



Hearings for specific claims files of the Wôlinak Nation

Odanak/Wôlinak, August 4th, 2020

Kwaï dear Nation members:

We are hereby contacting you to inform you that Specific Claims Tribunal hearings will begin on **Wednesday, September 9, 2020**. They will be held at the **Musée des Abénakis** at 108 Waban-Aki Street, Odanak, Quebec. The hearings will be open to the **public** and will focus on hearing expert witnesses who have been retained by the parties.

However, due to the physical distance measures in effect, a limited number of people will be able to attend the hearing. For this reason, the hearings will also be broadcast live on the “Zoom” platform. The link to access the broadcast of the hearing will be published a few days in advance on the Facebook pages of the Grand Conseil de la Nation Waban-Aki, the Ndakina Office and the Musée des Abénakis. **Wearing a mask** will be required for those who wish to physically attend the hearings.

Hearings will address the three (3) files listed below:

- SCT-2001-11: Odanak and the seigneurial regime (1635-1863);
- SCT-2002-11: The Seigneurie of Bécancour: the original boundaries (1647-1941);
- SCT-2003-11: The transfer of 38 lots in the Domaine des Abénakis de Saint-François (1858-1884).

Please also note that all procedural documents related to these claims can be found on the Specific Claims Tribunal website at the following address: <https://www.sct-trp.ca/>

For more information, please see the attached appendix. Questions, concerns or comments regarding this process may also be directed to Suzie O'Bomsawin, Director of the Ndakina Office at the Grand Conseil de la Nation Waban-Aki by e-mail at the following address: sobomsawin@gcnwa.com or by phone: 819.294.1686.

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