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*Commission of Inquiry into Missing and Murdered
Indigenous Women and Girls in Canada Order
under the
Public Inquiries Act, 2006
(O.C. 2016-256)*

(Filed November 30, 2016)

Under the authority of section 3 of the *Public Inquiries Act, 2006*,
the Lieutenant-Governor in Council makes the following Order.

Dated at St. John's, November 2, 2016.

Bernard M. Coffey, Q.C.
Clerk of the Executive Council

ORDER

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Short title

1. This order may be cited as the *Commission of Inquiry into Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls in Canada Order*.

Commission of inquiry established

2. There is established, jointly with the Government of Canada and the Governments of all provinces and territories that establish an

equivalent commission of inquiry, a commission of inquiry into missing and murdered Indigenous women and girls in Canada.

Members of
commission of
inquiry

3. The following individuals are appointed as members of the commission of inquiry:

- (a) the Honourable Marion R. Buller as Chief Commissioner;
- (b) Michèle Taïna Audette;
- (c) E. Qajaq Robinson;
- (d) Marilyn Poitras; and
- (e) Brian Eyolfson.

Terms of Reference

4. (1) The commission of inquiry shall

- (a) inquire into and report on the systemic causes of all forms of violence, including sexual violence, against Indigenous women and girls in Canada, including underlying social, economic, cultural, institutional and historical causes contributing to the ongoing violence and particular vulnerabilities of Indigenous women and girls in Canada;
- (b) inquire into and report on institutional policies and practices implemented in response to violence experienced by Indigenous women and girls in Canada, including the identification and examination of practices that have been effective in reducing violence and increasing safety;
- (c) make recommendations with respect to concrete and effective action that can be taken to remove systemic causes of violence and to increase the safety of Indigenous women and girls in Canada; and
- (d) make recommendations with respect to ways to honour and commemorate the missing and murdered Indigenous women and girls in Canada.

(2) The commission of inquiry, in carrying out the terms of reference, shall consider that the inquiry is intended, to the greatest extent possible,

- (a) to be trauma-informed and respect the persons, families and communities concerned;
- (b) to provide an opportunity for persons, families and community members to express and share their experiences and views, particularly on ways to increase safety and prevent and eliminate violence against Indigenous women and girls in Canada;
- (c) to be culturally appropriate and to acknowledge, respect and honour the diverse cultural, linguistic and spiritual traditions of Indigenous peoples; and
- (d) to promote and advance reconciliation and to contribute to public awareness about the causes of and solutions for ending violence experienced by Indigenous women and girls in Canada.

Collaboration

5. The commission of inquiry shall work with the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador and Indigenous governments, organizations and communities in Newfoundland and Labrador to identify possible membership on any regional advisory bodies or issue-specific advisory bodies established by the commission of inquiry with respect to regional matters where that region includes Newfoundland and Labrador.

Minister responsible

6. The Minister of Justice and Public Safety shall be the minister responsible for the commission of inquiry in the province.

Conclusion or
recommendations
limited

7. The commission of inquiry shall perform its duties without expressing any conclusion or recommendation regarding the civil or criminal liability of any person or organization.

Termination

8. The commission of inquiry shall terminate its work on or before December 31, 2018.

Reports

9. The commission of inquiry shall simultaneously deliver to the Government of Canada and to the Minister of Justice and Public Safety

- (a) an interim report containing its preliminary findings and recommendations, before November 1, 2017; and
- (b) a final report containing its findings and recommendations before November 1, 2018.

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