

Information Sheet

Webcast Statistics Non-compliance hearings

March 31, 2017

Background

In 2007, the First Nations Child and Family Caring Society of Canada and the Assembly of First Nations filed a complaint pursuant to the Canadian Human Rights Act alleging that INAC's provision of First Nations child and family services was discriminatory. On January 26, 2016 the Canadian Human Rights Tribunal substantiated the claim and ordered Canada to immediately cease its discriminatory conduct (2016 CHRT 2). Unsatisfied with Canada's compliance, the Canadian Human Rights Tribunal issued two further non-compliance orders in April of 2016 (2016 CHRT 10) and September of 2016 (2016 CHRT 16). In November of 2016, the Complainants (Assembly of First Nations, the First Nations Child and Family Caring Society of Canada) and the interested parties (Chiefs of Ontario and Nishnawbe Aski Nation) filed formal motions of non-compliance. Canada took the position that it had complied with the orders.

Non- Compliance Hearings

March 22-24, 2017, the Canadian Human Rights Tribunal heard from all parties in the case for the hearings on non-compliance hearings to see if the federal government has complied with the ruling and subsequent orders from the Tribunal. The decision is currently under reserve.

Statistics

People from across the country attended the

hearings in person but the Caring Society offered a live webcast of the hearings so that people across the country and the world could be a witness to the case. The following statistics relate to viewership for the 3-day live webcast:

- 1,377 Unique Viewers (a single computer connection that might have several people watching it). Day 1 received the most viewership:
 - Day 1 = 599 unique views
 - o Day 2 = 472 unique views
 - Day 3 = 306 unique views
- Viewers from 7 countries including Canada, US, Cameroon, UK, France, Hong Kong, and New Zealand.
- Viewers from 113 cities (with 34 connections with city unknown).
- Viewers from 11 Canadian provinces/territories including British Columbia, Quebec, Ontario, Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta, New Brunswick, Yukon, Nova Scotia, Newfoundland, PEI, and the Northwest Territories.
- Average time spent watching the hearings was
 1 hour, 27 minutes.

The archived footage and all information about the case are posted at fnwitness.ca.