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October 29, 2025

Canadian Human Rights Commission  
344 Slater Street, 8<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Ottawa, Ontario K1A 1E1

Dear Commission:

**Re: Request for File Information and Status Update for Complaints of Independent First Nations Alliance and Kitchenuhmaykoosib Inninuwug First Nation**

I am writing in respect of the above noted Complaint filed with the Canadian Human Rights Commission (“CHRC”) on August 29, 2025. It has now been nine weeks since the Complaint was filed by Independent First Nations Alliance (“IFNA”) and Kitchenuhmaykoosib Inninuwug First Nation (“KI”), and as of the date of this correspondence we have received no information from the CHRC other than an acknowledgement email confirming receipt of the Complaint.

The Complaint alleges discrimination in violation of s. 5 of the *Canadian Human Rights Act* (“CHRA”) on the basis that Indigenous Services Canada has failed to provide equitable fire safety services to remote First Nation communities served by IFNA, including KI. Since the filing of the Complaint, on September 21, 2025, another family home burned to the ground in KI as a result of the lack of proper fire services.

While we understand that the CHRC has a specific review process that it follows, given the risk to First Nations communities that exists everyday as a result of the lack of proper fire services, we are requesting that the review of this Complaint be expedited accordingly as the longer the delays, the more lives will be lost.

To that end we are seeking the following:

- The CHRC file number for the Complaint;
- The name and contact information of the analyst that has been assigned to and is reviewing the Complaint; and
- An update in respect of the status of the Complaint and when we can expect further correspondence from the Commission with respect to next steps.

IFNA communities, including KI, are dealing with overlapping crises related to high crime rates, mental health crises, and drug and addictions challenges, all on top of the fact that the onset of winter presents a challenge for community members to keep their homes warm and safe from the threat of a housefire.



We appreciate your time and consideration of these requests. Please copy my associate Christianne Labelle ([christianne@falconers.ca](mailto:christianne@falconers.ca)) on any future correspondence. Thank you.

Yours very truly,



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