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QUEBEC NATIVE WOMEN INC.

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Quebec Native Women at the United Nations

Kahnawake, April 28, 2022 — After more than two years of pandemic, Quebec Native Women (hereinafter QNW) is making the voice of Quebec Native women heard at the United Nations, at the 21st session of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues in New York.

In working session from April 25 to May 2, QNW insists on the need to recognize the existence of discrimination and systemic racism in Quebec. The prejudice against Indigenous women and girls that stems from decolonization must end so that they can fully enjoy their right to security and self-determination. This recognition is essential for true reconciliation.

"We actively participate in formal and informal discussions and exchanges, notably with various international indigenous non-governmental organizations, the Special Rapporteur on the rights of indigenous peoples, various permanent missions, etc. It is important to make known the major issues and current realities of Indigenous women and girls in Quebec so that their interests are considered in the recommendations and conclusions of the Permanent Forum," says Marjolaine Étienne, President of QNW.

About QNW

Founded in 1974, Quebec Native Women is a non-profit organization that represents First Nations women in Quebec as well as urban Indigenous women.

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