's request for extraordinary funding by asserting that the provincial normative standard of care was being met. The matter was then taken to court by Pictou Landing Band Council.

Current Status

The Department of Justice has filed a notice of appeal of the decision on the grounds that Justice Mandamin's interpretation and application of Jordan's Principle in this case was incorrect. A draft factum presenting Canada's position with respect to the appeal was filed with the federal court on August 19, 2013.

The Plaintiffs have shared their factum in response to AANDC's appeal on October 4, 2013. The factum has not yet been officially filed with the court as counsel for the Respondents' intends to file a motion for an extension. The Respondents

have requested Canada provide a supplementary appeal book to include cross-examinations transcripts. The extension would allow them to update the highlighted page references, but not modify their arguments.

AANDC will continue its efforts to move forward in negotiation of a financial remedy

In the interim, AANDC continues to provide services to this youth under the Assisted Living – In Home Program. The 2013-2014 costs, as presented on monthly reports, have remained within the "exceptional circumstances" thresholds set out by the Nova Scotia Department of Community Services.

Media Forecast
There has been no recent media coverage on this case.

Executive Services and Communications Products
Media Lines and QP Card will be developed if/as required.

Implementation of Provincial Income Assistance Rates

Issue
The Federal Court granted an Order for an injunction prohibiting the implementation of provincial rates and standards for income assistance on First Nation reserves in New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island on March 30, 2012.

Background
There has been significant opposition from New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island First Nations on the implementation of provincial income assistance rates. The Order referred to above was appealed by AANDC, but the injunction was upheld.

Joint research into the impact of provincial rates has been proposed by AANDC to the Assembly of First Nation Chiefs in New Brunswick. A letter was sent on October 15, 2012 to Chiefs Ginnish and Paul and the draft terms of reference were attached. A reply has not yet been received.

In Nova Scotia, the Mi'kmaq Rights Initiative (KMK) has drafted Terms of Reference governing collaborative research into the impact of implementing provincial rates which AANDC supports. KMK has not responded on follow-up from AANDC.

Current Status
The applicants' lawyers have asserted the scope of the injunction extends to all reporting and administrative practices, and applies to the Assisted Living Program as well as Income Assistance. Applicants submitted a motion seeking clarification on the scope of the injunction. In its response to this motion, AANDC has clearly stated its

position that Assisted Living is a separate and distinct program and is not subject to the injunction.

A hearing took place June 19 and 20, 2013 on the merit of the judicial review. Justice Scott reserved a decision, but indicated that a decision would be rendered shortly after the hearing given the significance of the case. There has been no decision communicated as of October 8, 2013.

A letter was received by AANDC on September 24, 2013 from Burchells LLP (for Tobique) indicating that Assisted Living fell within the scope of the injunction and the department should continue to wait for the decision of Justice Simpson. The Litigation Management and Resolution Branch have sent a response to Burchells LLP restating the department's position.

The Litigation Management and Resolution Branch have developed a draft contingency plan in collaboration with Education, Social Development Programs and Partnerships, the Department of Justice and the Atlantic Region.

New Brunswick First Nations Provincial Tuition

Issue

On August 19, 2013, New Brunswick's Aboriginal Affairs and Department of Education notified all First Nations that the per child tuition rate was increasing from $9,663 to $10,775 for the school year beginning September 2013. This is an increase of 11.5 percent.

Background

New Brunswick's first five year tuition agreement, called the "Enhanced First Nations Education Programs and Services Agreement" (Enhancement Agreement), contained a tuition rate, based on a five year projected average cost, that remained fixed for the duration of the agreement: $9,663 per student. This agreement expired June 30, 2013. The province received authority in spring 2013 to enter into a one year extension permitting time to bring about improvements for the next five year Enhancement Agreement. Previous to the official notification, First Nations understood the one year extension to the Enhancement Agreement was retaining the same tuition rate.

The rate of $9,663 was created by forecasting for known factors such as teacher contract rates and calculating a five year average. The 2013-2014 rate of $10,775 was presented using the actual cost of the most recent, complete school year (2012-2013) plus two percent.

Current Status

First Nations were preparing for a new tuition rate to be negotiated with a new Enhancement Agreement, not the one year extension. The AANDC / First Nation funding instruments include provincial tuition budgets using two different approaches:

block or set contribution. Ten agreements have funding in the block which means, once the budget is established, there are small annual increases generated by a formula. These annual increases are specific to each First Nation, but can be in the range of one to two percent. The five First Nations funded using the set contribution approaches are reimbursed for eligible expenditures.

Informal conversations are occurring between the Executive Director of First Nations Education Initiatives Inc. (First Nation Education Initiative Inc. is a First Nation Regional Managing Organization with 12 of the15 bands in its membership), AANDC and New Brunswick. Early indications are that New Brunswick may reconsider its position recognizing that neither First Nations nor AANDC have prepared for an increase of this magnitude on such short notice. As of October 9, 2013, the province has not committed to a smaller tuition increase for school year 2013-2014.

Media Forecast
There has been no recent media coverage on this case.

Executive Services and Communications Products
Media Lines and QP Card will be developed if/as required

Mushuau Innu First Nation – Solvent Abuse

Issue
Gasoline sniffing and solvent abuse issues continue in the Mushuau Innu First Nation (Natuashish).

Background
Although the Labrador Innu Comprehensive Healing Strategy (2001-2010) made considerable progress addressing social and mental health issues in Innu communities, the communities continue to struggle with drug and substance abuse.

AANDC provides funding to the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador to provide child youth and family services programming to the Innu. AANDC and Health Canada cost-shared construction, and continue to provide annual operating support, of a safe house at Natuashish where gas-sniffers can seek help.

Since 2001, Health Canada has provided specific annual funding to support healing programs in the area of mental health and addictions; maternal and child health; and, community capacity building. AANDC understands this ongoing Health Canada funding has been confirmed to 2015.

The Innu Main Table, a tripartite forum, was established to oversee the implementation of the Labrador Innu Comprehensive Healing Strategy. In April 2012, the Ministers of AANDC and Health Canada provided support to an Innu-led Round Table process

which facilitates Innu priority setting, service integration and community-based healing plans and actions.

Despite an aggressive approach of removing alcohol in the dry community and an improvement in the relationship between law enforcement and Council, instances of substance abuse and vandalism continue. The Mushuau Innu First Nation has built a ceremonial hall and cabins to be used for Innu justice purposes as well as addictions treatment.

s.20(1)(b)

Current Status

[redacted]

Minister Valcourt has recently appointed a Federal Special Representative to the Innu Round Table process to provide political oversight while maintaining a strategic emphasis on outcomes and sustainability.

Media Forecast
Recent media coverage 'We want to die - nobody's listening to us'… Natuashish's ongoing gas-sniffing problem getting worse: therapist – October 1, 2013

Executive Services and Communications Products:
Media Lines and QP Card will be developed if/as required.

Elsipogtog First Nation

The Elsipogtog First Nation, formerly the Big Cove Band, is located in New Brunswick near Rexton. Recently, there has been a considerable amount of media attention over Elsipogtog's protests regarding SWN Resources search for natural gas deposits in deep underground shale in that area, as well as a number of other substantive issues facing the First Nation as follows:

1. Canada Revenue Agency

2. Declaration to SWN Resources
3. Provincial Tuition
4. Audit
5. Infrastructure Funding

1. Canada Revenue Agency

Issue

On September 9, 2013, three statutory set-offs were received from Canada Revenue Agency for arrears in non-remittances effective September 4, 2013. The total of the set-offs is $1,173,265.16 for 2011 and 2012.

Background

Upon receipt of the Canada Revenue Agency's notice, AANDC made contact with Elsipogtog First Nation and its co-manager advising AANDC has an obligation to action the statutory set-off. The co-manager advised they had been working with Canada Revenue Agency on establishing a repayment plan and were surprised by the statutory set-off action. They advised their intention to seek legal counsel. Canada Revenue Agency advises they have tried to resolve the outstanding remittance issues with Elsipogtog First Nation with no success.

AANDC met with Elsipogtog and the co-manager on September 24, 2013, to discuss the set-off and how AANDC would implement it, should it still be in effect. The co-manager advised a proposed repayment plan with Canada Revenue Agency was still in negotiations and contingent on the results of Elsipogtog's 2012-2013 audit which was just finalized. At the same time, the co-manager advised Elsipogtog's legal counsel that Canada Revenue Agency cannot implement the set-off as it would jeopardize essential programs and services. s.20(1)(b)

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On October 3, 2013, AANDC received notice Elsipogtog has filed for a court injunction related to this issue. After communicating with Canada Revenue Agency, AANDC learned Canada Revenue Agency will be rescinding the statutory set-off.

AANDC has been notified that after reviewing Canada's affidavit, the plaintiffs' counsel will request the Court adjourn the matter *sine die* or without date on October 16, 2013.

Current Status

On October 10, 2013, AANDC received official notice from Canada Revenue Agency to cancel the statutory set-off.

2. Elsipogtog's Declaration of Sovereignty and Eviction Notice to SWN Resources

Issue

Elsipogtog First Nation issued a declaration of sovereignty and made demands that "all projects, leases, and permits issued to SWN Resources by the Government [of New Brunswick] come to a halt until all Mi'kmaq-L'nu, and Wabanaki communities, as sovereign individuals are Meaningfully Consulted, and that we are able to come to an informed decision as individuals".

Background

As permits were issued by the Province of New Brunswick, and the activities are taking place on provincial crown land, any duty to consult would lie with the provincial Crown (i.e. the Federal Crown has not undertaken any action that could impact a treaty or Aboriginal right). Although Premier Alward met with Elsipogtog's Council on October 7, 2013, the meeting was primarily an opportunity to exchange information and engage in dialogue, and did not constitute consultation.

Current activities are related to exploration only, and the provincial Crown would argue that the issuing of a permit for exploratory activity does not impact any treaty or Aboriginal right (and therefore would not trigger the duty to consult). New Brunswick Minister of Energy, Craig Leonard, indicated the Province would engage in consultation with Aboriginal groups if the exploration suggests the shale gas industry should proceed in the province.

Current Status

Members of the Elsipogtog First Nation have established a blockade preventing SWN Resources from accessing its equipment, and the blockade remains in place despite a provincial court injunction issued on October 3, 2013 advising protestors to remove the blockade and allow the company to exercise its permit.

Media Forecast

It is anticipated this issue will remain prominent in local and national media in the coming weeks.

3. Release of Restricted Provincial Tuition Funds

Background

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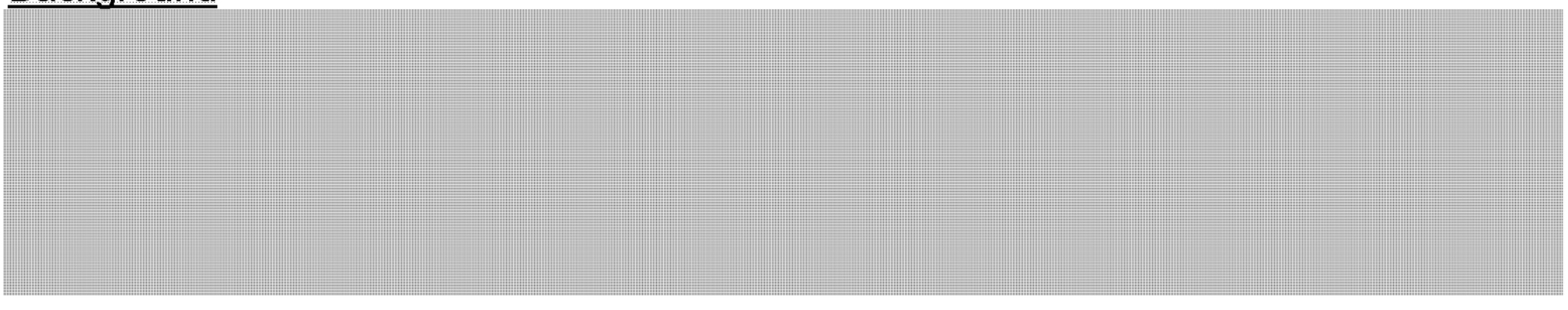

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Current Status

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4. Elsipogtog Audit

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5. Infrastructure Funding

Issue

AANDC funded a water system upgrade project in 2012-2013 and 2013-2014, for a total amount of $870,000. The funding for 2012-2013 was used to pay other priorities by the Band. At this time there appears to be approximately $250,000 that was redirected from the project and some invoices that should have been paid by the project have not been paid. The First Nation is also employing a contractor who does not have bonding or other required insurances.

Background

In 2011-2012 a Feasibility Study was undertaken to determine what upgrades were required to bring the Elsipogtog Water System up to standards and function properly. The total value of upgrades required is estimated to be $4.6 million. In 2012-2013, $400,000 was allocated to the project to complete work on the well and treatment of the water. In 2013-2014, $470,000 was allocated to repair a portion of the leaking distribution system.

Current Status

AANDC met with Elsipogtog First Nation and the co-manager on October 3, 2013 to stress the importance of completing the work on its water system due to health and safety concerns of community members. Funds are to be recovered once the actual amount that was redirected by the First Nation is determined. The scope of work for 2013-2014 will be reduced due to the limited remaining construction season. The amendment for the $470,000 for 2013-2014 has not been forwarded to the First Nation due to other outstanding amendments.

Rapport bimensuel sur la gestion des questions
Région du Québec
Semaine terminée, 18 octobre 2013

Sujets mis à jour :

- Situation à Winneway (Long Point First Nation)
- Situation de gouvernance à Kitcisakik

Sujet sans changement :

- Autoroute 30 (Kahnawake)

Sujet retiré :

- Situation de gouvernance Kanesatake
- École à Manawan

Nouveau sujet :

- Listuguj –Nouveau Centre d'hébergement pour enfants, Gignu

Prochaines élections

- Le 29 novembre 2013 à Wolf Lake : élections selon la coutume pour combler 1 poste de conseiller
- Le 30 novembre 2013 à Odanak : élections en vertu de la *Loi sur les Indiens* pour combler le poste de chef et 4 conseillers

- Le dimanche 3 novembre 2013, la plupart des municipalités de la province de Québec vont aux urnes pour combler les divers postes de maires et de conseillers.

Événements à venir

À la suite des exercices de revue de conformité effectués en 2012-2013 dans le cadre du programme d'aide au revenu à la région du Québec, un envoi de lettres aux premières nations dont les rapports sont complétés est imminent. En plus de rappeler aux communautés la nécessité d'établir un plan d'action afin de répondre aux recommandations qui apparaissent aux rapports, on les informe aussi des montants finals à recouvrer par le ministère à la suite de l'exercice. La réception des lettres par les communautés pourrait entraîner du mécontentement et certaines retombées politiques.

Les 30, 31 octobre et 1 novembre 2013, se tiendra à Wendake la prochaine rencontre des Directeurs généraux (DG) des conseils de bande, des conseils tribaux et des commissions et organisations régionales des Premières Nations du Québec. La journée

du 30 octobre est réservée aux représentants d'AADNC pour faire le point sur divers enjeux d'actualité.

Autoroute 30 (Kahnawake)

Sujet
En mai 2008, le gouvernement du Québec s'est engagé à transférer environ 300 hectares de terres au gouvernement du Canada pour un ajout à la réserve de Kahnawake en compensation pour les travaux visant à prolonger l'autoroute 30. Depuis cette date, AADNC travaille avec Kahnawake et le gouvernement du Québec pour faire progresser la proposition d'ajout à la réserve en conformité avec les politiques fédérales.

Contexte
Le projet d'ajout de terres à la réserve de Kahnawake suscite des relations tendues entre le Québec, les municipalités concernées et la communauté de Kahnawake. Les terres visées par ce projet sont d'une grande valeur économique en raison de leur localisation le long de l'autoroute 30.

Le 13 octobre 2009 et le 2 février 2012, par voie de résolutions du Conseil de bande, la bande des Mohawks de Kahnawake a demandé que les terres promises par le Québec soient ajoutées à la réserve indienne de Kahnawake.

Le 15 février 2013, la ministre Larouche, a écrit au ministre d'AADNC pour confirmer son engagement à faire adopter un décret pour le transfert d'usufruit des terres pour ajouter à la réserve ainsi qu'à prendre en charge et poursuivre les négociations avec les municipalités. À cet effet, un comité de conciliation a été mis sur pied par le gouvernement du Québec afin de poursuivre les discussions avec les municipalités en lien avec ce dossier.

Le 14 mai 2013, Mme Nathalie Simon, préfète de la municipalité régionale de comté de Roussillon, a écrit au ministre d'AADNC pour exprimer son opposition au transfert de terres.

Le 15 mai 2013, le gouvernement du Québec a adopté le décret visant le transfert des terres. Le 27 juin 2013, la MRC de Roussillon et les villes de Saint-Constant, de Sainte-Catherine, de Châteauguay ainsi que la municipalité de Saint-Isidore ont déposé conjointement une requête demandant à la Cour supérieure du Québec l'annulation du décret adopté par le gouvernement du Québec.

Le 3 juillet 2013, Mme Larouche a écrit au ministre d'AADNC pour confirmer à nouveau l'engagement du Québec à faire le nécessaire pour que l'ajout de terres se fasse en conformité avec la *Politique canadienne sur les ajouts aux réserves et les nouvelles réserves,* notamment en matière d'environnement, de droits des tiers et de relations avec les municipalités.

Situation actuelle
Lors d'une rencontre le 4 septembre dernier, la ministre Larouche demandait au ministre Valcourt sa position face au dossier de l'ATR de l'Autoroute 30. Le ministre Valcourt s'est engagé à faire un suivi auprès de la ministre Larouche à ce sujet.

Le dossier d'approbation de principe a été soumis au ministre pour approbation une première fois en janvier 2013. À la suite de la requête déposée par les municipalités, le dossier a été révisé sur la base d'une analyse des risques légaux, et resoumis pour approbation le 16 août 2013.

Dans l'attente d'une décision du ministre dans ce dossier, AADNC poursuit son travail en collaboration avec le Secrétariat aux affaires autochtones, le ministère des Transports du Québec et Kahnawake en vue de régler les enjeux fonciers et environnementaux liés aux terres.

Lorsque ce travail sera complété en conformité avec les politiques fédérales, l'approbation de principe du ministre permettrait de passer aux étapes subséquentes du processus qui sont l'acceptation des terres et la préparation du décret fédéral visant à leur donner le statut de réserve.

Situation de gouvernance à Kitcisakik

Sujet
Dispute découlant de l'annulation du scrutin général tenu le 5 août 2013.

Contexte
La Première Nation de Kitcisakik tient ses élections en vertu d'un code électoral coutumier. Ce conseil de bande se compose d'un chef et de trois conseillers, élus pour un mandat de quatre ans avec un quorum de trois.

Le 15 mai 2013, un référendum a été tenu dans la communauté. La population s'est prononcée en faveur d'une éventuelle relocalisation de la communauté dans le secteur du Lac Ribot dans une proportion de 57 pour cent.

Les résultats du référendum ont suscité des enjeux internes au sein du conseil de bande, ce qui a provoqué le déclenchement des élections du 5 août 2013, lesquelles étaient originellement prévues à l'automne 2013. Lors de ces élections, la chef Adrienne Anichinapeo a été réélue.

À l'issue du processus électoral, un nouveau conseil a été sélectionné. Cependant, dès le 7 août, le Comité électoral a déclaré l'invalidité du scrutin. La Chef élue, Adrienne Anichinapéo, soutient que le Comité électoral n'avait aucun mandat pour rendre une telle décision, car le code ne prévoit aucun mécanisme à cet effet. Elle dit vouloir faire trancher la question par les tribunaux.

Par cette décision, le Comité électoral laisse une communauté extrêmement divisée, aux prises avec des représentants dont la légitimité est contestée et une faction stimulant les tensions.

Devant l'imbroglio politique, le mercredi 2 octobre 2013, une assemblée générale a été convoquée par 2 conseillers sortants du précédent conseil. Au cours de l'assemblée, un comité électoral a été mis en place afin de mener à terme un nouveau processus menant à un scrutin général le 15 janvier 2014. Le comité électoral a convoqué une nouvelle assemblée générale le 15 octobre en vue d'obtenir des directives et recommandations de la population.

Situation actuelle
Les représentants du bureau régional d'AADNC suivent la situation de très près et ont des entretiens avec les divers intervenants dans ce dossier tout en maintenant leur neutralité. Selon l'évolution de la situation et afin de préserver la paix sociale, AADNC pourrait décider de s'adresser directement à la population.

Pour le moment, la prestation des programmes et services prévue à l'entente de financement n'est pas compromise.

Situation financière à Long Point First Nation

Sujet
Long Point First Nation fait face à une situation financière déficitaire qui pourrait affecter sa capacité à livrer les services essentiels si des mesures correctives ne sont pas mises en place prochainement.

Contexte
L'analyse des états financiers vérifiés 2010-2011 de la communauté a confirmé la détérioration de sa situation financière. Un plan d'action de gestion (PAG) a été demandé à la bande pour le 30 avril 2012.

Après de nombreux rappels, un PAG n'a été soumis que le 17 avril 2013 à AADNC, mais celui-ci nécessitait des ajustements pour qu'il soit acceptable.

Situation actuelle
Un plan révisé a été reçu le 27 septembre 2013. Le Ministère a accepté le plan, sous réserve de l'approbation de la Société canadienne d'hypothèques et de logement (SCHL) et de Santé Canada sur les mesures concernant leurs autorités respectives. De plus, le Ministère a exigé que la bande retienne les services d'une ressource experte afin de les appuyer dans la mise en œuvre du PAG. AADNC fera un suivi de la mise en œuvre du PAG d'abord sur une base mensuelle, puis trimestrielle si celui-ci donne les résultats escomptés.

Les états financiers vérifiés pour l'année financière 2012-2013 n'ont pas été soumis au Ministère en date de ce jour.

Listuguj – Nouveau Centre d'hébergement pour enfants

Sujet
Une demande a été faite par M. Fred Vicaire, Analyste financier de Listuguj, afin qu'AADNC écrive une lettre stipulant que le loyer est une dépense admissible dans le taux per diem versé pour le placement des enfants. La communauté doit remettre cette lettre à la banque afin d'obtenir un prêt pour la construction d'un nouveau centre d'hébergement pour les enfants sur réserve. Le bureau régional veut s'assurer de la viabilité du projet de construction assumé par la communauté.

Contexte
La construction d'un nouveau centre d'hébergement pour les enfants est une promesse électorale du Chef.

Le Centre Gignu situé sur réserve a toujours été sous la gestion de la province, ce qui est une anomalie selon cette dernière. La province va produire un plan de transfert des responsabilités avec la communauté. La province est prête à soutenir la communauté dans ce dossier.

Actuellement, AADNC n'a pas de programme d'immobilisation pour ce genre de construction sur réserve.

Le financement ainsi que les dépenses admissibles sont établis en fonction d'un per diem établi par la province. Le financement et les dépenses admissibles reliées au volet protection sont tributaires du nombre de jours de placement des enfants admissibles multiplié par le taux per diem.

Situation actuelle
Suzie Nepton a eu des communications avec la communauté, l'Agence de la santé et des services sociaux de la Gaspésie-Îles-de-la-Madeleine ainsi que le Centre jeunesse Gaspésie les Îles. Des appels sont encore prévus cette semaine à ce sujet.

Une lettre a été préparée et est en cour de révision.

Issues Management Report
Ontario Region
Week Ending October 18, 2013

1. Pikangikum First Nation – Five of six school buses destroyed in fire

Issue

On October 2, 2013, five of Pikangikum First Nation's six school buses were destroyed in a fire. The school remains open; however the First Nation has asked the Department to fund replacement buses at a cost of approximately $373,500.

Background

Pikangikum First Nation is located approximately 90 kilometres north of Red Lake, Ontario, and 80 kilometres east of the Manitoba border. It has 2,592 members, of whom approximately 2,500 live on reserve. The Department provides funding for 619 K4 to Grade 12 students to attend the Eenchokay Birchstick School on reserve. (Pikangikum First Nation has advised that there are currently 839 students attending classes.)

On October 2, 2013, a fire destroyed five of six school buses. The number of buses was confirmed by the OPP and an AANDC-ON official. The First Nation is responsible for maintaining, operating, insuring and purchasing the vehicles used for student transportation. AANDC provides the First Nation with more than $160,000 annually to assist it with this responsibility.

AANDC officials have worked with the First Nation to ensure that students have continued access to education, including finding alternative funding arrangements to help the First Nation purchase replacement buses.

On October 8, 2013, the Chief of Pikangikum First Nation made the decision to close the school citing safety and security reasons with students arriving and departing from school. Due to pressure from parents the school was reopened on October 9, 2013.

AANDC has agreed to fund the replacement of five buses at a cost of approximately $373,500, having received three competitive quotes.

An AANDC regional official was in the community on October 10, 2013, and observed that approximately one-third of the student population attended classes that day. The official also requested that the principal provide regular updates on student attendance and potential impacts on the school year.

Current Status

A funding approval letter for the purchase of replacement buses was sent to the First Nation on October 11, 2013. The letter commits the Department to fund up to $373,500 for the purchase and delivery of five buses. A response to our letter is expected on October 15, 2013.

Media Forecast: No media calls to date.

Executive Services and Communications Products: Media lines are in HQ approvals.

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2. Gull Bay First Nation – School Closure

Issue
On October 7, 2013, Thunder Bay Newswatch cited Gull Bay Chief Wilfred King as saying the community's school continues to be closed due to a lack of funds, "which King says was caused by alleged mismanagement of funds by the former band council."

Background:
Gull Bay First Nation is located 180 kilometres north of Thunder Bay and has year-round road access. It has 1,216 members, 354 of whom live on reserve.

On September 24, 2012, the First Nation closed St. Kateri Tekawitha School, the only Kindergarten to Grade 8 facility in the community serving 36 students, due to health and safety concerns raised by the school's teachers. The building required significant repairs.

In a September 27, 2012, teleconference, AANDC committed to providing the First Nation with $100,000 for emergency repairs to the school. While the offer was rejected at the meeting, departmental officials reiterated this offer on January 18, 2013, and April 10, 2013. The Department requested a minor capital application, outlining the scope, schedule and cost to repair the school, along with a Band Council Resolution in support. To date, this information has not been received.

On January 18, 2013, regional officials also committed to release $546,085 in halted funding so that the community could resume essential health, safety, governance, education, and in particular, school services. Regional officials also committed to working with the First Nation to support a new school proposal.

On January 28, 2013, KGS Group, an engineering consulting firm, advised the Department that it had completed a mechanical, electrical and structural assessment of the school at the request of the First Nation. KGS Group further advised that an environmental assessment of the school was conducted in October 2012 by True Grit consultants under the direction of the previous Chief and Council. In correspondence to the First Nation on May 8, 2013, and August 28, 2013, the Department inquired as to the status of sharing the assessment reports and developing a scope of work to repair the school facility.

On October 4, 2013, AANDC's Manager of Community Infrastructure met with Chief Wilfred King. The discussion focused on how to move forward with the community's infrastructure priorities, particularly, the school renovation, and potential future replacement of it. The immediate and long-term water supply needs of the First Nation were also discussed. The Chief agreed to provide a copy of the existing school assessment, and to work with AANDC on the repairs to the reverse osmosis water unit.

On October 8, 2013, the principal of Armstrong Public School verbally confirmed to AANDC that students began classes off-reserve on September 3, 2013. The principal advised that students travel 71 kilometres each way between school and Gull Bay First Nation. The

principal indicated there are collective bus pick-up and drop-off locations, as well as individual pick-up and drop-off for younger students.

Current Status
On October 15, 2013, the Department received copies of the school assessments. Officials are currently reviewing the assessments and will work with the First Nation to move forward on repairs to school as expeditiously as possible.

Due to the level of engagement to date, a re-opening date for the school is unknown.

Media Forecast: No media calls to the Department to date; however, an article did appear on Thunder Bay NewsWatch on October 6, 2013. The article did not mention AANDC.

Executive Services and Communications Products: Media lines are DMO approved.

Attawapiskat First Nation – Various Issues

Relevant topics include:

1. **Election**
2. **Soil Remediation**
3. **Repairs to Teacherages**

1. Election

Background
On August 30, 2013, the Department received a copy of a Band Council Resolution (BCR) from Attawapiskat First Nation, dated August 29, 2013, confirming the re-election of Chief Theresa Spence and the election of Louis Edwards as Deputy Chief.

Current Status
The Attawapiskat First Nation Custom Election Code identifies an election appeal period of 45 consecutive days following the election, which ended on October 11, 2013.

The Department was not made aware of any appeals of the election.

Media Forecast
The Department has received enquiries about this issue and both national and regional media have reported on the election and the results.

Executive Services and Communications Products
Media lines (HQ) are available.

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2. Soil Remediation

On September 13, 2013, a human rights journalist submitted an enquiry to AANDC about the history of the soil remediation project including specific questions about when the diesel fuel spill occurred and what actions the Department took between 1977 and 1990 to address it.

Background
On June 29, 2012, Attawapiskat First Nation awarded a contract to WERInc. to remediate approximately 41,000 cubic metres of impacted soil at four sites (the former elementary school, the former water treatment plant, the teacherages, and the abandoned fuel supply lines). Approximately 33,000 cubic metres of the impacted soil are located on the former J.R. Nakogee Elementary School property.

Current Status
AANDC officials were in the community on August 29, 2013, and report that overall, the project is proceeding as scheduled and the clean up portion is anticipated to be complete by March 2016. The project requires two active construction seasons followed by two seasons of soil treatment (summers 2014 and 2015) at the off-site facility located near the First Nation's waste disposal site.

Media Forecast
It is expected that the human rights journalist will publish a story about the soil remediation project.

Executive Services and Communications Products
Media lines are currently in HQ approvals.

3. Repairs to teacherages as a result of spring flooding

The affected spaces were not living quarters, and there has been no impact on class schedules. The contractor, who conducted repairs on the nine flood-damaged homes, is awaiting payment of outstanding invoices before beginning work on the teacherages. The First Nation will make payment to the contractor pending the receipt of the remaining project funding from AANDC.

Media Forecast: No media interest since August 2013.

Executive Services and Communications Products: Media lines are available.

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(New information highlighted in yellow)
Elections:
October 23 – Pinaymootang

Events:
October 22 – Keewatin Tribal Council General Assembly, Thompson
October 29 – Southern Chiefs Organization – Summit with regard to spending allegations against Grand Chief Murray Clearsky – location TBD.
November 13-14 – First Nations Emergency Management Forum and Workshop (in conjunction with Public Safety Canada) – Winnipeg.
TBD – Ground breaking for new school at Shamattawa First Nation – date to be determined in consultation with Minister's Office.

Demolition of homes at Lake St. Martin First Nation (new)

Issue
Lake St. Martin First Nation members have claimed homes are being demolished under the flood recovery project without their consent, and by using fire.

Background
As part of the Lake St. Martin 2011 flood recovery project, AANDC has indicated that funding support will be provided for the demolition of 133 homes in the community. This is the first step toward building the infrastructure (including lot servicing and buildings) for residents to return to the community. Funding for the demolition of the 133 houses has not been provided, and has not yet started.

CBC Manitoba has spoken with residents who claim that homes are being demolished without their consent and they want assurance that new homes are being built before homes are destroyed. It has also been alleged that homes are being demolished by burning them.

Current status
Infrastructure and Housing has confirmed that residents are required to sign a letter authorizing the demolition of homes they occupied before the home is destroyed. AANDC has confirmed with the project manager that all demolition is being done by dismantling and removing materials. Manitoba Office of the Fire Commissioner has conducted an arson investigation, and findings have not been released. It does appear there have been incidents of arson, although this has not yet been confirmed by investigators. The First Nation's project manager has confirmed that fire is not being used to demolish houses.

Media forecast
CBC Winnipeg has contacted AANDC about this issue. It is anticipated that there will be regional media attention.

Executive Services products and communications
Media lines have been prepared by Manitoba Region.

Keewatin Tribal Council (KTC)

Issue
KTC has informed AANDC that they are unable to make high school arrangements for 9 students from Barren Lands First Nation.

Background
KTC provides high school enrolment services through the Private Home Placement (PHP) program for Barren Lands, War Lake, God's Lake Narrows and York Factory First Nations. After initially indicating that these programs could be provided for the coming school year, KTC later indicated that they would not be able to place students due to perceived underfunding by AANDC, and distributed a news release on this issue on September 5.

Current Status
61 students were initially not placed in a high school for the coming year. 52 have been placed and 9 (from Barren Lands First Nation) have not been placed.

Barren Lands First Nation has decided to locally enroll these 9 students in a 6 to 8 week Life Skills Program and have them enrolled in high school for the second semester. KTC has indicated that they agree with the First Nation's decision to enroll the students in a Life Skills Program, and there are no further issues concerning these 9 students at this time. KTC is finalizing their Nominal Roll exercise for the placed students, and continues to provide information to regional officials Prior to the KTC Assembly on October 22, AANDC will be presenting KTC with a schedule outlining the reporting requirements for future years to ensure there is no uncertainty about funding and support to students.

Media Forecast
KTC initially went to media after the meeting with AANDC on September 3, but there was limited coverage. Further media reports are not expected.

Executive Services products and communications
Media lines have been prepared by Manitoba Region and will be updated as required. An Information Memo to the Minister has been prepared.

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Media Forecast
Media is not anticipated.

Executive Services products and communications
None at this time.

Pinaymootang Election – Court overturns Ministerial decision

Issue
The Ministerial decision to remove the Chief and three councillors at Pinaymootang First Nation has been overturned by the Federal Court on an interim basis.

Background
The October 21, 2011 Pinaymootang general election was appealed on the grounds that various candidates committed corrupt practices. Following an investigation, the Department recommended to the Minister that the Chief and three Councillors be removed from office and barred from running again for two years. The recommendation was accepted and on July 19, 2013, the Chief and three Councillors were notified of the decision.

On August 9, the department was notified that the Chief and three Councillors filed a judicial review seeking to overturn the Minister's decision. On August 30, Federal Court Justice James Russell ruled in favour of the Chief and three Councillors who had been removed from office following an investigation of their election and filed an appeal. Justice Russell has granted the Applicants' motion and ordered that:

- The Applicants be reinstated to their elected offices for the remainder of this term or until the JR is decided (if that happens first); and,
- The Applicants be permitted to run in the upcoming election.

Current Status
AANDC declined to appeal the Order of Justice Russell. The JR on the merits is scheduled to be heard on October 16, 2013. A general election will be held at Pinaymootang on October 23.

Media forecast
AMC issued a news release when the Chief and Councillors were removed condemning this action. CBC Winnipeg has contacted AANDC about this issue. It is anticipated that there will be regional media attention.

Executive Services products and communications
A memo to the minister, media lines and other supporting materials are being prepared by HQ.

Misty Lake Lodge & MANFF

Issue
2011 flood evacuees have been leaving Misty Lake Lodge at their request for private rental properties, with support from MANFF.

Background
There has been an ongoing issue between MANFF and Misty Lake Lodge in Gimli over eligible evacuees and evacuee expenses. The department notified Misty Lake Lodge on July 24 and July 31 not to accept any more individuals. Misty Lake Lodge registered two families in August. Misty Lake Lodge is also seeking funding from AANDC to repair damage that they claim was caused by evacuees.

s.21(1)(a)

Current Status
As of September 30, there is one family with seven evacuees remaining at Misty Lake Lodge. On September 26, AANDC communicated with this family to indicate that they will receive an allowance for private accommodations on October 1, and are responsible for negotiating a rental with either Misty Lake Lodge or another landlord to ensure they are sheltered as of October 1. AANDC also communicated with Misty Lake Lodge to provide clarification that any rental arrangements must be made directly between the hotel and the evacuees.

On October 1, the evacuees were provided with cheques for their benefits, and advised AANDC that a rental agreement has been reached for these persons to remain at Misty Lake Lodge. The rental agreement was reviewed by Manitoba Emergency Measures Organization, who have advised AANDC and MANFF that their rental agreement exceeds the rental rates established under the provincial Disaster Financial Assistance program.

On October 5, a representative of the family contacted AANDC and indicated that they would like to find alternate accommodations. The evacuees have requested they be immediately relocated to a hotel in Winnipeg while they search for a suitable rental property. On October 8, the evacuees were moved from Misty Lake Lodge to a hotel in Winnipeg. One flood evacuee remains at Misty Lake Lodge. AANDC has indicated that they will be supported for hotel accommodations until November 1, and that they must identify a rental property with a suitable rate prior to that date.

s.21(1)(a)

A representative of AANDC is working directly with families at Misty Lake Lodge who wish to move to other accommodations

Media forecast
There is a high level of media interest regionally and nationally related to 2011 flood evacuees at Misty Lake Lodge, with emphasis on allegations against MANFF and money previously owed to the hotel owner.

Executive Services products and communications
Media lines have been prepared and are updated regularly by Manitoba Region.

MANFF

Issue
Transfer of service delivery for long-term evacuees to the Canadian Red Cross (CRC).

Background
On June 3, Minister Valcourt released a statement indicating that long-term evacuation services would be transferred from MANFF to CRC.

Current Status
July 22 – CRC Assessment Report was provided to Serge Beaudoin.
August 6 – Meeting between CRC and AANDC (Serge Beaudoin)

Investigation completed into dispute between MANFF and Corporate Hotels and MANFF ordered to pay outstanding invoices. Letter sent to MANFF July 16. Regional Intervention Committee met July 17. As a result, MANFF has a dedicated full time expert resource accounting firm to provide financial advisory support and to be provided co-signing banking authority. The firm MNP started working with MANFF effective August 2, 2013.

August 14 - CRC provided a draft Discussion Paper for a proposed Transitional Framework to AANDC.

AANDC provided funding of $4.1 million to MANFF on an advance basis on July 22, 2013. This was used to pay outstanding amounts owed on accounts at Misty Lake Lodge, Ashern Hotel, and other suppliers.

August 23 – AANDC staff met with CRC and MANFF to discuss the development of a transition plan. Exchange of information has been ongoing to support CRC's development of a detailed scope of work and transition plan.

September 10 – AANDC staff met with CRC and MANFF to continue work on a detailed transition plan.

September 20 – A transition planning with senior officials meeting occurred with AANDC, CRC, and MANFF. It was agreed that a multi-agency team would be formed to discuss detailed transition requirements, and that all parties would cooperate on developing a detailed communication plan.

October 1 – A transition planning meeting occurred with AANDC, CRC, and MANFF.

October 8 – A transition meeting occurred, with review of a draft communications strategy and further development of a transition plan. It was agreed that a Technical Planning Committee would be formed to guide the transition and address any issues raised with regard to supporting evacuees. The first meeting of the Committee will be the week of October 14.

October 15 – A transition planning meeting occurred with AANDC, CRC, and MANFF.

Media forecast
There is a high level of media interest regionally and nationally on this story. The CBC I-Team continues to contact AANDC and the Minister's office regularly regarding the status of transfer to the CRC and the status of reviews and investigations.

Executive Services products and communications
Media lines and Questions and Answers are updated on an ongoing basis.
A communications plan has been drafted with respect to the transition, and circulated to CRC and MANFF.

Cross Lake First Nation – Claim 138

s.21(1)(c)

Lake St. Martin evacuation (Ongoing)

Issues
CFR process
Longer term location
Election
School

Background
Residents of Lake St. Martin First Nation were evacuated in early May, 2011 as a result of flooding. As of October 9, 1073 evacuees remain evacuated from the community. (Hotel - 67; Private – 992; Provincial Evacuation Site – 14).

Current Status
CFR process
Chief Federal Representative Sid Dutchak submitted an interim report to the Minister dated October 16, 2012 and a final report on May 18 2013.

Longer-term location
A BCR dated July 9 was passed identifying priority lands for selection. A budget and workplan for the demolition of 133 homes has been approved by AANDC, and was signed by the First Nation on September 16.

Election
An election for Chief and Council under the Indian Act took place on June 28, 2012. An appeal was filed on August 10. On February 8, 2013, the Band Council's legal counsel faxed responses to AANDC. The analysis of these documents and the appeal itself is underway.

School
In 2012/13, students attended school at 1970 Ness Avenue or a school within the area they lived. On August 14, the TPM informed AANDC that Chief and Council have signed a lease for the facility on Ness Avenue for the 2013/14 school year.

Media forecast
Anticipate that regional and national media will continue to follow this story.

Executive Services products and communications
Comprehensive media lines, questions and answers and a chronology have been prepared on both general flooding and Lake St. Martin flood related issues and are updated on an ongoing basis. Sid Dutchak is the spokesperson.

2011 Flooding – Status of re-entry

Issue
Funds are moving to First Nations so that the necessary housing and infrastructure repairs can be made in order for evacuees to return home.

Background
A number of First Nation residents were impacted by the 2011 flood and 1,891 remain evacuated as of September 17, 2013. As of August 16, 2013, the total assistance provided to MANFF under the DFA program with regards to the 2011 spring flood is $83.58 million.

Current status
In March 2013, the DM approved the allocation of $40 million for 2013-2014 in support of the proposed strategy to return 2011 flood evacuees home. The strategy is being implemented in a three phased approach. Phase 1 has a target of returning approximately 780 evacuees home by fall 2013 so that students can begin school in their communities.

Ebb and Flow First Nation

Re-entry status
Recovery measures such as home repairs and renovations are required. AANDC has reviewed a plan from Chief and Council and has agreed to fund replacement of 10 of the highest priority houses at an estimated cost of $2.7M.

As of July 31 2013, the project for the first 10 replacement homes has returned 49 evacuees. The First Nation is managing schooling for children. A second project is underway to build 19 houses to support the remaining evacuees at a cost estimate of $6 million. It is expected that this project will be complete and all evacuees will return home in the fall of 2013.
Current number of evacuees: 59 as of October 17, as reported by MANFF.

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Little Saskatchewan First Nation
Re-entry status
On December 17, a joint federal/provincial news release was issued indicating that up to 40 houses would be moved to land adjacent to Little Saskatchewan First Nation. On April 3 2013, the First Nation Chief and Council signed a Band Council Resolution identifying their site selection for the placement of their first 40 homes.

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Dauphin River First Nation
Re-entry status
The First Nation is requesting assistance to repair homes and the school. The department provided $124,000 for the First Nation to do an assessment of damages and the assessment has begun. The First Nation is requesting 30 homes. Assessment of housing submitted May 2013 shows repairs are required for 24 homes and 1 building and replacement is required for 35 homes and 2 buildings. The province of Manitoba and the First Nation have come to an agreement on the easement requirements for the current reserve. AANDC has purchased portable classrooms for the 2013/14 school year. The First Nation and its Project Managers provided updates on progress and anticipated timelines at a meeting held September 18 2013.
Current number of evacuees: 205 as of October 17, as reported by MANFF.

Pinaymootang First Nation
Re-entry status
Recovery measures such as home repairs and renovations are required in order to allow for return to safe homes. Work is complete on 50 replacement houses provided by Manitoba. The Chief has requested 15 additional houses and AANDC has provided

$1.5M to have housing material packages for 15 homes delivered for completion in the new fiscal year.

Current number of evacuees: 4 as of October 17, as reported by MANFF.

Peguis First Nation
Re-entry status
Recovery measures such as home repairs and renovations are required in order to allow for return to safe homes. A housing plan has been submitted to AANDC for 14 homes to return 82 evacuees at an estimated cost of $5 million and is expected to be approved November 2013. The 82 evacuees (including 27 adults and 55 children) will return home in the fall of 2013.

Current number of evacuees: 176 as of October 17, as reported by MANFF.

Media forecast
Anticipate that regional and national media will continue to follow this story.

Executive Services products and communications
Comprehensive media lines and questions and answers have been prepared on re-entry and are updated on an ongoing basis.

Litigation – Flooding – Updated by LMRB/DOJ

Issue
Lake St. Martin, Pinaymootang, Little Saskatchewan, Dauphin River, Ebb and Flow and Peguis First Nations have filed lawsuits with respect to 2011 flooding.

Background
First Nations impacted by flooding are pursuing legal action.

Current status

Anderson – Flooding Class Actions These claims are in the form of two class actions on behalf of a number of individuals from the Pinaymootang (Fairford), Little Saskatchewan, Lake St. Martin, and Dauphin River First Nations. The actions are for damages related to the adverse impacts of flooding in 2011, occasioned in part by provincial flood diversion projects. Neither class has yet been certified. On October 10, 2013, Canada consented to the consolidation of these two class actions. As such Canada is no longer required to file its Statement of Defence to the Third Party Claim by Manitoba. Statements of Defence must be filed by the other third parties on or before October 15, 2013. A motion for consolidation of the two actions will proceed on October 25, 2013. MANFF will be opposing consolidation of the two actions. The certification motion(s) is set for November 21, 2013

In addition to the existence of these claims, discussions are currently underway between Canada, the province of Manitoba and several First Nations affected by the same provincial water control regime in Manitoba's Interlake region.

LSM - On September 28, 2012 Lake St. Martin First Nation issued a news release indicating they had filed a motion in the Manitoba Court of Queen's Bench asking the Court to order that both the federal and provincial governments pay the First Nation's legal expenses in advance of trial. The action claims the failure of the federal government to fulfill its duties to protect the First Nation from the province's acts.

In October, 2012, the First Nation filed a motion for advance costs in the amount of $40,000.00. A one day hearing took place on January 14, 2013. On June 18, 2013, the application was dismissed.

Costs of the motion were left to agreement between the parties; failing agreement, they will be dealt with by the Court.

Pinaymootang - On April 22, 2013, Pinaymootang First Nation filed a claim in the Court of Queen's Bench naming both Canada and the Province of Manitoba which claims that without consulting with or compensating the First Nation, and in breach of legal duties owed to the First Nation, Manitoba operated provincial water control structures in 2011, resulting in significant damages on reserve, to the community, and to the members of the First Nation. The First Nation says that Canada breached its duties to them by acquiescing to Manitoba's decisions to operate provincial water controls structures. Counsel for the First Nation has advised that the claim was filed primarily to protect against the expiry of limitations. Federal government Departments involved – AANDC and Public Safety Canada. By way of letter dated September 20, 2013, counsel for Pinaymootang FN requested Canada's Statement of Defence in this matter be filed by October 11, 2013. Justice counsel advised counsel for the FN that Canada would take the request under consideration but would not commit to filing by that date.

Little Saskatchewan – On April 30, 2013, Little Saskatchewan filed a statement of claim in the Court of Queen's Bench against Canada claiming that provincial flood control structures and operations have artificially exacerbated flooding in the Lake St. Martin drainage basin, adversely impacting reserve lands. Little Saskatchewan filed a similar claim against the Province of Manitoba on the same date. Counsel for the First Nation has advised that these claims were primarily filed to protect against the expiry of limitations. By way of letter dated September 20, 2013, counsel for Little Saskatchewan FN requested Canada's Statement of Defence in this matter be filed by October 11, 2013. Justice counsel advised counsel for the FN that Canada would take the request under consideration but would not commit to filing by that date.

Dauphin River - On February 1, 2013, Dauphin River filed a statement of claim in the Court of Queen's bench claiming that Canada breached its duties to them by acquiescing to Manitoba's decisions in the spring of 2011 to operate provincial water

control structures and otherwise impact the flow of the Dauphin River, without consulting or compensating the First Nation and that these breaches have led to significant damages on the reserve, to the community and to the members of the First Nation. The claim is for special damages, general damages in the amount of $100,000,000.00, damages for loss of enjoyment of the lands and for various declarations regarding Canada's liability. Dauphin River filed a separate claim against the Province of Manitoba on the same date. The claim is for special damages in the amount of $240,000.00, general damages in the amount of $100,000,000.00, damages for loss and enjoyment of lands, and for various declarations of Manitoba's liability. Counsel for the First Nation has advised that these claims have been filed primarily to protect against the expiry of limitations. By way of letter dated September 20, 2013, counsel for Little Saskatchewan FN requested Canada's Statement of Defence in this matter be filed by October 11, 2013. Justice counsel advised counsel for the FN that Canada would take the request under consideration but would not commit to filing by that date.

Ebb and Flow and Peguis – Ebb and Flow and Peguis First Nations filed claims in Manitoba Queen's Bench on September 16, 2011. Amended Statements of Claim were filed on December 22, 2011, and served on Canada on January 11, 2012. The Claims by Ebb & Flow and Peguis are nearly identical, and are brought against Canada, Manitoba and Manitoba Hydro in respect of diversion of water diversion for flood control and power generation within Manitoba. Failure to consult on all such projects is alleged globally. Further, they allege that Canada breached its fiduciary or constitutional duties by failing to properly supervise, halt or regulate all such projects.

Manitoba Hydro filed its Statement of Defence on March 23, 2012. Neither Canada nor Manitoba has filed their Statements of Defence but rather brought motions to strike the Plaintiffs' claims. On April 29, 2013, Master Berthaudin granted both Canada and Manitoba's motions to strike with leave to amend within 4 months from the date of the reasons (August, 29, 2013). In the written decision, it is noted that the Plaintiffs did not clearly set out the material facts for the basis of the claims being brought forward. Peguis FN filed a Notice of Appeal of that decision on May 13, 2013. In addition to the appeal, on September 20, 2013, Peguis FN filed a Amended Statement of Claim. Ebb & Flow FN has been given an extension to October 15, 2013, to file an Amended Statement of Claim

Media forecast
Anticipate that regional and national media will continue to follow this story.

Executive Services products and communications
None at this time.

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Saskatchewan Region
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1. Métis Nation of Saskatchewan On-going Governance Issues

Issue
Member of Parliament Rob Clarke (CON) is publically requesting Ministerial intervention in the Métis Nation of Saskatchewan governance dispute.

Background
On October 14, 2013, media reports indicate MP Clarke is asking the federal government to freeze funding to the Métis Nation of Saskatchewan (MN-S) due to on-going constitutional and procedural concerns with the organization.

On October 10, 2013, Saskatchewan's Court of Queen's Bench reserved decision on the legality of the recent MN-S Legislative Assembly and Annual General Meeting held in September. Both parties are expected back in court on November 5, 2013.

On August 8, 2013, MP Rob Clarke sent a letter addressed to Minister Valcourt, expressing concerns regarding recent protests from some Métis citizens directed at elected MN-S President, Mr. Robert Doucette. A draft response to MP Clarke is currently in departmental approvals.

In 2011, AANDC examined the organization's management practices and financial controls, with significant control weaknesses being identified in the audit. The federal and provincial governments are providing resources to address the recommendations subsequently made by the Department. Over the past year, Deloitte & Touche has been working with the organization in this regard.

In 2012, specific financial transactions were reviewed by AANDC's Audit and Evaluation Sector (AES) in response to allegations made by some members of the Provincial Métis Council. There were no findings of criminal activity or malfeasance.

AANDC provides annual core funding to the MN-S in the amount of $460,000 (2013/14)

Current Status
The Métis Nation of Saskatchewan is an autonomous organization with its own governance structure and processes. The manner in which the organization manages its affairs is internal to the organization.

Given this governance matter is before the courts, it would be inappropriate for federal officials to intervene and comment publicly.

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The organization held its Métis Nation Legislative Assembly (MNLA) and Annual General Assembly (AGA) on September 7 and 8, 2013. The MNLA and the AGA are the ultimate decision-making authorities for the organization.

Media Forecast
Protests directed at the MN-S emerged in the summer of 2013 (August) and in October the media covered the court case. MP Rob Clarke raised this matter in the media on October 4, 2013, asking Minister Valcourt to intervene and stop funding the organization until the governance dispute is resolved.

Executive Services & Communications Products
The Assessment and Investigative Services Branch (AISB) in HQ has drafted a response to MP Clarke (Refer: Z58243) which includes a briefing note on their work reviewing MN-S allegations. PSD-HQ manages the Department's contribution agreement and relationship with the Métis Nation of Saskatchewan as an Aboriginal Representative Organization (ARO).

2. Update: Governance Dispute at Cowessess First Nation

Issue
Cowessess First Nation has not resolved its internal governance dispute. However, AANDC essential programs and services continue to be delivered to its community members.

Background
On April 27, 2013, Cowessess First Nation held a general election in accordance to its Custom Election Code (outside of the provisions of the *Indian Act*). In May, the Department received the Statement of the Vote which declared that Terry Lavallee was elected Chief for a three-year term.

On August 5, he was removed from the Band Governance Management System due to a letter received from a Councilor stating that the Terry Lavallee had been removed as Chief due to a failure to meet residency requirements under their Custom Code.

On September 18, 2013, this matter was heard in the federal court. As part of his submission to the court, Chief Terry Lavallee agreed to hold a meeting of the entire Chief and Council before October 1, 2013, in search of a resolution. This Chief and Council meeting occurred before the court's imposed deadline. However, no resolution was achieved at the Band level and the governance dispute continues.

Current Status
This situation continues to be an internal governance matter, as Cowessess First Nation conducts its leadership selection under its own custom election code. The Department respects the community's ability to resolve this internal matter itself.

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AANDC's role is to monitor the terms and conditions of the First Nation's current funding agreement to ensure programs and services to the membership are not disrupted. Funding for mediation services was offered to both parties in the dispute. However, neither party has pursued that option.

AANDC has no role to play in interpreting, or offering advice or legal opinions, with respect to the First Nation's election rules and procedures.

The Funding Services Officer has been in contact with various band officials who confirm that AANDC programs and services are being delivered.

Media Forecast
There have been no media inquiries to the Department. We anticipate that this matter will re-emerge once the two parties return to the courts in search of a resolution.

Executive Services/Communications Products
Media lines have been drafted. SK region has received two complaints on this matter through Allegations and Complaints process.

Weekly Issues Management Report
Alberta Region
Week Ending October 18, 2013

Calgary Ring Road

Issue
An agreement has been reached between the Tsuu T'ina Nation and the Province of Alberta on the construction of the southwest portion of the Calgary ring road. The fact that there is a draft agreement is now public knowledge but no details have been released.

Background
The Province of Alberta is constructing a ring road around the city of Calgary. Former Premier Ed Stelmach had stated that the best route for the southwest portion of the road would be through Tsuu T'ina land, but after the nation rejected the proposed deal in 2009, the province began examining alternative routes. On March 2, 2012, former Tsuu T'ina Chief Sandford Big Plume announced his intention to bring the idea back to his people and on June 29, 2012 in a secret ballot survey, 68.5% of members voted in favour of giving a mandate to Chief and Council to renegotiate a new deal with the province.

Minister Valcourt visited Tsuu T'ina Nation on July 6 2013, and one of the main topics of discussion with Chief Roy Whitney-Onespot was the ring road. Also in attendance was Chief Federal Representative Barrie Robb. Minister Valcourt received a detailed briefing and was shown the actual area of the reserve where the ring road would begin.

Current Status
The Tsuu T'ina Nation passed a Band Council Resolution dated September 5, 2013, indicating that the Nation and Province of Alberta have negotiated a final agreement for the on-reserve portion of the proposed southwest Calgary ring road.

The Province of Alberta received cabinet approval of the agreement September 5, 2013. Now approved, the Tsuu T'ina Nation has posted a Notice of the Referendum to be held on October 24, 2013.

In line with the above proposed approval schedule, Canada will be challenged to respond to and address the federal obligations which have been identified in the agreement. The proposed transactions (section 35 transfer and additions to reserve) will necessitate two Orders in Council, and federal officials indicated to the parties that the Order in Council process can be expedited only once the documents and information set out in the federal policy are provided to Canada in final form.

In the Calgary Herald on October 3, 2013, Calgary Southeast MP and regional minister for southern Alberta Jason Kenney is quoted as saying Ottawa will fully cooperate with the First Nation, the city and the provincial government in implementing a final agreement "as long as it doesn't violate the federal interest."

"But let's be clear, we believe First Nations should be able to decide what to do with their land and if they've come to an agreement and the referendum endorses the agreement, then we will do everything we possibly can to implement that. We want to facilitate the decision ... not stand in the way."

Media Forecast

News of the tentative agreement broke on Thursday, September 19, 2013 with virtually all major Calgary media outlets reporting on the story. For example, Calgary Herald: "A tentative deal has been reached to build the long-anticipated southwest leg of the ring road...," Calgary Sun: " Calgarians know not to hold their breath on this one, but as early as next month, new plans for the southwest leg of the ring road could be approved."

News of the tentative agreement was also released by Alberta Transportation Minister Ric McIver. McIver has commented that unfortunate wording of the original agreement prompted members to reject the deal in 2009. Both Calgary Mayor Naheed Nenshi and Premier Alison Redford are reportedly happy with the progress on the deal to complete the southwest section.

Tsuu T'ina Nation spokesman Peter Manywounds is adamant that no details of the tentative agreement be released prior to Tsuu T'ina membership voting on the agreement. The Nation is concerned that speculation in the media about the agreement detracts from information the Nation is delivering to its members.

AANDC has no comment on the agreement, which is between the Province of Alberta and Tsuu T'ina. Some of the news stories, however, referred to the federal government having to ratify the deal if approved by members. And, as noted above, regional MP Jason Kenney has publicly stated that the federal government supports the agreement if approved by members.

If the agreement is accepted by members, media interest will shift to the length of time required to put the agreement through federal approvals leading to an order-in-council. The region will keep HQ Communications informed of this process and will share media lines.

Executive Services/Communications Products

Media lines on the appointment of Chief Federal Representative Barrie Robb are available as are media lines on the federal role in the ultimate transfer of the land.

A detailed briefing note on the current situation is also available.

Yellowhead Tribal Services Agency

Issue

AANDC has served notice to the Yellowhead Tribal Services Agency (YTSA) that it is terminating its service delivery agreement to the child and family services agency because the agency has refused to appoint a recipient appointed financial advisor.

Background

On October 19, 2011, AANDC officials were informed by the Yellowhead Tribal Services Agency (YTSA) board of directors of allegations of inappropriate use of funds and case management decisions. At the request of the YTSA board, MNP conducted a financial investigation in 2012/13 which found significant evidence of serious financial management problems. These findings were submitted to the RCMP by the YTSA board of directors in September 2012.

Subsequent to the review and report, Alexis Nakota Sioux Nation withdrew from YTSA and began receiving services from Alberta effective November 1, 2012. On April 1, 2013, O'Chiese First Nation submitted a Band Council Resolution regarding its intention to withdraw from YTSA. Subsequently, both Enoch Cree Nation and Sunchild First Nation stated they no longer support the continued operation of YTSA. All three nations have explored options for the future delivery of child and family services such as creating a new First Nation child and family services society. The creation of a new agency is not supported by AANDC as it runs counter to departmental policy which promotes larger aggregated models.

With the member parties no longer supporting YTSA, it was determined the agency would cease to operate as of March 31, 2014. The region asked the board to provide its notice of intent to engage a co-manager by September 18. The board subsequently advised that they were not willing to do this. The agency considered some other options to obtain co-management services before notifying AANDC on September 30, 2013 of its decision to not proceed with a co-manager.

AANDC does not deliver child and family services. The department's role in this regard is to fund or reimburse provincially delegated First Nations service providers and provinces for administrative and protection services (operating costs) and for the direct costs of placing children in temporary or permanent care of foster parents (maintenance costs) in accordance with provincial legislation and standards.

AANDC has been transferring approximately $7 million annually to YTSA.

Current Status

AANDC advised the board of YTSA on October 9 (in writing) that with no agreement signed, the department must give the required 90-day notice, thereby withdrawing from the service delivery agreement and ceasing funding.

Both Regional Operations and ESDPP were briefed and both signed off on the briefing note on the plan to serve YTSA with notice of termination of the agreement. A letter addressed to the YTSA board of directors and the Province of Alberta (Steve MacDonald, Deputy Minister, Human Services) was sent on October 9, 2013. The letter indicates that AANDC has attempted to work with YTSA for the last couple of years to increase financial capacity, but this has not happened due to the board's reluctance to either hire a qualified financial manager or to bring in a co-manager.

In parallel to this, regional staff has met with provincial officials and have confirmed that the province is prepared to take over the agency's child protection files and there will be no disruption of services.

Media Coverage

There has been no media coverage to date. Usually, media interest is possible if there is any interruption of service delivery to members and that does not appear to be the case, even with the likelihood of direct delivery by Alberta.

Executive Services/Communications Products

Briefing notes and media lines have been prepared.

Issues Management Bi-Weekly Report
British Columbia Region
Week Ending October 15, 2013

New and updated highlighted in yellow

Kinder Morgan easement

Issue
Meeting on Modernization of Kinder Morgan Pipeline Easements

Background
The Trans Mountain pipeline has been in operation since 1953. It is now owned by Kinder Morgan, which is planning a project to build a second pipeline adjacent to the first and to expand its marine terminal in Burnaby.

The pipeline uses Section 35 easements (right-of-ways) to pass through 14 reserves in BC. It is unclear if the Section 35 easements were properly assigned to Kinder Morgan when they originally purchased the pipeline. On June 18, 2012, Kinder Morgan requested a formal reassignment of the Section 35 easements to their company. Coldwater Indian Band has applied to the Federal Court for a Judicial Review on the pending decision of the Minister to consent to the reassignments and of the proposed twinning of the pipeline. The hearing is scheduled for October 30 and 31, 2013.

Several First Nations have requested a modification to the current easements that would incorporate modern terms and conditions. In response, AANDC has invited 16 affected First Nations to a meeting on October 24, 2013. The meeting will focus on the feasibility of a management framework for modification of the easements to Kinder Morgan under the *Indian Act*. The agenda does not include addressing controversial issues related to reassignment and the proposed twinning of the pipeline.

However, it is possible the invitees could bring these issues up.

Current Status
The invitation letter was sent October 4, 2013. First Nations are still responding.

Media Forecast
There have been no media calls to date. Given the profile of pipeline projects and previously reported First Nation opposition to pipelines, media could be interested.

Products
Media lines are being developed. A QP card is in development.

Addition to Reserve Policy Revisions

Issue
British Columbia Municipalities object to Additions to Reserve Policy revisions

Background
On July 26, 2013, AANDC began seeking feedback on proposed revisions to the Policy on Additions to Reserve and Reserve Creation. An extension for public comments has been granted to October 31, 2013.

Municipal governments within the Metro Vancouver area, such as Delta, Burnaby, and Vancouver, have objected to the proposed policy revisions in the press, with concerns including issues such as community planning, taxation, and a potentially confusing patchwork of jurisdictions.

Current Status
The Vancouver Sun printed a front-page, negatively-toned article entitled "Proposals to create satellite reserves alarms municipalities" on October 10, 2013. The article outlined the Union of BC Municipalities' objections to the revised ATR policy. A response letter to the editor from the Minister has been drafted in Headquarters. In addition, several opinion pieces, letters, editorials have been written in response to the article which are positive in tone.

Media Forecast
Similar articles have appeared in local media on September 20, 2013, and August 7, 2013. Continued local media coverage of this topic is expected.

Products
Headquarters is the lead on communications for this topic. Media lines have been developed in HQ regarding the Additions to Reserve Policy.

BC First Nations opposition to First Nations Education Act

Issue
First Nations groups in BC have called for the suspension of the First Nations Education Act.

Background
In a September 20, 2013 joint press release, the BC First Nations Leadership Council (Union of BC Indian Chiefs, First Nations Summit and BC Assembly of First Nations) claimed that development of the proposed bill was unilateral and the subsequent consultation process inadequate. The groups are calling for jointly-drafted legislation. The release also states that any future First Nation education legislation must support the current BC First Nations Education system and the Tripartite Education Framework Agreement.

On September 27, 2013 the First Nations Summit passed a resolution during its general meeting rejecting the proposed First Nations Education Act.

On October 7, The First Nations Education Steering Committee, First Nations Schools Association, Indigenous Adult and Higher Learning Association, and First Nations Early Childhood Development Council sent out a press release to commemorate the Royal Proclamation. The release highlighted the need for First Nations control over education and that BC First Nations groups have built a functioning education system in the province.

Current Status
The BC Joint Gathering 2013, co-hosted by AANDC and BC First Nation Leadership Council will take place October 15-17, 2013. A plenary session is scheduled October 16 to discuss the proposed First Nations Education Act.

Media Forecast
On September 20, 2013, the Assembly of First Nations also issued a separate release reaffirming its rejection of the First Nations Education Act. Many media articles with a national focus were published between October 7-10 focusing on the perceived lack of consultation on the First Nation Education Act including interviews with the AFN National Chief Shawn A-in-chut Atleo. Media interest is ongoing.

Products
Media lines on BC Joint Gathering 2013 are in HQ approvals. HQ Communications has approved general lines on the Education Act.

Mamalilikulla-Qwe'Qwa'Sot'Em Band Division

Issue
The Department has received complaints regarding Band leadership and the possible division of the Mamalilikulla-Qwe'Qwa'Sot'Em Band

Background
In 1988, members of the Mamalilikulla-Qwe'Qwa'Sot'Em Band (located on northern Vancouver Island) formally requested a band division to re-establish the Mamalilkulla Band and the Wiumasgum Qwe'Qwa'Sot'Em Band. Members of the two proposed groups have emphasized that the intention of the division is to undo an 80-year-old amalgamation and to restore the cultural and political differences of the two distinct communities that existed prior to the 1931-32 amalgamation.

The Band completed its agreement-in-principle for the separation and in April 2013 the Deputy Minister gave approval-in-principal to the proposal. The Band is currently holding information sessions for its members, the first of which was on October 5, 2013.

The final steps in the process are a ratification vote to confirm that the electorates of the communities affected agree to the terms of the separation, and ministerial approval of the creation of a new First Nation.

The Region has received complaints about the proposed division from two sources:

Complaint #1
BC Region was contacted in March 2013 by a Band member who complained about the Band's leadership claiming that the Sewid family (referred to as the Qwe'Qwa'Sot Em) does not belong to the Mamalilikulla and should not be on Council. The complainant asked that a forensic audit be conducted.

The Mamalilikulla-Qwe'Qwa'Sot'Em Band elects its Chief and Council through its own custom community election system rather than by the election rules contained in the *Indian Act*. As a result, the department has no role to play as to how the community's leadership is selected or how governance disputes are resolved. A letter was sent to the complainant on March 14, 2013, noting that there are no grounds for a forensic audit.

On August 18, 2013, BC Region received further correspondence from the same Band member who invited the RDG to attend the general Band meeting scheduled for October 19th at which she will be requesting a forensic audit. On August 26, 2013 the RDG responded in an email stating that he would not be attending the meeting.

Complaint #2
The Department received a letter dated October 30, 2012, from Chief Robert Chamberlin of the neighbouring Kwikwasut'inxw/Haxwa'mis First Nation expressing concern over the referendum and possible Band division. The Kwikwasut'inxw/Haxwa'mis First Nation ask to be consulted with respect to any further steps the Department takes relating to the referendum.

A response letter was sent to Chief Chamberlin in January 2013 explaining the role of the Department is to ensure that band division follows the process set out by the *Indian Act* and the New Bands/Band Amalgamation policy. The letter also explained that the process of band division does not involve claims to rights or jurisdiction over traditional territory and encouraged Chief Chamberlin to discuss concerns with the Mamalilikulla-Qwe'Qwa'Sot'Em Band.

Current Status
On October 2, 2013, staff from the Musgamagw Tsawataineuk Tribal Council (MTTC) and Chief Robert Chamberlin met with BC Region staff to discuss the Mamalilikulla-Qwe'Qwa'Sot'Em Band division proposal and how it will affect them. They wanted to know how they can stop the process, or appeal and/or challenge the outcome. They also stated that they intended to protest at the information meeting on October 5, 2013 and that the issue would be brought to the attention of the media. A regional response is being drafted in consultation with HQ Governance.

On October 7, 2013 BC Region received an email from the MTTC regarding the protest held at the information session on October 5, 2013. The protesters were not invited into the meeting and they protested peacefully outside. The email states that they will not stop

protesting this process and they want AANDC to review its policy. A regional response is being drafted in consultation with HQ Governance.

Media forecast
Media interest is possible. Chief Chamberlin is a high profile figure in BC, not only as a Chief but also as the Vice President of the Union of BC Indian Chiefs.

Products
Media lines are being developed. A QP Card is being developed.

Tlazt'en Band Division

Issue
Binche Keyoh community members are upset with progress on the separation

Background
Tl'azt'en First Nation (located along the north shore of Stuart Lake in the northern interior of British Columbia) is comprised of three communities: Middle River, Tache and Binche Keyoh. The Binche Keyoh community would like to separate from the Tl'azt'en First Nation to form their own First Nation.

In March 2011, AANDC received a Band Council Resolution (BCR) from Tl'azt'en First Nation indicating that Tl'azt'en and Binche Keyoh's are entering into negotiations for an agreement-in-principle to separate. The agreement-in-principle must include information about how the two groups will deal with shared assets, liabilities, debts, reserves and resources. On average it takes about 10 years for First Nations groups to separate.

AANDC does not provide funding or become involved in the negotiations for separations. Once the Band completes its agreement-in-principle for the separation, it requires approval-in-principle by the Deputy Minister. The final steps in the process are a ratification vote to confirm that the electorates of the communities affected agree to the terms of the separation, and Ministerial approval of the creation of a new First Nation.

A call was received from the Caledonia Courier newspaper on August 9, regarding the Department's role in this process and what progress has been made. A response was provided on August 22. A story also appeared on September 24 in the Caledonia Courier.

On September 18, BC Region received an email and letter from Joshua Hallman, an elected councillor and separation committee member for Binche Keyoh alleging the Tl'azt'en First Nation has been stalling the separation process. Councillor Hallman requested the Department to appoint an independent third party to negotiate for Tl'azt'en First Nation and move the separation process forward. The Minister's office, the BC Aboriginal Relations and Reconciliation Minister John Rustad and MP Nathan Cullen, were copied on the letter.

Current Status
The Region sent a response letter to Mr. Hallman October 8, 2013. The RDG declined the request for a meeting, and stated that the Department cannot appoint an independent third party to negotiate and move the separation process forward. On October 9, 2013 the Department received a response email from Mr. Hallman questioning AANDC's New Band/Band Amalgamations policy and asking that it be amended. He also invited the Manager of Governance and/or the RDG to visit the community and discuss changes to the policy. A response is currently being drafted.

Media Forecast
Further local media coverage is likely.

Products
Media lines have been prepared. A QP Card is being developed.

From: **Lesia Manchulenko**
Sent: **10/17/2013 10:58:30 AM**
To: **Ronald.Levesque@aandc-aadnc.gc.ca;Sandra.Laughren@aadnc-aandc.gc.ca**
CC: **Claudia.Fournier@aadnc-aandc.gc.ca**
BCC:
Subject: **Fwd: Rép. : Re: For MO approval: Updated Media Lines Anti-Fracking Protesters**

Hm. Sandra, do you know?

>>> Ronald Levesque 10/17/2013 10:54 AM >>>
These aren't it. They'd have "October 2013 blockage route 134" in the title....sent up October 1 or 2...

>>> Lesia Manchulenko 10/17/2013 11:52 AM >>>
Hi Ron - This is what came through earlier (a TAG lead, not RO this time). MO has this version, so please let us know re: any updates. Thanks, Lesia

>>> Claudia Fournier 2013-10-03 15:18 >>>
Thanks John and Amanda - I am sending the lines to MO.

However, I have a quick question - do we have lines / information on the framework agreement? Mo will certainly ask for this.

>>> Amanda Kaminski 10/3/2013 2:35 PM >>>
For MO approval:

Products: Updated Media Lines
Subject: Anti-fracking protesters have blocked Route 134 near the junction of Highway 11 in southeastern New Brunswick and have promised to do so until SWN Resources leaves the province.
Timing: Requested by MO

Notes: I have embedded the lines and attached a copy as well. Previously approved by DG Comms, ADMO, DG, and DMO.
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ISSUE
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POSITIONING STATEMENT:

Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada is aware of the blockade and encourages a resolution of the concerns raised by the protestors through dialogue among the concerned parties. A forum for the negotiation of Aboriginal rights, including rights to lands and resources, exists with the Government of Canada, the Government of New Brunswick, and the Assembly of First Nations Chiefs of New Brunswick.

KEY MESSAGES

?We encourage the resolution of issues through dialogue in all cases.

?We recognize the publics right to engage in peaceful protests.

?Where demonstrations do occur, the matter becomes a public safety issue for the consideration of policing authorities.

?All Canadians are subject to the laws of Canada and it is our expectation that respect for the law will prevail.

?Working together to find common solutions is a much more constructive way of dealing with issues than planning or undertaking a blockade or protest.

If pressed on a possible role for AANDC in resolving this issue:

?The responsibility of Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada (AANDC), with respect to land management, is limited to reserve land.

?Licensing for oil and gas exploration on provincial Crown land falls under provincial jurisdiction.

If asked on Aboriginal rights negotiations with First Nations in New Brunswick:
?Canada, the Province of New Brunswick, and the Assembly of First Nations Chiefs of New Brunswick have established a process for the negotiation of Aboriginal and treaty rights in New Brunswick. Elsipogtog is a member of the Assembly, so is part of these negotiations.
?These negotiations are based on respect for historic treaties and treaty rights and will also bring clarity to outstanding issues of Aboriginal rights, including assertions of Aboriginal title.
?A framework agreement has been concluded by the parties and is awaiting signature at this time. This framework agreement will guide negotiations among the parties in the future.

BACKGROUND

These lines have been prepared in anticipation of any media call regarding the most recent (Fall 2013) protests on shale gas exploration in New Brunswick.

SWN Resources Canada (www.swnnb.ca), a wholly owned subsidiary of Southwestern Energy Company, will resume seismic testing soon in Kent County (New Brunswick) to see if there is viable gas industry in the area. In March 2010, the Province of New Brunswick accepted the companys bid for a licence to search, exploring 1 million hectares (2.5 million acres) in the province.

The protesters have been holding demonstrations and blocked Route 134. Media reports state the protesters have claimed the road will remain blocked until SWN leaves the province. In a press release Sept. 30, Elsipogtog Chief Arren Sock announced a Band Council Resolution to undertake stewardship of all unoccupied Crown land would be publicly unveiled October 1. The Elsipogtog First Nation and the Signigtog District Grand Council state that the Original people of the territory, together with their hereditary and elected leaders, believe that their lands and waters are being badly mismanaged by Canada, the province and corporations to the point of ruin. Now facing complete destruction, they feel that the lands are no longer capable of providing enough to support the populations of the region.

The release further states that Mi'kmaq people of Signigtog are resuming stewardship of their lands and waters to correct the problems and are planning measures to restore them back to good health.
In 1999, the Supreme Court of Canada found in Marshall that the Mikmaq and Maliseet of the Atlantic provinces possess a historic treaty right to fish and harvest for a moderate livelihood based on the 1760 Peace and Friendship Treaties. In the wake of this decision, Canada began negotiations with Mikmaq and Maliseet groups in Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and Quebec.
As the 1760 treaties were relationship agreements and did not address Aboriginal rights, these negotiations focus on both the implementation of the historic treaty and the reconciliation of Aboriginal rights, including Aboriginal title. Canada, the Province, and the Assembly of First Nations Chiefs of New Brunswick, which represents 14 New Brunswick First Nations (including Elsipogtog), achieved an umbrella agreement for the negotiation process in 2011 and have now concluded a framework agreement which will guide all future negotiations. This framework agreement is presently awaiting signature by the parties.

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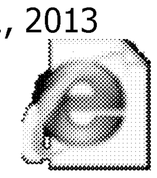
Steve Young, Manager, Atlantic Communications, Oct. 1, 2013



Teresa Joudrie, A/RDG, Atlantic Region, Oct. 1, 2013

Serge Beaudoin - Re: Bi-Weekly report

From: Daniel Hughes
To: Angela Matchim
Date: 10/16/2013 8:45 AM
Subject: Re: Bi-Weekly report
CC: Serge Beaudoin
Attachments: DH Bi-Weekly Guidelines template.DOC; NCR-#4857634-v22-FPT_BC_PROFILE_OCTOBER__1_2013.doc

Good morning, Angela...

Please find attached:
- proposal I made last week regarding updating the template document for these reports (to add events / elections like Manitoba does)

In addition, please also find attached the BC profile brought forward periodically by the intergovernmental relations shop. In the past, I have wondered why the bi-weekly report does not contain issues such as litigation update, comp and spec claims, ec dev, etc.

Personally, I would append the bi-weekly report to the analytical profile, thus creating a one-stop shop for information. We would need to figure out a process, as I am sure Intergovernmental Relations would not want to give up responsibility for the product, but it would make sense to me to have everything rolled up together in this manner.

Happy to discuss further,

Dan

>>> On 10/15/2013 at 9:13 PM, in message <525E4FB8.0637.004F.0@aadnc-aandc.gc.ca>, Angela Matchim wrote:

> Dan now that you've reviewed two editions of the report, can you please provide me with your recommendations for improving the document overall.
>
> Some things that immediately come to mind are areas of consistency, length, currency, horizontality. The latter will be more of a challenge that might be covered off in the form of analysis.
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> Angela
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> >>> Susan MacGowan 10/2/2013 8:10:14 PM >>>
> Interestingly we raised this at our RO management call this afternoon with a view to assessing what our approach ought to be moving forward. Not enough time on our call to draw conclusions so this will need follow up. Sue
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> >>> Colleen Swords 10/2/2013 6:53:27 PM >>>
> Who is reading these besides me when I have time?
> Nothing on Elsipogtog in the Atlantic section so I am not sure how they flag things that are of media interest-- but that makes me wonder what crtieria are used to determine what goes in these.
> Is there anyone in mino getting these?
> The recipient list looks out of date-- Ron Hallman is still on it but not Sue.
> These take work to keep up to date so let's be sure they are being used or adjust so they are or reconsider.

>>> Sylvia Tassé 10/2/2013 5:30:29 PM >>>
Good afternoon,

Please find attached below the Bi-Weekly Issues Management Report, Week Ending October 4, 2013

Have a nice day,
thanks
Sylvia

Serge Beaudoin - Fwd: RCMP press release from today

From: Dougal MacDonald
To: Adam Schjott; Angela Dowe; Serge Beaudoin
Date: 10/18/2013 3:37 PM
Subject: Fwd: RCMP press release from today
CC: Harold Hines

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fyi

>>> Ronald Levesque 10/18/2013 3:48 PM >>>
Note mention of attempt to burn down RCMP station on-reserve. -Ron

RCMP respond to serious threat to public safety; explosives, firearms and knives seized, Rexton, N.B. 2013/10/18

http://www.rcmp-grc.gc.ca/nb/news-nouvelles/releases-communiques/13-10-18-142855-eng.htm

The RCMP seized a number of firearms from an encampment at a protest site set up along Highway 134 in Rexton on October 17, 2013. Police also discovered improvised explosive devices, a large amount of ammunition, knives and bear spray.

During yesterdays police operation, several shots were fired from within the encampment, Molotov-style explosives were thrown at police, six RCMP vehicles were destroyed by fire, and several improvised explosive devices were discovered and defused. These explosives contained shrapnel and had the potential to seriously injure or kill people. There were no reported serious injuries to either police or people gathered in the area. The previous day, on October 16, death threats were made by some of the protestors against members of a private security firm at the compound being blocked.

The weapons and explosives we seized show that this was no longer a peaceful protest and there was a serious threat to public safety. We took the action necessary to address that threat, says New Brunswick RCMP Commanding Officer Assistant Commissioner Roger Brown. Police officers demonstrated incredible professionalism as they worked to resolve the situation under tremendously difficult and dangerous circumstances. Some in the crowd threw rocks and bottles at them and sprayed them with bear spray. Setting police cars on fire created a dangerous situation for everyone in the area, and it was at that point that police were forced to physically confront some in the crowd who refused to obey the law.

Forty people were arrested. Nine people are expected to appear in court on October 18 to face a variety of charges including pointing a firearm, mischief, assaulting a police officer, resisting arrest, obstruction of justice and failing to abide by a court injunction. Thirty-one other people were released on police undertakings and promises to appear in court at later dates. Our investigations continue and additional charges are expected.

At approximately 2:30 a.m. on October 18, an attempt was made to burn the Elsipogtog First Nation RCMP office. Minor damage was sustained, and the Elsipogtog Fire Department was able to put out the fire. This is a building owned by Elsipogtog First Nation.

The RCMP respects the rights and traditions of aboriginal communities and we know that the criminal behaviour

of some individuals yesterday is not representative of the greater First Nations community, says A/Commr. Brown. I met with the Elsipogtog Chief and Council last night and I was reassured to hear them say they dont condone violence and want peaceful discussions. We urge all those who want to demonstrate to do so peacefully and lawfully and allow things to calm down."

The RCMP is asking anyone with information that can help identify those responsible for criminal acts to contact the RCMP, or to provide information anonymously through Crime Stoppers at www.crimenb.ca or 1-800-222-TIPS (8477).

Serge Beaudoin - Fw: Protest in NB

From: Serge Beaudoin
To: Wernick, Michael <Michael.Wernick@aadnc-aandc.gc.ca>; Colleen Swords <Co...
Date: 10/17/2013 2:32 PM
Subject: Fw: Protest in NB
CC: Henry, Barbara <Barbara.Henry@aadnc-aandc.gc.ca>; Schjott, Adam <Adam.Sc...

Fyi.

>>> Dougal MacDonald 10/17/2013 2:25:11 PM >>>
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The judge issued the injunction and the RCMP were placed into a position where they needed to follow the judge's direction. This morning, the RCMP took action beginning on Highway 11 in the area and then onto 134. This is the official position stated by the RCMP to the media.

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Some other First Nations have indicated that they may blockade other highways in New Brunswick in solidarity with Elsipogtog including the Trans Canada near Perth-Andover and have ended or cancelled interactions with at least one federal government department. Additional protestors are bound for Rexton from various First Nations throughout the Maritimes. Some additional First Nations in other regions are planning events as well.

Below is a RCMP press release issued this pm

Serge Beaudoin - Re: Protest in NB

From: Serge Beaudoin
To: MacDonald, Dougal <Dougal.MacDonald@aandc-aadnc.gc.ca>
Date: 10/17/2013 2:30 PM
Subject: Re: Protest in NB
CC: Hines, Harold <Harold.Hines@aandc-aadnc.gc.ca>; William.Nye@aandc-aadnc....

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Some other First Nations have indicated that they may blockade other highways in New Brunswick in solidarity with Elsipogtog including the Trans Canada near Perth-Andover and have ended or cancelled interactions with at least one federal government department. Additional protestors are bound for Rexton from various First Nations throughout the Maritimes. Some additional First Nations in other regions are planning events as well.

Below is a RCMP press release issued this pm

We have been in contact with provincial aboriginal affairs and are continuing to monitor press reports and social media and will advise of any changes as the situation evolves
Dougal

RCMP PM Release

At least 40 people arrested for firearms offences, threats, intimidation and violating a court injunction, Rexton, N.B.
2013/10/17

The New Brunswick RCMP has arrested at least 40 people for various offences including firearms offences, uttering threats, intimidation, mischief, and for refusing to abide by a court injunction on Route 134, in Rexton, N.B.

The arrests were made on October 17, 2013, at the site of an ongoing protest. The court injunction was enforced and police were met with resistance by some of those at the site.

At least one shot was fired by someone other than police, Molotov cocktails were thrown at police, and at least five RCMP vehicles were destroyed by fire. The RCMP is also investigating suspected explosive devices at the scene.

"The RCMP has worked diligently with all parties involved in hopes for a peaceful resolution. Those efforts have not been successful. Tensions were rising, and serious criminal acts are being committed," says Cst. Jullie Rogers-Marsh of the New Brunswick RCMP. "There have been threats made to employees who were working with a private security firm at the site, as well as firearms offences, incidents of intimidation, mischief and other criminal behavior. For those reasons, and to ensure public safety, police action was required."

Police remain at the scene to deal with a large gathering of protesters, and continue to monitor the situation. A wide perimeter was set up around the area, in order to ensure public safety.

Route 134 at Rexton and Route 11 between Richibucto and Sainte-Anne-de-Kent remain closed to all traffic. Motorists are asked to use Route 126 instead of Route 11.

The public is reminded that a court injunction remains in effect and anyone who violates the conditions of that injunction could be arrested and face charges. The RCMP respects and protects the right to peaceful demonstration, however it must be done in a safe, peaceful and lawful manner.

Cst. Jullie Rogers-Marsh
Media Relations Officer
New Brunswick RCMP

Serge Beaudoin - Security Issue - Rexton, NB - Update

From: Jean-Francois Legault
To: DM MIN
Date: 10/17/2013 2:19 PM
Subject: Security Issue - Rexton, NB - Update
CC: Beaudoin, Serge; Budgell, Richard; Lévesque, Marie-Josée; Pardy, Tammy

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Our four employees have left the reserved unharmed.

Incident now reported by CBC:

http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/new-brunswick/shale-gas-protesters-clash-with-police-in-rexton-n-b-1.2100703

Extract: T.J. Burke, the lawyer for the Elsipogtog First Nation, confirmed Chief Arren Sock has been arrested.

Jean-Francois Legault
Director, Security and Occupational Health and Safety
Directeur de la sûreté et de la santé et sécurité au travail
AANDC - AADNC
T: 819-997-3036
JeanFrancois.Legault@aadnc-aandc.gc.ca
>>> Jean-Francois Legault 13:09 17-Oct-13 >>>
Pour Mme Swords et le SM - info pour ce moment.

En résumé, nous avons quatre employés sur la réserve. Je demandé à ce qu'ils y sortent car la situation risque de s'envenimer. Pour le moment, leur sécurité n'est pas en danger mais nous ne prenons aucune chance.

Les opérations régionales ont été avisées.

Voir ci bas pour plus détails.

http://www.radio-canada.ca/regions/atlantique/2013/10/17/005-grc-injonction-nouveau-brunswick.shtml

> Tammy Pardy 13:00 17-Oct-13 >>>
I received a call from Debbie MacDonald. Her and three other employees are in Elsipogtog FN doing an intake for SCIS. She advised that the shale fas fracking protest is escalating and there are currently police cars being burned. Both the highway entrances in are blocked. She said that they entered the FN the "back way" where there are no protestors. I consulted with the departmental security officer in HQ, Jean-Francois Legault who advised that we should advise them to leave if they felt it safe to do so. Debbie indicated she believed it was safe and they were going to leave the FN.

I asked her to call me when they were out so we would know they are okay.

I will keep you posted on further developments.

Tammy

Tammy Pardy
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Regional Security Officer
Corporate Services
Aboriginal Affairs & Northern Development Canada - Atlantic
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From: Angela Matchim
To: Hughes, Daniel <Daniel.Hughes@aadnc-aandc.gc.ca>
CC: Beaudoin, Serge <Serge.Beaudoin@aadnc-aandc.gc.ca>
Date: 10/15/2013 9:13 PM
Subject: Bi-Weekly report

Dan now that you've reviewed two editions of the report, can you please provide me with your recommendations for improving the document overall.

Some things that immediately come to mind are areas of consistency, length, currency, horizontality. The latter will be more of a challenge that might be covered off in the form of analysis.

Angela

>>> Susan MacGowan 10/2/2013 8:10:14 PM >>>
Interestingly we raised this at our RO management call this afternoon with a view to assessing what our approach ought to be moving forward. Not enough time on our call to draw conclusions so this will need follow up. Sue

>>> Colleen Swords 10/2/2013 6:53:27 PM >>>
Who is reading these besides me when I have time?
Nothing on Elsipogtog in the Atlantic section so I am not sure how they flag things that are of media interest-- but that makes me wonder what crtieria are used to determine what goes in these.
Is there anyone in mino getting these?
The recipient list looks out of date-- Ron Hallman is still on it but not Sue.
These take work to keep up to date so let's be sure they are being used or adjust so they are or reconsider.

>>> Sylvia Tassé 10/2/2013 5:30:29 PM >>>
Good afternoon,

Please find attached below the Bi-Weekly Issues Management Report, Week Ending October 4, 2013

Have a nice day,
thanks
Sylvia

Serge Beaudoin - Fw: Saturday's GOC Conference call: Fwd: (232-13) Invitation: Teleconference - (Shale Gas Protest, Canada) on 19 Oct 2013 10:00 EDT / Téléconférence - (Manifestations contre les gaz de schiste, Canada) le 19 octobre 2013 10h00 HAE

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To: Winch, Colette <Colette.Winch@aadnc-aandc.gc.ca>
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Pls add to my agenda. Tks.

>>> OPSCentre - NOB 10/18/2013 2:32:36 PM >>>

>>> [redacted] 10/18/2013 2:14 PM >>>
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Toll-Free: 1-877-413-4788
Conference Code: [redacted]
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From: Serge Beaudoin
To: MacDonald, Dougal <Dougal.MacDonald@aandc-aadnc.gc.ca>
CC: Tina.Roach@aandc-aadnc.gc.ca <Tina.Roach@aandc-aadnc.gc.ca>; OPSCentre -...
Date: 10/18/2013 11:37 AM
Subject: Saturday call

Yes, we will share the info as soon as we get it.

>>> Dougal MacDonald 10/18/2013 11:32:53 AM >>>
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>>> 10/18/13 07:28 >>>

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Subject: Re: Dial in info for 10 am call

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From: Suzie Malouin
To: ABEmergency; Adnitt, Ted; Armstrong, Mary Jane; Atkins, Louise; Augu...
CC: CGCMU - 1; CGCMU 2
Date: 10/18/2013 10:54 AM
Subject: Rép. : COG Rapport de situation Manifestation contre les gaz de schiste - Rexton, Nouveau-Brunswick / GOC Situation Report SHALE GAS PROTEST – REXTON, NB

Bonjour,

Le BRQ est en contact avec la Sûreté du Québec en Gaspésie et suit la situation de près. Toutefois, les manifestations ne sont pas dans les communautés et ne menacent ni la santé/sécurité des personnes ni les programmes et services essentiels aux membres des communautés.

Une dizaine de personnes de Gasgapegiag assurent une présence et bloque partiellement la route 132 de façon sporadique. Des membres de la communauté de Listuguj font partie des groupes de manifestants qui ralentissent la circulation sur le pont Van Horn. Ces manifestations sont en appui aux communautés du Nouveau-Brunswick.

Suzie Malouin

Coordonnatrice régionale Mesures d'urgences | Regional coordinator Emergency Preparedness

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>>> OPSCentre - NOB 2013-10-18 09:11 >>>

Un certain nombre de protestations et de manifestations par des membres de Premières Nations sont prévues du 17 au 19 octobre 2013, partout au Canada, en réaction à l'incident survenu le 17 octobre 2013 à Rexton (Nouveau-Brunswick). Les organisateurs ont demandé que les actions demeurent pacifiques.
Vous trouverez en pièce jointe le document **ST232-13A - Manifestation contre les gaz de schiste - Rexton, Nouveau-Brunswick**. Les renseignements ont été mis à jour le **17 octobre 2013, à 21 h (HNE)**.

A number of First Nations protests or demonstrations in response to the 17 Oct 2013 incident in Rexton, NB, are planned for 17-19 Oct 2013 across Canada. Organizers have called for peaceful actions.
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2013, 21:00 EDT.

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Serge Beaudoin - Re: Fwd: ST232-13A - Shale Gas Protest - Rexton, NB

From: Serge Beaudoin
To: Schjott, Adam <Adam.Schjott@aadnc-aandc.gc.ca>
Date: 10/18/2013 9:10 AM
Subject: Re: Fwd: ST232-13A - Shale Gas Protest - Rexton, NB
CC: Budgell, Richard <Richard.Budgell@aadnc-aandc.gc.ca>

It is being done. Will be out shortly.

1. GOC updates when new info received. I would expect an update later this mroning or early afternoon to reflect what will be heard on the interdept conference call (the 10:00am call)

>>> Adam Schjott 10/18/2013 9:02:47 AM >>>
Serge / Richard - can this message be sent out to the Ops distribution as soon as possible. Many people are asking for an update.

How often will you receive updates from the GOC?

thanks!

>>> Colleen Swords 10/18/2013 7:40 AM >>>
Agreed.
They should be shared.

>>> Serge Beaudoin 10/18/2013 7:29:03 AM >>>
As of this morning, we will start forwarding this to our regular distribution of Ops products.

Given we are not the lead on this one, using the PS GoC product is best as it paints the broadest picture by including info it receives from Fed Depts, agencies and it is linked to province as well.

>>> Adam Schjott 10/18/2013 7:23:37 AM >>>
Wonder if we should share these with mino? They are asking questions this morning.

>>> Colleen Swords 10/18/2013 7:08:49 AM >>>
Thanks.
Plse let me know what happens on the call and be sure to have someone senior on it.

>>> Serge Beaudoin 10/17/2013 10:24:35 PM >>>
Fyi. Here is the PS Gov Ops Centre update from a few minutes ago.

Situation Report

- Victoria, BC, 14:00 EDT, Centennial Square to Provincial Parliament

19 Oct 2013:
- Kitchener-Waterloo, ON, 17:00 EDT
- Nanaimo, BC, 17:00 EDT

Source(s) of reporting: Media/open source reporting, PS NB Regional Office, RCMP.

Current actions:

The GOC continues to monitor the situation closely and has established contact with partners and PS Regional Offices in order to maintain cohesive information sharing.

Event management of the protests falls under the purview of local jurisdictions and local law enforcement agencies, as appropriate.

Future actions: The GOC will be hosting a conference call with partners on Friday, 18 OCT 2013 to coordinate efforts and to assess impacts.

Assessment/Analysis: Other than the events at Rexton, NB, so far the calls are for peaceful action. Most of the protest activity to date under the Idle No More banner or related environmental or First Nations issues activities have been peaceful.

Departments and Agencies with further information on this incident are asked to report to the GOC.

Additional situation reports: Further situation reports will be issued as more information becomes available.

Additional Products: A geomatics product will follow under separate cover.

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>>> OPSCentre - NOB 10/17/2013 10:18:44 PM >>>

>>> [redacted] 10/17/13 22:18 >>>

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Situation report provided to: F/P/T Contacts

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OCIP users can access updates here (where applicable):

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From: Serge Beaudoin
To: Schjott, Adam <Adam.Schjott@aadnc-aandc.gc.ca>; Colleen Swords <Colleen....
CC: Wernick, Michael <Michael.Wernick@aadnc-aandc.gc.ca>; Budgell, Richard <...
Date: 10/18/2013 8:24 AM
Subject: Re: Protest

Yes. We will share with PS GoC through our regular Ops channel.

>>> Adam Schjott 10/18/2013 8:22:25 AM >>>
Daisy and Serge were copied on the initial message.

>>> Colleen Swords 10/18/2013 8:20:10 AM >>>
Please ensure gov ops and Mino have this

>>> Adam Schjott 10/18/2013 8:09:14 AM >>>
Fyi

>>> Dougal MacDonald 10/18/2013 7:43:29 AM >>>
Approximately 12 people were present on the Rexton site this am. Equipment has been removed and roads are open. The 40 individuals that were arrested yesterday, they will appear in court today in 3 separate locations. They are expecting protesters at each of these sites, Moncton, Shediac and 3rd site not clear. We also have heard that a protest is planned for the Canso Causeway in NS today. Finally, media has reported that Chief Aaron Sock will be meeting with the premier this PM in Fredericton.

Dougal

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Greetings,

On the morning of 17 Oct 2013, the RCMP served an injunction on protesters at an anti-shale gas protest blocking a rural highway near Rexton, NB. Due to violence which occurred later in the afternoon of 17 Oct, the RCMP arrested at least 40 people for various offences. Following these, various supporters of the protest called for peaceful actions of solidarity on 18 Oct and 19 Oct in support of the protesters at Rexton using social media sites like Twitter and Facebook.

The GOC requires your assistance and invites you to participate in a teleconference call to enhance coordination and information sharing.

Operation Centres and individuals in receipt of this message are asked to acknowledge by e-mail that they will participate and provide the name of their representative(s) on the teleconference. Please send your replies to [redacted] before 09:00 EDT on 18 Oct 2013.

Coordinates are as follows:

Date: 18 Oct 2013
Time: 10:00 EDT
Phone number: 613-960-7513
Toll-Free: 1-877-413-4788
Conference Code: [redacted]
You do not need a PIN.
(Please mute your phone when not speaking during the teleconference.)

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NIVEAU DE DIFFUSION : ND-1 Diffusion à l'OMU PT, aux partenaires des IE et aux groupes de gestion des urgences

Salutations,

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Dans la matinée du 17 octobre 2013, la GRC a servi une injonction contre les manifestants lors d'une manifestation anti-gaz de schiste bloquant une route rurale près de Rexton, NB. En raison de la violence qui a eu lieu plus tard dans l'après-midi du 17 octobre, la GRC a arrêté au moins 40 personnes pour diverses infractions. Par la suite, des partisans ont demandé des actions pacifiques de solidarité le 18 octobre et le 19 octobre en soutien aux manifestants de Rexton en utilisant les sites de médias sociaux comme Twitter et Facebook.

Le COG sollicite votre aide et vous invite à participer à une téléconférence pour améliorer la coordination et l'échange de renseignements.

Les centres d'opérations et les personnes qui reçoivent le présent message sont priés de confirmer par courriel qu'ils participeront à la téléconférence et de fournir le(s) nom(s) de la (des) personne(s) qui les représenteront alors. Veuillez envoyer vos réponses à [redacted] avant 09 h 00 HAE, le 18 octobre 2013.

Voici les coordonnées :

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Government Operations Centre/
Centre des opérations du gouvernement
Email/courriel: [redacted]

Serge Beaudoin - Geomatics product - NT232-13 - Shale Gas Protest - Rexton, NB // Produit de géomatique - NT232-13 - Manifestation contre le gaz de schiste - Rexton, Nouveau-Brunswick

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Geomatics Product - NT232-13 - Shale Gas Protest - Rexton, NB

Provided to: F/P/T Contacts

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NIVEAU DE DIFFUSION: ND - 1 Diffusion possible à l'intention des OMU P/T, partenaires IE et de la communauté des MU

Produit de géomatique - NT232-13 - Manifestation contre le gaz de schiste - Rexton, Nouveau-Brunswick

Produit de géomatique fourni à : Personnes-ressources FPT

Government Operations Centre/
Centre des opérations du gouvernement
Email/courriel: [redacted]

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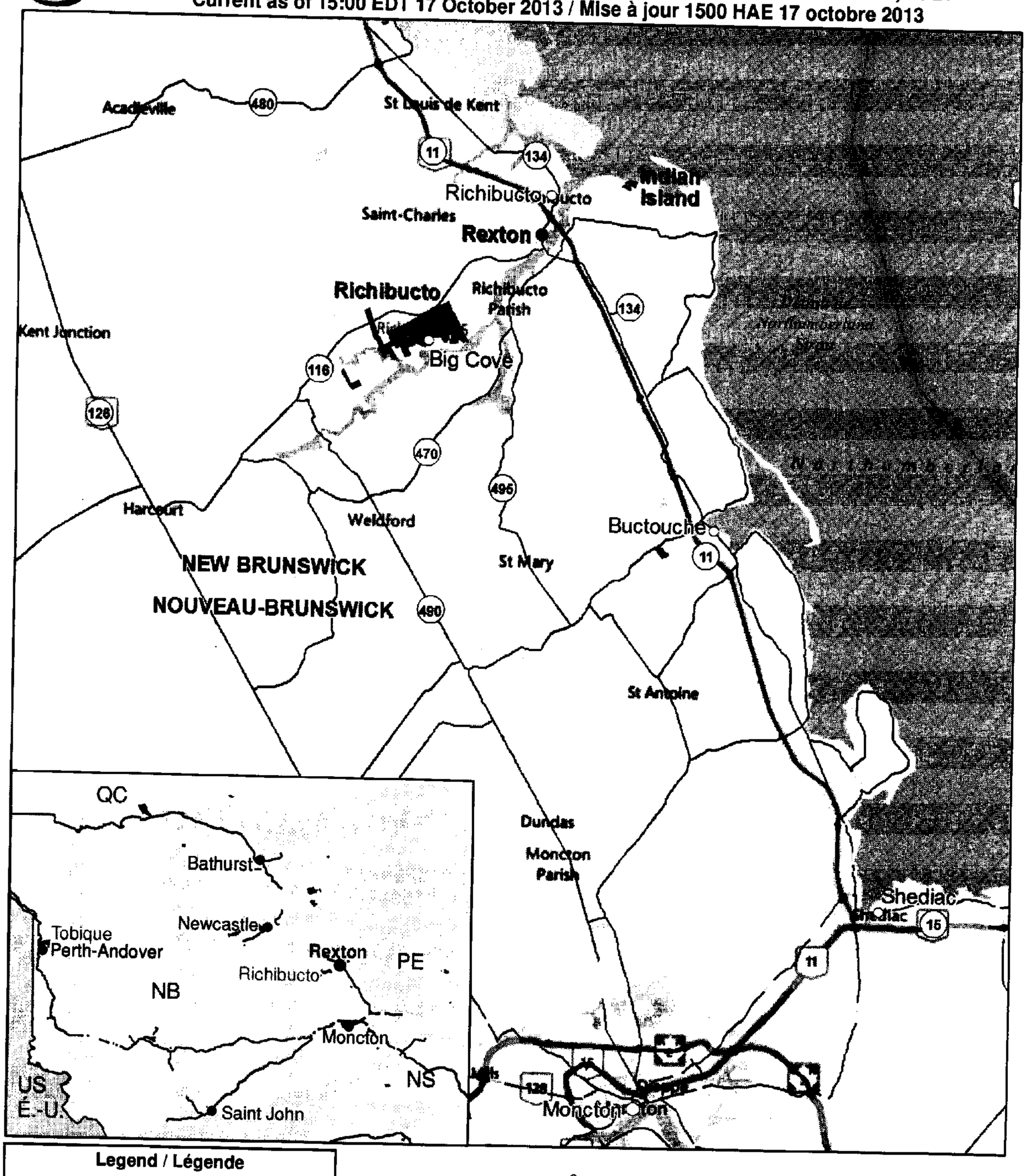

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Event: Related to the Shale Gas Protest, Rexton, NB (information valid as of 19:00 EDT on 18 Oct 2013)

British Columbia

Date of Planned Event	Location	City	Organization	Time	Event	Source	Actual start time	Active?	Actual end time
19-Oct-13	**N/A**	**Vancouver**		**06:00 EDT**	**Caravan being formed to send people to NB in to support protesters in NB.**	**RCMP**			
19-Oct-13	**New Hazelton Plaza**	**New Hazelton**		**16:00 EDT**	**March for Mother Earth to begin at the New Hazelton Plaza.**	**RCMP**			
19-Oct-13	Swy-a-lana Lagoon	Nanaimo		17:00 EDT	March	Media & RCMP			

Alberta

Date of Planned Event	Location	City	Organization	Time	Event	Source	Actual start time	Active?	Actual end time
19-Oct-13	Turtle Island	Edmonton		15:00 EDT	Prayer Ceremony	Media			

Saskatchewan

Date of Planned Event	Location	City	Organization	Time	Event	Source	Actual start time	Active?	Actual end time
19-Oct-13	**College Dr & Wiggins Ave**	**Saskatoon**		**09:30 EDT**	**Rally to support Elsipogtog and Mi'kmak anti-fracking blockade to take place at the corner of College Dr & Wiggins Ave**	**RCMP**			
19-Oct-13	**15th St W & 2nd Ave W**	**Prince Albert**		**17:30 EDT**	**Protest in solidarity with the "Elsipogtog Warriors" to take place at the corner of 15th St W and 2nd Ave W,**	**RCMP**			

Manitoba

Date of Planned Event	Location	City	Organization	Time	Event	Source	Actual start time	Active?	Actual end time

Ontario

Date of Planned Event	Location	City	Organization	Time	Event	Source	Actual start time	Active?	Actual end time
19-Oct-13	**2730 Carling Ave**	**Ottawa**		**09:30 EDT**	**Potluck workshop at the Old Forge Community Resource Centre - 2730 Carling Ave**	**RCMP**			
19-Oct-13	Eastbound Highway 402	Strathroy		10:00 EDT	Protest	ON EMO			
19-Oct-13	**Highway 45**	**Roseneath**		**10:00 EDT**	**"Round Dance and Flash Mob Peterborough and surrounding areas", a peaceful demonstration at Hwy 45 in Alderville First Nations.**	**RCMP**			
19-Oct-13	**Metro Convention Centre**	**Toronto**		**12:00 EDT**	**Protest "No Lime 9! No Tar Sands Pipelines" at the Toronto Metro Convention Centre located at 255 Front St**	**RCMP**			
19-Oct-13		**Sault Ste Marie**		**12:00 EDT**	**Sacred fire at the teaching lodge located at Shingwauk Kinoomaage Gaming.**	**RCMP**			
19-Oct-13	**Hwy 21 to Hwy 402**	**Forest**		**13:00-16:00 EDT**	**Rally and peaceful demonstration at Hwy 21 (at the overpass) and proceeding to Hwy 402 after which they will attend the London event at the London event at the RCMP detachment.**	**RCMP**			
19-Oct-13		**Kenora**		**16:00 EDT**	**"Treaty3 Jingle Dress Healing Dance".**	**RCMP**			
19-Oct-13	**Native Friendship Centre**	**Barrie**		**18:00 EDT**	**INM "taco fundraiser, raffle and jam session" event to take place at the Native Friendship Centre.**	**RCMP**			
19-Oct-13	**Tom Davies Square**	**Sudbury**		**18:00 EDT**	**Candlelight rally in support against SWN and fracking at the Tom Davies Square.**	**RCMP**			
19-Oct-13		**Kitchener-Waterloo**		**21:00 EDT**	**Rally with speakers Sylvia McAdam Saysewahum, Co-founder of Idle No More Movement, and Bridgette DePape.**	**RCMP**			

Québec

Date of Planned	Location	City	Organization	Time	Event	Source	Actual	Active?	Actual
19-Oct-13	**Pie-IX Metro Station**	**Montreal**		**09:00-15:45 EDT**	**Tour organized by the Montreal History Centre and the First Nations Garden Centre d'histoire to the vicinity of Pie-IX metro station.**	**RCMP**			
19-Oct-13	**N/A**	**Montreal**		**17:00 EDT**	**March in support of the anti-fracking blockade at Cabot Square.**				

New Brunswick

Date of Planned Event	Location	City	Organization	Time	Event	Source	Actual start time	Active?	Actual end time
19-Oct-13	**Mountain Rd**	**Moncton**		**09:00 EDT**	**Protest "Moncton Joins the Global Frackdown" located on Mountain Rd south of the Wheeler Blvd Overpass.**	**RCMP**			
19-Oct-13	**Route 134**	**Rexton**		**08:00 EDT**	**Blockade on Route 134.**	**RCMP**			

Nova Scotia

Date of Planned Event	Location	City	Organization	Time	Event	Source	Actual start time	Active?	Actual end time
19-Oct-13	**Clock Park**	**Wolfville**		**08:00 EDT**	**Continued peace vigil to take place in Clock Park.**	**RCMP**			

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British Columbia									
Date of Planned Event	Location	City	Organization	Time	Event	Source	Actual start time	Active?	Actual end time
18-Oct-13	South Side of Vanouver Art Gallery	Vancouver		18:30 EDT	Solidarity March	Media	15:30 Local		
18-Oct-13	Centennial Square	Victoria		14:00 EDT	March	Media	11:00 Local		
19-Oct-13	Swy-a-lana Lagoon	Nanaimo		17:00 EDT	March	Media	14:00 Local		
Alberta									
Date of Planned Event	Location	City	Organization	Time	Event	Source	Actual start time	Active?	Actual end time
18-Oct-13	RCMP station, 105 Paquette D	Fort MucMurray		17:00-20:00 EDT	Rally	Media	16:00 Local		
19-Oct-13	Turtle Island	Edmonton		15:00 EDT	Payer Ceremony	Media	14:00 Local		
Saskatchewan									
Date of Planned Event	Location	City	Organization	Time	Event	Source	Actual start time	Active?	Actual end time
18-Ocr-13	Shingwauk Kinoomaage Gami	Saskatoon		21:30 EDT	Rally	Media	20:30 Local		
Manitoba									
Date of Planned Event	Location	City	Organization	Time	Event	Source	Actual start time	Active?	Actual end time
Ontario									
Date of Planned Event	Location	City	Organization	Time	Event	Source	Actual start time	Active?	Actual end time
18-Oct-13	1220 Ojibway Dr	Eagle Lake First Nation		18:00 EDT	Protest	Media	18:00 Local		
18-Oct-13	Shingwauk Kinoomaage Gami	Sault Ste-Marie		12:00 EDT	Fire	Media	12:00 Local		
18-Oct-13	N/A	Kitchener/Waterloo		18:00 EDT	Gathering	Media	18:00 Local		
18-Oct-13	Hwy 45 in Alderville	Aldeville		18:00 EDT	Demo	Media	18:00		
19-Oct-13	Eastbound Highway 402	Stathroy		10:00 EDT	Protest	ON EMO	10:00		
Québec									
Date of Planned Event	Location	City	Organization	Time	Event	Source	Actual start time	Active?	Actual end time
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Date of Planned	Location	City	Organization	Time	Event	Source	Actual	Active?	Actual
Yukon Territory									
Date of Planned Event	Location	City	Organization	Time	Event	Source	Actual start time	Active?	Actual end time
18-Oct-13	Healing Pole (1st and Main Street)	Whitehorse		19:00 EDT	Gathering	AANDC	17:00 Local		

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La grève derrière les barreaux
Simon est en dedans depuis deux ans pour avoir commis plusieurs vols, il en a encore pour trois ans. Il a fini son secondaire à distance, aimerait bien faire son cégep. «Il y avait le collège Marie-Victorin qui offrait le cours par correspondance, mais on ne peut plus le faire maintenant. J'ai même proposé que mes parents payent pour l'inscription et les livres, ça a été refusé.» Pour passer le temps, il fait des cours au secondaire qui ne l'intéressent pas vraiment, mais qui lui permettent de maintenir le «grade de paye». Il y a cinq grades, de A à E, ceux qui sont occupés à temps plein sont A, les inactifs, E. Simon est au grade A, il travaille à temps partiel en plus de ses cours. Il est au sommet de l'échelle salariale, qui n'a pas bougé depuis 30 ans, à 6,90 $ par jour. La moyenne est de 3 $. Il a suivi d'autres cours, dont «le programme de violence» pour apprendre à respirer par le nez. Il y a deux niveaux, modéré et élevé, deux à six mois en petits groupes. Simon a fait six mois, il a attendu un an sur une liste d'attente. Le cours est très couru, «c'est rendu des fois deux ans d'attente». Sauf que, «maintenant, quand tu es sur la liste d'attente, tu n'es plus considéré comme impliqué dans ta réhabilitation. Ce n'est quand même pas de notre faute s'il n'y a pas de place dans le programme». Et, quand un détenu n'est pas impliqué dans sa réhabilitation, il est rétrogradé. Jusqu'en septembre, il restait à Simon 52 $ par deux semaines après les retenues à la source pour le câble et un loyer symbolique. Le 1er octobre, le loyer symbolique a été augmenté et, bientôt, un montant sera prélevé pour l'entretien du système téléphonique. Il restera à Simon entre 35 $ et 40 $ par deux semaines. La mesure dégagera des économies de 4 millions sur un

budget de 2,6 milliards $. [...] Dans plusieurs pénitenciers du pays, la réduction du salaire a été la goutte qui a fait déborder le vase. «Nos représentants [choisis par l'administration] sont allés leur dire qu'on faisait la grève.» Depuis, les détenus de Donnacona sont dans leur cellule 23 heures sur 24. Le **porte-parole du ministre Steven Blaney** a dit que la grève était «***un affront à ceux qui travaillent fort, qui ne violent pas les lois***». La Presse (Le Soleil)

Sex offender registry plan raises privacy concerns
Thanks to the New York State Division of Criminal Justice, we know an awful lot about gas station attendant Anthony (Tony) Gladle. We know that he's 29 years old, white, six feet tall and weighs a lean 150 pounds. We know his eyes are hazel, his hair brown. He has tattoos on his arms, hands and knees and, from his mug shot, we can see he wears glasses and has a goatee. We know he drives a blue 1999 Chevy Silverado pickup truck to his job at Sharlow's Gas Station on Highway 37, just across the St. Lawrence from Morrisburg. And we also know Gladle resides at 53 Franklin St. in Waddington, N.Y., making him the closest convicted U.S. sex offender to Ottawa - 72.5 kilometres from the police station on Elgin Street, to be precise. The astounding level of personal detail about a private citizen comes via New York's online sex offender registry and is available to anyone with an Internet connection and a bit of curiosity. Gladle is one of 275 registered New York state sex offenders who, a Citizen analysis found, are living within a 100-kilometre radius of Ottawa, not including those in the prison or the psychiatric hospital near the Ogdensburg-Prescott International Bridge. That figure does not include an unknown number of Canadian sex offenders who live in Ottawa or somewhere between here and the U.S. border, as we have no idea who they are or where they're located - at least not yet. Those criminals are listed in the National Sex Offender Registry, maintained by the RCMP, but the data are private, for police eyes only, and certainly not searchable online. Last month, however, Prime Minister Stephen Harper said his government plans to strengthen penalties for sex offences against children and also create a public registry of Canadian sex offenders. Details of Harper's registry plan were not provided, but it is expected to figure in the throne speech Wednesday. [...] The database would be administered by the RCMP, Harper said. He didn't identify who and what would be included in the registry, or whether it would apply to offenders convicted in the past. A spokesman for **Public Safety Minister Steven Blaney** said those details will come when the legislation is introduced after the throne speech. Ottawa Citizen, A3

Canadian-born man seeks answers from federal court
A Canadian-born criminal who served his sentence claims the Conservative government has trampled his constitutional rights by trying to render him stateless and force him out of the country. Deepan Budlakoti was born in Ontario and once issued a Canadian passport, but is now deemed a non-citizen by the government, which is trying to expel him to India. In the latest bizarre twist, Mr. Budlakoti wants a federal judge to rule that he is "a Canadian citizen" and stop the efforts of federal ministers to render him "stateless, contrary to the Charter of Rights and Freedoms." "It's insane that the Harper government is taking this position against a Canadian-born man who has lived his entire life here," said Yavar Hameed, the attorney representing Mr. Budlakoti, 23. The government must respond to the suit by next week. "They're picking on me because I'm not white," said Mr. Budlakoti. "Since I'm brown, they made the assumption that 'this guy might not be a citizen.'" Mr. Budlakoti spent two years in prison after convictions for weapons and drug offences. His sentence ended in December, 2012. While he was in prison, citizenship officials began an attempt to remove him permanently to India and kept him in detention for months after his sentence was completed. "They're treating me like a second-class citizen, they've taken everything from me, my passport, my ability to work. I had to go to federal court just to get a work permit," said Mr. Budlakoti, in an interview. He's still awaiting a new social insurance number after Ottawa voided his original. [...] The government has "intentionally and in bad faith concealed information from [Mr. Budlakoti] regarding his case and has misled the Canadian public about [his] status in Canada while conspiring with the **Minister of Public Safety** to remove [Mr. Budlakoti] from Canada," claims the federal court filing which seeks a declaration that Mr. Budlakoti "is a Canadian citizen." The government has yet to respond. Globe and Mail, A19

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT / GESTION DES MESURES D'URGENCE

*** Les nouveaux vaccins sont prêts**

the Board of Trade on Thursday is hosting Steve Yendall, western region VP for RSA Insurance, to address this topic at a luncheon gathering... The report by the 15-year old institute notes natural disasters are occurring these days with more frequency and severity. Vancouver is at risk of a major earthquake. Companies in this city that prepare for a Big One will have a much better chance of reopening and surviving financially. So planners recommend business owners engage in emergency planning and designate specific employees to assume responsibilities in a crisis. Vancouver Sun, C3

*** Quake knowledge sadly lacking**

An opinion piece states, "In my line of work, we discuss earthquake preparedness with British Columbians every day and we are worried that many people living in the highest earthquake risk areas in Canada seem to have some dangerous knowledge gaps around preparedness. We recently tested our theory through independent research among more than 1,000 people living in southwestern B.C. The results were concerning. Three quarters of people expect their home could be damaged by an earthquake, yet 78 per cent don't know how to prepare their home. Most know the likelihood of a significant earthquake hitting, yet 65 per cent don't know the best way to stay safe. You can take the quiz yourself at bcaa.com/earthquake. Overall, British Columbians scored a disheartening D grade for their preparedness knowledge and that's something we want to help improve. We'd expected to find people weren't prepared but what alarmed us was that people didn't know how to prepare. We seem to have uncovered a large threat to our province's ability to recover from a significant earthquake: complacency. According to Natural Resources Canada (2010), there's at least a 30 per cent chance of an earthquake large enough to cause significant property damage striking southwestern B.C. in the next 50 years. Just one year ago, a 7.7 magnitude earthquake hit off Haida Gwaii; the same area saw a 6.1 quake just last month..." Vancouver Sun, A17

*** Alberta flood victims to start paying rent**

Flood victims in temporary accommodations in southern Alberta will begin paying rent next month. Municipal Affairs Minister Doug Griffiths says the province only promised rent-free living for three months to allow residents to get back on their feet following the June disaster. Payments kick in Nov. 15 and will vary depending on the number of people in a household. They will be $627 a month for one adult up to just more than $1,200 for a family of four. Canadian Press (Postmedia News), A8

*** Chatham reviewing service outsourcing**

Outsourcing some emergency communications needs more study to get a better grip on cost comparisons, the local police board heard Tuesday. Sheri Oliphant, manager of the emergency communications centre, presented a report on the history of the service, call volumes and a private provider. Oliphant said a company that started in Sudbury in 1954 as a messaging and alarm monitoring service for public and private clients has now evolved to include fire dispatch and emergency 911 call answering and routing services. The emergency communications centre costs about $800,000 a year to operate, Chatham-Kent police Chief Dennis Poole said. QMI Agency (London Free Press, A4)

*** Alberta leads in buying power**

The Prairie provinces led consumer spending growth during the third quarter, with Alberta at the top. Moneris Solutions Corp. said yearover-year spending in Alberta increased 7.2 per cent, despite the June floods. Manitoba and Saskatchewan followed, with spending increases of 6.6 per cent and 6.5 per cent, respectively. "While, in general, Alberta tends to be a strong-performing province when it comes to consumer spending, increased purchasing activities among Albertans shopping for items lost or damaged as a result of the floods could have contributed to the overall third quarter spending increase in the province," said Moneris, Canada's largest credit and debit card processor. Calgary Herald, F5

NATIONAL SECURITY / SÉCURITÉ NATIONALE

Blind man's bluff with would-be foreign investors

One day we will have a full reckoning of the damage done to Canada's economy as this government wanders about in search of a mandate, a philosophy or a clue. In the meantime, investors in this country should be on notice. Their assets are protected by neither law nor policy, but are vulnerable to whatever

whim or grudge crosses the government's mind. They may be confiscated, in whole or in part, at any time and for any reason. Or, indeed, for no reason. The latest example of the Harper government's arbitrary, not to say capricious approach to foreign investment, is last week's sudden decision vetoing the $520-million sale of Allstream, Manitoba Telecom Services' struggling network subsidiary, to Accelero Capital, controlled by the Egyptian billionaire Naguib Sawiris. The official explanation, such as it was, was contained in a brief statement issued late last Monday - that's how this government operates, it seems: in the dead of night - by the industry minister, James Moore. The deal was nixed, it said, under the "national security provisions of the Investment Canada Act." Just what threat it posed to national security was left unsaid, aside from the bland observation that "MTS Allstream operates a national fibre-optic network that provides critical telecommunications services to businesses and governments, including the Government of Canada." National security is a legitimate issue, especially when it comes to telecom networks. A rash of recent incidents of cyber-hacking by foreign powers - well, also by Canada, if the complaints of the Brazilian government are to be believed - make that clear. Calgary Herald

Ottawa to consider national security in a BlackBerry sale

The federal government will be watching for any national security implications in the event that BlackBerry Ltd. is sold, says Treasury Board President Tony Clement. Speaking on the sidelines of the Government Technology Exhibition and Conference – where technology companies present their products to government officials – Mr. Clement said Ottawa's position for now is to let events play out. "What we want is obviously a stable environment," he said, when asked if the government wants BlackBerry to remain Canadian-owned. "I think that we'll let the marketplace respond. We have a role to play obviously, which involves national security and making sure that what occurs is in the public interest and we take that responsibility seriously. It's not my place here to speculate on what would or would not be inside or offside that. So we'll let it play out in the marketplace and if and when the government has to respond, we certainly will." Earlier this week, Ottawa rejected a proposed foreign takeover of a division of Manitoba Telecom Services Inc. by Egypt's Accelero Capital Holdings on national security grounds. Federal Industry Minister James Moore issued a statement that said his decision was based on a review of the national security provisions of the Investment Canada Act, which governs foreign takeovers. The federal Industry Minister is the senior minister responsible for such decisions. Mr. Clement is a former industry minister. As President of the Treasury Board, he is responsible for government-wide information technology projects. Mr. Clement said the government remains hopeful that BlackBerry will "get through" its restructuring process. "They've got a lot of customers, tens of millions of customers around the world," he said. "They've had success in the past and we're all very hopeful that they will get through to the other side of what is going to be obviously a restructuring of their mission and of their product, whatever happens." Globe and Mail

Spurned Egyptian mad at us

Last week's decision by Industry Canada to spike the $520-million sale of MTS's Allstream division to the Paris- and Cairo-based private equity firm Accelero Capital has put MTS on its heels, but the real damage may come to Canada's reputation in the global investment community. MTS, the provincial telco, continues to maintain a dominant market position in Manitoba's wireless, television distribution and legacy home-phone business. But the corporation's ability to continue to maintain the financial flexibility to do all that and continue to pay a handsome stock dividend -- as well as finance its pension-solvency deficiencies -- is going to take a little more finesse now it still has Allstream on the books. Neither company executives nor equity analysts believe the company can go right back into the market to sell Allstream, a national fibre-optics network that provides voice and data services to large businesses across the country. MTS chief executive officer Pierre Blouin is putting on a brave face about the company's intent to forge ahead with growing Allstream's fibre-optics network and continuing to sign up more customers to its profitable Internet-protocol business. The Canadian government was one of Allstream's customers, and Accelero officials confirmed that even a pledge to pass that business to a competitor was not enough to assuage the government's "national security" concerns with the deal. There's been lots of heavy lifting by MTS in the past few years to shed parts of Allstream's business that were not so profitable, but there's plenty more work left to do. Regardless of the challenging position in which the federal decision has left MTS, the real consequence might be the aftershocks in terms of Canada's credibility as an attractive destination for foreign capital. After all, Naguib Sawiris, the chairman of Accelero, is a billionaire investor who has interests all over the world and is probably listened to by

other well-heeled foreign investors. And right now, Sawiris has nothing good to say about Canada. Winnipeg Free Press, B3

*** We need Brazil more than it needs us**
An opinion piece states, "Canada's spying saga against our Brazilian friends seems to have taken on a life of its own. And it could actually get a lot worse before it gets any better. The government's relations with Brasilia have had their fair share of ups and downs over the years. They were mostly frosty during the 1990s and 2000s as the bilateral relationship dealt with a series of major setbacks. There were stresses and strains over two Canadians doing hard time in a Brazilian prison for kidnapping and extortion, a long and bitter trade war over governmental aerospace/aircraft subsidies, and sharp differences of opinion over the extent of mad cow disease. This latest disruption hearkens back to these dark days in Canada-Brazil relations. Clearly, the stakes are far higher today. And Canada has more to lose. If Canadians don't already know it, Brazil is a player internationally. And they are a superpower among their Latin American neighbours. Economically, it has technological, manufacturing and resource development heft, 200 million people and a growing middle class, and tremendous upside and future potential. A strong and growing relationship with Brazil has much to offer Canada. It gives us an important linkage in the hemisphere and a critical anchor for an expanded Americas policy. Brazil, it should be said, would also serve as a key counterweight (and not just in multilateral institutions like the UN and the Organization of American States) in our relations with the United States." Ottawa Citizen

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*** Increasing Data Collection and Surveillance in the North American Homeland**
Some of the corporate interests that are steering the U.S.-Canada Beyond the Border integration agenda are not quite satisfied with its progress so far and they would like the implementation process to be accelerated. The bilateral initiative which was launched almost two years ago promotes a shared vision for perimeter security. It seeks to improve information sharing between security agencies. Under the agreement, both countries are moving towards a coordinated entry/exit system and are developing a harmonized cargo security strategy. In addition, the U.S. and Canada are strengthening integrated cross-border intelligence sharing and law enforcement operations. Canada's own electronic eavesdropping agency is also working hand and hand with the NSA. They are both increasing data collection and surveillance in the North American Homeland. (…) A controversial U.S.-Canada cross-border law enforcement initiative which is essentially a land based version of the Shiprider program has been delayed due to legal ramifications. Under the Beyond the Border perimeter security plan, the Next Generation pilot project which would create integrated teams in areas such as intelligence and criminal investigations was scheduled to be launched in the summer of 2012. According to an RCMP memo, the U.S. is demanding that its agents taking part in the bilateral undertaking be exempt from Canadian law. This has raised serious concerns about transparency, accountability and responsibility. It is yet another attempt by the U.S. to chip away at Canadian sovereignty. An article by Michael Harris warned that, "Once you give the U.S a platform to carry weapons and perform investigative duties inside our country, how far will they push the next envelope?" The pilot project is part of the process of further acclimating U.S. policing activities in Canada. As part of a North American security perimeter, both countries continue to expand the nature and scope of joint law enforcement operations, along with intelligence collection and sharing. Dissent Voice

*** Trois Granbyens arrêtés**
Trois Granbyens sont soupçonnés d'être impliqués dans une affaire de complot pour importer de la cocaïne en provenance du Panama en faisant entrer la drogue par l'aéroport Pierre-Élliott-Trudeau. La Gendarmerie Royale du Canada et l'Agence des services frontaliers ont toutefois contrecarré leur plan. Cette affaire a débuté en novembre 2012 lorsque les policiers des Services d'enquêtes fédérales aéroportuaires de la Gendarmerie Royale du Canada (GRC) ont intercepté Victor Manuel Patino Lucero, 32 ans, de Granby. Il a été arrêté à l'aéroport Pierre-Élliott-Trudeau avec plus de trois kilos de cocaïne dissimulée dans une valise à double fond. La drogue provenait du Panama. L'enquête a également permis d'arrêter un autre Granbyen, Yhonny Andres Estrada Restrepo, 26 ans, soupçonné d'être mêlé à

cette histoire. Les deux hommes ont été remis en liberté pour la suite des procédures. La GRC, en collaboration avec l'Agence des services frontaliers du Canada, a poursuivi son investigation, ce qui a mené à l'arrestation de deux autres individus soupçonnés d'avoir comploté pour importer de la cocaïne au pays. Il s'agit du Granbyen Jorge Alberto Castrillon de Jésus, 21 ans, et Diego Fernando Contreras, 36 ans, de Saint-Hyacinthe. La Voix de l'Est, 13

Quebec men charged with importing cocaine from Peru in false-bottom suitcases
Two Quebec residents appeared for a bail hearing Tuesday in the St-Jean-sur-Richelieu, Que., courthouse on charges of conspiracy to import cocaine into Canada from Peru. Diego Contreras, 36, of Saint-Hyacinthe, Que., and Jorge Castrillon de Jesus, 21, of Granby, Que., were arrested separately in the Calgary area last week and returned to Montreal under RCMP escort Thursday, an RCMP spokesman said. It is alleged that the two men, along with two other Quebecers, conspired to import cocaine into Canada through Trudeau International Airport in Montreal, Cpl. Luc Thibault said Tuesday. The conspiracy investigation was launched last November when Canada Border Services Agency officers discovered just over three kilograms of cocaine concealed in a suitcase with a false bottom compartment at the Montreal airport. National Post, A6 (Montreal Gazette)

*** Saskatoon man charged after child abducted from Ukraine**
An international investigation has led to the rescue of a two-year old girl from the Philippines after her Saskatoon father allegedly abducted her. Saskatoon police have charged 47-year-old Alexander Fiodor Levine with international parental abduction. Saskatoon police have said the child was left in the Philippines. He made a brief appearance via video link in Saskatoon provincial court on Tuesday. Levine was remanded until his next appearance Wednesday. (…)The investigation was a joint effort between the Saskatoon Police Service Sex Crimes and Child Abuse, Targeted Enforcement, Major Crime, Forensic Identification Unit and Tech Crimes Units, along with the RCMP National Missing Children Operations, the Canada Border Services Agency, Saskatchewan Justice and officials in the Philippines and Brazil. StarPhoenix; Leader-Post

*** Motorist helps collar border jumper**
RCMP officers have arrested a border runner with the help of an alert truck driver and a fortuitous traffic collision. At around 3 a.m. last Thursday, Canada Border Services Agency (CBSA) officers at the Beaver Creek crossing refused entry to an American man because of his lengthy criminal record. The 40-year-old seemed to comply, and started driving back toward the U.S. border. He then made an abrupt U-turn and careened down the opposite side of the road, past the CBSA building and southbound on the Alaska Highway through the town of Beaver Creek, the RCMP said today. Const. Scott Guthrie began to patrol south from Beaver Creek along the highway after receiving the CBSA alert. He was later joined by Mounties from Haines Junction and Whitehorse. Whitehorse Daily Star, 2

*** Amende de 1500 $ pour ne pas avoir déclaré un fusil dans ses bagages**
Un individu du Texas, qui n'a pas déclaré être en possession d'une arme à feu en traversant la frontière néo-brunswickoise au poste douanier de Saint-Léonard en septembre, a écopé d'une amende de 1500 $, mardi, en Cour provinciale à Grand-Sault. John Stanley Wyckoff, 62 ans, faisait partie d'un groupe de motocyclistes qui est entré au Nouveau-Brunswick par la douane de Saint-Léonard il y a quelques semaines. Ses bagages se trouvaient dans une miniremorque tirée par son engin. Après inspection, les douaniers ont trouvé un fusil de calibre .38 dans ses bagages. Il n'était toutefois pas chargé et était entreposé dans un boîtier. L'Américain a expliqué que l'arme était une mesure de protection où il habite au Texas et a dit ne pas être au courant que les fusils de ce calibre sont prohibés au Canada. Pour cette «négligence», l'homme, qui était absent du tribunal, a été condamné à une amende de 1500 $ par le juge Paul Duffie. L'avocate qui le représentait avait en main un chèque de sa part pour acquitter la note. L'Acadie Nouvelle, 5

*** Dozens of travellers denied entry into Canada for variety of reasons**
With nearly 12,000 vehicles passing through the Canadian port of entry at North Portal in August, there were several incidents involving travellers and Canada Border Services Agency personnel that ended in

refusal of entry into Canada or fines and other penalties.There were other events reported at several other border points, as noted by CBSA officials in a recent media release.Some of the highlighted events at North Portal in August included a male traveller from Kentucky who attempted to enter Canada on Aug. 1 in an attempt to deliver goods to northern Alberta. Background checks on the driver revealed two convictions for manslaughter and murder. He was refused entry into Canada and was returned to the United States. On Aug. 2, a woman importing six puppies provided false receipts to CBSA officers, who learned the dogs were sold for $800 each, and they found the original receipts hidden in the vehicle. Estevan Mercury

The dangers of sanctuary

Hours before he was to be deported for spying on Chinese dissidents, Gankhuyag Bumuutseren walked into St. James Humber bay Anglican church in Toronto and claimed sanctuary. Canada border Services Agency officers knew where he was but would not enter the church to make the arrest, so he moved into the basement meeting room and turned it into an apartment. He had a TV, bed and sofa, an exercise bike and barbells. He also had the support of the parish, which wrote letters on his behalf, appealing to the government to let his family stay in Canada on humanitarian grounds. But four years later, Bumuutseren has finally been removed from Canada and the pastor says the parish will be more careful the next time someone asks for sanctuary because it turned out that spying wasn't Bumuutseren's only crime. The case was one of several across Canada in which deportees had frustrated immigration authorities by holing up in churches. While there is no legal barrier to making arrests inside a church, there is a long tradition of not doing so. The CBSA enforcement manual says officers should generally only enter places of worship to make arrests in cases involving "security threats (e.g. security, espionage), serious criminality (e.g. murders) and exceptional circumstances." (…) Recalled Rev. Henderson, "They came into the church; they asked me to go down with them. This was prearranged and they had security outside in case he made a run for it. And I came down and said, 'The police are here and they're going to take you away,' and he went peaceably with them," he said. Law enforcement had respected sanctuary when Bumuutseren was wanted for deportation, "but I think when there's the allegation of a crime of this nature I would welcome the fact that such an accusation could trump sanctuary," he said. "I mean if all you're dealing with is a person who wants to stay in Canada, and thinks he has some grounds for doing that, then it seems to me sanctuary should be and is respected by the police. But if this person has done something very wrong then I don't think sanctuary should be an extenuating condition." Bumuutseren pleaded guilty to sexual interference. Once he had served his prison sentence, the CBSA took him into custody and he was deported on March 26,2013. He initially told the National Post he had been "caught" outside the church. National Post, A3

Elle quitte le pays puis revient illégalement

Une femme de 31 ans d'origine roumaine se retrouve derrière les barreaux après avoir franchi illégalement la frontière canado-américaine cette fin de semaine à Stanstead. Les six enfants qu'elle amenait avec elle ont été confiés à la DPJ. En attente d'une décision de Citoyenneté et Immigration Canada pour sa demande de réfugié politique, Simona Ciuciu doit maintenant se défendre d'une accusation pénale d'être entré au Canada sans se rapporter à un poste de douane. La femme de 31 ans avait demandé le statut de réfugié politique en 2011 en compagnie de ses enfants et de son mari après être entrée illégalement au Canada par la rue Church à Stanstead. Ils avaient bénéficié d'une immunité étant donné qu'ils revendiquaient le statut de réfugié politique. Des conditions lui avaient été émises dont celle de ne pas quitter le pays en attendant que les autorités prennent une décision concernant son avenir au Canada. Au début septembre, la femme a quitté le Canada vers les États-Unis. Son mari a été arrêté le 16 septembre dernier à Montréal. Il est détenu dans une affaire où il est soupçonné d'être à la tête d'un réseau de passeurs illégal d'immigrants. Il reviendra devant le tribunal le 4 novembre prochain au palais de justice de Montréal. Sa femme a tenté de revenir au Canada en compagnie de six enfants cette fin de semaine en passant par la rue Church qui est non gardée. Elle a tenté de déplacer les pots de fleurs qui ont été mis au travers de la voie pour empêcher les véhicules de circuler d'un pays à l'autre. Elle a été arrêtée par les patrouilleurs de la Gendarmerie royale du Canada (GRC) qui avaient repéré son stratagème pour entrer illégalement au Canada. La Tribune, 11; * Journal de Montréal (Journal de Québec)

Cops raising money to support Special Olympics N.B
Later this month, law enforcement officers from RCMP, Fredericton Police Force, Department of Natural Resources, Department of Fisheries, Military Police, and Canada Border Services Agency will be collecting tips for pumping gas and washing windshields at the Lincoln Circle K Big Stop. The effort will take place on Oct. 26 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The Lincoln Circle K Big Stop has also agreed to donate three cents per litre of gasoline pumped on that day to Special Olympics. The Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics is the world's largest third-party fundraising organization for Special Olympics, raising millions of dollars worldwide to support individuals with an intellectual disability who participate in Special Olympics Programs worldwide. "In the past year, this group of dedicated and community-driven law enforcement officers have raised over $40,000 to support Special Olympics New Brunswick's provincial and national games teams," noted a news release. On July 8-12, Special Olympics N.B. will be sending a record number of athletes to Vancouver, B.C. to the Special Olympics Canada Summer Games. Daily Gleaner, A3

Mexican man to be booted
A Mexican man in Canada illegally and hoping to stay for fear of being tortured by police in his native country has lost his bid to do so. Omar Quevedo Cruz, 26, is to be deported Wednesday afternoon after a Federal court judge decided Tuesday night there was insufficient evidence he'd be harmed in Mexico, that his relatives still living in that country hadn't been harmed, and that he already faced a criminal record in Canada that included impaired driving and failure to show up for past court appearances. Lawyers for Cruz made a last-ditch attempt to keep him here; this was Cruz's fourth motion to stay in Canada. Cruz is the brother of Brenda Quevedo Cruz, who for the past four years has sat in a Mexican jail as one of a handful of people charged and awaiting trial in that country for the alleged 2005 kidnapping and murder in Mexico City of entrepreneur Hugo de Wallace. "If Omar is deported, he'll be grabbed as soon as he lands," Eastman said late last week. "They're just going to grab him and torture him because (his sister) has yet to confess to the crime, (and) they are going to use Omar to get that confession from her." Brenda has been tortured by Mexican police in an attempt to obtain a confession to a crime that may have never really occurred, Eastman has said. Cruz fled Mexico for Canada after he and his mother were harassed by police looking for information on Brenda, he said. Toronto Sun, 14

Nanny trafficker gets 18-months
A man convicted of human trafficking his family's nanny was sentenced to 18 months in prison Tuesday. In June, Franco Orr was convicted of illegally employing a foreign national and misrepresenting the situation to authorities for bringing his family's nanny, Leticia Sarmiento, from Hong Kong when they relocated to Vancouver. Sarmiento alleged Orr had overworked and underpaid her, as well as isolated her from society. The judge, however, said at Orr's sentencing hearing he didn't believe the extent of those allegations. Orr's wife, Nicole Huen, was also charged in the case, but was acquitted. QMI Agency (Edmonton Sun; * Canadian Press (The Province, Times Colonist, Vancouver Sun, National Post, StarPhoenix, Montreal Gazette, Chronicle Herald, Red Deer Advocate); * Globe and Mail

Retour du Parlement fédéral - Les Communes rendront d'abord hommage... au bébé royal
Protocole oblige, la nouvelle session parlementaire s'ouvrira à Ottawa ce mercredi par un discours du Trône annonçant les grandes lignes du programme de Stephen Harper pour les deux prochaines années. Mais le premier élément à l'ordre du jour dès jeudi aux Communes sera... la royauté. (…) Le premier ministre risque également de revenir avec le pain et le beurre des conservateurs : la loi et l'ordre. Le discours confirmera sans doute des projets de loi promis cet été qui prévoyaient la création d'une base de données - accessible au public - fichant les agresseurs sexuels d'enfants à risque élevé et l'obligation faite aux délinquants sexuels déjà inscrits au Registre national des délinquants sexuels (non public celui-là, créé en 2004) d'avertir les services frontaliers canadiens et de leur fournir un itinéraire de leur voyage lorsqu'ils sortent du pays. Les conservateurs devraient enfin revenir avec leur engagement de créer une Charte des victimes. Le Devoir, A2

Prosecute Offender at home: Wildrose
The Opposition Wildrose party says the Alberta government should do everything it can to bring a convicted sex offender back to Canada to face charges he removed his electronic monitoring bracelet.

Wildrose justice critic Shayne Saskiw says it is "morally reprehensible" that Justice Minister Jonathan Denis is not pursuing the extradition of Michael Stanley. Edmonton police believe Stanley fled to the United States after cutting off his locator device earlier this month in Lloydminster on the Alberta-Saskatchewan boundary. U.S. officials have told The Associated Press that Stanley was allowed across the border in to Washington state because he is an American citizen and wasn't wanted on any charges in the U.S. Over the weekend, Alberta Justice announced it would not seek Stanley's extradition back to Canada because the breach of recognizance, mischief and driving charges he faces north of the border don't involve violence. (…) At least one extradition expert has sided with leaving Stanley in theU.S. Gary Botting of Coquitlam, B.C., said last week the extradition process would cost hundreds of thousands of dollars and Stanley would face little, if any, jail time if he were convicted of the charges he is currently wanted on in Canada. Canadian Press (National Post, Calgary Herald)

Canadian teens caught after 'mini Bonnie and Clyde' run
On Sunday night, a 16-year old boy in the Ottawa-area town of Eganville allegedly stole a 2002 Chevy Avalanche to go pick up his 13-year-old girlfriend in Pembroke, a 30-minute drive to the north. Two stolen cars, three police chases, a hail of gunfire and one international border later, the couple's alleged 24-hour crime spree was brought to an end in a river outside Kingfield, Maine, more than 500 kilometres from where they started. "It was a mini Bonnie and Clyde thing," Franklin County Sheriff Scott Nichols told Waterville, Maine's Morning Sentinel on Tuesday. As of Tuesday night, none of the dozens of U.S. and Canadian officers who spent the holiday Monday chasing down the minors had any idea "what their intentions were, or where they were headed," according to a statement by Maine law enforcement. It was on the western edge of Ottawa early Monday morning that the pair first caught the attention of law enforcement when they were seen driving the Chevy Avalanche down a rural stretch of Carling Avenue, repeatedly swerving the vehicle into the opposing lane. (…)At 9 p.m., this second stolen car screamed through the small border crossing station at Coburn Gore, Maine, just 30 minutes from the disaster stricken community of Lac-Mégantic, Que. The speeding car slammed into a Border Patrol car before leading agents on a 160 km/h chase along Maine Route 27, a scenic two-lane blacktop running directly through the main streets of small-town Maine. Outside the village of Stratton, the fugitives briefly got the upper hand when they immobilized a second Border Patrol vehicle before disappearing into the night as Border Patrol officers drew their weapons and fired repeatedly in its direction. Postmedia News (National Post); Canadian Press; Associated Press (Times&Transcript, Montreal Gazette, Calgary Herald); * Agency QMI (Journal de Montréal); * Globe and Mail

CYBER SECURITY / SÉCURITÉ CYBERNÉTIQUE

*** S'assurer contre les cyberattaques**
Les entreprises québécoises n'échappent pas au phénomène grandissant de la cybercriminalité. A défaut d'y échapper, elles feraient bien de considérer l'option d'assurer ce risque du XXIe siècle pour éviter de se retrouver avec d'éventuelles poursuites ruineuses. "C'est une réalité, et il faudra en tenir compte au cours des prochaines années", affirme Lyne Benoît, vice-présidente spécialisée en responsabilité des administrateurs et dirigeants chez BFL Canada. Les assureurs semblent avoir prévu le coup. Au cours des trois dernières années, une dizaine de compagnies d'assurance partout au pays ont ainsi "raffiné" ce type de protection, constate la vice-présidente. … Elle ne dispose pas de statistiques pour mesurer avec exactitude l'ampleur de cette nouvelle menace. Toutefois, en Belgique, où la cybercriminalité explose littéralement, plus de 2000 cyberincidents ont été rapportés par 350 entreprises ou organisations depuis 6 mois, d'après les données de la Cyber Emergency Response Team (CERT). Cette organisation soutenue par le gouvernement fédéral pourchasse les pirates informatiques jusque dans leurs derniers retranchements. La Presse, S10

*** Police warning after drug traffickers' cyber-attack**
The head of Europe's crime fighting agency has warned of the growing risk of organised crime groups using cyber-attacks to allow them to traffic drugs. The director of Europol, Rob Wainwright, says the internet is being used to facilitate the international drug trafficking business. His comments follow a cyber-attack on the Belgian port of Antwerp. Drug traffickers recruited hackers to breach IT systems that controlled the movement and location of containers. Police carried out a series of raids in Belgium and

Holland earlier this year, seizing computer-hacking equipment as well as large quantities of cocaine and heroin, guns and a suitcase full of cash. BBC News

*** Aaron Swartz's legacy lives on: SecureDrop is a WikiLeaks for any journalist**
In May, The New Yorker revealed what hacktivist Aaron Swartz was building before his untimely death: an encrypted dead drop system that would let whistleblowers leak documents to journalists without fear of exposing their identity. The New Yorker launched its own implementation, Strongbox, and other media outlets were free to do the same — but in August, noted security researchers at the University of Washington reported that DeadDrop wasn't quite ready for primetime, citing issues installing and using the software among many other things.That's where Aaron Swartz's legacy stood — until today. Today, the Freedom of the Press Foundation has announced that it has taken over the project, specifically hiring computer security expert James Dolan full-time to maintain the code, help media organizations install the software, and teach them how to use it well. The Verge

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Police watchdog launches probe after motorcyclist hurt
The province's Serious Incident Response Team is investigating a motorcycle crash in Glace Bay Sunday that left the 23-year-old Gardiner Mines man with serious injuries. At about 4 p.m., an officer with the joint RCMP-Cape Breton Regional Police Service traffic services unit, driving an RCMP vehicle, activated his lights and siren to stop a motorcyclist who allegedly committed a traffic violation near the intersection of Reserve Street and MacAdam Street. A short time later, the driver of the motorcycle collided with a car. He was first taken to Cape Breton Regional Hospital for treatment of serious injuries and then transferred to hospital in Halifax. No one else was hurt. As a result of the man's serious injuries, Cape Breton Regional Police contacted the response team Sunday afternoon to look into the pursuit and subsequent crash. The Police Act requires Ron MacDonald, the team's director, to file a public report summarizing the result of the investigation within 90 days after it is finished. Chronicle Herald

Blurred photos released of police in fatal shooting
Photos were released Tuesday of RCMP emergency response team members who surrounded a former peacekeeper before he was fatally shot. The photos show the officers, their faces blurred, dressed the way they were the night Greg Matters was killed, in head-to-toe combat gear, wearing flak vests and armed with M16 rifles. The lawyer for the RCMP asked the judge to ban publication of the photos showing constables Hipkin, Reddeman and Merriman and corporals Arnold and Warwick, who fired the fatal bullets. The officers' first names weren't released. The lawyer for the Matters family said the photos depicting the officers the way they looked to Matters, a veteran in treatment for post-traumatic stress, are central to the inquest and should be available to the public. Coroner Chico Newell ruled that the photos could be released, but only with the faces of the men obscured so that individual members could not be identified. Matters was shot in September 2012 by a member of the emergency response team sent to arrest him on a charge of assaulting his brother. Canadian Press (Times Colonist, The Province)

Stunned to death? Unlikely
While it's possible a person could die after being zapped with a stun gun, the likelihood is "extremely rare," a new Canadian report says. But the report from the Council of Canadian Academies and the Canadian Academy of Health Sciences says there's a lack of "high-quality evidence" into health problems that can occur when conducted energy weapons (CEWs) are used. "Sudden, in-custody death resulting from a use-of-force event typically involves a complicated scenario that includes multiple factors," the 14-member expert panel said in the report released Tuesday. "Although the electrical characteristics of CEWs can potentially contribute to sudden in-custody death, given the limited evidence, CEW exposure cannot be confirmed or excluded as the primary cause of a fatality in most real-world settings." The report, entitled The Health Effects of Conducted Energy Weapons, suggests there's a need for more research into possible health effects, as well as a standardized system for documenting stun gun use. QMI Agency (Edmonton Sun)

Gunshot ruled as teen's cause of death
More details are starting to emerge about the death of a 15-year-old boy found lying in an open area on the Samson Cree town site at Hobbema Saturday morning. Following an autopsy on Tuesday, the medical examiner confirmed Teagan Johnson died as a result of a gunshot wound. RCMP recovered two firearms over the weekend, but are still treating the death as suspicious as they continue to investigate. Teagan was found around 8:45 a.m. Saturday morning in between two houses. His grandmother, Delores Johnson, was one of a few hundred people who attended a candlelight vigil Monday evening to remember the teen. Delores remembers Teagan as a happy, but quiet boy who was passionate about hockey. She was surprised to see such a large turnout for the vigil, expecting only family to attend. QMI Agency (Calgary Sun , Edmonton Sun);* Edmonton Journal

RCMP arrest, ticket 77-year-old in 'abuse of power'
A Mayerthrope man says his political sign got the wrong kind of attention from Mounties. Ed Ens, 77, displayed a four-by- eight sign in his truck that read, "Where are your tax dollars going?" He says a member of the RCMP was not amused and issued him a handful of tickets and threw him in handcuffs. He said tax money should be spent on sewers and streets. "Tax dollars are spent unwisely," he said. When Ens was told to take is sign down, he told the officer he had to turn the truck around to safely take it down. He says at the point he was put under arrest. Ens notes that he had a knee operation four days prior. "It's just plain abuse of power," he said. The Mountie told him the sign would obscure his vision while driving, and gave him a ticket for stunting. The total tickets set him back $1,250. In addition, the officer confiscated the truck overnight. Mayerthorpe RCMP Cpl. Scott Potrebenko said Ens came in to speak with police about the incident, but he was referred to the public complaints commission. As a result, Potrebenko said he was unable to comment about the allegations. QMI Agency (Calgary Sun)

T.O. soft on solving crime?
Far fewer violent crimes are solved each year in Toronto than in several other cities included in a just-released report that compares a slew of taxpayer-funded services. While the Ontario Municipal Benchmarking Initiative study offers comparisons, but no context, for each city's results, it shows 59% of violent crime was "cleared" in Toronto in 2012 -- far below the midway point of 15 other communities involved in the study. The median among the cities--14 of which are in Ontario, plus Winnipeg and Calgary--is 72%. Performing well above the median are Sudbury (85%), Thunder Bay (78%) and Durham Region (77%). At the lower end near Toronto is Hamilton (60%). Noting a correlation between cities with large numbers of police officers and civilian staff and higher spending, Toronto also registers well above the median of 15 other communities in terms of total per-capita police costs. The median is $290, while Toronto checks in at $376. QMI Agency (Toronto Sun)

*** 'I was begging for my son's life,' B.C. inquest hears**
Just before he was shot and killed by police, Greg Matters made some phone calls. One was to his mother, Lorraine, but she couldn't pick up; the 66-year old was sitting in an RCMP detention cell, nursing her bruised chest. Another bruise was forming under her chin, she recalled Tuesday, at a coroner's inquest examining circumstances around her son's death. The small, circular mark, she alleged, was the result of an RCMP rifle muzzle having been pushed in her face. Greg left a message on her answering device. It was played Tuesday at the inquest. "Hey mom, can you call me? I'm a little worried about what's going on and where you are. Can you call me? OK." Then he hung up. His voice was calm; it was as if his mother was late to return from a grocery shopping trip. But Lorraine was in police custody, and she was hurt. She was also worried as heck. A storm was brewing at the Matters' place, a large acreage southeast of Prince George. The previous day, Sept. 9, 2012, Greg and his older brother Trevor had physically clashed just outside the property. Blows were exchanged. An off-duty RCMP officer happened by and broke up the fight. The Matters brothers went their separate ways. But Greg worried about repercussions, the inquest has heard. He called RCMP in Prince George several times later, asking if Trevor had been arrested. The National Post has obtained recordings of his calls to police; they are plaintive but polite. During one, Greg claimed that Trevor had guns. In another, a police dispatcher admonished him for dialling 9-1-1.He apologized… Lorraine Matters had already attempted that morning to get to her son. He was still in the old cabin,making cellphone calls and sending emails, asking people-including at least one local newspaper reporter -for help. His mother called the RCMP in Prince George and spoke to an officer who "made it clear that he just wanted Greg to come [to the detachment] without

incident." She told the officer she was going to go see her son, and he seemed fine with that, she testified. She was in her car and had turned up the lane toward the old cabin when police stopped her. An officer emerged from a black SUV. Ms. Matters got out of her car and a confrontation ensued, the inquest heard. The officer, identified at the inquest as RCMP Cpl. Collin Warwick, grabbed the keys from her hand, Ms. Matters testified. Cpl. Warwick "grabbed me by the scruff of my neck, drug me about 50 feet on the ground and kneed me so hard that I thought my bones were broke," she testified. "I was begging for my son's life." National Post, A1

*** Report urges more stun gun research**

They've been in use by Canadian police agencies since the late 1990s, yet considerable "knowledge gaps" remain about the potential cardiac and respiratory effects of being zapped by a conducted energy weapon, or stun gun, concludes an expert-panel report released on Tuesday. While fatal complications from CEWs are rare, the panel concluded there remains a dearth of highquality research about their use and possible health repercussions. "Given the limitations and scarcity of the evidence, a clear causal relationship between CEW use and sudden in-custody death cannot be confirmed or excluded at this time," said the report, released jointly by the Council of Canadian Academies and the Canadian Academy of Health Sciences and billed as "one of the most comprehensive" assessments of the health effects of conducted energy weapons. Part of the problem is that a host of factors, such as pre-existing health conditions and drug use, can contribute to those adverse effects, making it difficult to isolate one contributing factor, the report said. Further, much of the lab testing has involved the use of animals or healthy human volunteers - not representative of realworld scenarios. The report's release comes just weeks after Ontario announced it would allow all front-line officers to use stun guns after previously limiting their use to only supervisors and tactical officers. Postmedia News (The Province, Vancouver Sun, StarPhoenix, Leader-Post, Calgary Herald, Edmonton Journal, Ottawa Citizen, Montreal Gazette, Canada.com)

*** Report calls for national registry of police taser use**

A national registry of police use-of-force incidents would shed light on the risks associated with tasers - controversial weapons believed to cause death only rarely, but the real-world implications of which remain largely unknown, according to a new study. The 112-page report on the health effects of stun guns, which was sponsored by a federal agency, says its conclusions about respiratory and cardiac risks are limited due to a lack of high-quality evidence. Still, the study states that "while fatal complications are biologically plausible, they would be extremely rare." With more than 9,000 stun guns in use in Canada - and at time when tasers are under heightened public scrutiny - the panel suggests creating a national registry to cull standardized taser data from police and medical personnel. The study, released on Tuesday, says at least 33 people have died in Canada after the use of a stun gun since 1998, although tasers were not necessarily the direct cause. "Whether policy-makers choose to [create a national registry] or not is their business," said Justice Stephen Goudge, an Ontario appeal court judge who chaired the panel struck by the Council of Canadian Academies and the Canadian Academy of Health Sciences. "But the difficulty now is . . . there are different criteria for when use-of-force reports are filed, what they say and what they track." The suggestion - one of several, including "furthering ethical laboratory-based" animal and human research - comes three years after an inquest into the death of Aron Firman, a mentally ill man who was tasered. The jury recommended Ontario collect stun-gun statistics from its police forces and suggested a national database for all in-custody deaths. Globe and Mail, A5

*** Officers lobby over police dog's death**

Two Edmonton police officers are in Ottawa, lobbying for an amendment to the Criminal Code to include a charge for killing a police service animal after Quanto, one of their dogs, was killed last week. Troy Carriere, acting staff sergeant of the Edmonton police canine unit, and Const. Matt Williamson, the dog's handler, were invited to the country's capital by the Prime Minister's Office and may attend the throne speech on Wednesday, Edmonton Police Service spokeswoman Patrycia Thenu said. The invitation comes after Quanto was stabbed repeatedly with a knife by a suspect he was pursuing. The German shepherd with four years of decorated service and more than 100 arrests to his name died shortly after. Under the Criminal Code, cruelty to an animal is the strongest charge that can be laid and a five-year prison sentence is the harshest penalty. "It's been our intent to have that changed," Carriere said last week. "We need to adjust the Criminal Code at some point ... and this is obviously a good time to do that."

Federal Justice Minister Peter MacKay told The Canadian Press in an email that he is "personally very supportive" of a private member's bill that already proposes such an amendment. Ontario Conservative MP Costas Menegakis introduced the bill this year. It says anyone "who knowingly or recklessly poisons, injures or kills a law enforcement animal," including a horse or dog, could be subject to the same fiveyear maximum sentence. But changing the Criminal Code can take time. Edmonton Journal

*** 'We can ask whether the police had the appropriate training.'**

The deaths of three mentally ill people at the hands of police are separate tragedies, but may lead to new recommendations for police training and resources, coroner's counsel Michael Blaine told the jury Tuesday morning at the inquest into the fatal police shootings. "We can ask ourselves whether the police officers had the appropriate training and ... access to the right tools and resources to address the situation," he said. "Is there room for improvement in dealing with the mentally ill?" Michael Eligon, 29, Sylvia Klibingaitis, 52, and Reyal Jardine-Douglas, 25, all had mental health issues and were thought to be in crisis. All three were carrying sharp weapons when they were shot and killed by Toronto police officers. The coroner's inquest began Tuesday and will last eight weeks, with more than 50 witnesses set to be called. It is expected to raise questions about police use of force and how front-line officers deal with the mentally ill. Toronto Star, 1

*** Murder scene was 'horrific,' trail told**

Even for a seasoned homicide investigator, the scene of the Surrey Six murders was disturbing for RCMP St. Sgt. David Teboul. When he arrived at the Balmoral Towers apartment highrise, there was a lot of police vehicles and personnel set up at the police perimeter, he said Tuesday. Teboul, who is currently in the anticorruption unit, testified that he made his way into the building through a foyer. "It was a very chaotic scene. A lot of police officers there, a lot of people gathered around." Teboul took a brief look into the suite where the bodies were found and early the next day entered the suite to help make an assessment of the crime scene. He told B.C. Supreme Court Justice Catherine Wedge that he walked through the entire suite. "What I saw immediately was a scene that was, it was safe to say, nothing short of horrific, even for a seasoned investigator." Teboul said he immediately observed the bodies of six males laying on the floor, in two groups of three, one near the entrance and one near the south side of the apartment near a fireplace. "There was a fair amount of blood on the floor and the surroundings of each of the victims. There was a lot of objects on the ground, including shell cases. There was a firearm specifically, almost in front of us, near the bodies."... Also Tuesday, the Crown played a graphic video of the crime scene. The 25-minute video, filmed by RCMP Cpl. Graeme Matthews, was shown after Crown counsel Matthew Stacey warned people in the public gallery about the graphic nature of the video. Eileen Mohan, the mother of murder victim Chris Mohan, sat in court in the front row of the gallery and watched the opening part of the video but soon left the courtroom. A number of students also sat watching the video from the gallery, some of them taking notes. The playing of the video follows the showing on Friday of photos taken of the crime scene by forensics investigators the day following the murders. The video showed many of the scenes that were showed in the photos Friday. The Province, Vancouver Sun

*** Minister supports RCMP on protests**

The province's attorney general says he backs the RCMP's approach that has seen police wait to enforce an injunction on shale gas protesters in hopes for a peaceful resolution. Ted Flemming, who was appointed New Brunswick's attorney general late last month, made the comments yesterday. They come following criticism from SWN Resources Canada that police have been complicit in the illegal actions of locals that continue to protest on Route 134 near Rexton. "In any situation like that, it's best if people can negotiate and come to a solution through discussion and through collaboration," Flemming said. "That's the process that is going on now. That's always the process that is preferred: reasonable people coming together to do what needs to be done. "The government's primary preferential role is one of collaboration, discussion and negotiation, which the premier is dealing with at this time." The protesters, which include members of the Elsipogtog First Nation, want SWN Resources to stop seismic testing and leave the province. Premier David Alward and Chief Aaron Sock met last week and agreed to set up a working group to work towards a resolution. But that resolution has appeared to remain elusive. Times & Transcript

*** Plus de 220 armes retirées de la circulation**
Le programme "Pixels pour pistolets" de la police d'Ottawa a permis de retirer de la circulation 226 armes de toutes sortes, entre le 7 et 13 octobre. En échange, les participants à cette amnistie ont reçu un appareil photo. Les autorités ont reçu 46 armes de poing, 165 carabines et fusils de chasse, et 15 armes à air comprimé. "Nous espérons que ces chiffres vont encourager d'autres résidents, ayant des armes inutilisées ou dont ils n'ont plus besoin, de nous appeler pour que nous puissions détruire ces armes avant qu'elles ne tombent entre de mauvaises mains", explique le sergent d'état-major Mark Patterson. Le Droit

*** One dirty, rotten scam**
He calls his beloved monster truck "Bad to the Bone," but if police are right, Devin Gillingham should change that slogan to "Rotten to the Core." It's certainly hard to fathom a crime more maggoty than stealing from flood victims, but that's what RCMP say the 24-year-old Okotoks man did, ripping off food intended for refugees of the High River disaster. You know it's bad when even seasoned police officers are disgusted. "We were even offended, and we're used to bad behaviour," said Sgt. Donna Rorison, of the Okotoks RCMP detachment. "Everybody in the office is saying the same thing, and it's 'are you kidding me?' We've been giving from the bottom of our pockets for so long, hoping every little bit will make some poor person's life better, and someone does this? "We're used to people behaving badly, but still..." On Sept. 30, Mounties say they got a tip someone was stealing supplies from the High River Relief Community of Saddlebrook, where more than a thousand refugees from the June flood are living in temporary trailers. Food stored there is meant for families left homeless and often strapped for cash following the soggy disaster, who are now forced to live in a trailer town after the flood destroyed their homes… Gillingham was arrested on Oct. 12 after Mounties raided his Okotoks home where they say they found a "significant" amount of stolen food and food supplies, all designated for the people and families at Saddlebrook. The monster truck racer was charged with theft under $5,000, as well as unsafe storage of a firearm, and was hauled off to the Calgary Remand Centre to await a court appearance on Oct. 18, 2013 in Okotoks, where he'll also answer to outstanding traffic warrants. QMI Agency (Calgary Sun)

CORRECTIONAL SERVICES / SERVICE CORRECTIONNEL

*** Top prison official slated to testify at Ashley Smith inquest**
Canada's top prisons official is slated to take the stand Wednesday at the inquest into the in-custody death of Ashley Smith. Don Head, commissioner of Correctional Services of Canada, had secretly tried to have his subpoena set aside. He tried to argue he had no connection to the teen's death. However, the presiding coroner, Dr. John Carlisle, was having none of that. As a result, Head is expected to answer questions about what he knew about Smith's circumstances and what he did about them. At the time Smith, 19, strangled herself in her segregation cell in Kitchener, Ont., in October 2007, Head was deputy commissioner. Canadian Press (City News)

*** Chat Back**
B.C.'s federal prisoners are going on strike over a 30-per-cent cut to their $5-a-day wage. Prisoners say they can no longer afford to send money to families, call loved ones or buy supplies. Most readers weren't very sympathetic: Why should we pay? It's not the taxpayers' job to pay criminals' wages… Guess they should have thought of that before committing the crime that put them there in the first place… These people are in jail; it's not a country club. They get three solid meals a day, a roof over their heads and a job. Our seniors and some people on the outside don't even get that. The Province, A23

COMMUNITY SAFETY & PARTNERSHIPS / SÉCURITÉ DE LA POPULATION ET PARTENARIATS

*** Une véritable "crise", estime un émissaire de l'ONU**

La situation des peuples autochtones au Canada n'est rien de moins qu'une "crise", selon un émissaire des Nations unies qui a terminé hier une tournée de neuf jours au pays. Un bilan qui a été accueilli par un silence radio de la part du gouvernement Harper. James Anaya, le rapporteur de l'ONU sur les droits des peuples autochtones, a affirmé hier que les conditions de vie des Premières Nations canadiennes contrastent de manière saisissante avec celles de la majorité blanche. "Ce qui me frappe ici, c'est que le Canada est un pays hautement développé, qui se classe en tête du peloton mondial en matière de développement humain, et les personnes autochtones sont loin derrière le reste de la population selon ces indicateurs, note James Anaya. Il y a un fossé significatif, et ce fossé ne se rétrécit pas, selon le propre aveu du gouvernement."... During his stay in the country, Mr. Anaya echoed a longstanding demand of the leaders of the First Nations is holding a public inquiry into the missing and murdered Aboriginal women. He also proposed to extend the mandate of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission, which focuses on the abuse suffered by former students of Indian Residential Schools . A la fin 2011, au plus fort de la crise humanitaire dans la communauté d'Attawapiskat, en Ontario, le rapporteur de l'ONU s'était rendu dans la réserve et avait dénoncé les conditions de vie "désastreuses" qu'il y avait observées. Le gouvernement Harper avait répliqué en mettant en cause sa crédibilité. Cette fois, M. Anaya dit avoir obtenu la pleine collaboration du gouvernement fédéral. Il a pris soin de noter que plusieurs initiatives d'Ottawa, notamment le mécanisme de résolution des revendications territoriales, sont des pas dans la bonne direction. Ces mesures sont toutefois "insuffisantes". La Presse; Canadian Press (Globe and Mail, National Post, Chronicle Herald, The Telegram, Whitehorse Daily, Times Colonist, Leader-Post, Toronto Star, Waterloo Region Record); Postmedia News (Ottawa Citizen, The Province, Windsor Star, Montreal Gazette, Vancouver Sun, Windsor Star, Edmonton Journal, Calgary Herald); QMI Agency (London Free Press); Le Devoir; Presse Canadienne (La Tribune); Agence QMI (Journal de Montreal, Journal de Quebec); Toronto Sun (Kingston Whig-Standard, Edmonton Sun, Calgary Sun)

*** First Nation puts faith in UN**

The federal government won't be able to ignore the United Nations' visit to Buffalo River Dene Nation, Chief Lance Byhette says. The UN special rapporteur on the rights of indigenous peoples, James Anaya, visited the reserve Sunday morning as part of his eight-day fact-finding trip to Canada. Anaya took a short tour of the community with his entourage and a local elder, and the band hosted a grand entry in his honour at the school. Representatives from Alberta and Saskatchewan bands and the Federation of Saskatchewan Indian Nations also attended. "It was a special visit. It was a great honour to have an individual like him come to Buffalo River Dene Nation to hear us out on the issues we have that haven't been dealt with to date," Byhette said... During an impassioned news conference near Parliament Hill in Ottawa on Tuesday, Anaya said Canada is facing a "crisis" over its treatment of aboriginals and the Harper government needs to take urgent steps to build trust with its indigenous peoples. In a sharply worded statement, he called on the Conservative government to grant an extension to a commission studying the residential schools saga, to move more slowly on plans for a bill to reform aboriginal education, and to establish a public inquiry into missing and murdered aboriginal women. Postmedia News (StasrPhoenix)

*** Ottawa urged to be more flexible in B.C. treaty talks**

The United Nations representative on aboriginal rights took the side of B.C. First Nations Tuesday, supporting the call for greater government flexibility on treaty talks and declaring that government consultation on pipeline projects has been insufficient. James Anaya, the UN special rapporteur on the rights of indigenous peoples, called for a more "generous and flexible" approach to the treaty negotiations that have led to only two B.C. treaties after more than two decades of negotiations. And Anaya, an American law professor and expert on international aboriginal rights, said the federal government is not meeting its duty to consult on resource projects as spelled out in a 2007 UN declaration. That declaration, which the Harper government endorsed reluctantly and with several caveats in 2010, calls for "free, prior and informed consent" from affected First Nations before projects proceed. While Anaya insists this right shouldn't be read as a "veto" by First Nations, he said the commitment does require governments and sometimes companies to engage in "consensus-based decision-making with genuine dialogue among all concerned." Vancouver Sun, B2

*** 'Promoting equality is a way to reduce violence,' official says**

Law-abiding men shouldn't be silent when they see a potential for gender-based violence domestically, in the community or workplace, says an advocate against sexual violence against women. Todd Minerson is the executive director of the White Ribbon Campaign, the world's largest initiative of men and boys in ending male sexual violence against women. Minerson will be speaking at panel discussion on the subject Thursday at 7:30 p.m. at the Ellis Hall Auditorium at Queen's University. Mi n e r s o n has been the executive director of the White Ribbon Campaign for more than seven years. The c a mpaign was initiated in Canada in 1991 and now has a presence in 60 countries. The white ribbon symbolizes a man's pledge to never commit, condone or remain silent about violence against women. Kingston Whig-Standard

INQUEST INTO THE DEATH OF ASHLEY SMITH / ENQUÊTE SUR LA MORT D'ASHLEY SMITH

Vigil for Ashley Smith planned for Friday
The Elizabeth Fry Society of Saint John will hold its annual candlelight vigil in memory of Ashley Smith on Oct. 18, close to the six-year anniversary of her death. The 19-year-old from Moncton committed suicide in October 2007 while staying in an isolated prison cell at the Grand Valley Institution for Women in Kitchener, Ont. At the time, Smith was on suicide watch and serving a sentence for crimes committed when she was a minor. Before entering the adult prison system, she spent time in a youth detention centre in Miramichi. The Office of the Chief Coroner in Ontario is in the midst of an inquest into Smith's death. In the meantime, Elizabeth Fry Society of Saint John president Marianna Stack said it's important New Brunswick never forgets Smith and never allows another case like it to happen… The local Elizabeth Fry Society works with women and girls involved in the correctional system…Stack thinks Smith's problems began at the New Brunswick Youth Facility, though the current inquest into her death doesn't examine that part of her life. She's not convinced the inquest will change much in the way of New Brunswick policy but believes Smith's case has drawn public attention to the plight of women with mental health problems who are behind bars. Her death, Stack said, was a wake-up call about how the criminal justice system deals with mentally ill offenders. Telegraph Journal

*** Isolation for Ashley Smith illegal, inquest hears**
A teenaged inmate appeared desolate and in deep distress about a month before she choked herself to death in her segregation cell, a prisoners advocate testified on Tuesday. Kim Pate, executive director of the Canadian Association of Elizabeth Fry Societies, said she visited with Ashley Smith through her cell door on Sept. 24, 2007. "I would describe her as looking pretty hopeless and dejected," Pate said. "I was concerned she might be at risk to herself." At that point, Smith had been deprived of all cell effects with the exception of a security gown for three or four days, ostensibly because staff believed she had a piece of glass she was refusing to give up… The inquest has heard how Smith, who was prone to self-injury and acting out, was shunted from segregation in one institution to another, something Pate said was illegal. Pate noted the Arbour inquiry recommended in 1996 an end to long-term isolation, and either judicial or external oversight for any continued segregation. Canadian prison authorities have not heeded those recommendations, the inquest heard. She also testified that a UN special rapporteur has recommended solitary confinement be capped at 15 days for adults and zero days for young people or the mentally ill or it would be considered torture… Pate said the use of segregation and punitive measures such as restraints and routine strip searches are often counter-productive, especially for mentally ill inmates. Canadian Press (Telegraph-Journal, Waterloo Region Record, Times&Transcript)

PUBLIC SERVICE / FONCTION PUBLIQUE

*** Sickening use of time off**
It's enough to make you sick.
According to data provided by the Canadian Taxpayers Federation, Ontario government employees--both unionized and those who are not--called in sick 81% more often in 2012 than their private-sector counterparts. The average government employee took 10.5 days off last year, while workers in the private sector called in sick an average of 5.8 days (the latter figure coming from Statistics Canada). It appears employees on staff at services-related ministries were particularly sick (of their jobs perchance?) in 2012, with those working for correctional services taking on average 15.5 days last year. Community and social services employees were a close second, with 14 sick days in 2012.Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care employees were off sick an average of 12.3 days. CTF Ontario director Candice Malcolm believes the figures show provincial employees are abusing their sick leave by taking days when they're not actually sick. Considering those employees were making on average 13.9% more per year in 2011 compared to similar employees in the private sector and 76%of them were covered by a registered pension plan as opposed to 26% of private-sector workers--according to a recent Fraser Institute report -- I'd venture to suggest their entitlement is sickening."There's definitely a culture that's pervasive in these government offices that they use these sick days as an extra holiday leave," Malcolm said. Toronto Sun, 6

OTHER / AUTRE

Malala to be given honorary citizenship
A 16-year-old Pakistani girl who was shot by the Taliban for her campaign for girls' education will receive honorary Canadian citizenship, according to a news report. On Wednesday, the throne speech will announce that the federal government will extend honorary citizenship to Malala Yousafzai, one of only a handful of such honours that have been bestowed, the CBC reported. "Our government will bestow honorary citizenship on Malala Yousafzai who courageously advocates for human rights and freedom against the backdrop of Taliban extremism and oppression," a government source told CBC News. Malala was badly wounded in October 2012 in a shooting as she rode home on a school bus in Mingora, Pakistan. The assassination attempt on Malala, who addressed the United Nations this year on her 16th birthday, drew worldwide attention to the struggle for women's rights in Pakistan. Windsor Star, A7 (Calgary Herald, StarPhoenix, Leader-Post)

INTERNATIONAL

Canadian citizen who was Afghan governor killed
A suicide bomber attacked a mosque in eastern Afghanistan on Tuesday, killing the provincial governor as he prepared to give a speech commemorating the start of a major Muslim holiday, officials said. Early reports suggested that the attack at the Pul-e-Alam mosque in Logar had killed only the provincial governor, Arsala Jamal, a Canadian citizen who was highly thought of by the coalition leaders here. But the attack injured at least 15 others, Afghan officials said, at least eight of whom are in critical condition. It was one of the few insurgent attacks this year that took the life of a senior official. "This was an act carried out by the enemies of Islam and Afghanistan," said Haji Abdul Wali Wakil, a member of the Logar provincial council. "Those who carried out this inhumane act do not want Afghans to live in peace." The fact that the attack was committed on Eid al-Adha, one of the holiest days of the Muslim calendar, and that it took place in a mosque, underscored the determination of the insurgency to target officials by any means necessary. With the holidays in full swing, most Afghan army soldiers were on leave, leaving the Afghan police to handle the aftermath of the attack and shuttle the injured to the provincial hospital. No group immediately claimed responsibility for the attack. The Taliban denied involvement, saying they were still trying to determine who the perpetrators were. Mosque attacks have been a bewildering, and frequent, strategy of the insurgents in Afghanistan, who proclaim Islamic law as the only just system. Montreal Gazette, A16; Toronto Star (Leader-Post, Ottawa Citizen, Vancouver Sun, Calgary Sun, The Province)

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SPEECH FROM THE THRONE / DISCOURS DU TRÔNE

Throne speech failed to address concerns of B.C. consumers
An editorial states, "The Harper government's throne speech put a strong focus on consumers - but not necessarily British Columbia consumers. The broad outline of Conservative government intentions for the coming session of Parliament, read Wednesday by Governor General David Johnson, had a special section entitled Defending Canadian Consumers. But it lacked initiatives that would address several key consumer problems plaguing Canada's west coast province. With a Canadian dollar near par, cross-border shopping has become a serious challenge for B.C. retailers. (…)Across Canada, this trend is costing about $1 billion in lost revenue for Canadian airlines, airports and governments, and resulting in less tourist activity. This problem has been exhaustively detailed by the Conference Board of Canada, a Senate standing committee on Transport and the Canadian Airports Council. Yet Conservatives overlooked the issue in their throne speech. All these cross-border losses arguably are more pressing than the matter of bundled cable channels which the speech pledged to address." Vancouver Sun, A12

Time to 'seize moment' on pipelines
Of all the specific Conservative government promises and priorities cited in this week's speech from the throne, there was only one - building pipelines - that merited an urgent call to "seize the moment." "A lack of key infrastructure threatens to strand these resources at a time when global demand for Canadian

energy is soaring," Gov. Gen. David Johnston recited as he laid out the Harper government's mid-mandate policy blueprint. (…) Proposed balanced-budget legislation didn't get a "seize the moment" boost in the document. Nor did promised consumer protections, new toughon-crime measures, immigration reforms, a federal spending freeze, or even free trade negotiations - notwithstanding an imminent deal with the European Union. But "Seizing Canada's Moment" just happens to be the title of Prime Minister Stephen Harper's governing blueprint for the second half of his majority mandate. Canadian Press (Times Colonist); Kingston Whig-Standard; Globe and Mail

MINISTER / MINISTRE

*** AIDS prevention groups want prison needle programs to protect inmates, public**
A consortium of AIDS prevention and harm reduction groups are launching a renewed call for needle and syringe programs in Canadian prisons. They argue such programs – which give inmates who use drugs access to clean needles – would not only protect prisoners from infection but would also safeguard against the spread of diseases once inmates are released. Canadian prisons do not currently permit the distribution of sterile injection equipment and the federal government has repeatedly said it has no plans to implement such programs, despite their success in some countries. The Harper government says it has a "zero tolerance" policy for illegal drugs in correctional institutions. But experts say HIV and Hepatitis C rates in the prison system are "astronomically higher" than they are in the public community, with injection drug use appearing to be a driving factor. A group of advocates, experts and at least one former prisoner hope to further debate of the issue with an open panel discussion being held in Toronto today. "Closing our eyes to the problem isn't going to help. People are going to continue to get infected and these are fatal illnesses," said Sandra Ka Hon Chu, a policy analyst with the Canadian HIV/AIDS Legal Network. "We think it's really pressing to discuss it and share with the public a lot of the evidence to support these programs". Chu's group, along with three other AIDS prevention organizations and a former federal inmate launched a lawsuit against the federal government last year over the lack of needle and syringe exchange programs in Canadian prisons, saying that was a failure to protect prisoners' right to health. "I think this is a really hard sell for the public because they think people stay in prison forever. But over 95 per cent of people in prison are eventually released," said Chu. "So they're part of our community and we should care about their health and well-being." Federal prisons provide inmates with bleach that can be used to clean shared syringes, something AIDS prevention groups say is an acknowledgment of the drug use that takes place in prison. When asked about the issue, a spokesman for **Public Safety Minister Steven Blaney** said the government would "***never consider putting weapons, such as needles, in the hands of potentially violent offenders***." Lethbridge Herald (Hamilton Spectator)

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT / GESTION DES MESURES D'URGENCE

*** Thousands roll with quake drill**
You just don't know when a big earthquake is going to happen, but thousands of B.C. residents rehearsed what could be a life-saving manoeuvre Thursday. More than 690,000 people took part in the Great B.C. ShakeOut, a provincewide earthquake drill, up from 100,000 from 2012. The result has heartened emergency organizers who say that how people act during and after a big earthquake is crucial to their survival. "You may only have seconds to protect yourself in an earthquake - this is why it is critical to practise the life-saving response of 'drop, cover and hold on,' " said Miranda Myles, co-chairwoman of the Great B.C. ShakeOut organizing committee. Victoria Times-Colonist, A4

NATIONAL SECURITY / SÉCURITÉ NATIONALE

Lenovo interest in BlackBerry raises national security fears
Lenovo Group Ltd. is joining the list of suitors considering a bid for BlackBerry Ltd., raising concerns that the Canadian company's ultra-secure communications network for the global elite might end up owned by a firm based in China. BlackBerry provides mobile phones and an encrypted wireless network to many of

once connected to the now-defunct radical group. "There has been a clear withholding of relevant evidence," Jackman said. She made her comments before Justice Anne Mactavish, who is conducting a judicial review of Ottawa's blocking of Freeman's application to re-enter Canada. Freeman fled to Canada four decades ago after wounding Chicago police officer Terrence Knox with three gunshots in 1969, in what he said was a case of self-defence. The shooting caused permanent injuries to Knox, who died in 2011 at age 63 after a prolonged illness. After the shooting, some media outlets made passing references that linked Freeman to the militant Black Panthers. But Freeman has repeatedly denied he was ever a member of the group. For 34 years, he stayed out of trouble with the law while working as a librarian's assistant at the downtown Toronto Reference Library and raising a family of four with his librarian wife. Some two dozen family members and former library co-workers attended his hearing Wednesday. Toronto Star, GT4

BORDER SECURITY / SÉCURITÉ FRONTALIÈRE

*** Sikh priest gets 90 days for sex assault**
A visiting Sikh priest from India has been sentenced to prison after being convicted of sexual assault and sexual interference stemming from an incident involving a 13-year-old Abbotsford girl. Ajai Singh, the son of a former prominent Sikh figure, will now serve 90 days in jail, followed by 18 months probation. He had been visiting Canada earlier this year when the incident was first reported to police on Feb. 9. The 38-year-old was charged in February this year on two counts; sexual assault and sexual interference with a person under the age of 16. Singh's father is the former head of the Akal Takht, the highest temporal seat of the Sikhs, during the late 1990s. Singh was also a hymn singer with the Shiromani Gurdwara Parbandhak Committee (SGPC), the highest religious body of the Sikhs. After news of the charges surfaced, the SGPC suspended Singh. Thursday, an Abbotsford judge sentenced Singh to jail. After serving his sentence in Canada, he will be deported. The Province A10

*** Mom headed to Philippines to retrieve child**
A Brazilian mother is excited but anxious as she prepares to travel to the Philippines Friday to be reunited with her daughter, who was allegedly abducted three months ago by the child's Saskatoon father. Oziene Vieira Barbosa is also happy that Alexander Fiodor Levin, 47, was arrested last week and is still in jail in Saskatoon awaiting a bail hearing. Levin is charged with parental abduction after an international investigation that had authorities on four continents acting on an Interpol Amber Alert. It's alleged that Levin, a Canadian citizen who immigrated from Ukraine in his youth, travelled this summer from Brazil to Ukraine with Barbosa and their two-year old daughter, and that he then fled with the child to the Philippines and left her there before returning to Saskatoon in July. (…) The Canada Border Services Agency found that Levin had spent three or four days in the Philippines before returning to Canada without the child, Chiavini said. Interpol's Amber Alert was vital to obtaining co-operation from the Philippine authorities, he said. Barbosa said Levin told her he had four children but that he had been divorced for three years. StarPhoenix, A1

*** The Dogg Pound Get Sweated At Canadian Border**
Rappers getting sweated while trying to enter Canada seem standard, as several well-known hip-hop artists have made headlines for not being able to enter the country. The Dogg Pound (Kurupt and Daz) were recently featured in an episode of the National Geographic's TV series, *Border Security - Canada's Frontline*, where they were shown going through an interrogation with border security. DJ's Nik Bean and Salam Wreck are also featured. Baller Status (17-10-2013)

*** Report calls for cap on temporary foreign workers**
The federal government should implement an annual cap on the number of temporary workers entering Canada to prevent employers' "excessive reliance" on the controversial foreign workers program, a new economic study says. "The growth in the number of temporary foreign workers is a cause for concern," said Carleton University economics professor Christopher Worswick, author of the report for the Institute for Research on Public Policy. "Its timing, which coincides with a period of weakness in the Canadian economy, is especially troubling." An increasing number of companies are looking outside the country

when hiring, he said, and observers fear this comes at the expense of younger and less skilled Canadians. Last year, 213,573 temporary foreign workers were admitted to Canada - almost two and a half times as many as in 1995, the report says. In response to public backlash, Ottawa overhauled the much-criticized Temporary Foreign Worker Program (TFWP) in an attempt to keep Canadian companies from abusing the plan. Toronto Star, B2

*** Dissing dairy**
An opinion piece states “There is an economic term for what Margaret Wente described in her column as 0.04 per cent of Canadians (12,500 dairy farmers) benefiting at the expense of 35 million Canadian consumers. It is called "rent seeking." The federal and provincial bureaucracies that keep this scam going almost outnumber dairy farmers themselves. The dairy farmers are screaming about the bit more cheese-import quota the Canada/EU trade agreement will permit, but they get to keep the 300-per-cent tariff wall on milk and all other milk products.” Globe and Mail A12

*** Tired of high prices**
An opinion piece states, “I recently decided to purchase a new set of whitewall tires for my vintage Mustang.At Discount Tire, I was quoted a price of $52 US each with a total installed cost of $291.80 US (or $301 Cdn) including tax plus, $39.10 in GST paid at the border when coming back to Ontario. That's a price difference of almost $250.00. Even accounting for gas used to travel to Port Huron and back and buying lunch there, I still saved well over $200. When I mentioned to the U.S. border agent my reason for visiting, he asked why tires were so expensive in Canada. I'm not entirely sure, but with price differences like this, there must be a long line of vehicles headed south of the border. Waterloo Region Record, A8

Gun-smuggling U.S. woman fined $8,000
An Arizona woman who tried to cross the border into Canada in May with two guns stashed in her car has been fined $8,000. Wilma Jean Allen pleaded guilty in B.C. Provincial Court in Surrey on Thursday to two charges each of smuggling goods into Canada and possession of a prohibited or restricted firearm with ammunition. Allen was arrested on May 26 after border services officers searched her car at the Douglas border crossing and found two undeclared firearms. She was released four days later on $10,000 bail. According to court records, Allen was fined $2,000 for each count to which she pleaded guilty, for a total of $8,000. She has one month to pay the fines. Allen was also given a 10-year firearms prohibition. The Province, A8

Portuguese man who tried to illegally enter Canada to be sentenced next month
He paid $25,000 for a fake passport to get into Canada. But all it bought Jose Paulo Arruda Fernandes was another trip to prison. The 52-year-old Portuguese man - who tried to illegally enter the country from a cruise ship in St. John's last month - will find out next month how long he will spend in jail this time. His sentencing hearing was held Thursday in provincial court in St. John's. The Crown has suggested a jail term of three years, while the defence said 12-18 months. (…) His most recent conviction happened April 26, 2012, when he was give a year-long jail term. He had been deported only six months before he tried again. (…) Fernandes had lived in Canada between 1970 and 1996, when he had landed immigrant status. He was deported after he got involved in criminal activity. His criminal record includes convictions for such charges as assault and mischief, but Simmonds pointed out that outside the charges of trying to enter Canada, Fernandes hasn't been in trouble with the law since 1992. The Telegram, A4

Charles McVety, free speech hypocrite
An editorial states, “There are legitimate reasons why Canada might deny entry to a particular individual. The website of Citizenship and Immigration conveniently lists some of what those reasons are. Yet nowhere on the list does it say anything about having controversial views, because one's views should have nothing to do with your admissibility to Canada. Unfortunately, though, there are many who feel otherwise. On Oct. 19, a symposium called "Sexuality, Childhood, and Classroom Life" is scheduled to take place at University College in Toronto. The keynote speaker for this symposium is a U.S. academic by the name of James Kincaid. Dr. Kincaid is a professor at the University of Southern California (USC), and the author of several books on the sexualization of children. (…) Some Canadians want to keep him out. Led by religious conservative activist Dr. Charles McVety, the Institute for Canadian Values and

Canada Family Action have written a letter to the Minister of Citizenship and Immigration urging him to ensure that Kincaid is ruled inadmissible to Canada. The letter doesn't offer much by way of convincing arguments, and mainly serves to demonstrate the extent of McVety's hypocrisy." National Post, A10

Canada's widening skills gap
The shortage of skilled employees in Canada is deepening, and government policies that tightened the rules governing foreign workers have made the situation worse. That's the message of a new study from global recruiting firm Hays PLC, which surveyed the skills gap in 30 developed countries around the world. Canada ranks ninth among those countries for the severity of its skills shortage, and its score deteriorated in the past year. Still, skills shortages are worse in Japan, the United States, Germany, Sweden, and several other countries, the report said. More than half the countries surveyed have some kind of talent mismatch. (…) In Canada, the jobs and immigration issue came to a head earlier this year when the federal government tightened the rules to make it more difficult for companies to bring in temporary foreign workers. The move was made after a B.C. company tried to bring in 200 Chinese workers for a mine project, and Royal Bank of Canada employees complained that they were being asked to train foreign workers who were to take their jobs. Mr. Cox said the countries that are most successful in filling empty spots for professional employees have flexible immigration systems that target particular skills. Immigration needs to differentiate between highly skilled workers, and "lower- and middle-level skills that should be in great abundance in the domestic economy," he said. Globe and Mail, B14; * Calgary Herald

Fugitive sex offender turns up in Seattle
Authorities in Seattle have located a high-risk sex offender who recently fled Canada. The Seattle Police Department said Michael Sean Stanley was found in downtown Seattle on Thursday and was ordered to register as a sex offender. He wasn't arrested because Canadian authorities have declined to try to extradite him. But Seattle police say the 48-year-old could be arrested if he fails to register as a sex offender. Stanley has a long history of sexual offences against women and children and had been missing since Oct. 1, when he left Edmonton and cut off his electronic-monitoring bracelet in Lloydminster, on the Alberta-Saskatchewan boundary. Edmonton police said they warned U.S. counterparts that he might try to cross the border, but U.S. officials allowed him in after determining he was an American citizen and not the subject of an extraditable arrest warrant. (…) Last weekend, the Alberta Justice Department announced it would not seek Stanley's extradition to Canada because the breach of recognizance, mischief and driving charges he faces north of the border don't involve violence. Associated Press (Times Colonist, Calgary Herald, National Post, Windsor Star, Ottawa Citizen, CTV News)

EU gives beef producers a win as feds prepare to unveil pact
Canadian beef producers have been assured they will have the ability to export close to 70,000 tonnes of beef to the European Union under a new free-trade deal being unveiled today in Brussels. The quota is almost twice the 40,000-tonne number former EU ambassador Matthias Brinkmann said in May the Europeans were willing to concede to Canada in return for Canada opening up its market to more imports of cheese. Sources close to the industry say Canadian pork producers will be given an even bigger quota, but did not give a specific number. The Canadian Agri-food Trade Alliance is hailing the deal, predicting it will boost exports of beef and pork by $1 billion once farmers gear up supply in hormone-free livestock. (…)Reporters in Ottawa will receive an early-morning briefing before Prime Minister Stephen Harper and European Commission president Jose Manuel Barroso take part in a signing ceremony in Brussels at about 10:30 PT. Government officials say the deal with the 28-member EU, known as the Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement, is the most ambitious Canada has ever attempted, encompassing every sector of the economy from automobiles to financial services, intellectual property to government procurement. Times Colonist, B2; Associated Press (Telegraph-Journal); * Postmedia (Province, StarPhoenix, Herald, Gazette, Citizen); * QMI Agency (Free Press, Ottawa Sun, Edmonton Sun, Toronto Sun); * Toronto Star

CYBER SECURITY / SÉCURITÉ CYBERNÉTIQUE

Dealing with Uncle Sam
Whoever handles government relations at CGI Federal must be due a hefty bonus this year. The company won prime position on a new Blanket Purchase Agreement to provide cyber security diagnostic tools to the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS). But it wasn't just a win for CGI Federal, a Fairfax, Va.-based information technology and business services provider – it was a win for business north of the border. The company's parent, CGI, is based in Montréal. It isn't often that you hear about Canadian companies winning large federal government contracts in the U.S. for cyber security products and services. Why not, and is this something that can be rectified? (…)In spite of the geographical divide, at least one company in Canada finds it easier to sell into the U.S. market. Route1, based in Toronto, sells identity management and service delivery products for mobile enterprise users. The vast majority of its sales come from federal government contracts in the U.S., says CEO Tony Busseri. “Our federal and provincial governments, along with a lot of corporate Canada, are at least five years behind what is going on with the U.S. federal government,” he complains. He criticizes the Canadian government for being slow on the uptake with security technology, citing a contract that he won with U.S. Customs and Border Protection, which is now using his company's technology. However, even though Canada and the U.S. signed an agreement in February 2011, the Shared Vision for Perimeter Security and Economic Competitiveness, the Canadian Border Services Agency is still not using the technology, he says. SC Magazine (17-10-2013)

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*** 'Vile' anti-sex trafficking website meant to upset Edmontonians**
A group that has launched an anti-child exploitation campaign says it meant to make people uncomfortable with what some are calling a "vile" stunt and "disgusting advocacy." On Tuesday and Wednesday, the Chrysalis Anti-Human Trafficking Network launched the legitimate-looking website sexwork4u.com that purported to recruit underage children to work in the sex trade. "Whether you're 17 or 12, as long as there are johns willing to pay for sex with youth, there's a place for you in this career," the website read. "Alberta is a hotbed for the sex trade. Especially here in Edmonton. Get involved today." By Thursday, the site had a new look, identifying itself as a provocative campaign against human trafficking of children and teens. But the changes weren't made until some people on the Internet attacked it as inappropriate, saying the organizers had "apparently lost their dictionary when it comes to words like parody, satire or human decency." The executive director of Chrysalis, an Edmonton-based federal not-for-profit corporation launched in 2010, says the new campaign was meant to upset people. Jacqueline Linder, a clinical psychologist and professor at Edmonton's satellite campus for Seattle-based City University, said there is no line she won't cross to protect children… She said RCMP and police were notified beforehand, and the Winnipeg-based cybercrime unit was on it within hours. Edmonton Journal

Protest ends in violence, arrests
The RCMP say dozens of people were arrested after Molotov cocktails were thrown at officers and police vehicles torched Thursday when they began enforcing an injunction to end an ongoing demonstration against shale gas exploration in eastern New Brunswick. "I'm just happy nobody got killed today," said 36-year-old Lori Simon of the Elsipogtog First Nation. Simon went to survey the damage of burnt police cruisers after the protest in Rexton calmed down. "My heart was aching. I just wanted to cry." Donald Sanipass, 34, hopped up on the hood of one of the police cars, saying he wasn't surprised the situation escalated. "I knew it was going to come to this because the government doesn't want to listen to the people," Sanipass said, who attended the scene with Simon. "They didn't handle this right at all." Const. Jullie Rogers-Marsh said at least five RCMP vehicles were destroyed after they were set ablaze and at least one shot was fired by someone other than a police officer at the site of the protest. "The RCMP has worked diligently with all parties involved in hopes for a peaceful resolution. Those efforts have not been successful," Rogers-Marsh said. "Tensions were rising." The Mounties said at least 40 people were

arrested for firearms offences, threats, intimidation, mischief and violating the court-ordered injunction. The RCMP began enforcing the injunction at around 7: 30 a.m. to end the blockade of a compound where energy company SWN Resources stores exploration equipment. Route 134 at Rexton and Route 11 between Richibucto and Sainte-Anne-de-Kent were closed to traffic for about 12 hours and schools in the area were closed early for the day after they were locked down as a precaution. Rogers-Marsh said police decided to enforce the injunction because threats had been made against private security guards at the site the night before. She wouldn't reveal what tactics police were using to contain the crowd and refused to comment on reports that officers had fired rubber bullets. Robert Levi, a councillor with the Elsipogtog First Nation, said he went to the protest site early Thursday after hearing the RCMP had moved in to begin enforcing the injunction. Levi said police pepper-sprayed dozens of people after 9: 30 a.m. when he arrived with the chief and council. "They sprayed the crowd that was there," he said in an interview. "The chief was manhandled a little bit and all hell broke loose." Canadian Press (Red Deer Advocate, The Guardian, Hamilton Spectator, Times Colonist); Canadian Press (Toronto Star); Daily Gleaner (Times & Transcript); * Times & Transcript (Telegraph Journal, Daily Gleaner) ; * Chronicle Herald ; * QMI Agency (London Free Press, Ottawa Sun, Toronto Sun, Calgary Sun, Edmonton Sun, Kingston Whig-Standard) ; * Canadian Press (The Province, Vancouver Sun, Edmonton Journal, StarPhoenix, Leader-Post, Windsor Star, Montreal Gazette, Ottawa Citizen); * Presse Canadienne (La Tribune, Le Nouvelliste, Le Devoir, La Voix de L'Est); * Agence QMI (Journal de Quebec, Journal de Montreal); * Acadie Nouvelle; * Globe and Mail

*** First Nation blocks Route 102 at Kingsclear**

Rush-hour traffic along Route 102 was stalled on Thursday afternoon as members of the Kingsclear First Nation blocked traffic in both directions at the Chapel Road. About 50 people were involved in blockade, which started around 4 p.m. Although trees were placed across the road to stop drivers from going on toward Mactaquac, protesters took down portions of the blockade to allow school buses to travel through. They also advised motorists that they could take an alternative route through Kingsclear First Nation, where one lane of traffic was left open. Members of the RCMP and Fredericton Police Force were stationed along Route 102 during the evening, directing traffic near the Prospect Inn during rush hour and near Island View, advising motorists travelling beyond Mactaquac to seek alternative routes. The blockade on Route 102 follows a day of mayhem, arrests, and Molotov cocktails thrown at police and at least five RCMP vehicles destroyed by fire on Route 134 near Rexton as shale gas protesters were removed by police. At least 40 people were arrested on various charges including firearms offences, uttering threats, intimidation, mischief and refusing to abide by a court injunction on Thursday in Rexton. Chief Gabiel Atwin said the blockade organized by the Kingsclear First Nation was designed to show support for Elsipogtog First Nation members protesting in Rexton. "All over the province, First Nation people are showing their support," he said. "We're not happy with what the government is doing. They closed down negotiations. There's supposed to be negotiations with leadership in New Brunswick, and they shut it down. "Shale gas is not a good thing. If it's not properly regulated, we're all in trouble. Proper consultation with First Nations is supposed to take place. The government knows that. Daily Gleaner (Times & Transcript)

*** Highway blocked near Perth-Andover**

A long line of tractor-trailers and other vehicles was stopped on the Trans-Canada Highway west of Perth-Andover yesterday afternoon as protesters from Tobique First Nation and their supporters blocked the four-lane highway for several hours. After the anti-shale gas protests in Rexton turned violent on Thursday, Tobique residents took to the highway. By 4 p.m., the line of stopped vehicles extended kilometres, with only a few RCMP officers visible. Allan Tremblay of Tobique First Nation was on the Trans-Canada Highway, showing his support for the Kent County protesters. "This has been brewing for quite a while," he said. "What I attribute that to is just that the (political) leaders don't take our leaders seriously and won't sit down and talk to them." "What's wrong with talking?" said Tremblay. "It's all our leaders have been asking for all this time - sit down and talk to us - but they don't respect our leaders." Dozens of people were arrested in Rexton after Molotov cocktails were thrown at officers and police vehicles torched when they began enforcing an injunction to end an ongoing demonstration against shale gas exploration. Const. Jullie Rogers-Marsh said at least five RCMP vehicles were destroyed after they were set ablaze and at least one shot was fired by someone other than a police officer at the site of the

protest in Rexton. Tremblay predicted more violence. "This is the tip of the iceberg. Remember what happened at Oka?" Times & Transcript (Telegraph Journal, Daily Gleaner)

Regina protesters decry violence

Horrified and outraged by the violence that ensued Thursday in New Brunswick between demonstrators and the RCMP, a group about 80-strong held an evening gathering in Regina to call for peace. Earlier in the day, dozens of people were arrested near the Elsipogtog First Nation north of Moncton, N.B., after RCMP members moved in to stop a protest against shale gas exploration. According to the RCMP, at least five police vehicles were set on fire and destroyed. Carrying signs that read "Frack You! In Solidarity with Elsigpogtog" and "Standing Up For What's Right", the Regina demonstration was held outside the RCMP Heritage Centre. Pointing to the building and raising his voice, one speaker decried the ongoing unrest between indigenous people and the authorities. While Sue Deranger said the day's events did not surprise her, they nevertheless upset her. "We must stand up for our Mother Earth and we must stand up for each other," she told the crowd during the 40-minute event. "And it's so ironic - the RCMP were created in theory to protect indigenous people. What the heck are they doing attacking us? There is something upside-down in this world." The protest in Regina was one of numerous rallies that occurred in cities across the country such as Ottawa, Winnipeg, Montreal and Toronto. Each stood in solidarity with those from the Elsipogtog First Nation. Leader-Post

Ontario highway blocked in support of N.B. protest

Ontario Provincial Police say First Nations protesters shut down Highway 6 in southern Ontario Thursday between the communities of Hagersville and Caledonia. Const. Mark Foster said the the protest blockade involved 30 to 40 people. A local native newspaper, Turtle Island News, said people from the Six Nations First Nation shut down the road in solidarity with First Nations protesters arrested Thursday during a demonstration against shale gas exploration in eastern New Brunswick. Foster said a liaison team was talking with the protesters in an effort to get the road reopened. First Nations communities elsewhere in the country also held protests in solidarity with Elsipogtog. Shawn Atleo, national chief of the Assembly of First Nations, wrote a letter to New Brunswick Premier David Alward, expressing his support for Elsipogtog First Nation protesters in that province. "The images and actions we have seen and that have been reported are deeply disturbing and completely unacceptable," Atleo wrote."I call upon you to take all actions to immediately cease this intervention and restore dialogue." Canadian Press (Times Colonist)

Tories target spending-scandal senators

The Harper government moved yesterday to cauterize the open wound that is the Senate expenses scandal, coming down hard on three free-spending senators and promising to disclose how its MPs spend taxpayer dollars. But none of it was likely to make the controversy go away anytime soon, given fresh procedural tactics by the opposition, ongoing RCMP probes and a forthcoming Senate expense review by the auditor general. The Conservatives announced motions to suspend Mike Duffy, Pamela Wallin and Patrick Brazeau, three former Tories appointed by Prime Minister Stephen Harper who were found to have made inappropriate expense claims. The motions, to be debated next week, would strip the trio of their pay, benefits and Senate resources for the remainder of the parliamentary session - potentially as long as two years. A fourth senator with improper expenses, former Liberal Mac Harb, resigned last month. A handful of Liberal senators suggested the motions were patently unfair, given that Duffy, Wallin and Brazeau have not been charged with anything directly related to their expenses. Government Senate leader Claude Carignan said the upper chamber was well within its rights to take disciplinary action against the senators for their "gross negligence." "When we occupy such privileged positions, we should respect citizens and we need to behave with dignity," Carignan said outside the Senate chamber after the motions were introduced. "I think the behaviour of these three colleagues were an affront to that dignity." An hour before Carignan's announcement, Duffy issued a statement saying he was going on medical leave on his doctor's orders because of a heart condition. Carignan said that would not have an impact on the suspension, should it pass. Duffy, Brazeau and Harb are the subject of an RCMP investigation into fraud and breach of trust allegations, but no charges have been laid. onservative Sen. David Tkachuk said the Mounties had interviewed him this week about Wallin, but it is unclear whether that was part of a full-blown investigation. Canadian Press (Times & Transcript, Red Deer Advocate, Hamilton Spectator, Times Colonist);* Presse Canadienne (Le Nouvelliste); *Globe and Mail; * National Post; * Postmedia News (The Province, Vancouver Sun, Edmonton Journal, Windsor Star,

Leader Post, Calgary Herald, Montreal Gazette, Ottawa Citizen, National Post); * QMI Agency (Winnipeg Sun, Ottawa Sun, Edmonton Sun, Calgary Sun)

Audio of fatal confrontation with RCMP officers recorded
An audio recording has been released recounting some of the final moments of Greg Matters's life, as an RCMP officer tried to negotiate the surrender of the distraught former peacekeeper just before he was shot by the force's emergency response team. Matters was fatally shot last September on the rural property he shared with his mother near Prince George. Only the voice of now-Insp. Brad Anderson can be heard on the half-hour recording entered as evidence at a coroner's inquest into Matters's death and released to media. The interactions, heard on the recording suggest Anderson was building rapport with Matters and, at one point, had coaxed the 40-year-old to within steps of surrender. "I just really want to keep this peaceful. I just want to get your side of the story, you know that," Anderson says, then pauses to listen. "Well, let's come in, you talk to us. Let's see where you are." But the inquest heard that Matters, who suffered from post-traumatic stress disorder, suddenly retreated to a cabin on the property. The recording suggests he grew increasingly anxious on the other end of the telephone line. It is clear from the recording that Matters asked for a helicopter that had been deployed to circle overhead be removed... The inquest has already heard that Matters was shot in the back during the confrontation with the emergency response team. Police had gone to Matters's home to arrest him for an assault during a dispute with his brother in the early-morning hours the day before. The coroner's jury has heard that Matters was in treatment for post-traumatic stress disorder, and that his psychiatrist linked to both his time on a peacekeeping mission in Bosnia and to two assaults he suffered at the hands of his military comrades. Matters also had several run-ins with RCMP, and made a complaint to the RCMP public complaints commission. That complaint was not substantiated, and Matters felt he was being harassed by police. Canadian Press (Times Colonist, The Province, Vancouver Sun)

B.C. case sent back to appeal judges
The Supreme Court of Canada is sending the case of a B.C. man who appears to have been wrongly convicted in a 2004 sexual assault back to the provincial court of appeal. The high court says the appeal judges will have to consider fresh evidence and decide if there was a miscarriage of justice in the case of Gurdev Singh Dhillon. He was convicted of sexual assault in 2005, but prosecutors discovered this year that DNA evidence in the case wasn't disclosed to either the Crown or the defendant. What the lawyers didn't know was that swabs taken from the victim at the hospital and an article of her clothing were sent for DNA testing and the profile that came back did not match Dhillon. Crown prosecutors called it a miscarriage of justice and the RCMP apologized. The lawyer who defended Dhillon at trial said his client served four years in prison and was deported in 2008. Canadian Press (Times Colonist, Vancouver Sun)

Mountie used excessive force, prosecutor says
A Mountie in Prince George charged with assault with a weapon used excessive force when he arrested an elderly care home resident three years ago, a Crown prosecutor told the officer's trial. Crown counsel Jennifer Johnston said Const. Chad Fitzpatrick was one of a contingent of Mounties called to the Spruce Capital Seniors Housing Complex on the night of Nov. 17, 2010. The Mounties were called to the facility by staff after a heated argument with one of the residents, the court heard. The trial heard there was some kind of outburst, the senior uttered threatening statements, and then he went to his room. Staff followed him into the room, and an ensuing argument then escalated into more threats from the elderly man. He even pulled out a knife, the court heard. The staff members then retreated, closed and guarded the door, and called the police. RCMP attended and took the resident into custody, but during that arrest, Johnston said that Fitzpatrick jolted the man with a Taser to incapacitate him. The Mountie's actions amounted to excessive force, Johnston said. Canadian Press (Times Colonist)

Nine from Ontario, Quebec charged in crime dragnet
Five Ontario residents and four from Quebec face numerous charges following an 11-month investigation into drugs and organized crime in eastern Ontario. Ontario Provincial Police say Project Adelaide began in response to complaints from people in small eastern Ontario communities and also involved Quebec's provincial police. The OPP says its Organized Crime Enforcement Bureau began last November to gather evidence against a ring they say was involved in distributing cocaine, as well as intimidation, extortion and loan sharking. Police say the drug ring used a "just in time" delivery model similar to many modern

manufacturers and big box retailers. Investigators explain that cocaine was sent from Montreal to Mont-Tremblant, Que., to be re-packaged for distribution to local traffickers in several eastern Ontario communities, including Ottawa, Carleton Place, Perth, Stittsville, Lombardy and Smiths Falls. Police executed 25 search warrants Wednesday in Ontario and Quebec, seizing 2.5 kilograms of cocaine, 1.5 kilograms of hashish, seven vehicles, one handgun and more than $400,000 in cash. Investigators say they will also be seizing a Robinson R44 helicopter... Provincial police say they are continuing to investigate these offences, as well as a $1.2-million mortgage fraud and high level money laundering through shell companies of approximately $10 million. OPP Deputy Commissioner Scott Tod says the illegal drug trade can seriously affect community safety and lead to a wide variety of violent acts and property crimes. "Project Adelaide sends a clear and strong message that police - working together - will do everything in their power to safeguard communities," he said. Canadian Press (Windsor Star, Montreal Gazette); * Ottawa Citizen

*** Merivale Road reopens after 'hoax pipe bomb' scare**

Merivale Road has reopened after police determined a package found by hydro workers Thursday was a "hoax pipe bomb." The road was closed between Slack and West Hunt Club roads after police were called around 9:20 a.m. about a suspicious-looking pipe. A Tim Hortons under construction and three other buildings were evacuated. The Ottawa police and RCMP joint Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear and Explosives unit (CBRNE) was called in to investigate. Ottawa Citizen

*** Charge laid in PMO bomb threat**

A Toronto man has been charged with uttering threats after the building that houses the office of Prime Minister Stephen Harper was evacuated hours before Wednesday's throne speech. Mohamoud Hirsi Jimale, 45, allegedly arrived at the Langevin Building in Ottawa on Wednesday and claimed he had a bomb inside his briefcase, according to the charge sheet. The charges gave his home address as 2100 Weston Rd., Toronto, the site of the Humberview Housing Co-op. A woman there, who did not want to be identified, said Mr. Jimale lived in a three-bedroom unit with his wife. Together they collect $3,000 a month in welfare for themselves and their seven children, she said. She said on Tuesday he had become angry when the co-op asked him to provide proof that his children still lived in Canada. The next day, a man wearing a white robe and cap was arrested following an alleged confrontation with security at the Langevin Building. A police explosives disposal unit was brought in to examine the briefcase, but it contained no explosives. "We're not going to get into the details of the package for multiple reasons," RCMP Cpl. Lucy Shorey said. "But I can tell you that our (explosives) team deemed the package did not contain a threat at just before 3 p.m." Mr. Jimale appeared in an Ottawa courtroom Thursday to face one charge of uttering threats. He is also charged with mischief for allegedly interfering with the lawful use of the Prime Minister's Office. National Post, Ottawa Citizen; Le Droit

*** Mental health trainer says more instruction may not be the answer**

There is no way of knowing how well police training in communicating with the mentally ill is actually working, an Ontario Police College instructor testified Thursday. Ron Hoffman, who trains new recruits on mental health issues, spoke at a coroner's inquest into the fatal police shootings of three people suffering from psychological disorders. "There are not a lot of studies ... on determining how much transfers from the classroom to the street. We don't know," he testified. "We can say, 'Add more training.' Sure, training's good, but I can't tell you whether or not it's ultimately going to have an effect on changing behaviour in the field." Sylvia Klibingaitis, 52, Michael Eligon, 29, and Reyal Jardine-Douglas, 25, all had mental health issues and were in crisis. All three were carrying sharp objects - scissors or knives - when they were shot and killed by Toronto police officers. New police recruits in Ontario receive 12 hours of training on mental health issues, including identifying various psychological disorders and how to respond to them. They are taught to speak softly, to offer to help and to treat the person with dignity. Toronto Star;

*** Inquest pulls back curtain on officers' reality**

The vast knowledge gap between police and public was underscored Thursday at an Ontario coroner's inquest into the Toronto police shooting deaths of three armed but mentally ill citizens. The inquest is examining the deaths in one fell swoop, its major focus on the training given to police in their dealings with the seriously mentally ill. The cases - the Aug. 29, 2010, death of Reyal Jardine-Douglas; the Oct. 7, 2011, death of Sylvia Klibingaitis; and the Feb. 3, 2012, death of Michael Eligon - are purportedly linked

because the three victims were experiencing a mental health crisis and all were armed with what's called a an edged weapon: a knife or scissors. Earlier this week, Ontario Police College trainer John Zeyen testified a Taser would not be suitable for use in most incidents involving sharp weapons because its punch or zap lasts as long as five seconds, making it too slow in such dynamic situations. That was a revelation for Anita Wasowicz, one of Klibingaitis's three sisters who are together representing their family. "Until I heard you yesterday," Wasowicz told Zeyen as she began her questions, "I was confused whether a Taser would have made a difference in the case I know the best." A bit later, she said, "I can't stress enough how this is a huge and shocking piece of information to me." With the province having announced this summer Ontario police forces can choose to issue all front-line officers with the conducted energy weapons, Tasers have become a real issue in the inquest's first week even though none were deployed. And, if Wasowicz's questions are any indication, a wider swath of the public may also be labouring under the mistaken belief Tasers are useful in dealing with knife-wielding people, mentally ill or not. But Zeyen, who now teaches firearms at the police college but was also a team leader in its officer safety section for the previous five years, testified Tasers are not appropriate for 80 per cent to 90 per cent of incidents involving sharp weapons. Postmedia News (StarPhoenix, Montreal Gazette, Leader-Post, Vancouver Sun, Edmonton Journal, Windsor Star, Ottawa Citizen, National Post, Calgary Herald)

*** More evidence from bloody crime scene revealed**
The Surrey Six trial on Thursday heard more grisly details of the crime scene from an RCMP officer involved in the forensic investigation. Retired RCMP Sgt. Jerome Ouellet was present when the six bodies were removed from the top floor of the highrise suite in the Balmoral Towers. Court has heard there were numerous shell casings and several bullets visible in the living room where the bodies were found. Ouellet told B.C. Supreme Court Justice Catherine Wedge that when the scene had been processed and the bodies were being taken out, more shell casings were found underneath the bodies, as well as a bullet. After the bodies had been removed and the blood pools around the bodies had been cleaned up, investigators found a number of nicks and marks on the laminate flooring, said Ouellet, who worked in the RCMP's forensic identification section. When he cut through the flooring around one of the nicks, he found a spent bullet in congealed blood, he said. The Crown has said that 19 shots were fired during the October 2007 fatal shooting. Investigators took care when removing bodies to place body bags at a different location and then lift the bodies to the bags, he said. The former Mountie earlier showed close-up photos of the injuries suffered by the six victims when they were shot to death. The photos revealed what appeared to be bullet holes in several pieces of clothing that were draped over the heads of several of the victims. They also revealed tattoos on the bodies of three of the victims - Corey Lal and his brother Michael Lal and Edward Narong. The Province

*** Un «collectionneur» de porno juvénile dans les filets du SPVQ**
Les policiers du SPVQ ont effectué une frappe importante, hier matin, dans un appartement de la 7eRue à Québec, mettant ainsi au jour un important «collectionneur» de pornographie juvénile qui agissait en solo. Jean-Marc Allard s'est retrouvé dans la mire des enquêteurs aux délits familiaux et agressions sexuelles (DFAS) de la section des crimes majeurs du SPVQ (Service de police de la Ville de Québec) après que le fournisseur du service «Windows live Skydrive» eut envoyé deux dénonciations au Centre national de coordination contre l'exploitation des enfants. Selon nos informations, l'homme aurait en sa possession, enregistrées sur des clés USB, des disques durs externes et des DVD, des dizaines de milliers de photographies de pornographie juvénile dont au moins 25 000 en fichier unique. Agence QMI (Journal de Quebec, Journal de Montreal)

*** Police board wise to welcome transparency**
An editorial states, “There is encouraging news about transparency and accountability at Hamilton's police services board. At a meeting this week, board members seemed kindly disposed toward the idea of releasing secret police records on 11 police shootings over the past decade. The reports in question were filed by Hamilton police chiefs over the years, a requirement after any Special Investigations Unit probe into interactions between police and citizens that result in serious injury or death. They contain the results of the chief's internal investigation into the incident, actions and recommendations. They should never have been confidential in the first place. It would have been preferable for the board to grant the release, as requested by journalist Bill Dunphy who was acting on behalf of The Spectator. But it's understandable

that the board wanted to get a legal opinion on the matter, which new chair Councillor Bernie Morelli promises for the next board meeting. Fair enough, but further delays aren't justifiable. These reports were discussed behind closed doors, but never made available to the public. Provincial law allows the board to decide to release them, or not, and various jurisdictions have different policies. But in this jurisdiction, concerning this police service, there is great potential value in releasing the records, and much potential harm in refusing to do so… This is not a witch hunt in any way. It is simply a matter of citizens and taxpayers having access to information that should have been public from the outset. Release of these reports will be a concrete demonstration of the police board's commitment to greater transparency and accountability. Without knowing what they say it's impossible to predict public reaction, but it's more important to show police governance in Hamilton is open to public scrutiny. Conversely, failure to release the reports will suggest they contain information the board and police management don't want in the public realm, and that will create more tension and doubt at a time when some already exists in the wake of the Steve Mesic tragedy. That's not what the police board or service needs right now." Hamilton Spectator

Tasers can spare lives with a little help from Ontario
An opinion piece by Colin Kenny, former chair of the Senate Committee on National Security and Defence states, "The negative reaction among liberal-minded citizens to the news that the Ontario government will allow more front-line cops to use electroshock weapons was predictable - they didn't like it. But if the government would take a few steps to improve the odds that these weapons will be properly used, even the most liberal-minded among us should welcome their expanded role as an alternative to the use of guns. There is no doubt that electroshock weapons - we're mostly talking about the Tasers manufactured by Taser International - have been improperly used by some trigger-happy cops, most notably in the death of Robert Dziekanski at Vancouver airport. Electroshock weapons aren't toys. They're classified as prohibited weapons in Canada and can only be used by police forces. There is evidence they can play a significant part in fatal outcomes. But they can also save lives. And it would be foolish for the government of Ontario not to do everything in its power to make sure Tasers do just that… If the Ontario government really wants to improve policing, it should cough up the money to buy Tasers that - coupled with good training and the use of audio-visual recorders - will reduce fatalities and lead to fairer outcomes in court. Without that kind of investment, the doubters will have a good point. The government would be rolling the dice every time things get hot on the front lines." Toronto Star

CORRECTIONAL SERVICES / SERVICE CORRECTIONNEL

More KP tours in offing
There will be more tours of Kingston Penitentiary starting next month. Correctional Service of Canada, which is a national partner of Habitat for Humanity, has offered up a three-week block of prison tours to Habitat for Humanity Canada, starting Nov. 6 and finishing up Nov. 24. Information about the tours and ticket availability has yet to be released. An initial three weeks of tours of 178-year-old Kingston Penitentiary, which closed on Sept. 30, started only mere days later and drew national attention and proved wildly popular. The first block of $20 tickets, 7,000 in total and offered only online, sold out within two days despite the event, benefiting the local United Way, not even being advertised. A second block of the 2,400 tickets sold out in under a half hour. QMI Agency (Kingston Whig-Standard)

Where's daughter's killer?
Anybody know the whereabouts of sex-killer David Wayne Snowdon? The mother of the little girl he sexually assaulted and murdered would like to know. "With Kingston Pen closing last month, I have lost track of him," said Keri-Lee Deon. "And nobody will tell me where he is."… Calls to Correctional Services of Canada have not offered much insight. "It's a privacy issue," spokesman Melissa Hart explained. How nice for Snowdon. Amazing that the guy in a public institution for stealing a little girl from her family has more rights than her parents. But, says Corrections Canada, there is a National Victim Services Program a victim's family member can apply to and if "they qualify" they can perhaps gain such information. "The program seeks to provide victims of federal offenders with timely information about the offender who harmed them," states an e-mail sent by Hart. "Our dedicated Victim Services Officers are responsible for

registering victims, providing victim notification, receiving victim statements, providing referrals and answering questions about CSC," including whether a person is in custody and at what penitentiary. Keri-Lee is not interested in applying for a program. She wants a phone call that requires no red tape. Canadian Press (Toronto Sun, Ottawa Sun)

Message de Harper aux juges
Jamais le système de justice n'aura pris autant de place dans un programme politique au Canada que sous Stephen Harper. Le gouvernement Harper a déjà adopté un train de mesures de répression de la criminalité (pas moins de 13 lois) et le premier ministre a annoncé, mercredi, qu'il entendait bien continuer dans la même voie. M. Harper a dit vouloir faire du Canada «un pays où les contrevenants sont punis, où les sanctions reflètent la gravité des crimes commis et où les droits des victimes passent avant ceux des criminels». Les conservateurs ont bien saisi que la population en avait ras le bol des sentences bonbons et des remises en liberté de criminels parmi les plus dangereux après n'avoir purgé qu'une petite fraction de leur peine. Les choses sont en train de changer à la satisfaction de la majorité silencieuse... Stephen Harper s'est adressé à cellesci dans le discours du Trône de mercredi. Il n'a que faire des critiques des partis d'opposition, plus à gauche sur l'échiquier politique, et des intellectuels bien pensants ou des représentants des médias, qui répercutent le discours soi-disant progressiste sur la réhabilitation et la réinsertion sociale, en remplacement de longues peines de prison... La litanie de lois déjà adoptées et les intentions annoncées dans le discours de mercredi envoient un message clair aux juges, aux procureurs de la Couronne et aux responsables des services correctionnels. Journal de Quebec (Journal de Montreal)

*** Appropriate use of Kingston Penitentiary**
A letter to the editor states, “During the past year considerable discussion has been made on the future use of Kingston Penitentiary after its closing. I remembered another walled institution that was near my family house. British Columbia Penitentiary was opened in 1898 and closed in May 1980. This institution that was located on the banks of the Fraser River in New Westminister was demolished and replaced with hundreds of new residential houses on the former prison lands. As for KP I believe that the decision to close this institution was premature. In 1998 KP was deployed as the Regional Assessment Centre for Ontario. All new federal inmates entering the Federal Correctional System and parole violators were sent to KP. These inmates were assessed by professional staff and after three to five months were transferred to a appropriate institution given the inmates program needs and security classification concerns. Parole violators were assessed by the National Parole Board and either released to the community or returned to a federal institution... I agree with the regional prison guard union and prison advocates that have stated the closure of KP will result in serious population increases requiring many inmates having to be double bunked. Since new inmates entering federal custody and parole violators require a secure facility with appropriates space for complete assessment it makes good sense to review the decision to close KP. One could speculate that double bunking of troubled inmates will result in serious management issues for prison administrators. Kingston Whig-Standard, A5

COMMUNITY SAFETY & PARTNERSHIPS / SÉCURITÉ DE LA POPULATION ET PARTENARIATS

*** Beeper's slayer given third shot at freedom**
Will the third time be the charm? Federal parole officials are once again rolling the dice on a dangerous killer who has already blown two chances. Conrad Johnson, 35, was granted unescorted temporary absences from prison earlier this month, documents show. Johnson is able to return to the community under certain conditions for what the parole board calls "personal development." But officials admit there is still considerable risk, given Johnson's history... While back behind bars, Johnson admitted his mistakes and blamed them on being given too much, too fast. The parole board agreed to give him a second shot at freedom in 2008.... But documents obtained by the Free Press this week show that was a disaster. Johnson fled from a halfway house in July 2009 and spent 15 months on the run. Winnipeg Free Press, A3

*** Wife - killer in custody for parole violations**
Convicted killer Bruce Stewner is back in custody less than a year after the Winnipeg man walked out of prison despite lingering concerns about his threat to the public. The Free Press has learned Stewner, 48, was arrested earlier this month in British Columbia for allegedly violating terms of his day parole. No other details about the allegations are known and federal officials refuse to comment. A parole officer must decide whether to give Stewner another chance or cancel his release and refer the file back to the parole board. If so, details of what put him back behind bars would become part of the public record…Stewner was granted day parole in November 2012 in a decision that was criticized by his victim's family, who called him a master manipulator. The parole board said Stewner had made several positive steps while in prison and noted he'd met a woman and married her in April 2011. Winnipeg Free Press, A3

*** Attacker's upcoming jail release raises flags**
The Parole Board of Canada has serious concerns about the upcoming release of a high-profile violent sex offender who continues to have a bad attitude toward women and harbours violent sexual fantasies, according to a recent decision. Ernest Meigs, 38, was sentenced in 2004 to 14½ years in prison for kidnapping his ex-girlfriend, terrorizing her family and attacking a tenant. He is scheduled to get out of prison on statutory release on Nov. 4. Statutory release is automatically granted to most offenders after they have served two-thirds of their sentence. A prisoner cannot be detained past that date unless there is a recommendation by the Correctional Service of Canada for detention… In a decision from Oct. 7, the Parole Board of Canada states Meigs continues to blame the victim for the ordeal and is indifferent to the harm he caused. "You do not accept full responsibility for your offending," the board wrote. Meigs has a criminal history that begins in 2001. The Province, A11

INQUEST INTO THE DEATH OF ASHLEY SMITH / ENQUÊTE SUR LA MORT D'ASHLEY SMITH

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She's Canadian now
The bestowing of honorary Canadian citizenship on Malala Yousafzai is an incredibly lovely and apt gesture on the part of the federal government. Malala, a teenage advocate for girls' education, who was shot by the Taliban a year ago in her native Pakistan, was largely expected to win the Nobel Peace Prize. However, the Peace Prize is more appropriately awarded to honour someone's lifetime work or achievements. Malala's life and work have just begun. An honorary Canadian citizenship is a rare privilege, and with its bestowal on her, Malala at the tender age of 16 joins the ranks of such luminaries as Nelson Mandela, the Dalai Lama and Raoul Wallenberg, the Swedish diplomat who was responsible for rescuing hundreds of thousands of Jews during the Holocaust after the Nazis occupied Hungary.
In an address to the World Bank, Malala said that spending money to fight terrorism by buying more weapons is the wrong approach - that money should be spent on pens, books and schools so that all children can be educated. Malala is a brilliant girl and an extraordinarily brave child. She is the public face and voice of thousands of girls just like her who struggle against tremendous odds for their educations and their futures in Third World countries. She has not let her fame and all the prizes heaped on her turn her head or distract her from her cause. Calgary Herald, A10

INTERNATIONAL

Canadian lawyer held in Syria for eight months escapes after captor leaves door unlocked
A Canadian lawyer abducted while serving with the UN observer force in the Golan Heights told Syrian state television he escaped his captors when the gunmen neglected to lock the room where he was being held. "I was held prisoner for eight months, and I managed to escape," Carl Campeau says in English in the interview broadcast Thursday. "They forgot to lock the door to my room." Mr. Campeau, who was abducted in February, said he left the villa in Syria and ran into the fields, eventually making his way to freedom, the Syrian news agency SANA reported Thursday. They forgot to lock the door to my room
UN spokesman Martin Nesirky said Mr. Campeau is now with the United Nations and "initial indications are that he is in good health." AFP PHOTO / HO / SANAA handout picture released by the official Syrian Arab News Agency (SANA) on October 17, 2013, shows Canadian Carl Campeau, an employee of the UN Disengagement Force (UNDOF) who went missing in February in Syria, speaking to the press in Damascus after the Syrian Ministry of Foreign Affairs turned him over to the UN representative in Syria.
Mr. Campeau, who was working as a legal advisor for the UN Disengagement Observer Force, called his kidnapping "a nightmare and a terrifying experience," SANA said. He added that there were Iraqis, Saudis, Jordanians and Chechens among his captors, the news agency said. Earlier, SANA said he was kidnapped by "terrorists" - the government's term for opposition supporters - in the Damascus suburb of Khan Al-Sheik. National Post (Toronto Star, Ottawa Citizen, Montreal Gazette, Whitehorse Daily Star, Chronicle Herald)

*** Lawyer to head U.S. Homeland Security**
President Barack Obama is calling back a trusted counterterrorism adviser from his first term by nominating former top Pentagon lawyer Jeh Johnson as secretary of homeland security. Obama plans to announce Johnson's nomination today. He must be confirmed by the Senate before taking over the post most recently held by Janet Napolitano, who stepped down in August to become president of the University of California system. As general counsel at the Defence Department during the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan, Johnson was an aggressive advocate on a number of complex and contentious legal issues. He oversaw the escalation of the use of unmanned drone strikes, the revamping of military commissions to try terrorism suspects rather than using civilian courts and the repeal of the military's ban on openly gay service members. He also mapped out the legal defence for the American cross-border raid into Pakistan that killed Osama bin Laden. A senior Obama administration official on Thursday confirmed Johnson's selection, first reported by The Daily Beast. The official was not authorized to speak about the nomination on the record and spoke on condition of anonymity. The official said Obama chose

Johnson because of his experience as a national security leader. The official noted that Johnson oversaw the work of more than 10,000 lawyers and was responsible for reviewing every military operation approved by the president and defence secretary. Montreal Gazette, B5

*** Canada aiding storm-swept Philippines' disaster response - No part of the world gets more lethal typhoons than the northwestern Pacific basin**

Today, Manila has little capacity to deal with the high winds and flash floods; typhoons have become more destructive of late. Five of the 10 deadliest typhoons ever here have occurred in this young century, as have the five costliest typhoons. Canada has responded by providing $1 million to a little-known, United Nations project completed three months ago designed to "strengthen community resilience to the effects of natural calamities and disasters."... The UN initiative that Canada is part of may help the Philippines cope better with storms such as typhoon Bopha. The storm caused more than $1 billion Cdn in damages last December, according to the Manila-based National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council. That $1 billion costs the Philippine economy far more, in relative terms, than it would in Canada. Vancouver Sun, B5 (Edmonton Journal; Windsor Star; Regina Leader-Post; Calgary Herald; Montreal Gazette; Ottawa Citizen; National Post)

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Greetings,

On the morning of 17 Oct 2013, the RCMP served an injunction on protesters at an anti-shale gas protest blocking a rural highway near Rexton, NB. Due to violence which occurred later in the afternoon of 17 Oct, the RCMP arrested at least 40 people for various offences. Following these, various supporters of the protest called for peaceful actions of solidarity on 18 Oct and 19 Oct in support of the protesters at Rexton using social media sites like Twitter and Facebook.

The GOC requires your assistance and invites you to participate in a teleconference call to enhance coordination and information sharing.

Operation Centres and individuals in receipt of this message are asked to acknowledge by e-mail that they will participate and provide the name of their representative(s) on the teleconference. Please send your replies to GOC-COG@OPSCEN.GC.CA<mailto:GOC-COG@OPSCEN.GC.CA> before 09:00 EDT on 18 Oct 2013.

Coordinates are as follows:

Date: 18 Oct 2013
Time: 10:00 EDT
Phone number: 613-960-7513
Toll-Free: 1-877-413-4788
Conference Code: 6821765
You do not need a PIN.
(Please mute your phone when not speaking during the teleconference.)

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NIVEAU DE DIFFUSION : ND-1 Diffusion à l'OMU PT, aux partenaires des IE et aux groupes de gestion des urgences

Salutations,

Dans la matinée du 17 octobre 2013, la GRC a servi une injonction contre les manifestants lors d'une manifestation anti-gaz de schiste bloquant une route rurale près de Rexton, NB. En raison de la violence qui a eu lieu plus tard dans l'après-midi du 17 octobre, la GRC a arrêté au moins 40 personnes pour diverses infractions. Par la suite, des partisans ont demandé des actions pacifiques de solidarité le 18 octobre et le 19 octobre en soutien aux manifestants de Rexton en utilisant les sites de médias sociaux comme Twitter et Facebook.

Le COG sollicite votre aide et vous invite à participer à une téléconférence pour améliorer la coordination et l'échange de renseignements.

Les centres d'opérations et les personnes qui reçoivent le présent message sont priés de confirmer par courriel qu'ils participeront à la téléconférence et de fournir le(s) nom(s) de la (des) personne(s) qui les représenteront alors. Veuillez envoyer vos réponses à [redacted] avant 09 h 00 HAE, le 18 octobre 2013.

Voici les coordonnées :

Date : 18 octobre 2013
Heure : 10 h 00 HAE
Téléphone : 613-960-7513
Sans frais : 1-877-413-4788
Code de la conférence : [redacted]
Vous n'avez pas besoin de NIP.
(Veuillez-vous servir de la touche discrétion de votre téléphone quand vous ne parlez pas pendant la téléconférence.)

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AANDC EMD Weekly Highlights as of Friday, October 18, 2013
(NCR#5688011)
(New information has been **bolded** for your convenience.)

This is a weekly report that provides current information regarding activities that affect the health and safety and/or business continuity of First Nations on reserves.

To watch over the weekend:
- **Across Canada – Shale Gas Protests**

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HIGHLIGHTS

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2013 Flood Season:

NATIONAL OVERVIEW

ALBERTA - **Total number of First Nations evacuees due to flooding is approx. 874:**
1. Siksika First Nation – 536
2. Stoney Tribe First Nation at Eden Valley – approx. 200
3. Stoney Tribe First Nation at Morley – 138

2011 Flood Season:

MANITOBA - **Total number of First Nations evacuees due to flooding is 1891:**
1. **Dauphin River First Nation – 204 evacuees**
2. **Ebb and Flow First Nation – 59 evacuees**
3. **Lake St. Martin First Nation – 1076** evacuees
4. **Little Saskatchewan First Nation – 346 evacuees**
5. **Peguis First Nation – 189 evacuees**
6. **Pinaymootang First Nation – 17 evacuees**

Other Significant Incidents:

- Protest – Shale Gas – Rexton, NB – 17OCT2013 – A number of First Nations protests or demonstrations are planned across Canada in response to the 17OCT2013 incident in Rexton, NB. Organizers have called for peaceful actions.

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I am forwarding additional media received this afternoon regarding protests that have taken place in Saskatchewan in support of the Shale Gas Protest.

Michelle

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Saskatoon protesters rally in support on N.B. demonstrators
About 50 people stage peaceful event in front of the University of Saskatchewan
NewsTalk

Demonstrators in Saskatoon are showing their support for protesters in New Brunswick involved in a violent clash with RCMP.

About 50 people showed up Friday morning at the corner of College Drive and Wiggins Avenue carrying signs and claiming to stand with the east coast demonstrators.

"It's about showing solidarity with our Mi'kmaq brothers and sisters out east," said Serena Gamble, who took part in the event, which lasted for about half an hour.

Dion Ladouceur was also present for the demonstration. He said mainstream media reports were painting an unfair picture of the New Brunswick activists.

"(They're) misjudging the fact that these were all peaceful protests," he said. Ladouceur went on to say that it wasn't right to paint the incident as merely an aboriginal issue.

"This isn't just for the natives. This is for everybody, even if you're just sitting in your house and looking at this as a big violent moment. It's about land. This is about your children's children's children.... This isn't about being native. This is about being for the Earth," he said.

Mark Bigland-Pritchard is a familiar face at Idle No More and indigenous rights events in Saskatoon. He said as far as he was concerned, RCMP had taken the "storm trooper" approach in New Brunswick.

"I have a friend who was out there for a couple weeks with Christian Peacemaker Teams and she was saying how well disciplined everybody was and how committed to a non-violent way," he said.

Ultimately, Bigland-Pritchard laid the blame for the incident at the feet of the federal government.

"It ought to be possible to get the RCMP under democratic control and I think the problem that we have here is that we have a government that isn't interested in democratic control. It's interested in Harper control," he said.

Idle No More Shows Its Support For Elsipogtog Protesters
MBC News

It was slow going for motorists on highway 10 near Balcarres this afternoon.

Idle No More protestors staged a three hour highway slowdown in a show of solidarity for the Elsipogtog first nation north of Moncton New Brunswick.

About a dozen members of the band were arrested yesterday during a violent confrontation with RCMP over a native blockade protesting natural gas exploration on first nations land.

Last night in Regina, about 80 members of the Idle No More movement descended on RCMP headquarters to protest the way mounties handled the New Brunswick situation.

Local organizer, Jason Bird, says the protest accomplished its objective.

"We only wanted to get out there to be seen and be heard. That was really the only goal. It made it across, it made it into newspapers and we just wanted to show the people of Elsipogtog we saw you and we're doing something as well."

About 60 Idle No More supporters rallied in front of the University of Saskatchewan this morning and they are scheduled to meet again this evening at 5:30 p.m. on Broadway Avenue.

Erica Lee, one of the local organizers, says the Saskatchewan Idle No More movement feels it is important to show its support for what is currently happening on the East Coast.

“The media tends to portray the people who are resisting as violent protesters when in reality all they’re doing is protecting the land.”

Bird says more actions are planned over the coming weeks in Saskatchewan.

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Last week, a New Brunswick judge granted an injunction in response to a complaint from SWN Resources. The company is doing seismic testing to determine if land near Highway 134, north of Moncton, near the community of Rexton is suitable for the extraction of shale gas. SWN was granted the right to do testing on provincial crown land by the Government of New Brunswick.
The testing ceased in the summer, and was due to restart in the fall, when a group from the Elsipogtog First Nation set up a blockade to prevent SWN from accessing its equipment on the test site. The First Nation council made a declaration that they were taking back their traditional rights to the land in question and let SWN know they were no longer welcome. Protestors are both aboriginal and non-aboriginal.
The judge issued the injunction and the RCMP were placed into a position where they needed to follow the judge's direction. This morning, the RCMP took action beginning on Highway 11 in the area and then onto 134. This is the official position stated by the RCMP to the media.
Julie Rogers-Marsh, an RCMP spokeswoman, could not confirm how many officers were on the scene. "What I can confirm for you is that police are enforcing a court injunction and in order to ensure public safety we have closed the road until the situation is resolved," said Constable Rogers-Marsh. RCMP in Fredericton have confirmed as of 1:30 pm to Public Safety Canada that no one has been shot.

Some protestors were arrested including Chief Sock of the Elsipogtog First Nation and some council members, (confirmed through CBC interview with TJ Burke, the First Nation's legal representative). Some police vehicles have been lit on fire that can be confirmed in pictures coming from the scene near Rexton.

Four AANDC employees were in the area on business unrelated to the protest. They have consulted departmental security and are making their way around the trouble zone and back to the regional office. School Board officials have elected to close three schools near the protest area as a precaution as well.

Some other First Nations have indicated that they may blockade other highways in New Brunswick in solidarity with Elsipogtog including the Trans Canada near Perth-Andover and have ended or cancelled interactions with at least one federal government department. Additional protestors are bound for Rexton from various First Nations throughout the Maritimes. Some additional First Nations in other regions are planning events as well.

Below is a RCMP press release issued this pm

We have been in contact with provincial aboriginal affairs and are continuing to monitor press reports and social media and will advise of any changes as the situation evolves
Dougal

RCMP PM Release
At least 40 people arrested for firearms offences, threats, intimidation and violating a court injunction, Rexton, N.B. 2013/10/17

The New Brunswick RCMP has arrested at least 40 people for various offences including firearms offences, uttering threats, intimidation, mischief, and for refusing to abide by a court injunction on Route 134, in Rexton, N.B.

The arrests were made on October 17, 2013, at the site of an ongoing protest. The court injunction was enforced and police were met with resistance by some of those at the site.

At least one shot was fired by someone other than police, Molotov cocktails were thrown at police, and at least five RCMP vehicles were destroyed by fire. The RCMP is also investigating suspected explosive devices at the scene.

"The RCMP has worked diligently with all parties involved in hopes for a peaceful resolution. Those efforts have not been successful. Tensions were rising, and serious criminal acts are being committed," says Cst. Jullie Rogers-Marsh of the New Brunswick RCMP. "There have been threats made to employees who were working with a private security firm at the site, as well as firearms offences, incidents of intimidation, mischief and other criminal behavior. For those reasons, and to ensure public safety, police action was required."

Police remain at the scene to deal with a large gathering of protesters, and continue to monitor the situation. A wide perimeter was set up around the area, in order to ensure public safety.

Route 134 at Rexton and Route 11 between Richibucto and Sainte-Anne-de-Kent remain closed to all traffic. Motorists are asked to use Route 126 instead of Route 11.

The public is reminded that a court injunction remains in effect and anyone who violates the conditions of that injunction could be arrested and face charges. The RCMP respects and protects the right to peaceful demonstration, however it must be done in a safe, peaceful and lawful manner.

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Executive Summary

A number of First Nations protests or demonstrations in response to the 17 Oct 2013 incident in Rexton, NB, are planned for 17-19 Oct 2013 across Canada. Organizers have called for peaceful actions.

Please find attached ST232-13B - Shale Gas, NB. Information valid as of 18 Oct 2013, 12:00 EDT. For your convenience, new information has been bolded.

Situation report provided to: F/P/T Contacts.

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SPEECH FROM THE THRONE / DISCOURS DU TRÔNE
Throne speech failed to address concerns of B.C. consumers
An editorial states, "The Harper government's throne speech put a strong focus on consumers - but not necessarily British Columbia consumers. The broad outline of Conservative government intentions for the coming session of Parliament, read Wednesday by Governor General David Johnson, had a special section entitled Defending Canadian Consumers. But it lacked initiatives that would address several key consumer problems plaguing Canada's west coast province. With a Canadian dollar near par, cross-border shopping has become a serious challenge for B.C. retailers. (...)Across Canada, this trend is costing about $1 billion in lost revenue for Canadian airlines, airports and governments, and resulting in less tourist activity. This problem has been exhaustively detailed by the Conference Board of Canada, a Senate standing committee on Transport and the Canadian Airports Council. Yet Conservatives overlooked the issue in their throne speech. All these cross-border losses arguably are more pressing than the matter of bundled cable channels which the speech pledged to address." Vancouver Sun<http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/ps-sp/articles/unrestricted/2013/10/ps-201310274635184_3.htm>, A12

Time to 'seize moment' on pipelines
Of all the specific Conservative government promises and priorities cited in this week's speech from the throne, there was only one - building pipelines - that merited an urgent call to "seize the moment." "A lack of key infrastructure threatens to strand these resources at a time when global demand for Canadian energy is soaring," Gov. Gen. David Johnston recited as he laid out the Harper government's mid-mandate policy blueprint. (...) Proposed balanced-budget legislation didn't get a "seize the moment" boost in the document. Nor did promised consumer protections, new toughon-crime measures, immigration reforms, a federal spending freeze, or even free trade negotiations - notwithstanding an imminent deal with the European Union. But "Seizing Canada's Moment" just happens to be the title of Prime Minister Stephen Harper's governing blueprint for the second half of his majority mandate. Canadian Press<http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/ps-sp/articles/unrestricted/2013/10/ps-201310531421581_4.htm> (Times Colonist); Kingston Whig-Standard<http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/ps-sp/articles/unrestricted/2013/10/ps-2013105832450713_12.htm>; Globe and Mail<http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/ps-sp/articles/unrestricted/2013/10/ps-201310418921737_68.htm>

MINISTER / MINISTRE

* AIDS prevention groups want prison needle programs to protect inmates, public

A consortium of AIDS prevention and harm reduction groups are launching a renewed call for needle and syringe programs in Canadian prisons. They argue such programs - which give inmates who use drugs access to clean needles - would not only protect prisoners from infection but

would also safeguard against the spread of diseases once inmates are released. Canadian prisons do not currently permit the distribution of sterile injection equipment and the federal government has repeatedly said it has no plans to implement such programs, despite their success in some countries. The Harper government says it has a "zero tolerance" policy for illegal drugs in correctional institutions. But experts say HIV and Hepatitis C rates in the prison system are "astronomically higher" than they are in the public community, with injection drug use appearing to be a driving factor. A group of advocates, experts and at least one former prisoner hope to further debate of the issue with an open panel discussion being held in Toronto today. "Closing our eyes to the problem isn't going to help. People are going to continue to get infected and these are fatal illnesses," said Sandra Ka Hon Chu, a policy analyst with the Canadian HIV/AIDS Legal Network. "We think it's really pressing to discuss it and share with the public a lot of the evidence to support these programs". Chu's group, along with three other AIDS prevention organizations and a former federal inmate launched a lawsuit against the federal government last year over the lack of needle and syringe exchange programs in Canadian prisons, saying that was a failure to protect prisoners' right to health. "I think this is a really hard sell for the public because they think people stay in prison forever. But over 95 per cent of people in prison are eventually released," said Chu. "So they're part of our community and we should care about their health and well-being." Federal prisons provide inmates with bleach that can be used to clean shared syringes, something AIDS prevention groups say is an acknowledgment of the drug use that takes place in prison. When asked about the issue, a spokesman for Public Safety Minister Steven Blaney said the government would "never consider putting weapons, such as needles, in the hands of potentially violent offenders." Lethbridge Herald<http://lethbridgeherald.com/news/national-news/2013/10/aids-prevention-groups-want-prison-needle-programs-to-protect-inmates-public/> (Hamilton Spectator)

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT / GESTION DES MESURES D'URGENCE

* Thousands roll with quake drill

You just don't know when a big earthquake is going to happen, but thousands of B.C. residents rehearsed what could be a life-saving manoeuvre Thursday. More than 690,000 people took part in the Great B.C. ShakeOut, a provincewide earthquake drill, up from 100,000 from 2012. The result has heartened emergency organizers who say that how people act during and after a big earthquake is crucial to their survival. "You may only have seconds to protect yourself in an earthquake - this is why it is critical to practise the life-saving response of 'drop, cover and hold on,' " said Miranda Myles, co-chairwoman of the Great B.C. ShakeOut organizing committee. Victoria Times-Colonist<http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/ps-sp/articles/unrestricted/2013/10/ps-20131053975868_4.htm>, A4

NATIONAL SECURITY / SÉCURITÉ NATIONALE

Lenovo interest in BlackBerry raises national security fears

Lenovo Group Ltd. is joining the list of suitors considering a bid for BlackBerry Ltd., raising concerns that the Canadian company's ultra-secure communications network for the global elite might end up owned by a firm based in China. BlackBerry provides mobile phones and an encrypted wireless network to many of the world's largest corporations and most Western governments, including top officials in the United States and the country's military - and would likely draw scrutiny in Washington and Ottawa. If Lenovo's reported interest resulted in a deal, the takeover attempt would be subject to a tough regulatory review in Canada. The federal government has killed several foreign takeovers under the Investment Canada Act. That act permits reviews of deals worth more than $344-million. The government has also granted itself broader powers to halt takeovers of Canadian firms by foreign state-owned companies, particularly those from China. And Ottawa recently barred a bid for Winnipeg-based telecom company MTS Allstream by an Egyptian-led group on national security grounds. "If the Egyptian company raised some red flags for the Canadian government, we should have red fireworks going off if a Chinese company wants to buy BlackBerry," said Michel Juneau-Katsuya, the former head of Asia-Pacific at the Canadian Security Intelligence Service (CSIS) and chief executive of the Northgate Group, an Ottawa-based cyber-security firm. "BlackBerry is the prime phone used by all government officials and top officials. . . For that reason alone, it shall not and could not be sold to a foreign entity that is not within the realm of [our] close network of friends." Globe and Mail<http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/ps-sp/articles/unrestricted/2013/10/ps-201310413546773_68.htm>, A1; National Post<http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/ps-sp/articles/unrestricted/2013/10/ps-2013105733984763_1.htm> (Ottawa Citizen, Montreal Gazette, Calgary Herald, Edmonton Journal)

Homegrown terrorism here to stay, local expert tells club

More murderous plots are likely in Canada even as strong police work and watchful residents foil homegrown terrorism, a leading scholar warns. "Homegrown terrorism is here to stay," said Lorne Dawson, a professor who studies terrorism at the University of Waterloo. "The conditions that give rise to it are not going away." Dawson has a security clearance, meets with international security officials and helps direct a national network for terrorism research. He spoke to the Confederation Club Thursday about Canadians who become terrorists after subscribing to an extreme version of Islam. Canada has not suffered a terror attack but has seen four foiled plots since the 9/11 terror attack in the U.S. in 2001, Dawson said. Radicalized Canadian Muslims are also being linked to terrorism abroad, including some from nearby London. UW has seen Tamil students convicted in the U.S. of supporting terrorism abroad. Their cause is ethnic nationalism, which differs from Islamic terrorism. Dawson is researching factors to help explain why a few aggrieved Canadian Muslims turn to violence. Terrorists typically believe that Muslim culture and civilization is under U.S.-led attack, he said. However, that grievance does not explain terrorism, because it is shared by others who do not plot violence. Homegrown terrorists typically do not have a history of mental illness, are not poor and do not have backgrounds linked to criminal behaviour, he said. For example, most do not come from broken homes or from troubled neighbourhoods. Other factors are more typical. Homegrown terrorists tend to be male, young and immigrants or children of immigrants, . Waterloo Region Record<http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/ps-sp/articles/unrestricted/2013/10/ps-2013104812309417_28.htm>, B1

Experts to tell Khadr's story

Who is Omar Khadr? That's a topic an Edmonton English professor at the King's University College (KUC) is anxious for Canadians and Edmontonians to learn. RENOWNED AUTHORITIES In the next month, the University of Alberta and KUC will be bringing two renowned authorities to Edmonton to share their knowledge and answer quest ions about Khadr, who is currently serving time at Edmonton Institution (the Max) after pleading guilty in 2010 to charges of murder, spying and terrorism. The speakers include Brigadier General (ret) Stephen Xenakis and attorney Samuel Morison with the U.S. Department of Defence. Dr. Xenakis, a psychiatrist who's spent hundreds of hours with Khadr over the past five years, will speak about his experiences with him at Guantanamo Bay. "Certainly the issues that touch Omar and his particular case have the potential to touch all of Canadians," said Arlette Zinck, associate professor of English at KUC. "When we allow fear to motivate our approach to the structural legal parameters we put in place to protect one another, it's a dangerous thing. A lot of that has gone on with this case and I think it's really important that we can get a good opportunity to learn about the issues." Khadr struck a plea deal that led to a sentencing of eight years in prison for five war crimes, including the murder of U.S. special forces medic Christopher Speer in a fire-fight in Afghanistan. Edmonton Sun<http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/ps-sp/articles/unrestricted/2013/10/ps-201310414921177_15.htm>, 7

Fight still on for man hoping to reunite with Toronto family

The federal government has acted in bad faith and refuses to provide information that it claims links former Toronto librarian's assistant Douglas Gary Freeman to the Black Panther party, Freeman's lawyer argued in federal court Wednesday. Barbara Jackman said Ottawa has repeatedly refused to provide disclosure in the case to support its allegations that Freeman, 64, has any terrorist links or that he was once connected to the now-defunct radical group. "There has been a clear withholding of relevant evidence," Jackman said. She made her comments before Justice Anne Mactavish, who is conducting a judicial review of Ottawa's blocking of Freeman's application to re-enter Canada. Freeman fled to Canada four decades ago after wounding Chicago police officer Terrence Knox with three gunshots in 1969, in what he said was a case of self-defence. The shooting caused permanent injuries to Knox, who died in 2011 at age 63 after a prolonged illness. After the shooting, some media outlets made passing references that linked Freeman to the militant Black Panthers. But Freeman has repeatedly denied he was ever a member of the group. For 34 years, he stayed out of trouble with the law while working as a librarian's assistant at the downtown Toronto Reference Library and raising a family of four with his librarian wife. Some two dozen family members and former library co-workers attended his hearing Wednesday. Toronto Star<http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/ps-sp/articles/unrestricted/2013/10/ps-2013102718428243_25.htm>, GT4

BORDER SECURITY / SÉCURITÉ FRONTALIÈRE

* Sikh priest gets 90 days for sex assault

A visiting Sikh priest from India has been sentenced to prison after being convicted of sexual assault and sexual interference stemming from an incident involving a 13-year-old Abbotsford girl. Ajai Singh, the son of a former prominent Sikh figure, will now serve 90 days in jail, followed by 18 months probation. He had been visiting Canada earlier this year when the incident was first reported to police on Feb. 9. The 38-year-old was charged in February this year on two counts; sexual assault and sexual interference with a person under the age of 16. Singh's father is the former head of the Akal Takht, the highest temporal seat of the Sikhs, during the late 1990s. Singh was also a hymn singer with the Shiromani Gurdwara Parbandhak Committee (SGPC), the highest religious body of the Sikhs. After news of the charges surfaced, the SGPC suspended Singh. Thursday, an Abbotsford judge sentenced Singh to jail. After serving his sentence in Canada, he will be deported. The Province<http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/ps-sp/articles/unrestricted/2013/10/ps-201310282528159_5.htm> A10

* Mom headed to Philippines to retrieve child
A Brazilian mother is excited but anxious as she prepares to travel to the Philippines Friday to be reunited with her daughter, who was allegedly abducted three months ago by the child's Saskatoon father. Oziene Vieira Barbosa is also happy that Alexander Fiodor Levin, 47, was arrested last week and is still in jail in Saskatoon awaiting a bail hearing. Levin is charged with parental abduction after an international investigation that had authorities on four continents acting on an Interpol Amber Alert. It's alleged that Levin, a Canadian citizen who immigrated from Ukraine in his youth, travelled this summer from Brazil to Ukraine with Barbosa and their two-year old daughter, and that he then fled with the child to the Philippines and left her there before returning to Saskatoon in July. (...) The Canada Border Services Agency found that Levin had spent three or four days in the Philippines before returning to Canada without the child, Chiavini said. Interpol's Amber Alert was vital to obtaining co-operation from the Philippine authorities, he said. Barbosa said Levin told her he had four children but that he had been divorced for three years. StarPhoenix<http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/ps-sp/articles/unrestricted/2013/10/ps-2013105847325637_7.htm>, A1

* The Dogg Pound Get Sweated At Canadian Border
Rappers getting sweated while trying to enter Canada seem standard, as several well-known hip-hop artists have made headlines for not being able to enter the country. The Dogg Pound (Kurupt and Daz) were recently featured in an episode of the National Geographic's TV series, Border Security - Canada's Frontline, where they were shown going through an interrogation with border security. DJ's Nik Bean and Salam Wreck are also featured. Baller Status<http://www.ballerstatus.com/2013/10/17/dogg-pound-get-sweated-canadian-border-video/> (17-10-2013)

* Report calls for cap on temporary foreign workers
The federal government should implement an annual cap on the number of temporary workers entering Canada to prevent employers' "excessive reliance" on the controversial foreign workers program, a new economic study says. "The growth in the number of temporary foreign workers is a cause for concern," said Carleton University economics professor Christopher Worswick, author of the report for the Institute for Research on Public Policy. "Its timing, which coincides with a period of weakness in the Canadian economy, is especially troubling." An increasing number of companies are looking outside the country when hiring, he said, and observers fear this comes at the expense of younger and less skilled Canadians. Last year, 213,573 temporary foreign workers were admitted to Canada - almost two and a half times as many as in 1995, the report

Press<http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/ps-sp/articles/unrestricted/2013/10/ps-2013105316622126_4.htm> (Times Colonist, Calgary Herald, National Post, Windsor Star, Ottawa Citizen, CTV News)

EU gives beef producers a win as feds prepare to unveil pact
Canadian beef producers have been assured they will have the ability to export close to 70,000 tonnes of beef to the European Union under a new free-trade deal being unveiled today in Brussels. The quota is almost twice the 40,000-tonne number former EU ambassador Matthias Brinkmann said in May the Europeans were willing to concede to Canada in return for Canada opening up its market to more imports of cheese. Sources close to the industry say Canadian pork producers will be given an even bigger quota, but did not give a specific number. The Canadian Agri-food Trade Alliance is hailing the deal, predicting it will boost exports of beef and pork by $1 billion once farmers gear up supply in hormone-free livestock. (...)Reporters in Ottawa will receive an early-morning briefing before Prime Minister Stephen Harper and European Commission president Jose Manuel Barroso take part in a signing ceremony in Brussels at about 10:30 PT. Government officials say the deal with the 28-member EU, known as the Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement, is the most ambitious Canada has ever attempted, encompassing every sector of the economy from automobiles to financial services, intellectual property to government procurement. Times Colonist<http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/ps-sp/articles/unrestricted/2013/10/ps-2013105313794544_4.htm>, B2; Associated Press<http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/ps-sp/articles/unrestricted/2013/10/ps-2013104912265652_40.htm> (Telegraph-Journal); * Postmedia<http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/ps-sp/articles/unrestricted/2013/10/ps-201310289294429_5.htm> (Province, StarPhoenix, Herald, Gazette, Citizen); * QMI Agency<http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/ps-sp/articles/unrestricted/2013/10/ps-201310816860933_29.htm> (Free Press, Ottawa Sun, Edmonton Sun, Toronto Sun); * Toronto Star<http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/ps-sp/articles/unrestricted/2013/10/ps-2013102724522583_25.htm>

CYBER SECURITY / SÉCURITÉ CYBERNÉTIQUE

Dealing with Uncle Sam
Whoever handles government relations at CGI Federal must be due a hefty bonus this year. The company won prime position on a new Blanket Purchase Agreement to provide cyber security diagnostic tools to the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS). But it wasn't just a win for CGI Federal, a Fairfax, Va.-based information technology and business services provider - it was a win for business north of the border. The company's parent, CGI, is based in Montréal. It isn't often that you hear about Canadian companies winning large federal government contracts in the U.S. for cyber security products and services. Why not, and is this something that can be rectified? (...)In spite of the geographical divide, at least one company in Canada finds it easier to sell into the U.S. market. Route1, based in Toronto, sells identity management and service delivery products for mobile enterprise users. The vast majority of its sales come from federal government contracts in the U.S., says CEO Tony Busseri. "Our federal and provincial governments, along with a lot of corporate Canada, are at least five years behind what is going on with the U.S. federal government," he complains. He criticizes the Canadian government for being slow on the uptake with security technology, citing a contract that he won with U.S. Customs and Border Protection, which is now using his company's technology. However, even though Canada and the U.S. signed an agreement in February 2011, the Shared Vision for Perimeter Security and Economic Competitiveness, the Canadian Border Services Agency is still not using the technology, he says. SC Magazine<http://www.scmagazine.com/dealing-with-uncle-sam/article/316777/> (17-10-2013)

LAW ENFORCEMENT / APPLICATION DE LA LOI

* 'Vile' anti-sex trafficking website meant to upset Edmontonians
A group that has launched an anti-child exploitation campaign says it meant to make people uncomfortable with what some are calling a "vile" stunt and "disgusting advocacy." On Tuesday and Wednesday, the Chrysalis Anti-Human Trafficking Network launched the legitimate-looking website sexwork4u.com that purported to recruit underage children to work in the sex trade. "Whether you're 17 or 12, as long as there are johns willing to pay for sex with youth, there's a place for you in this career," the website read. "Alberta is a hotbed for the sex trade. Especially here in Edmonton. Get involved today." By Thursday, the site had a new look, identifying itself as a provocative campaign against human trafficking of children and teens. But the changes weren't made until some people on the Internet attacked it as inappropriate, saying the organizers had "apparently lost their dictionary when it comes to words like parody, satire or human decency." The executive director of Chrysalis, an Edmonton-based federal not-for-profit corporation launched in 2010, says the new campaign was meant to upset people. Jacqueline Linder, a clinical psychologist and professor at Edmonton's satellite campus for Seattle-based City University, said there is no line she won't cross to protect children... She said RCMP and police were notified beforehand, and the Winnipeg-based cybercrime unit was on it within hours. Edmonton Journal<http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/ps-sp/articles/unrestricted/2013/10/ps-2013101010109629_1542.htm>

Protest ends in violence, arrests
The RCMP say dozens of people were arrested after Molotov cocktails were thrown at officers and police vehicles torched Thursday when they began enforcing an injunction to end an ongoing demonstration against shale gas exploration in eastern New Brunswick. "I'm just happy nobody got killed today," said 36-year-old Lori Simon of the Elsipogtog First Nation. Simon went to survey the damage of burnt police cruisers after the protest in Rexton calmed down. "My heart was aching. I just wanted to cry." Donald Sanipass, 34, hopped up on the hood of one of the police cars, saying he wasn't surprised the situation escalated. "I knew it was going to come to this because the government doesn't want to listen to the people," Sanipass said, who attended the scene with Simon. "They didn't handle this right at all." Const. Jullie Rogers-Marsh said at least five RCMP vehicles were destroyed after they were set ablaze and at least one shot was fired by someone other than a police officer at the site of the protest. "The RCMP has worked diligently with all parties involved in hopes for a peaceful resolution. Those efforts have not been successful," Rogers-Marsh said. "Tensions were rising." The Mounties said at least 40 people were arrested for firearms offences, threats, intimidation, mischief and violating the court-ordered injunction. The RCMP began enforcing the injunction at around 7: 30 a.m. to end the blockade of a compound where energy company SWN Resources stores exploration equipment. Route 134 at Rexton and Route 11 between Richibucto and Sainte-Anne-de-Kent were closed to traffic for about 12 hours and schools in the area were closed early for the day after they were locked down as a precaution. Rogers-Marsh said police decided to enforce the injunction because threats had been made against private security guards at the site the night before. She wouldn't reveal what tactics police were using to contain the crowd and refused to comment on reports that officers had fired rubber bullets. Robert Levi, a councillor with the Elsipogtog First Nation, said he went to the protest site early Thursday after hearing the RCMP had moved in to begin enforcing the injunction. Levi said police pepper-sprayed dozens of people after 9: 30 a.m. when he arrived with

the chief and council. "They sprayed the crowd that was there," he said in an interview. "The chief was manhandled a little bit and all hell broke loose." Canadian Press<http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/ps-sp/articles/unrestricted/2013/10/ps-2013101025203356_18.htm> (Red Deer Advocate, The Guardian, Hamilton Spectator, Times Colonist); Canadian Press<http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/ps-sp/articles/unrestricted/2013/10/ps-2013102513375129_1992.htm> (Toronto Star); Daily Gleaner<http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/ps-sp/articles/unrestricted/2013/10/ps-20131012998358_38.htm> (Times & Transcript); * Times & Transcript<http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/ps-sp/articles/unrestricted/2013/10/ps-20131015452672_38.htm> (Telegraph Journal, Daily Gleaner) ; * Chronicle Herald<http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/ps-sp/articles/unrestricted/2013/10/ps-201310180947973_42.htm> ; * QMI Agency<http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/ps-sp/articles/unrestricted/2013/10/ps-20131081092297_29.htm> (London Free Press, Ottawa Sun, Toronto Sun, Calgary Sun, Edmonton Sun, Kingston Whig-Standard) ; * Canadian Press<http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/ps-sp/articles/unrestricted/2013/10/ps-2013105851669222_7.htm> (The Province, Vancouver Sun, Edmonton Journal, StarPhoenix, Leader-Post, Windsor Star, Montreal Gazette, Ottawa Citizen); * Presse Canadienne<http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/ps-sp/articles/unrestricted/2013/10/ps-2013101121465158_33.htm> (La Tribune, Le Nouvelliste, Le Devoir, La Voix de L'Est); * Agence QMI<http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/ps-sp/articles/unrestricted/2013/10/ps-201310491497752_1886.htm> (Journal de Quebec, Journal de Montreal); * Acadie Nouvelle<http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/ps-sp/articles/unrestricted/2013/10/ps-201310532559339_39.htm>; * Globe and Mail<http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/ps-sp/articles/unrestricted/2013/10/ps-201310416796891_68.htm>

* First Nation blocks Route 102 at Kingsclear
Rush-hour traffic along Route 102 was stalled on Thursday afternoon as members of the Kingsclear First Nation blocked traffic in both directions at the Chapel Road. About 50 people were involved in blockade, which started around 4 p.m. Although trees were placed across the road to stop drivers from going on toward Mactaquac, protesters took down portions of the blockade to allow school buses to travel through. They also advised motorists that they could take an alternative route through Kingsclear First Nation, where one lane of traffic was left open. Members of the RCMP and Fredericton Police Force were stationed along Route 102 during the evening, directing traffic near the Prospect Inn during rush hour and near Island View, advising motorists travelling beyond Mactaquac to seek alternative routes. The blockade on Route 102 follows a day of mayhem, arrests, and Molotov cocktails thrown at police and at least five RCMP vehicles destroyed by fire on Route 134 near Rexton as shale gas protesters were removed by police. At least 40 people were arrested on various charges including firearms offences, uttering threats, intimidation, mischief and refusing to abide by a court injunction on Thursday in Rexton. Chief Gabiel Atwin said the blockade organized by the Kingsclear First Nation was designed to show support for Elsipogtog First Nation members protesting in Rexton. "All over the province, First Nation people are showing their support," he said. "We're not happy with what the government is doing. They closed down negotiations. There's supposed to be negotiations with leadership in New Brunswick, and they shut it down. "Shale gas is not a good thing. If it's not properly regulated, we're all in trouble. Proper consultation with First Nations is supposed to take place. The government knows that. Daily Gleaner<http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/ps-sp/articles/unrestricted/2013/10/ps-20131012998358_38.htm> (Times & Transcript)

* Highway blocked near Perth-Andover
A long line of tractor-trailers and other vehicles was stopped on the Trans-Canada Highway west of Perth-Andover yesterday afternoon as protesters from Tobique First Nation and their supporters blocked the four-lane highway for several hours. After the anti-shale gas protests in Rexton turned violent on Thursday, Tobique residents took to the highway. By 4 p.m., the line of stopped vehicles extended kilometres, with only a few RCMP officers visible. Allan Tremblay of Tobique First Nation was on the Trans-Canada Highway, showing his support for the Kent County protesters. "This has been brewing for quite a while," he said. "What I attribute that to is just that the (political) leaders don't take our leaders seriously and won't sit down and talk to them." "What's wrong with talking?" said Tremblay. "It's all our leaders have been asking for all this time - sit down and talk to us - but they don't respect our leaders." Dozens of people were arrested in Rexton after Molotov cocktails were thrown at officers and police vehicles torched when they began enforcing an injunction to end an ongoing demonstration against shale gas exploration. Const. Jullie Rogers-Marsh said at least five RCMP vehicles were destroyed after they were set ablaze and at least one shot was fired by someone other than a police officer at the site of the protest in Rexton. Tremblay predicted more violence. "This is the tip of the iceberg. Remember what happened at Oka?" Times & Transcript<http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/ps-sp/articles/unrestricted/2013/10/ps-201310129764469_38.htm> (Telegraph Journal, Daily Gleaner)

Regina protesters decry violence
Horrified and outraged by the violence that ensued Thursday in New Brunswick between demonstrators and the RCMP, a group about 80-strong held an evening gathering in Regina to call for peace. Earlier in the day, dozens of people were arrested near the Elsipogtog First Nation north of Moncton, N.B., after RCMP members moved in to stop a protest against shale gas exploration. According to the RCMP, at least five police vehicles were set on fire and destroyed. Carrying signs that read "Frack You! In Solidarity with Elsigpogtog" and "Standing Up For What's Right", the Regina demonstration was held outside the RCMP Heritage Centre. Pointing to the building and raising his voice, one speaker decried the ongoing unrest between indigenous people and the authorities. While Sue Deranger said the day's events did not surprise her, they nevertheless upset her. "We must stand up for our Mother Earth and we must stand up for each other," she told the crowd during the 40-minute event. "And it's so ironic - the RCMP were created in theory to protect indigenous people. What the heck are they doing attacking us? There is something upside-down in this world." The protest in Regina was one of numerous rallies that occurred in cities across the country such as Ottawa, Winnipeg, Montreal and Toronto. Each stood in solidarity with those from the Elsipogtog First Nation. Leader-Post<http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/ps-sp/articles/unrestricted/2013/10/ps-20131017874227_8.htm>

Ontario highway blocked in support of N.B. protest
Ontario Provincial Police say First Nations protesters shut down Highway 6 in southern Ontario Thursday between the communities of Hagersville and Caledonia. Const. Mark Foster said the the protest blockade involved 30 to 40 people. A local native newspaper, Turtle Island News, said people from the Six Nations First Nation shut down the road in solidarity with First Nations protesters arrested Thursday during a demonstration against shale gas exploration in eastern New Brunswick. Foster said a liaison team was talking with the protesters in an effort to get the road reopened. First Nations communities elsewhere in the country also held protests in solidarity with Elsipogtog. Shawn Atleo, national chief of the Assembly of First Nations, wrote a letter to New Brunswick Premier David Alward, expressing his support for Elsipogtog First Nation protesters in that province. "The images and actions we have seen and that have been reported are deeply disturbing and completely unacceptable," Atleo wrote."I call upon you to take all actions to immediately cease this intervention and restore dialogue." Canadian Press<http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/ps-sp/articles/unrestricted/2013/10/ps-2013105311965537_4.htm> (Times Colonist)

Tories target spending-scandal senators
The Harper government moved yesterday to cauterize the open wound that is the Senate expenses scandal, coming down hard on three free-spending senators and promising to disclose how its MPs spend taxpayer dollars. But none of it was likely to make the controversy go away anytime soon, given fresh procedural tactics by the opposition, ongoing RCMP probes and a forthcoming Senate expense review by the auditor general. The Conservatives announced motions to suspend Mike Duffy, Pamela Wallin and Patrick Brazeau, three former Tories appointed by Prime Minister Stephen Harper who were found to have made inappropriate expense claims. The motions, to be debated next week, would strip the trio of their pay, benefits and Senate resources for the remainder of the parliamentary session - potentially as long as two years. A fourth senator with improper expenses, former Liberal Mac Harb, resigned last month. A handful of Liberal senators suggested the motions were patently unfair, given that Duffy, Wallin and Brazeau have not been charged with anything directly related to their expenses. Government Senate leader Claude Carignan said the upper chamber was well within its rights to take disciplinary action against the senators for their "gross negligence." "When we occupy such privileged positions, we should respect citizens and we need to behave with dignity," Carignan said outside the Senate chamber after the motions were introduced. "I think the behaviour of these three colleagues were an affront to that dignity." An hour before Carignan's announcement, Duffy issued a statement saying he was going on medical leave on his doctor's orders because of a heart condition. Carignan said that would not have an impact on the suspension, should it pass. Duffy, Brazeau and Harb are the subject of an RCMP investigation into fraud and breach of trust allegations, but no charges have been laid. onservative Sen. David Tkachuk said the Mounties had interviewed him this week about Wallin, but it is unclear whether that was part of a full-blown investigation. Canadian Press<http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/ps-sp/articles/unrestricted/2013/10/ps-20131016717283_38.htm> (Times & Transcript, Red Deer Advocate, Hamilton Spectator, Times Colonist);* Presse Canadienne<http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/ps-sp/articles/unrestricted/2013/10/ps-2013101051890391_34.htm> (Le Nouvelliste); *Globe and Mail<http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/ps-sp/articles/unrestricted/2013/10/ps-201310415625175_68.htm>; * National Post<http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/ps-sp/articles/unrestricted/2013/10/ps-2013105747344684_1.htm>; * Postmedia News<http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/ps-sp/articles/unrestricted/2013/10/ps-201310286387597_5.htm> (The Province, Vancouver Sun, Edmonton Journal, Windsor Star, Leader Post, Calgary Herald, Montreal Gazette, Ottawa Citizen, National Post); * QMI Agency<http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/ps-sp/articles/unrestricted/2013/10/ps-2013102843524982_22.htm> (Winnipeg Sun, Ottawa Sun, Edmonton Sun, Calgary Sun)

Audio of fatal confrontation with RCMP officers recorded
An audio recording has been released recounting some of the final moments of Greg Matters's life, as an RCMP officer tried to negotiate the surrender of the distraught former peacekeeper just before he was shot by the force's emergency response team. Matters was fatally shot last September on the rural property he shared with his mother near Prince George. Only the voice of now-Insp. Brad Anderson can be heard on the half-hour recording entered as evidence at a coroner's inquest into Matters's death and released to media. The interactions, heard on the recording suggest Anderson was building rapport with Matters and, at one point, had coaxed the 40-year-old to within steps of surrender. "I just really want to keep this peaceful. I just want to get your side of the story, you know that," Anderson says, then pauses to listen. "Well, let's come in, you talk to us. Let's see where you are." But the inquest heard that Matters, who suffered from post-traumatic stress disorder, suddenly retreated to a cabin on the property. The recording suggests he grew increasingly anxious on the other end of the telephone line. It is clear from the recording that Matters asked for a helicopter that had been deployed to circle overhead be removed... The inquest has already heard that Matters was shot in the back during the confrontation with the emergency response team. Police had gone to Matters's home to arrest him for an assault during a dispute with his brother in the early-morning hours the day before. The coroner's jury has heard that Matters was in treatment for post-traumatic stress disorder, and that his psychiatrist linked to both his time on a peacekeeping mission in Bosnia and to two assaults he suffered at the hands of his military comrades. Matters also had several run-ins with RCMP, and made a complaint to the RCMP public complaints commission. That complaint was not substantiated, and Matters felt he was being harassed by police. Canadian Press<http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/ps-sp/articles/unrestricted/2013/10/ps-2013105310544426_4.htm> (Times Colonist, The Province, Vancouver Sun)

B.C. case sent back to appeal judges
The Supreme Court of Canada is sending the case of a B.C. man who appears to have been wrongly convicted in a 2004 sexual assault back to the provincial court of appeal. The high court says the appeal judges will have to consider fresh evidence and decide if there was a miscarriage of justice in the case of Gurdev Singh Dhillon. He was convicted of sexual assault in 2005, but prosecutors discovered this year that DNA evidence in the case wasn't disclosed to either the Crown or the defendant. What the lawyers didn't know was that swabs taken from the victim at the hospital and an article of her clothing were sent for DNA testing and the profile that came back did not match Dhillon. Crown prosecutors called it a miscarriage of justice and the RCMP apologized. The lawyer who defended Dhillon at trial said his client served four years in prison and was deported in 2008. Canadian Press<http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/ps-sp/articles/unrestricted/2013/10/ps-201310537512896_4.htm> (Times Colonist, Vancouver Sun)

Mountie used excessive force, prosecutor says
A Mountie in Prince George charged with assault with a weapon used excessive force when he arrested an elderly care home resident three years ago, a Crown prosecutor told the officer's trial. Crown counsel Jennifer Johnston said Const. Chad Fitzpatrick was one of a contingent of Mounties called to the Spruce Capital Seniors Housing Complex on the night of Nov. 17, 2010. The Mounties were called to the facility by staff after a heated argument with one of the residents, the court heard. The trial heard there was some kind of outburst, the senior uttered threatening statements, and then he went to his room. Staff followed him into the room, and an ensuing argument then escalated into more threats from the elderly man. He even pulled out a knife, the court heard. The staff members then retreated, closed and guarded the door, and called the police. RCMP attended and took the resident into custody, but during that arrest, Johnston said that Fitzpatrick jolted the man with a Taser to incapacitate him. The Mountie's actions amounted to excessive force, Johnston said. Canadian Press<http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/ps-sp/articles/unrestricted/2013/10/ps-20131053768441_4.htm> (Times Colonist)

Nine from Ontario, Quebec charged in crime dragnet
Five Ontario residents and four from Quebec face numerous charges following an 11-month investigation into drugs and organized crime in eastern Ontario. Ontario Provincial Police say Project Adelaide began in response to complaints from people in small eastern Ontario communities and also involved Quebec's provincial police. The OPP says its Organized Crime Enforcement Bureau began last November to

gather evidence against a ring they say was involved in distributing cocaine, as well as intimidation, extortion and loan sharking. Police say the drug ring used a "just in time" delivery model similar to many modern manufacturers and big box retailers. Investigators explain that cocaine was sent from Montreal to Mont-Tremblant, Que., to be re-packaged for distribution to local traffickers in several eastern Ontario communities, including Ottawa, Carleton Place, Perth, Stittsville, Lombardy and Smiths Falls. Police executed 25 search warrants Wednesday in Ontario and Quebec, seizing 2.5 kilograms of cocaine, 1.5 kilograms of hashish, seven vehicles, one handgun and more than $400,000 in cash. Investigators say they will also be seizing a Robinson R44 helicopter... Provincial police say they are continuing to investigate these offences, as well as a $1.2-million mortgage fraud and high level money laundering through shell companies of approximately $10 million. OPP Deputy Commissioner Scott Tod says the illegal drug trade can seriously affect community safety and lead to a wide variety of violent acts and property crimes. "Project Adelaide sends a clear and strong message that police - working together - will do everything in their power to safeguard communities," he said. Canadian Press<http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/ps-sp/articles/unrestricted/2013/10/ps-2013101726372411_10.htm> (Windsor Star, Montreal Gazette); * Ottawa Citizen<http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/ps-sp/articles/unrestricted/2013/10/ps-2013101817590317_9.htm>

* Merivale Road reopens after 'hoax pipe bomb' scare
Merivale Road has reopened after police determined a package found by hydro workers Thursday was a "hoax pipe bomb." The road was closed between Slack and West Hunt Club roads after police were called around 9:20 a.m. about a suspicious-looking pipe. A Tim Hortons under construction and three other buildings were evacuated. The Ottawa police and RCMP joint Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear and Explosives unit (CBRNE) was called in to investigate. Ottawa Citizen<http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/ps-sp/articles/unrestricted/2013/10/ps-2013101040843410_1538.htm>

* Charge laid in PMO bomb threat
A Toronto man has been charged with uttering threats after the building that houses the office of Prime Minister Stephen Harper was evacuated hours before Wednesday's throne speech. Mohamoud Hirsi Jimale, 45, allegedly arrived at the Langevin Building in Ottawa on Wednesday and claimed he had a bomb inside his briefcase, according to the charge sheet. The charges gave his home address as 2100 Weston Rd., Toronto, the site of the Humberview Housing Co-op. A woman there, who did not want to be identified, said Mr. Jimale lived in a three-bedroom unit with his wife. Together they collect $3,000 a month in welfare for themselves and their seven children, she said. She said on Tuesday he had become angry when the co-op asked him to provide proof that his children still lived in Canada. The next day, a man wearing a white robe and cap was arrested following an alleged confrontation with security at the Langevin Building. A police explosives disposal unit was brought in to examine the briefcase, but it contained no explosives. "We're not going to get into the details of the package for multiple reasons," RCMP Cpl. Lucy Shorey said. "But I can tell you that our (explosives) team deemed the package did not contain a threat at just before 3 p.m." Mr. Jimale appeared in an Ottawa courtroom Thursday to face one charge of uttering threats. He is also charged with mischief for allegedly interfering with the lawful use of the Prime Minister's Office. National Post<http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/ps-sp/articles/unrestricted/2013/10/ps-2013105719640433_1.htm>, Ottawa Citizen<http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/ps-sp/articles/unrestricted/2013/10/ps-2013101818325856_9.htm>; Le Droit<http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/ps-sp/articles/unrestricted/2013/10/ps-201310953515968_24.htm>

* Mental health trainer says more instruction may not be the answer
There is no way of knowing how well police training in communicating with the mentally ill is actually working, an Ontario Police College instructor testified Thursday. Ron Hoffman, who trains new recruits on mental health issues, spoke at a coroner's inquest into the fatal police shootings of three people suffering from psychological disorders. "There are not a lot of studies ... on determining how much transfers from the classroom to the street. We don't know," he testified. "We can say, 'Add more training.' Sure, training's good, but I can't tell you whether or not it's ultimately going to have an effect on changing behaviour in the field." Sylvia Klibingaitis, 52, Michael Eligon, 29, and Reyal Jardine-Douglas, 25, all had mental health issues and were in crisis. All three were carrying sharp objects - scissors or knives - when they were shot and killed by Toronto police officers. New police recruits in Ontario receive 12 hours of training on mental health issues, including identifying various psychological disorders and how to respond to them. They are taught to speak softly, to offer to help and to treat the person with dignity. Toronto Star<http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/ps-sp/articles/unrestricted/2013/10/ps-2013102516281438_1992.htm>;

* Inquest pulls back curtain on officers' reality
The vast knowledge gap between police and public was underscored Thursday at an Ontario coroner's inquest into the Toronto police shooting deaths of three armed but mentally ill citizens. The inquest is examining the deaths in one fell swoop, its major focus on the training given to police in their dealings with the seriously mentally ill. The cases - the Aug. 29, 2010, death of Reyal Jardine-Douglas; the Oct. 7, 2011, death of Sylvia Klibingaitis; and the Feb. 3, 2012, death of Michael Eligon - are purportedly linked because the three victims were experiencing a mental health crisis and all were armed with what's called a an edged weapon: a knife or scissors. Earlier this week, Ontario Police College trainer John Zeyen testified a Taser would not be suitable for use in most incidents involving sharp weapons because its punch or zap lasts as long as five seconds, making it too slow in such dynamic situations. That was a revelation for Anita Wasowicz, one of Klibingaitis's three sisters who are together representing their family. "Until I heard you yesterday," Wasowicz told Zeyen as she began her questions, "I was confused whether a Taser would have made a difference in the case I know the best." A bit later, she said, "I can't stress enough how this is a huge and shocking piece of information to me." With the province having announced this summer Ontario police forces can choose to issue all front-line officers with the conducted energy weapons, Tasers have become a real issue in the inquest's first week even though none were deployed. And, if Wasowicz's questions are any indication, a wider swath of the public may also be labouring under the mistaken belief Tasers are useful in dealing with knife-wielding people, mentally ill or not. But Zeyen, who now teaches firearms at the police college but was also a team leader in its officer safety section for the previous five years, testified Tasers are not appropriate for 80 per cent to 90 per cent of incidents involving sharp weapons. Postmedia News<http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/ps-sp/articles/unrestricted/2013/10/ps-2013105852528458_7.htm> (StarPhoenix, Montreal Gazette, Leader-Post, Vancouver Sun, Edmonton Journal, Windsor Star, Ottawa Citizen, National Post, Calgary Herald)

* More evidence from bloody crime scene revealed
The Surrey Six trial on Thursday heard more grisly details of the crime scene from an RCMP officer involved in the forensic investigation. Retired RCMP Sgt. Jerome Ouellet was present when the six bodies were removed from the top floor of the highrise suite in the Balmoral Towers. Court has heard there were numerous shell casings and several bullets visible in the living room where the bodies were found. Ouellet told B.C. Supreme Court Justice Catherine Wedge that when the scene had been processed and the bodies were being taken out, more shell casings were found underneath the bodies, as well as a bullet. After the bodies had been removed and the blood pools around the bodies had been cleaned up, investigators found a number of nicks and marks on the laminate flooring, said Ouellet, who worked in the RCMP's forensic

identification section. When he cut through the flooring around one of the nicks, he found a spent bullet in congealed blood, he said. The Crown has said that 19 shots were fired during the October 2007 fatal shooting. Investigators took care when removing bodies to place body bags at a different location and then lift the bodies to the bags, he said. The former Mountie earlier showed close-up photos of the injuries suffered by the six victims when they were shot to death. The photos revealed what appeared to be bullet holes in several pieces of clothing that were draped over the heads of several of the victims. They also revealed tattoos on the bodies of three of the victims - Corey Lal and his brother Michael Lal and Edward Narong. The Province<http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/ps-sp/articles/unrestricted/2013/10/ps-2013102830622142_5.htm>

* Un «collectionneur» de porno juvénile dans les filets du SPVQ
Les policiers du SPVQ ont effectué une frappe importante, hier matin, dans un appartement de la 7eRue à Québec, mettant ainsi au jour un important «collectionneur» de pornographie juvénile qui agissait en solo. Jean-Marc Allard s'est retrouvé dans la mire des enquêteurs aux délits familiaux et agressions sexuelles (DFAS) de la section des crimes majeurs du SPVQ (Service de police de la Ville de Québec) après que le fournisseur du service «Windows live Skydrive» eut envoyé deux dénonciations au Centre national de coordination contre l'exploitation des enfants. Selon nos informations, l'homme aurait en sa possession, enregistrées sur des clés USB, des disques durs externes et des DVD, des dizaines de milliers de photographies de pornographie juvénile dont au moins 25 000 en fichier unique. Agence QMI<http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/ps-sp/articles/unrestricted/2013/10/ps-2013104848544727_1886.htm> (Journal de Quebec, Journal de Montreal)

* Police board wise to welcome transparency
An editorial states, "There is encouraging news about transparency and accountability at Hamilton's police services board. At a meeting this week, board members seemed kindly disposed toward the idea of releasing secret police records on 11 police shootings over the past decade. The reports in question were filed by Hamilton police chiefs over the years, a requirement after any Special Investigations Unit probe into interactions between police and citizens that result in serious injury or death. They contain the results of the chief's internal investigation into the incident, actions and recommendations. They should never have been confidential in the first place. It would have been preferable for the board to grant the release, as requested by journalist Bill Dunphy who was acting on behalf of The Spectator. But it's understandable that the board wanted to get a legal opinion on the matter, which new chair Councillor Bernie Morelli promises for the next board meeting. Fair enough, but further delays aren't justifiable. These reports were discussed behind closed doors, but never made available to the public. Provincial law allows the board to decide to release them, or not, and various jurisdictions have different policies. But in this jurisdiction, concerning this police service, there is great potential value in releasing the records, and much potential harm in refusing to do so... This is not a witch hunt in any way. It is simply a matter of citizens and taxpayers having access to information that should have been public from the outset. Release of these reports will be a concrete demonstration of the police board's commitment to greater transparency and accountability. Without knowing what they say it's impossible to predict public reaction, but it's more important to show police governance in Hamilton is open to public scrutiny. Conversely, failure to release the reports will suggest they contain information the board and police management don't want in the public realm, and that will create more tension and doubt at a time when some already exists in the wake of the Steve Mesic tragedy. That's not what the police board or service needs right now." Hamilton Spectator<http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/ps-sp/articles/unrestricted/2013/10/ps-2013101714336218_27.htm>

Tasers can spare lives with a little help from Ontario
An opinion piece by Colin Kenny, former chair of the Senate Committee on National Security and Defence states, "The negative reaction among liberal-minded citizens to the news that the Ontario government will allow more front-line cops to use electroshock weapons was predictable - they didn't like it. But if the government would take a few steps to improve the odds that these weapons will be properly used, even the most liberal-minded among us should welcome their expanded role as an alternative to the use of guns. There is no doubt that electroshock weapons - we're mostly talking about the Tasers manufactured by Taser International - have been improperly used by some trigger-happy cops, most notably in the death of Robert Dziekanski at Vancouver airport. Electroshock weapons aren't toys. They're classified as prohibited weapons in Canada and can only be used by police forces. There is evidence they can play a significant part in fatal outcomes. But they can also save lives. And it would be foolish for the government of Ontario not to do everything in its power to make sure Tasers do just that... If the Ontario government really wants to improve policing, it should cough up the money to buy Tasers that - coupled with good training and the use of audio-visual recorders - will reduce fatalities and lead to fairer outcomes in court. Without that kind of investment, the doubters will have a good point. The government would be rolling the dice every time things get hot on the front lines." Toronto Star<http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/ps-sp/articles/unrestricted/2013/10/ps-2013102713318836_25.htm>

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More KP tours in offing
There will be more tours of Kingston Penitentiary starting next month. Correctional Service of Canada, which is a national partner of Habitat for Humanity, has offered up a three-week block of prison tours to Habitat for Humanity Canada, starting Nov. 6 and finishing up Nov. 24. Information about the tours and ticket availability has yet to be released. An initial three weeks of tours of 178-year-old Kingston Penitentiary, which closed on Sept. 30, started only mere days later and drew national attention and proved wildly popular. The first block of $20 tickets, 7,000 in total and offered only online, sold out within two days despite the event, benefiting the local United Way, not even being advertised. A second block of the 2,400 tickets sold out in under a half hour. QMI Agency<http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/ps-sp/articles/unrestricted/2013/10/ps-2013105834981455_12.htm> (Kingston Whig-Standard)

Where's daughter's killer?
Anybody know the whereabouts of sex-killer David Wayne Snowdon? The mother of the little girl he sexually assaulted and murdered would like to know. "With Kingston Pen closing last month, I have lost track of him," said Keri-Lee Deon. "And nobody will tell me where he is."... Calls to Correctional Services of Canada have not offered much insight. "It's a privacy issue," spokesman Melissa Hart explained. How nice for Snowdon. Amazing that the guy in a public institution for stealing a little girl from her family has more rights than her parents. But, says Corrections Canada, there is a National Victim Services Program a victim's family member can apply to and if "they qualify" they can perhaps gain such information. "The program seeks to provide victims of federal offenders with timely information about the offender who harmed them," states an e-mail sent by Hart. "Our dedicated Victim Services Officers are responsible for registering victims, providing victim notification, receiving victim statements, providing referrals and answering questions about CSC," including whether a person is in custody and at what penitentiary.

Keri-Lee is not interested in applying for a program. She wants a phone call that requires no red tape. Canadian Press<http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/ps-sp/articles/unrestricted/2013/10/ps-201310723686333_26.htm> (Toronto Sun, Ottawa Sun)

Message de Harper aux juges
Jamais le système de justice n'aura pris autant de place dans un programme politique au Canada que sous Stephen Harper. Le gouvernement Harper a déjà adopté un train de mesures de répression de la criminalité (pas moins de 13 lois) et le premier ministre a annoncé, mercredi, qu'il entendait bien continuer dans la même voie. M. Harper a dit vouloir faire du Canada «un pays où les contrevenants sont punis, où les sanctions reflètent la gravité des crimes commis et où les droits des victimes passent avant ceux des criminels». Les conservateurs ont bien saisi que la population en avait ras le bol des sentences bonbons et des remises en liberté de criminels parmi les plus dangereux après n'avoir purgé qu'une petite fraction de leur peine. Les choses sont en train de changer à la satisfaction de la majorité silencieuse... Stephen Harper s'est adressé à cellesci dans le discours du Trône de mercredi. Il n'a que faire des critiques des partis d'opposition, plus à gauche sur l'échiquier politique, et des intellectuels bien pensants ou des représentants des médias, qui répercutent le discours soi-disant progressiste sur la réhabilitation et la réinsertion sociale, en remplacement de longues peines de prison... La litanie de lois déjà adoptées et les intentions annoncées dans le discours de mercredi envoient un message clair aux juges, aux procureurs de la Couronne et aux responsables des services correctionnels. Journal de Quebec<http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/ps-sp/articles/unrestricted/2013/10/ps-2013104850544876_1886.htm> (Journal de Montreal)

* Appropriate use of Kingston Penitentiary
A letter to the editor states, "During the past year considerable discussion has been made on the future use of Kingston Penitentiary after its closing. I remembered another walled institution that was near my family house. British Columbia Penitentiary was opened in 1898 and closed in May 1980. This institution that was located on the banks of the Fraser River in New Westminister was demolished and replaced with hundreds of new residential houses on the former prison lands. As for KP I believe that the decision to close this institution was premature. In 1998 KP was deployed as the Regional Assessment Centre for Ontario. All new federal inmates entering the Federal Correctional System and parole violators were sent to KP. These inmates were assessed by professional staff and after three to five months were transferred to a appropriate institution given the inmates program needs and security classification concerns. Parole violators were assessed by the National Parole Board and either released to the community or returned to a federal institution... I agree with the regional prison guard union and prison advocates that have stated the closure of KP will result in serious population increases requiring many inmates having to be double bunked. Since new inmates entering federal custody and parole violators require a secure facility with appropriates space for complete assessment it makes good sense to review the decision to close KP. One could speculate that double bunking of troubled inmates will result in serious management issues for prison administrators. Kingston Whig-Standard<http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/ps-sp/articles/unrestricted/2013/10/ps-201310583363773_12.htm>, A5

COMMUNITY SAFETY & PARTNERSHIPS / SÉCURITÉ DE LA POPULATION ET PARTENARIATS

* Beeper's slayer given third shot at freedom
Will the third time be the charm? Federal parole officials are once again rolling the dice on a dangerous killer who has already blown two chances. Conrad Johnson, 35, was granted unescorted temporary absences from prison earlier this month, documents show. Johnson is able to return to the community under certain conditions for what the parole board calls "personal development." But officials admit there is still considerable risk, given Johnson's history... While back behind bars, Johnson admitted his mistakes and blamed them on being given too much, too fast. The parole board agreed to give him a second shot at freedom in 2008.... But documents obtained by the Free Press this week show that was a disaster. Johnson fled from a halfway house in July 2009 and spent 15 months on the run. Winnipeg Free Press<http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/ps-sp/articles/unrestricted/2013/10/ps-2013102825961339_21.htm>, A3

* Wife - killer in custody for parole violations
Convicted killer Bruce Stewner is back in custody less than a year after the Winnipeg man walked out of prison despite lingering concerns about his threat to the public. The Free Press has learned Stewner, 48, was arrested earlier this month in British Columbia for allegedly violating terms of his day parole. No other details about the allegations are known and federal officials refuse to comment. A parole officer must decide whether to give Stewner another chance or cancel his release and refer the file back to the parole board. If so, details of what put him back behind bars would become part of the public record...Stewner was granted day parole in November 2012 in a decision that was criticized by his victim's family, who called him a master manipulator. The parole board said Stewner had made several positive steps while in prison and noted he'd met a woman and married her in April 2011. Winnipeg Free Press<http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/ps-sp/articles/unrestricted/2013/10/ps-2013102826914468_21.htm>, A3

* Attacker's upcoming jail release raises flags
The Parole Board of Canada has serious concerns about the upcoming release of a high-profile violent sex offender who continues to have a bad attitude toward women and harbours violent sexual fantasies, according to a recent decision. Ernest Meigs, 38, was sentenced in 2004 to 14½ years in prison for kidnapping his ex-girlfriend, terrorizing her family and attacking a tenant. He is scheduled to get out of prison on statutory release on Nov. 4. Statutory release is automatically granted to most offenders after they have served two-thirds of their sentence. A prisoner cannot be detained past that date unless there is a recommendation by the Correctional Service of Canada for detention... In a decision from Oct. 7, the Parole Board of Canada states Meigs continues to blame the victim for the ordeal and is indifferent to the harm he caused. "You do not accept full responsibility for your offending," the board wrote. Meigs has a criminal history that begins in 2001. The Province<http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/ps-sp/articles/unrestricted/2013/10/ps-2013102839034_5.htm>, A11

INQUEST INTO THE DEATH OF ASHLEY SMITH / ENQUÊTE SUR LA MORT D'ASHLEY SMITH

NIL

PUBLIC SERVICE / FONCTION PUBLIQUE

Information watchdog says Canadian democracy threatened by deterioration of federal transparency

Canada's information commissioner has put Prime Minister Stephen Harper"s point man for transparency issues on notice that he must answer for significant failures within government in respecting Canada's freedom-of-information law. Releasing her annual report to Parliament, Suzanne Legault slammed the government for a deteriorating record in providing information to the general public, explaining that it was now the responsibility of Treasury Board President Tony Clement to clean up the mess. Without a quick fix, she said the situation was threatening the health of Canada's democracy. "I think it's really time to actually (attribute) accountability where it lies," Legault said at a news conference. Legault said she spoke to Clement in recent days to warn him about her report's findings. She also dismissed his previous claims that the government could tout its record on transparency, simply because it was dealing with an increasing number of requests for information. Her report registered a nine per cent increase in the number of new complaints for 2012-2013, adding up to a total of 1,596 cases for the year, including a 42 per cent jump in complaints related to basic requirements such as meeting deadlines or following the proper procedure for an extension. "The minister (Clement) cannot say that this is the most transparent government simply based on the fact that we have more access requests if we're simply not responding to them or not responding to them before a year has elapsed," Legault told reporters. "That's not transparency. That's simply breaching the law and I think that's what the minister has to respond to." But speaking outside of the House of Commons, Clement repeated his previous arguments about an increase in the volume of documents that are released, noting that he was also encouraged to see more requests for information from the general public.
Canada.com<http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/ps-sp/articles/unrestricted/2013/10/ps-201310557734173_1547.htm> (Ottawa Citizen, StarPhoenix); Edmonton Sun<http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/tbs-sct/articles/unrestricted/2013/10/tbs201310418625636_15.htm>

Federal info commissioner says integrity of access to information system at risk
The federal information commissioner says poor leadership and scant resources have left departments and agencies struggling to answer access-to-information requests from Canadians. In her annual report tabled today, Suzanne Legault says the integrity of the system is at risk and the weaknesses must be urgently addressed. The Access to Information Act, which came into force in 1983, allows people who pay $5 to request a variety of records from federal agencies - from correspondence and briefing notes to expense reports and audits. The government is supposed to respond within 30 days or provide good reasons why a delay is necessary. But Legault say says staff shortages meant one institution - the RCMP - routinely went six months without even acknowledging receipt of requests. In other cases, the response time can vary from 18 months to more than three years. "It is imperative that the access problems be fixed promptly and significantly. There is truly a need for leadership on the part of the government and the individual institutions,' Legault told a news conference. "Unfortunately, yesterday's speech from the throne is silent on matters of transparency and accountability.' Canadian Press
<http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/ps-sp/articles/unrestricted/2013/10/ps-201310117294968_19.htm> (Whitehorse Daily Star, Hamilton Spectator, Chronicle Herald, Chronicle Herald)

* Cri d'alarme de la commissaire à l'information

La commissaire à l'information du Canada pousse un cri d'alarme sans précédent: le système d'accès à l'information se détériore de manière dramatique au gouvernement fédéral et des solutions doivent être apportées de toute urgence. La commissaire Suzanne Legault a déposé un rapport annuel lapidaire au Parlement hier. Elle note que le nombre de plaintes déposées à son bureau a augmenté de près de 9% l'année dernière, et de 38% dans les six premiers mois de cette année. Mme Legault a directement évoqué la responsabilité du ministre responsable de l'application de la Loi sur l'accès à l'information, le président du Conseil du Trésor Tony Clement, qu'elle a rencontré la semaine dernière pour le prévenir de sa déclaration publique. "Ce que j'ai vu au cours de la dernière année, je ne l'avais jamais vu auparavant. La défaillance du système est plutôt dramatique. Et ça ne s'améliore pas. C'est ce qui me préoccupe. C'est ce que j'ai dit au ministre", a dit Mme Legault en point de presse hier. "J'ai dit au ministre que je le tiendrais responsable publiquement." Peu d'appétit du gouvernement Le ministre Clement a adopté un point de vue totalement différent et s'est montré peu enclin à apporter les changements réclamés. "Je suis très fier de notre bilan", a-t-il dit. A l'appui de sa thèse, il a cité certaines statistiques sur le nombre de documents divulgués en vertu de la loi l'an dernier, faisant état d'une augmentation de 27%. "S'il y a des problèmes de ressources humaines qu'on peut régler, nous le ferons. Mais compte tenu du fait que le caractère inquisiteur des médias et des citoyens ordinaires augmente de manière exponentielle, nous en faisons plus que prévu", a-t-il ajouté. La Presse<http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/tbs-sct/articles/unrestricted/2013/10/tbs20131088622744_30.htm>, A14; Le Devoir<http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/tbs-sct/articles/unrestricted/2013/10/tbs2013101046903743_31.htm>; Le Droit<http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/tbs-sct/articles/unrestricted/2013/10/tbs201310101984549_24.htm>

OTHER / AUTRE

She's Canadian now

The bestowing of honorary Canadian citizenship on Malala Yousafzai is an incredibly lovely and apt gesture on the part of the federal government. Malala, a teenage advocate for girls' education, who was shot by the Taliban a year ago in her native Pakistan, was largely expected to win the Nobel Peace Prize. However, the Peace Prize is more appropriately awarded to honour someone's lifetime work or achievements. Malala's life and work have just begun. An honorary Canadian citizenship is a rare privilege, and with its bestowal on her, Malala at the tender age of 16 joins the ranks of such luminaries as Nelson Mandela, the Dalai Lama and Raoul Wallenberg, the Swedish diplomat who was responsible for rescuing hundreds of thousands of Jews during the Holocaust after the Nazis occupied Hungary. In an address to the World Bank, Malala said that spending money to fight terrorism by buying more weapons is the wrong approach - that money should be spent on pens, books and schools so that all children can be educated. Malala is a brilliant girl and an extraordinarily brave child. She is the public face and voice of

thousands of girls just like her who struggle against tremendous odds for their educations and their futures in Third World countries. She has not let her fame and all the prizes heaped on her turn her head or distract her from her cause. Calgary Herald<http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/ps-sp/articles/unrestricted/2013/10/ps-201310592765504_16.htm>, A10

INTERNATIONAL

Canadian lawyer held in Syria for eight months escapes after captor leaves door unlocked

A Canadian lawyer abducted while serving with the UN observer force in the Golan Heights told Syrian state television he escaped his captors when the gunmen neglected to lock the room where he was being held. "I was held prisoner for eight months, and I managed to escape," Carl Campeau says in English in the interview broadcast Thursday. "They forgot to lock the door to my room." Mr. Campeau, who was abducted in February, said he left the villa in Syria and ran into the fields, eventually making his way to freedom, the Syrian news agency SANA reported Thursday. They forgot to lock the door to my room

UN spokesman Martin Nesirky said Mr. Campeau is now with the United Nations and "initial indications are that he is in good health." AFP PHOTO / HO / SANAA handout picture released by the official Syrian Arab News Agency (SANA) on October 17, 2013, shows Canadian Carl Campeau, an employee of the UN Disengagement Force (UNDOF) who went missing in February in Syria, speaking to the press in Damascus after the Syrian Ministry of Foreign Affairs turned him over to the UN representative in Syria. Mr. Campeau, who was working as a legal advisor for the UN Disengagement Observer Force, called his kidnapping "a nightmare and a terrifying experience," SANA said. He added that there were Iraqis, Saudis, Jordanians and Chechens among his captors, the news agency said. Earlier, SANA said he was kidnapped by "terrorists" - the government's term for opposition supporters - in the Damascus suburb of Khan Al-Sheik. National Post<http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/ps-sp/articles/unrestricted/2013/10/ps-2013101033578829_1536.htm> (Toronto Star, Ottawa Citizen, Montreal Gazette, Whitehorse Daily Star, Chronicle Herald)

* Lawyer to head U.S. Homeland Security

President Barack Obama is calling back a trusted counterterrorism adviser from his first term by nominating former top Pentagon lawyer Jeh Johnson as secretary of homeland security. Obama plans to announce Johnson's nomination today. He must be confirmed by the Senate before taking over the post most recently held by Janet Napolitano, who stepped down in August to become president of the University of California system. As general counsel at the Defence Department during the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan, Johnson was an aggressive advocate on a number of complex and contentious legal issues. He oversaw the escalation of the use of unmanned drone strikes, the revamping of military commissions to try terrorism suspects rather than using civilian courts and the repeal of the military's ban on openly gay service members. He also mapped out the legal defence for the American cross-border raid into Pakistan that killed Osama bin Laden. A senior Obama administration official on Thursday confirmed Johnson's selection, first reported by The Daily Beast. The official was not authorized to speak about the nomination on the record and spoke on condition of anonymity. The official said Obama chose Johnson because of his experience as a national security leader. The official noted that Johnson oversaw the work of more than 10,000 lawyers and was responsible for reviewing every military operation approved by the president and defence secretary. Montreal Gazette<http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/ps-sp/articles/unrestricted/2013/10/ps-2013101142952273_14.htm>, B5

* Canada aiding storm-swept Philippines' disaster response - No part of the world gets more lethal typhoons than the northwestern Pacific basin Today, Manila has little capacity to deal with the high winds and flash floods; typhoons have become more destructive of late. Five of the 10 deadliest typhoons ever here have occurred in this young century, as have the five costliest typhoons. Canada has responded by providing $1 million to a little-known, United Nations project completed three months ago designed to "strengthen community resilience to the effects of natural calamities and disasters."... The UN initiative that Canada is part of may help the Philippines cope better with storms such as typhoon Bopha. The storm caused more than $1 billion Cdn in damages last December, according to the Manila-based National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council. That $1 billion costs the Philippine economy far more, in relative terms, than it would in Canada. Vancouver Sun<http://www.infomedia.gc.ca/ps-sp/articles/unrestricted/2013/10/ps-201310280117898_3.htm>, B5 (Edmonton Journal; Windsor Star; Regina Leader-Post; Calgary Herald; Montreal Gazette; Ottawa Citizen; National Post)

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Julie Rogers-Marsh, an RCMP spokeswoman, could not confirm how many officers were on the scene. "What I can confirm for you is that police are enforcing a court injunction and in order to ensure public safety we have closed the road until the situation is resolved," said Constable Rogers-Marsh. RCMP in Fredericton have confirmed as of 1:30 pm to Public Safety Canada that no one has been shot.

Some protestors were arrested including Chief Sock of the Elsipogtog First Nation and some council members, (confirmed through CBC interview

with TJ Burke, the First Nation s legal representative) . Some police vehicles have been lit on fire that can be confirmed in pictures coming from the scene near Rexton.

Four AANDC employees were in the area on business unrelated to the protest. They have consulted departmental security and are making their way around the trouble zone and back to the regional office. School Board officials have elected to close three schools near the protest area as a precaution as well.

Some other First Nations have indicated that they may blockade other highways in New Brunswick in solidarity with Elsipogtog including the Trans Canada near Perth-Andover and have ended or cancelled interactions with at least one federal government department. Additional protestors are bound for Rexton from various First Nations throughout the Maritimes. Some additional First Nations in other regions are planning events as well.

Below is a RCMP press release issued this pm

We have been in contact with provincial aboriginal affairs and are continuing to monitor press reports and social media and will advise of any changes as the situation evolves

Dougal

RCMP PM Release

At least 40 people arrested for firearms offences, threats, intimidation and violating a court injunction, Rexton, N.B. 2013/10/17

The New Brunswick RCMP has arrested at least 40 people for various offences including firearms offences, uttering threats, intimidation, mischief, and for refusing to abide by a court injunction on Route 134, in Rexton, N.B.

The arrests were made on October 17, 2013, at the site of an ongoing protest. The court injunction was enforced and police were met with resistance by some of those at the site.

At least one shot was fired by someone other than police, Molotov cocktails were thrown at police, and at least five RCMP vehicles were destroyed by fire. The RCMP is also investigating suspected explosive devices at the scene.

"The RCMP has worked diligently with all parties involved in hopes for a peaceful resolution. Those efforts have not been successful. Tensions were rising, and serious criminal acts are being committed," says Cst. Jullie Rogers-Marsh of the New Brunswick RCMP. "There have been threats made to employees who were working with a private security firm at the site, as well as firearms offences, incidents of intimidation, mischief and other criminal behavior. For those reasons, and to ensure public safety, police action was required."

Police remain at the scene to deal with a large gathering of protesters, and continue to monitor the situation. A wide perimeter was set up around the area, in order to ensure public safety.

Route 134 at Rexton and Route 11 between Richibucto and Sainte-Anne-de-Kent remain closed to all traffic. Motorists are asked to use Route 126 instead of Route 11.

The public is reminded that a court injunction remains in effect and anyone who violates the conditions of that injunction could be arrested and face charges. The RCMP respects and protects the right to peaceful demonstration, however it must be done in a safe, peaceful and lawful manner.

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Date: 10/17/2013 1:44 PM

Subject: Fwd: Re: Heads-up or notification???? - Off-Reserve Protest - Impacting Business Continuity On-Reserve

Hi Bill:

Can you please confirm that I summarized this information correctly?

We will be sending out a notification shortly.

Thanks!

Meghan

>>> Meghan-Tia Robertson 10/17/2013 1:41 PM >>>

The other thing to mention:

At this time, AANDC AT Regional Office is just monitoring the situation.

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Information on planned protest in Iqaluit October 18th, 2013. I will forward additional information as I receive it.

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Julie Rogers-Marsh, an RCMP spokeswoman, could not confirm how many officers were on the scene. "What I can confirm for you is that police are enforcing a court injunction and in order to ensure public safety we have closed the road until the situation is resolved," said Constable Rogers-Marsh. RCMP in Fredericton have confirmed as of 1:30 pm to Public Safety Canada that no one has been shot.

Some protestors were arrested including Chief Sock of the Elsipogtog First Nation and some council members, (confirmed through CBC interview with TJ Burke, the First Nation, s legal representative) . Some police vehicles have been lit on fire that can be confirmed in pictures coming from the scene near Rexton.

Four AANDC employees were in the area on business unrelated to the protest. They have consulted departmental security and are making their

way around the trouble zone and back to the regional office. School Board officials have elected to close three schools near the protest area as a precaution as well.

Some other First Nations have indicated that they may blockade other highways in New Brunswick in solidarity with Elsipogtog including the Trans Canada near Perth-Andover and have ended or cancelled interactions with at least one federal government department. Additional protestors are bound for Rexton from various First Nations throughout the Maritimes. Some additional First Nations in other regions are planning events as well.

Below is a RCMP press release issued this pm

We have been in contact with provincial aboriginal affairs and are continuing to monitor press reports and social media and will advise of any changes as the situation evolves
Dougal

RCMP PM Release
At least 40 people arrested for firearms offences, threats, intimidation and violating a court injunction, Rexton, N.B. 2013/10/17

The New Brunswick RCMP has arrested at least 40 people for various offences including firearms offences, uttering threats, intimidation, mischief, and for refusing to abide by a court injunction on Route 134, in Rexton, N.B.

The arrests were made on October 17, 2013, at the site of an ongoing protest. The court injunction was enforced and police were met with resistance by some of those at the site.

From: OPSCentre - NOB
To: Wozniewski, Nicholas
CC: Beaudoin, Dave; Borgford, Shari; Taylor, Frances
Date: 10/18/2013 3:05 PM
Subject: Re: Fwd: ST232-13B - Shale Gas protest - Rexton, NB

Thank you very much for this information, we have forwarded it to the GOC.

Jean Fisk
A/Manager Operations, EMD
819 953 3500

>>> Nicholas Wozniewski 10/18/2013 2:55 PM >>>

Please add this event to the list of locations for events over the period of 17-19 Oct 2013.
It may also be worth mentioning all the events nationwide scheduled as part of Global Frackdown, October 19th".
http://www.globalfrackdown.org/events/

Yukon Region - Whitehorse
IDLENOMORE - A GATHERING IN SOLIDARITY WITH ELSIPOGTOG, OCTOBER 17, 2013

WHEN:
October 18, 2013 at 5pm - 6pm

WHERE:
Healing Pole (1st and Main Street)
Whitehorse , YT Y1A
Canada

>>> OPSCentre - NOB 18/10/2013 9:06 AM >>>

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Situation report provided to: F/P/T Contacts.

OCIP users can access updates here (where applicable):
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To: MeghanTia.Robertson@aadnc-aandc.gc.ca <MeghanTia.Robertson@aadnc-aandc.gc.ca>
Date: 10/17/2013 1:42 PM
Subject: Re: Heads-up or notification???? - Off-Reserve Protest - Impacting Business Continuity On-Reserve

Notification.

>>> Meghan-Tia Robertson 10/17/2013 1:39:00 PM >>>Hi Richard:

Serge asked me to follow-up with the AT Region regarding a a protest in Rexton, New Brunswick against a shale gas development operated by SWN Resources Canada.

I spoke to Bill Nye about this and here's what he said:

A group of First Nations (known participants from Elsipogtog FN and Indian Island FN) and non-First Nations people have been protesting this development for several days and were blockading the entrance to the site. SWN Resources Canada recently got a court injunction to end the blockade. Up until today, the RCMP were holding off on enforcing the injunction because the Chief of Elsipogtog was in negotiations with the province and SWN to reach a solution.

Today, the RCMP was ordered to begin enforcing the injunction and, in doing so, 2 RCMP cars were set on fire, the RCMP apparently may have used rubber bullets and the Chief and several council members of Elsipogtog were taken into custody.

There are several people (First Nation and non-First Nation) opposed to this development. There is apparently a bit of a split amongst the current group of protesters - some more extreme and others willing to negotiate a settlement (including the Chief and several council members of Elsipogtog). There are also several elders from Elsipogtog who are working as advisors for SWN.

Although this is off-reserve, would you like us to forward this as a notification or a heads-up since the Chief and Council being taken into custody creates a business continuity issue?

Please advise asap.

Thanks!

Meghan

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Date: 10/18/2013 12:02 PM
Subject: ST232-13B - Shale Gas protest - Rexton, NB
Attachments: ST232-13B - Shale Gas Protest - Rexton NB.docx

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From: Charles Bray
To: Jean Fisk; Meghan-Tia Robertson
Date: 10/18/2013 9:46 AM
Subject: Fwd: Elsipogtog First Nation Protest and Blockade
Attachments: image003.jpg

Hi David,

You can try Meghan-Tia Robertson and Jean Fisk who work in our Operations to see if they have information.

thanks

Charles

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>>> David Diabo <ddiabo@afn.ca> 10/17/2013 3:21 PM >>>

Charles

Would you have any contacts with the local emergency management group that is coordinating the federal response in NB? It may be helpful to get a sense of their assessment of this action and begin to identify some on the ground contacts on Canada's side should we need to open up dialogue.

Thank You,

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To: Potvin, Jean-Sebastien
CC: Fleischer, Allison; Francis, Catherine; Gilbert, Patti; Grenier, Alain; MacIsaac, Jennifer
Date: 10/18/2013 9:02 AM
Subject: Re: planned protest Iqaluit, 4:45 pm

NOTICE OF PLANNED PROTEST:

Harvested from Facebook, Iqaluit, Nunavut.

Elsipogtog solidarity march in Iqaluit between RCMP building and NLCA Monument at 4:45pm October 18. Bring drums, bring signs, bring heart.

For more information regarding the violence at Elsipogtog First Nation today and for the issues of fracking that the people of Elisipogtog have been protesting, please refer to #elsipogtog (https://www.facebook.com/hashtag/elsipogtog) on twitter and read a wide variety of new sources in a google search.
Comments:
Laakkuluk Williamson Bathory (https://www.facebook.com/laakkuluk.williamsonbathory) I will just emphasize here that this is a PEACEFUL solidarity march.

Karliin Aariak (https://www.facebook.com/karliin.aariak) This is also an open invitation to ALL Iqaluit candidates for MLA, what is your position on fracking?, how will you support the prohibition of fracking in Nunavut if elected

Christine LilBear Lamothe (https://www.facebook.com/LBChristine) check this out: https://www.facebook.com/photo.php?v=10151919361529162

Christine LilBear Lamothe (https://www.facebook.com/LBChristine) learn about what fracking is and it's dangers: www.dangersoffracking.com/

Amanda Kilabuk (https://www.facebook.com/amanda.kilabuk.7) I am wondering why you have chosen those 2 landmarks for your peaceful march? Are you protesting on the actual fracking itself? Or the police respondence to it?

Amanda Kilabuk (https://www.facebook.com/amanda.kilabuk.7) If it is actual fracking that you are opposing, then perhaps protesting against the buildings of the regulating bodies in NU would be more appropriate

Barbara Akoak (https://www.facebook.com/BarbOMG) The fracking isn't happening in Nunavut, it is happening in New Brunswick. In NB the oil company SWN is using the Police to interfere with the Aboriginal People's Peaceful Protest by shooting rubber bullets, wrongfully arresting people, taking reporter...Voir plus (https://www.facebook.com/#)

Erica Stanley (https://www.facebook.com/erica.sullivan.77) Barbara has it - check this

link out for more info: http://you.leadnow.ca/...

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Tammy Pardy - Security Issue - Rexton, NB - Update

From: Jean-Francois Legault
To: DM MIN
Date: 10/17/2013 3:19 PM
Subject: Security Issue - Rexton, NB - Update
CC: Beaudoin, Serge; Budgell, Richard; Lévesque, Marie-Josée; Pardy, Tammy

Our four employees have left the reserved unharmed.

Incident now reported by CBC:

http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/new-brunswick/shale-gas-protesters-clash-with-police-in-rexton-n-b-1.2100703

Extract: T.J. Burke, the lawyer for the Elsipogtog First Nation, confirmed Chief Arren Sock has been arrested.

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>>> Jean-Francois Legault 13:09 17-Oct-13 >>>
Pour Mme Swords et le SM - info pour ce moment.

En résumé, nous avons quatre employés sur la réserve. Je demandé à ce qu'ils y sortent car la situation risque de s'envenimer. Pour le moment, leur sécurité n'est pas en danger mais nous ne prenons aucune chance.

Les opérations régionales ont été avisées.

Voir ci bas pour plus détails.

http://www.radio-canada.ca/regions/atlantique/2013/10/17/005-grc-injonction-nouveau-brunswick.shtml

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Date: 10/17/2013 2:01 PM
Subject: Re: Security Issue
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CC: Ellis, Patricia; Young, Steve
Date: 10/18/2013 10:47 AM
Subject: Article: N.B. shale gas protest spurs premier-native leaders meeting

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Arrest of Elsipogtog Chief Aaron Sock sparked violence that led to arrests, destruction of 5 police vehicles
CBC News Posted: Oct 18, 2013 9:00 AM AT|
Last Updated: Oct 18, 2013 9:58 AM AT

A councillor with the Elsipogtog First Nation in New Brunswick says meetings are planned for today between Chief Aaron Sock and Premier David Alward following yesterday's violence during a protest over land use for shale gas exploration in Rexton.

Sock and Elsipogtog Coun. Robert Levi were among 40 people arrested Thursday as RCMP enforced an injunction to end a weeks-long demonstration against shale gas exploration involving a coalition of native and non-native protesters. Five police vehicles were among six vehicles set ablaze and destroyed during the clash.

Levi says he and Sock are to meet with Alward in Fredericton on Friday.

Susan Levi-Peters, a protester from Elsipogtog and former band chief, says aboriginal leaders will be demanding Alward consult with the aboriginal community about shale gas exploration and development in New Brunswick.

"It was a Supreme Court ruling there should be public consultation about accommodation and agreement with the government, saying there's supposed to be public consultation, accommodation, before anything like this happened," said Levi-Peters. "That's all we've been asking."

The 40 who were arrested are scheduled for court Friday morning in three different communities.

As events unfolded Friday, First Nations elsewhere in New Brunswick established roadblocks in their communities in solidarity with the Rexton protest. Solidarity protests also took place elsewhere across the country, including Ottawa, Winnipeg and Calgary.

The solidarity protest movement continues Friday. In Fredericton, protesters gathered near an intersection on the Vanier Highway, a key thoroughfare leading to the Trans-Canada Highway.

The protest on Route 134 in Rexton began on Sept. 30 when protesters erected a barricade on the road leading to the compound where SWN Resources Canada had parked its shale gas exploration vehicles. Barricades were subsequently established on Route 134.

A court injunction was issued on Oct. 3, ordering an end to the protest. That led to negotiations between the province, protesters and leaders from Elsipogtog, but the protest remained in place, although one lane of the highway was reopened on Oct. 12.

Energy Minister Craig Leonard said Friday those negotiations seemed to be deteriorating.

"Unfortunately, over the last week or so, the discussions -- as the premier indicated yesterday -- he was having trouble getting in touch with the chief ," said Leonard. "And clearly tensions were starting to escalate at the blockade and the RCMP felt it was time to move in to ensure the safety of everybody."

On Thursday, more than 100 RCMP officers with guns and dogs moved in on the protesters to enforce

the injunction. SWN Resources, which said it was losing $60,000 a day due to the blockade of its exploration equipment, was allowed to remove its vehicles from the compound Thursday.

Leonard believes "outside influences had somewhat taken over the situation" at the protest.

"It got to the point where security guards looking after equipment were getting threats, there were weapons at the site," he said. "The RCMP, while looking for a peaceful resolution, they obviously thought moving in yesterday was the proper approach to ensure safety for everybody."

Violence erupted after chief arrested

Levi-Peters said the tipping point in Thursday's violence was when word spread that Sock had been arrested.

"It was heating up because the elders were being sprayed with pepper spray and rubber bullets were being shot, and there were dogs put on the people and everything like that."

An RCMP spokesperson denied rubber bullets were used, but said "sock rounds" -- a type of non-lethal bullet -- were employed on two occasions to diffuse the situation when protesters were throwing rocks, bottles and spraying police officers.

"The chief and council were behind the barricade negotiating with everybody and then the people on the other side heard -- we heard they were put in jail and everybody got really upset and trying to go through the barricade because the chief and council were arrested.

"Then everything else blew up and the RCMP tried to push the crowd toward -- there were RCMP vehicles there and the next thing you know they were up in flames," she said. "It was chaos, really crazy."

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Subject: CBC NB update: Several N.B. shale gas protesters now charged after clash

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Mischief, obstruction among charges laid after 40 arrested Thursday as police-protesters clashed
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Eight of the 40 people arrested Thursday in a protest over land used for shale gas exploration in Rexton, N.B., have been charged following the violent clash between RCMP and protesters.

The charges Friday include:

- Mischief.
- Breach of an undertaking to keep the peace.
- Unlawful confinement.
- Obstruction.

Some of the protesters arrested will remain in jail over the weekend out of a concern for a protest revival, a Moncton court was told Friday.

A bail hearing is scheduled for Monday morning.

On Thursday, the weeks-long protest that closed a highway and blockaded SWN Resouces Canada's exploration equipment ended in a clash between RCMP officers and protesters that resulted in . At least five police vehicles were destroyed by fire.

The first of the protesters appeared in Moncton court Friday afternoon. Court appearances are also scheduled in two other communities.

Also taking place is a court hearing in Moncton, where SWN Resources is seeking an indefinite extension to the injunction prohibiting anyone from impeding its exploration work. The company says it lost $60,000 a day while its exploration vehicles were blockaded by protesters in its vehicle compound off Route 134.

Premier David Alward said Friday that "yesterday was a very concerning day."

"Our communities are based on and built on the laws of the land," he said. "What took place yesterday touches every New Brunswicker and the violence that we witnesses.

"Clearly, there are those who do not have the same values we share as New Brunswickers."

Alward said he was not consulted on the RCMP's decision to take action against the protesters.

"What became clear to the RCMP is that encampment that was in Kent County was dangerous," he said. "It provided significant security issues for the people of New Brunswick."

Alward said he has no meeting scheduled with Elsipogtog Chief Aaron Sock and Coun. Robert Levi, which was indicated earlier by Levi. Sock and Levi were among those arrested Thursday.

Energy Minister Craig Leonard said Friday that negotiations involving provincial officials, the protest coalition and Elsipogtog leadership seemed to be deteriorating in the days leading up to Thursday's action by the RCMP.

"Unfortunately, over the last week or so, the discussions -- as the premier indicated yesterday -- he was having trouble getting in touch with the chief ," said Leonard. "And clearly tensions were starting to escalate at the blockade and the RCMP felt it was time to move in to ensure the safety of everybody."

Susan Levi-Peters, a protester from Elsipogtog and former band chief, says aboriginal leaders want the provincial government to consult with the aboriginal community about shale gas exploration and development in New Brunswick.

"It was a Supreme Court ruling there should be public consultation about accommodation and agreement with the government, saying there's supposed to be public consultation, accommodation, before anything like this happened," said Levi-Peters. "That's all we've been asking."

As events unfolded Thursday, First Nations elsewhere in New Brunswick established roadblocks in their communities in solidarity with the Rexton protest. Solidarity protests also took place elsewhere across the country, including Ottawa, Winnipeg and Calgary.

The solidarity protest movement continues Friday. In Fredericton, protesters gathered near an intersection on the Vanier Highway, a key thoroughfare leading to the Trans-Canada Highway.

Protest violence described as worrisome
Ken Coates, a historian who authored "The Marshall Decision and Aboriginal Rights" in 2000, said Thursday's events are worrisome for all parties.

"This is one of those conflicts that has the potential to explode on a national scale," said Coates, now a Canada Research Chair at the Johnson-Shoyama Graduate School of Public Policy at the University of Saskatchewan.

"It's the kind of a standoff and a protest that generates a lot of support from other First Nations who feel they're facing similar circumstances, who are worried about an accelerated pace of resource development that basically leaves them out of the equation or does not include them sufficiently."

Speaking prior to Alward's announcement that no meetings are planned with aboriginal leaders, Coates said any meeting may be coming too late.

"When you get to this point, sometimes you've been waiting too long and you've got a situation where First Nations have basically concluded 'We've got nothing to lose in this regard, we can't let this development take place because we haven't got enough assurances that our concerns are being taken seriously,'" he said. "And, so it actually is hard to get back from this place.

"We can't just say we're sorry, and shake hands and go forward. You actually have to make some much broader commitments to finding different solutions that work for the longer haul."

The protest on Route 134 in Rexton began on Sept. 30 when protesters erected a barricade on the road leading to the compound where SWN Resources Canada had parked its shale gas exploration vehicles. Barricades were subsequently established on Route 134.

A court injunction was issued on Oct. 3, ordering an end to the protest. That led to negotiations between the province, protesters and leaders from Elsipogtog, but the protest remained in place, although one lane of the highway was reopened on Oct. 12.

On Thursday, more than 100 RCMP officers with guns and dogs moved in on the protesters to enforce the injunction. SWN Resources, which said it was losing $60,000 a day due to the blockade of its exploration equipment, was allowed to remove its vehicles from the compound Thursday.

Leonard believes "outside influences had somewhat taken over the situation" at the protest.

"It got to the point where security guards looking after equipment were getting threats, there were weapons at the site," he said. "The RCMP, while looking for a peaceful resolution, they obviously thought moving in yesterday was the proper approach to ensure safety for everybody."

In a news release Friday, SWN said the operations the company is conducting are being done in a lawful manner.

"Our objective of being an important member of each community in which we operate compels us to continuously carry out our operations responsibly and with high standards. Our employees are dedicated to the safety of people and the environment, as well as ensuring we are in full compliance with all regulations," senior consultant for SWN Tracey Stephenson said in the release.

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CC: Steve Young; William Nye

Teresa is out today but we will be submitting an update. I am currently on the RO call with Serge and will provide Briefing but will also ask Bill Nye and Steve to prepare a summary. You are correct in that it is not taking place on reserve at this moment.

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(New information has been **bolded** for your convenience.)

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To watch over the weekend:

- **Across Canada – Shale Gas Protests**

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NATIONAL OVERVIEW

ALBERTA - Total number of First Nations evacuees due to flooding is approx. 874:

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3. Stoney Tribe First Nation at Morley – 138

2011 Flood Season:

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Other Significant Incidents:

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A number of First Nations protests or demonstrations in response to the 17 Oct 2013 incident in Rexton, NB, are planned for 17-19 Oct 2013 across Canada. Organizers have called for peaceful actions. Please find attached **ST232-13A – SHALE GAS PROTEST – REXTON, NB.** Information valid as of **17 Oct 2013, 21:00 EDT**.

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Centre des opérations du gouvernement (COG)

Rapport de situation

Numéro de l'incident : ST232-13A

Incident : Manifestation contre les gaz de schiste – Rexton, Nouveu-Brunswick

Date : Renseignements valides en date du 17 octobre 2013, à 21 h (HAE)

Description de l'incident : Le matin du 17 octobre 2013, la GRC a émis une injonction à l'intention de manifestants contre le gaz de schiste bloquant une autoroute de liaison près de Rexton (N-B). En raison de la violence survenue tard dans l'après-midi du 17 octobre 2013, la GRC a arrêté au moins 40 personnes pour diverses infractions liées aux armes à feu, à la profération de menaces, à l'intimidation, à la commission de méfaits et au refus de respecter une injonction de la cour. Au moins un coup de feu a été tiré par une personne autre qu'un policier. Des cocktails Molotov ont été lancés vers les policiers, et au moins cinq véhicules de la GRC ont été détruits par les flammes. De plus, la GRC mène une enquête concernant la présence présumée de dispositifs explosifs sur les lieux.

Les médias indiquent que la majorité des policiers ont quitté les lieux de la manifestation vers 18 h (HAE).

Après les événements, différents partisans de la manifestation ont demandé à leurs pairs, via les médias sociaux tels que Twitter et Facebook, de poser des gestes pacifiques de solidarité envers les manifestants de Rexton.

À Listuguj, des manifestants ont bloqué le pont Listuguj à la frontière entre le Québec et le Nouveau-Brunswick. En Ontario, des manifestants des Six Nations ont bloqué une partie de la route 6 près de Caledonia; des sources ouvertes signalent que la route 6 a été débloquée vers 19 h (HAE).

On a rapporté de petites manifestations à New York et à Washington D.C., à l'extérieur des missions canadiennes. On a également signalé des promesses de rassemblements pour faire brûler des feux sacrés dans des grandes villes telles que Montréal, Ottawa, Winnipeg et Edmonton ce soir.

Les leaders du mouvement Idle No More, à Lethbridge, Alberta, ont affirmé sur Twitter avoir sans tarder rassemblé un groupe pour organiser une marche dans la rue principale de la ville, jeudi après-midi.

Des activités sont prévues pour la côte Ouest demain.

Voici la liste des endroits où auront lieu les activités pour la période du 17 au 19 octobre 2013 :

Le 17 octobre 2013 :

- Montréal, Québec, 20 h HAE, au Square Cabot
- Ottawa, Ontario, 17 h 30 HAE, rassemblement au Monument des droits de la personne, et marche vers la colline du Parlement, à 18 h HAE
- Toronto, Ontario, 19 h HAE, Centre pour Autochtones, 16 chemin Spadina
- Winnipeg, Manitoba, 15 h HAE, Canadian Human Rights Museum
- Regina, Saskatchewan, 20 h HAE, poste de la GRC
- Lethbridge, Alberta, 17 h HAE, parc Henderson

Le 18 octobre 2013 :

- Montréal, Québec, 17 h HAE, Square Cabot
- Première Nation Eagle Lake, Ontario, 19 h HAE, 1220 promenade Ojibway
- Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario, 12 h HAE, pavillon d'apprentissage à Shingwauk Kinoomaage Gaming
- Kitchener-Waterloo, Ontario, 18 h HAE
- Première Nation Alderville, Ontario, 10 h HAE, autoroute 45, à Alderville, Ontario
- Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, 10 h 30 HAE, au coin du chemin College et de l'avenue Wiggins
- Fort McMurray, Alberta, de 16 h à 19 h HAE, poste de la GRC
- Edmonton, Alberta, à 16 h HAE
- Vancouver, Colombie-Britannique, 18 h 30 HAE, à Vancouver Art Gallery
- Victoria, Colombie-Britannique, à 14 h HAE, du Centennial Square au parlement provincial

Le 19 octobre 2013

- Kitchener-Waterloo, Ontario, à 17 h HAE
- Nanaimo, Colombie-Britannique, 17 h HAE

Sources des renseignements : Reportages des médias et de sources ouvertes, bureau régional de SP au Nouveau-Brunswick, GRC.

Mesures en cours :

Le COG continue de surveiller étroitement la situation, et a établi des liens avec les partenaires et les bureaux régions de SP afin de maintenir un échange d'information cohérent.

La gestion des incidents ayant trait aux manifestations relève des administrations et des organismes d'application de la loi de la ville.

Autres mesures : Le COG tiendra une téléconférence avec ses partenaires, le vendredi 18 octobre 2013, pour coordonner les efforts et évaluer les conséquences.

Évalution et analyse : Outre les incidents survenus à Rexton (N.-B.), jusqu'à présent, les appels ont été lancés pour organiser des manifestations pacifiques. La plupart des manifestations organisées dans le cadre du mouvement Idle No More, d'activités liées à l'environnement ou de questions ayant trait aux Premières Nations ont été pacifiques.

Les ministères et organismes qui disposent d'autres renseignements sur l'incident sont priés de les soumettre au COG.

Autres rapports de situation : D'autres rapports de situation seront produits lorsque des renseignements supplémentaires seront disponibles.

Autres produits : Un produit de géomatique fut diffusé précédemment.

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Government Operations Centre (GOC)

Situation Report

Incident Number: ST232-13A

Incident: Shale Gas Protest – Rexton, NB

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Date: Information valid as of 17 Oct 2013, 21:00 EDT

Description of current incident: On the morning of 17 Oct 2013, the RCMP served an injunction on protesters at an anti-shale gas protest blocking a rural highway near Rexton, NB. Due to violence which occurred later in the afternoon of 17 Oct, the RCMP arrested at least 40 people for various offences including firearms offences, uttering threats, intimidation, mischief, and for refusing to abide by a court injunction. At least one shot was fired by someone other than police.

Media reports that a majority of the police left the scene of the protest at around 18:00 EDT.

Following these events, various supporters of the protest called for peaceful actions of solidarity in support of the protesters at Rexton using social media sites like Twitter and Facebook.

In Listuguj, supporters blocked the Listuguj bridge on the QC/NB border. In ON, a section of Highway 6 near Caledonia was closed on 17 Oct by supporters from Six Nations; open sources report that Highway 6 was reopened at around 19:30 EDT.

There were reports of small demonstrations of support in New York City and Washington, D.C. outside the Canadian missions. There are also reports of promises to gather and light sacred fires in major cities like Montreal, Ottawa, Winnipeg and Edmonton tonight.

The creators of Idle No More in Lethbridge, AB, said via Twitter that they wasted no time in getting a group together to march down the city's main drag Thursday afternoon.

Events are planned for the West Coast tomorrow.

The following is a list of locations for events over the period of 17-19 Oct 2013:

17 Oct 2013:

- Montreal, QC, 20:00 EDT, at Cabot Square
- Ottawa, ON, 17:30 EDT, at Human Rights Monument, then march to Parliament Hill at 18:00 EDT
- Toronto, ON, 19:00 EDT, Native Centre, 16 Spadina Road

- Winnipeg, MB, 15:00 EDT, at Canadian Human Rights Museum
- Regina, SK, 20:00 EDT, at RCMP Barracks
- Lethbridge, AB, 17:00 EDT, Henderson Park

18 Oct 2013:
- Montreal, QC, 17;00 EDT, Cabot Square
- Eagle Lake First Nation, ON, 19:00 EDT, 1220 Ojibway Drive
- Sault Ste. Marie, ON, 12:00 EDT, at the teaching lodge at Shingwauk Kinoomaage Gamig
- Kitchener-Waterloo, ON, 18:00 EDT
- Alderville First Nation, ON, 10:00 EDT, at Highway 45 in Alderville, ON
- Saskatoon, SK, 10:30 EDT, corner of College Drive and Wiggins Avenue
- Fort McMurray, AB, 16:00-19:00 EDT, at RCMP Station
- Edmonton, AB, 16:00 EDT
- Vancouver, BC, 18:30 EDT, at Vancouver Art Gallery
- Victoria, BC, 14:00 EDT, Centennial Square to Provincial Parliament

19 Oct 2013:
- Kitchener-Waterloo, ON, 17:00 EDT
- Nanaimo, BC, 17:00 EDT

Source(s) of reporting: Media/open source reporting, PS NB Regional Office, RCMP.

Current actions:

The GOC continues to monitor the situation closely and has established contact with partners and PS Regional Offices in order to maintain cohesive information sharing.

Event management of the protests falls under the purview of local jurisdictions and local law enforcement agencies, as appropriate.

Future actions: The GOC will be hosting a conference call with partners on Friday, 18 OCT 2013 to coordinate efforts and to assess impacts.

Assessment/Analysis: Other than the events at Rexton, NB, so far the calls are for peaceful action. Most of the protest activity to date under the Idle No More banner or related environmental or First Nations issues activities have been peaceful.

Departments and Agencies with further information on this incident are asked to report to the GOC.

Additional situation reports: Further situation reports will be issued as more information becomes available.

Additional Products: A geomatics product will follow under separate cover.

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Geomatics Product – **NT232-13 - Shale Gas Protest - Rexton, NB**

Provided to: F/P/T Contacts

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Produit de géomatique – **NT232-13 - Manifestation contre le gaz de schiste - Rexton, Nouveau-Brunswick**

Produit de géomatique fourni à : Personnes-ressources FPT

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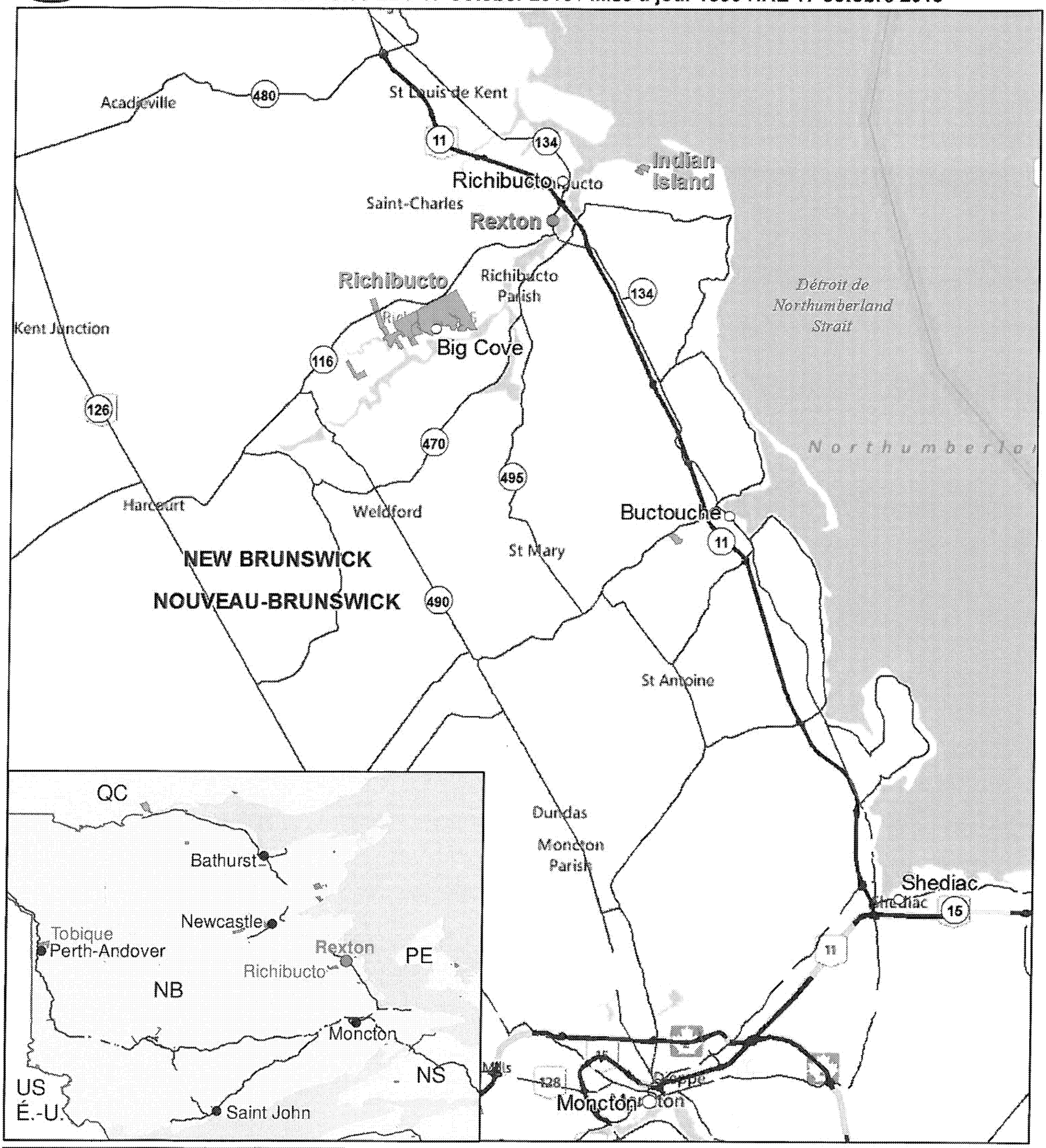

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- Highway / Autoroute
- First Nation reserve / Réserve de Première Nation

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From: Suzie Malouin
To: ABEmergency; Adnitt, Ted; Armstrong, Mary Jane; Atkins, Louise; Augustine, Millie; BCAANDC_DO; Basque, Nicolas; Beaudoin, Dave; Beaudoin, Serge; Bellman, Jennifer; Beninger, Christopher; Best, Garry; Boivin, Gabrielle; Bolster, Melissa; Borgford, Shari; Boucher, Patricia; Bray, Charles; Brennan, Donna; Bruce, Kathryn; Buchanan, Kellie; Budgell, Richard; Cardinal, Jennifer; Carignan, Denis; Carisse, Karl; Carlea, Madalina; Carlson, Dianne; Chambers, Tony; Charbonneau, Daniel; Clarke, Mervin; Cole, Geoff; Craig, Susan; Céré, Valérie; Côté, Philippe; Davis, Mark; Denoncourt, Yves; Doiron, Monique; Ducros, Françoise; Dumont, Luc; Dupont, Anik; Dyck, Jos; Dykxhoorn, Sandra; Eryou, Tim; Etzinger, Bernard; Fiel, Darrell; Filbee, Sara; Fisk, Jean; Flagler, Maureen; Fontaine, Anna; Fournier, Claudia; Francis, Andrew; Fuijkschot, Monica; Funk, Ellen; Gaétan, Isabelle; Gilbert, Patti; Glendenning, Mark; Gordon, John; Gravelle, Roxanne; Gray, Ian; Guilbault, Josée; Haggerty, Patrick; Hanley, Ron; Harvey, Rob; Henry, Barbara; Hines, Harold; Hobbs, Steven; Holowachuk, Brock; Houle, Victor; Johnson, Alayna; Joudrie, Teresa; Jourdeuil, Philippe; Kahnapace, Kendra; Kardoes, Carmen; Keagan, Tom; Kearnan, Nancy; Keddy, Daisy; Ketcheson, Ian; King, David; King, Janet; Klassen, Nathan; Kline-Martin, Emily; Kormendy, Ed; Kupeuna, Pamela; Kustra, Brenda; Laliberte, Maxime; Landriault, Hugues; Latourelle, Nicolas; Laughren, Sandra; Le Fresne, Jane; LeRoy, Jaime; Leclair, Daniel; Lecompte, Sylvie; Legasy, Karen; Legault, Jean-Francois; Lemieux, Grant; Litzgus, Leea; Logue, Elizabeth; Lévesque, Marie-Josée; MBEmergency; MacDonald, Allan; MacDonald, Dougal; MacDonald, Jason; MacGowan, Susan; MacIsaac, Jennifer; MacPherson, Loree; Mackenzie, Patrick; Magnuson, Eric; Maier, Ellen; Mailloux, Andrée; Manchulenko, Lesia; Matchim, Angela; Matte, Daniel; Matthews, Carey; McCarthy, Eileen; McCourt, Patricia(...)
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Date: 10/18/2013 11:54 AM
Subject: Rép. : COG Rapport de situation Manifestation contre les gaz de schiste - Rexton, Nouveau-Brunswick / GOC Situation Report SHALE GAS PROTEST – REXTON, NB

Bonjour,

Le BRQ est en contact avec la Sûreté du Québec en Gaspésie et suit la situation de près. Toutefois, les manifestations ne sont pas dans les communautés et ne menacent ni la santé/sécurité des personnes ni les programmes et services essentiels aux membres des communautés.

Une dizaine de personnes de Gasgapegiag assurent une présence et bloque partiellement la route 132 de façon sporadique. Des membres de la communauté de Listuguj font partie des groupes de manifestants qui ralentissent la circulation sur le pont Van Horn. Ces manifestations sont en appui aux communautés du Nouveau-Brunswick.

Suzie Malouin

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>>> OPSCentre - NOB 2013-10-18 09:11 >>>

Un certain nombre de protestations et de manifestations par des membres de Premières Nations sont prévues du 17 au 19 octobre 2013, partout au Canada, en réaction à l'incident survenu le 17 octobre 2013 à Rexton (Nouveau-Brunswick). Les organisateurs ont demandé que les actions demeurent pacifiques.
Vous trouverez en pièce jointe le document **ST232-13A - Manifestation contre les gaz de schiste - Rexton, Nouveau-Brunswick**. Les renseignements ont été mis à jour le **17 octobre 2013, à 21 h (HNE)**.

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Attachments: ST232-13B - Shale Gas Protest - Rexton NB.docx

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Executive Summary

A number of First Nations protests or demonstrations in response to the 17 Oct 2013 incident in Rexton, NB, are planned for 17-19 Oct 2013 across Canada. Organizers have called for peaceful actions.

Please find attached **ST232-13B – Shale Gas, NB.** Information valid as of 18 Oct 2013, 12:00 EDT. For your convenience, new information has been bolded.

Situation report provided to: F/P/T Contacts.

OCIP users can access updates here (where applicable): [redacted]

Government Operations Centre/
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Government Operations Centre (GOC)

Situation Report

Incident Number: ST232-13B

Incident: Shale Gas Protest – Rexton, NB

Date: Information valid as of **18 Oct 2013, 12:00 EDT**

Description of current incident: On the morning of 17 Oct 2013, the RCMP served an injunction on protesters at an anti-shale gas protest blocking a rural highway near Rexton, NB. Due to violence which occurred later in the afternoon of 17 Oct, the RCMP arrested at least 40 people for various offences. At least one shot was fired by someone other than police. Molotov cocktails were thrown at police, and at least five RCMP vehicles were destroyed by fire. In addition, the RCMP is also investigating suspected explosive devices at the scene.

Media reports that a majority of the police left the scene of the protest at around 18:00 EDT. **Overnight, equipment has been removed and roads are open. The 40 individuals that were arrested yesterday will appear in court on 18 Oct in three separate locations (Moncton, Shediac and 3rd site TBC). Protesters are expected at each location.**

On 18 Oct, approximately 12 people returned to the Rexton site. According to media reporting, an Elsipogtog First Nation councillor, who was among those arrested on 17 Oct, has stated that protesters will try to stay at the site, despite the injunction.

According to media reports, Chief Aaron Sock of the Elsipogtog First Nation will be meeting with the Premier David Alward of New Brunswick on the afternoon of 18 Oct in Fredericton.

Following these events, various supporters of the protest called for peaceful actions of solidarity in support of the protesters at Rexton using social media sites like Twitter and Facebook.

The following is a list of locations for events over the period of 17-19 Oct 2013:

18 Oct 2013:

- **Hwy 104, NS, Time NFI**
- **Hwy 102 (exact location not known), NS, 12:00 EDT**
- **Auld's Cove (near the Canso Causeway), NS, 12:00 EDT**
- **Sydney, NS, 12:00 EDT**
- **Halifax (the corner of Robie and Charles streets), NS, 14:00 EDT**
- **Hwy 134, NB, Time NFI**
- **Hwy 105 near Kingsclear, NB, Time NFI**
- **Fredericton, NB, Time NFI**

- **Moncton Courthouse, NB, Time NFI**
- Montreal, QC, 17:00 EDT, Cabot Square
- **Montreal, QC, lane blockage of Highway 132 near the access to the Mercier Bridge and leaflet distribution**
- **Road 132 (near Gaspapegiag), QC, ongoing**
- **Pointe-à-la-Croix (J.C. Van Horne Bridge), QC, ongoing**
- Eagle Lake First Nation, ON, 19:00 EDT, 1220 Ojibway Drive
- Sault Ste. Marie, ON, 12:00 EDT, at the teaching lodge at Shingwauk Kinoomaage Gamig
- Kitchener-Waterloo, ON, 18:00 EDT
- Alderville First Nation, ON, 10:00 EDT, at Highway 45 in Alderville, ON
- Saskatoon, SK, 10:30 EDT, corner of College Drive and Wiggins Avenue
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- Vancouver, BC, 18:30 EDT, at Vancouver Art Gallery
- Victoria, BC, 14:00 EDT, Centennial Square to Provincial Parliament

19 Oct 2013:

- Kitchener-Waterloo, ON, 17:00 EDT
- Nanaimo, BC, 17:00 EDT

Source(s) of reporting: Media/open source reporting, PS QC, NB, NS and PEI regional offices, RCMP, Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada.

Current actions:

The GOC continues to monitor the situation closely and has established contact with partners and PS Regional Offices in order to maintain cohesive information sharing. **GOC hosted a conference call with partners on Friday, 18 OCT 2013.**

Event management of the protests falls under the purview of local jurisdictions and local law enforcement agencies, as appropriate.

Future actions: The GOC will be hosting a conference call with partners on morning of Friday, 19 OCT 2013 to coordinate efforts and to assess impacts.

Assessment/Analysis: While this incident was an environmental protest, it is linked to ongoing First Nation dissatisfaction with resource development and extraction in Canada, as well as general dissatisfaction embodied in the Idle No More movement. Most of the protest activity to date under the Idle No More banner or related environmental or First Nations issues activities have been peaceful.

Departments and Agencies with further information on this incident are asked to report to the GOC.

Additional situation reports: Further situation reports will be issued as more information becomes available.

Additional Products: A geomatics product will follow under separate cover.

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From: Ronald Levesque
To: Manchulenko, Lesia
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See attached. Had been sent to Claudia as anticipatory/proactive. Spelled 'blockade' wrong, so that doesn't help... :-)

From: Ronald Levesque
To: Fournier, Claudia
Date: 10/1/2013 4:15 PM
Subject: AMHERST-#471346-v3-MEDIA_LINES_-_OCTOBER_2013_BLOACKADE_OF_ROUTE_134.DOC
Attachments: AMHERST-#471346-v3-MEDIA_LINES_-_OCTOBER_2013_BLOACKADE_OF_ROUTE_134.doc

Claudia,

FYI, Proactive media lines about the blockade on Route 134 in NB...RDG approved.

Just in case, :-)

Ron

From: Ronald Levesque
To: Fournier, Claudia; Laughren, Sandra; Manchulenko, Lesia
CC: Ketcheson, Ian; Young, Steve
Date: 10/17/2013 11:46 AM
Subject: Re: David Common (CBC) Tweet on anti-shale protest

Lesia/Sandra/Claudia: Do you know if the lines we sent up early October were modified or changed during HQ approval process? Can you send latest version if readily available?

Ron

>>> Steve Young 10/17/2013 11:39 AM >>>
We will update the anticipatory lines we did and send them up.

>>> Lesia Manchulenko 10/17/2013 10:36:58 AM >>>
Hi Steve - You able to help? Thanks

>>> Erica Meekes 10/17/2013 10:32:56 AM >>>
Hey- can we get lines and info on this asap please?
Erica Meekes
AADNC-AANDC
(613) 793-3876

>>> HQ Inform 10/17/2013 10:19:35 AM >>>
davidcommon (CBC)

RCMP in NB breaking up anti-shale gas protest. First Nations there. Police dogs. School locked down. Multi arrests: CBC reporter on scene.

Jim Hurcomb

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From: Ronald Levesque
To: Manchulenko, Lesia
Date: 10/17/2013 11:54 AM
Subject: Fwd: Rép. : Re: For MO approval: Updated Media Lines Anti-Fracking Protesters

These aren't it. They'd have "October 2013 blockage route 134" in the title....sent up October 1 or 2...

>>> Lesia Manchulenko 10/17/2013 11:52 AM >>>
Hi Ron - This is what came through earlier (a TAG lead, not RO this time). MO has this version, so please let us know re: any updates. Thanks, Lesia

>>> Claudia Fournier 2013-10-03 15:18 >>>
Thanks John and Amanda - I am sending the lines to MO.

However, I have a quick question - do we have lines / information on the framework agreement? Mo will certainly ask for this.

>>> Amanda Kaminski 10/3/2013 2:35 PM >>>
For MO approval:

Products: Updated Media Lines
Subject: Anti-fracking protesters have blocked Route 134 near the junction of Highway 11 in southeastern New Brunswick and have promised to do so until SWN Resources leaves the province.
Timing: Requested by MO

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From: Ronald Levesque
To: Manchulenko, Lesia
Date: 10/17/2013 12:07 PM
Subject: Re: Fwd: Media Lines Anti-Fracking Protesters

Done and sent to you.

>>> Lesia Manchulenko 10/17/2013 12:06 PM >>>
Folks - Sorry for confusion. For some reason the attachment was wrong on the one I sent earlier. This is the correct version of what went up to MO and needs to be checked for updates.

Ron: Could I ask you to please work from this version?

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>>> Claudia Fournier 10/17/2013 10:52 AM >>>
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Date: 10/17/2013 12:23 PM
Subject: URGENT for Dougal

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I am sending to you for comment/approval, especially on the new sections (in bold if you can see them - deal mostly with negotiations between NB and FNs)

HQ is awaiting approval in order to respond to a media enquiry.
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From: Ronald Levesque
To: Fournier, Claudia; Manchulenko, Lesia
CC: MacDonald, Dougal; Young, Steve
Date: 10/17/2013 12:04 PM
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Here is update - yellow highlights for updated material from RDG approved version sent up in early October.

Key messages all same, background updated with today's events as of about noon our time.

Ron

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In a press release Sept. 30, Elsipogtog Chief Arren Sock announced a Band Council Resolution to reclaim their stewardship over all unoccupied alleged "Crown" land would be publicly unveiled October 1. The Elsipogtog First Nation and the Signigtog District Grand Council state that "the Original people of the territory, together with their hereditary and elected leaders, believe that their lands and waters are being badly mismanaged by Canada, the province and corporations to the point of ruin. Now facing complete destruction, they feel that the lands are no longer capable of providing enough to support the populations of the region."

The release further states that "Mi'kmaq people of Signigtog are resuming stewardship of their lands and waters to correct the problems and are planning measures to restore them back to good health."

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Government Operations Centre (GOC)

Situation Report

Incident Number: ST232-13**B**

Incident: Shale Gas Protest – Rexton, NB s.16(1)(c)i)

Date: Information valid as of **18 Oct 2013, 12:00 EDT**

Description of current incident: On the morning of 17 Oct 2013, the RCMP served an injunction on protesters at an anti-shale gas protest blocking a rural highway near Rexton, NB. Due to violence which occurred later in the afternoon of 17 Oct, the RCMP arrested at least 40 people for various offences. At least one shot was fired by someone other than police.

Media reports that a majority of the police left the scene of the protest at around 18:00 EDT. **Overnight, equipment has been removed and roads are open. The 40 individuals that were arrested yesterday will appear in court on 18 Oct in three separate locations (Moncton, Shediac and 3rd site TBC). Protesters are expected at each location.**

On 18 Oct, approximately 12 people returned to the Rexton site. According to media reporting, an Elsipogtog First Nation councillor, who was among those arrested on 17 Oct, has stated that protesters will try to stay at the site, despite the injunction.

According to media reports, Chief Aaron Sock of the Elsipogtog First Nation will be meeting with the Premier David Alward of New Brunswick on the afternoon of 18 Oct in Fredericton.

Following these events, various supporters of the protest called for peaceful actions of solidarity in support of the protesters at Rexton using social media sites like Twitter and Facebook.

The following is a list of locations for events over the period of 17-19 Oct 2013:

18 Oct 2013:

- **Hwy 104, NS, Time NFI**
- **Hwy 102 (exact location not known), NS, 12:00 EDT**
- **Auld's Cove (near the Canso Causeway), NS, 12:00 EDT**
- **Sydney, NS, 12:00 EDT**
- **Halifax (the corner of Robie and Charles streets), NS, 14:00 EDT**
- **Hwy 134, NB, Time NFI**
- **Hwy 105 near Kingsclear, NB, Time NFI**
- **Fredericton, NB, Time NFI**