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“...hundreds of cases involving Aboriginal women who have gone missing or been murdered in the past two decades have neither been fully investigated nor attracted priority attention.” – United Nations Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination Against Women, November 2008.

Young Aboriginal women are at least 5 times more likely than other women in Canada to die as the result of violence. Not enough is being done to ensure these crimes are adequately investigated, or to address the discrimination and impoverishment that put so many Aboriginal women in harm’s way.

We, the undersigned, urge the Government of Canada to:

Work with Aboriginal women and Aboriginal peoples’ organizations to develop a national plan of action to stop violence against Aboriginal women, in keeping with the scale and seriousness of these crimes. Such a plan of action must:

- Recognize the high levels of violence faced by Aboriginal women because they are Aboriginal and because they are women.
- Ensure effective and unbiased police response through appropriate training, resources and coordination.
- Improve public awareness and accountability through the consistent collection and publication of comprehensive national statistics on rates of violent crime against Aboriginal women.
- Reduce the risk to Aboriginal women by closing the economic and social gap between Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal people in Canada.

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