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National Inquiry to close registration for Part 1 of Truth Gathering Process on April 20, 2018

Vancouver BC- The National Inquiry into Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls today announced that registration for family members and survivors wishing to share their truths with the National Inquiry's Truth Gathering Process-Community Hearings and Statement Gathering-will close on April 20, 2018.

Commissioners encourage all family members and survivors who wish to share their truths to register with the National Inquiry before the closing date of April 20, 2018. To do so, individuals simply need to provide their name, contact information and location in any of the following ways:

- Phone: 1-844-348-4119
- Fax: 604-775-5009
- Mail: PO Box 500, Station A – Vancouver, BC, V6C 2N3
- Email: profile@mmiwg-ffada.ca

"The stories of families and survivors are the heart and soul of the National Inquiry, which is why we created an inclusive and supportive process to hear from as many voices as possible," said Chief Commissioner Marion Buller. "Every truth shared will guide the next important stages of the investigation and help to inform our recommendations for change."

Since the National Inquiry opened the registration process during Fall 2016, more than 1400 family members and survivors have registered to participate. To date, approximately 880 family members and survivors have shared their personal stories through community hearings and statement gatherings across the country.

The National Inquiry will work with organizations and communities to raise awareness of the closing date and make a concerted final call for registrations.

The Commissioners' mandate is to examine and report on the systemic causes of all forms of violence against Indigenous women, girls and 2SLGBTQ people in Canada by looking at patterns and underlying factors. The mandate also includes examining institutional practices and policies implemented in response to violence experienced by Indigenous women and girls, including examining police investigation practices and responses, as part of this public investigation

We commit to review the possibility of re-opening the registration process once the government has officially responded to the National Inquiry's extension request.

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