

PUBLIC INQUIRY RESPECTING GROUND SEARCH
AND RESCUE FOR LOST AND MISSING PERSONS

(VOLUME 1)

HEARD BEFORE COMMISSIONER IGLOLIORTE

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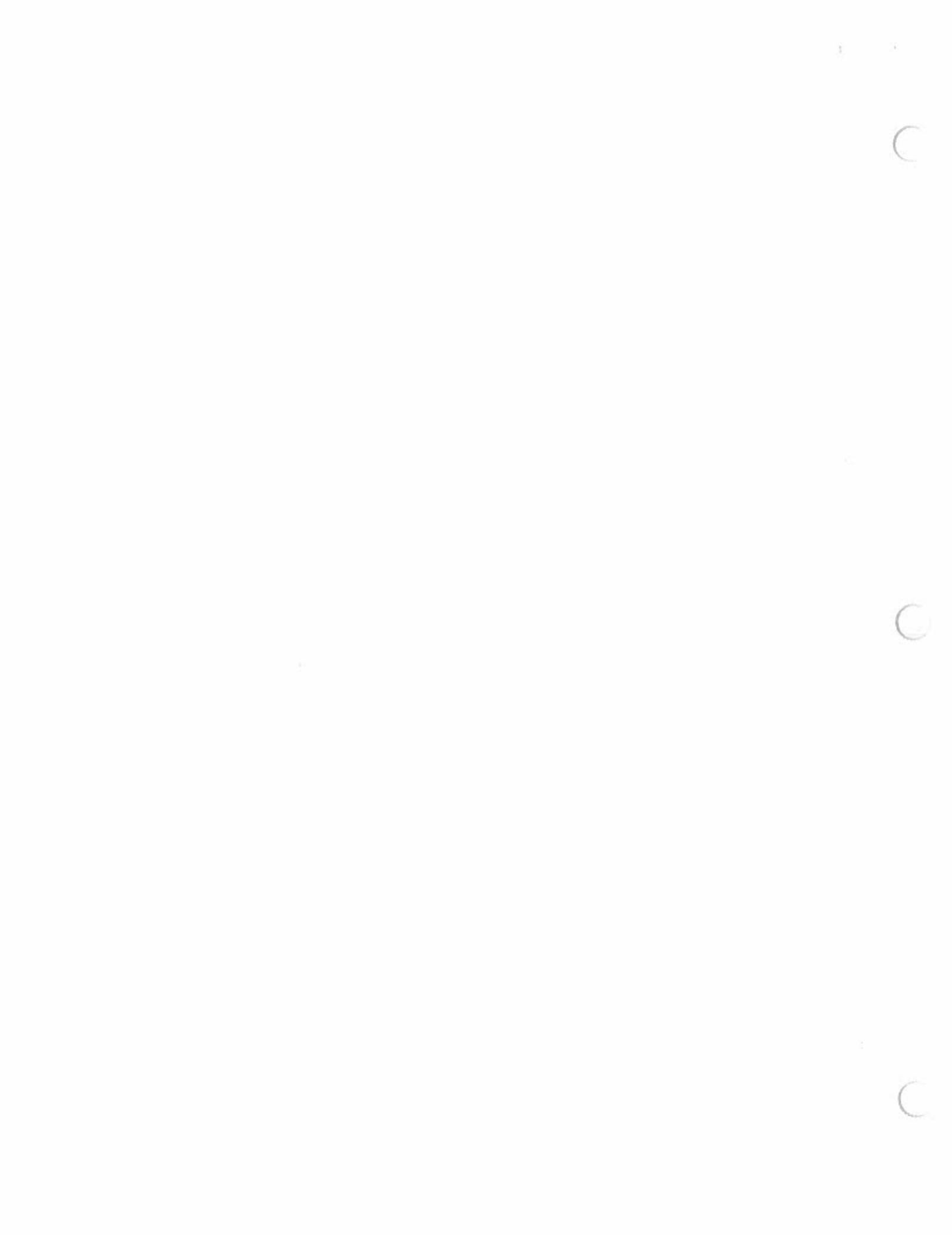
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1 MS. MULROONEY:

2 Q. This Commission of Inquiry is now open.
3 Commissioner James Igloliorte presiding as
4 commissioner. Please be seated.

5 COMMISSIONER IGLOLIORTE:

6 Q. Yes, good morning, everyone. Good morning,
7 counsel. The Public Inquiry Respecting
8 Ground Search and Rescue for Lost and
9 Missing Persons was established by the Terms
10 of Reference ordered by the Government of
11 Newfoundland and Labrador on January 14th,
12 2021, pursuant to Part Two of the Public
13 Inquiries Act 2006, Statutes of Newfoundland
14 and Labrador 2006, Chapter P-38.1. This is
15 the first hearing for the Newfoundland and
16 Labrador Public Inquiry Respecting Ground
17 Search and Rescue for Lost and Missing
18 Persons, and the purpose of this hearing is
19 to introduce exhibits. Mr. Geoff Budden,
20 inquiry counsel, will start the proceedings
21 here at St. John's, Newfoundland and
22 Labrador. It's 10:00 A.M., August 27th,
23 Friday. Mr. Budden.

24 MR. BUDDEN:

25 Q. Thank you, Commissioner Igloliorte. The

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1 first order of business, perhaps the other
2 counsel present and on the phone can
3 introduce themselves. Perhaps for
4 simplicity, the counsel who are in Nova
5 Scotia could go first.

6 MR. FREEMAN:

7 Q. Good morning, Commissioner and inquiry
8 counsel. Are you able to hear me okay?

9 MR. BUDDEN:

10 Q. Yes.

11 RALPH, Q.C.:

12 Q. Just a second, I think we're having
13 difficulty picking it up.

14 MR. BUDDEN:

15 Q. I think we will be okay.

16 MR. FREEMAN:

17 Q. Thank you. So, Judge Igloliorte, it's Mark
18 Freeman, and Corinne Bedford on the line.
19 We're counsel with the Department of Justice
20 Canada representing the federal entities who
21 are voluntarily participating in the public
22 inquiry. It's a pleasure to meet you on the
23 phone, and I look forward to working with
24 the inquiry.

25 MR. BUDDEN:

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1 Q. And perhaps other counsel can now introduce
2 themselves.

3 RALPH, Q.C.:

4 Q. Mr. Williams.

5 WILLIAMS, Q.C.:

6 Q. Good morning, Mr. Commissioner, fellow
7 counsel. Tom Williams, I'm representing the
8 family of the late Burton Winters.

9 RALPH, Q.C.:

10 Q. Peter Ralph, I'm counsel for the Province of
11 Newfoundland and Labrador, and with me a
12 colleague of mine, executive member of the
13 Department of Justice and Public Safety.

14 MR. BUDDEN:

15 Q. Thank you.

16 RALPH, Q.C.:

17 Q. I'm sorry, his name is Paul Carter.

18 MR. BUDDEN:

19 Q. Thank you. The exercise today will be the
20 entering of, I believe, 74 exhibits. We
21 will be going through a similar exercise
22 most likely Wednesday of next week. That
23 will be finalized, and counsel will be
24 notified shortly. The purpose of that
25 meeting—of that session, like today's, will

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1 be enter documents. The goal is to the
2 degree possible to have all documents
3 entered, all exhibits entered and publicly
4 available on our website in advance of the
5 Makkovik sessions, which begin on January
6 7th. In fact, we hope to have some
7 documents—sorry, September 7th. We, in fact,
8 hope to have some documents up on our
9 website within a couple of business days and
10 the balance to follow within a similar
11 period after our next session. So, what I
12 plan to do today is, as we enter the
13 exhibits, I will very briefly for the
14 convenience of the parties describe them;
15 and by briefly, I mean, reading just the
16 title, so when Ms. Clerk is ready, I will
17 begin. The first exhibit we propose to
18 enter is the Order in Council dated January
19 14th, 2021. The second exhibit we propose to
20 enter -

21 MS. MULROONEY:

22 Q. That exhibit will be P001.

23 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-001

24 MR. BUDDEN:

25 Q. My apologies, thank you. The second exhibit

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1 we propose to enter is the Order in Council
2 dated June 10th of 2021.

3 MS. MULROONEY:

4 Q. That will be Exhibit P-002

5 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-002

6 MR. BUDDEN:

7 Q. Thank you. The third exhibit is the Rules
8 and Procedure of this Public Inquiry.

9 MS. MULROONEY:

10 Q. P-003.

11 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-003

12 MR. BUDDEN:

13 Q. The fourth will be the Draft Discussion
14 Paper completed by Mr. Richard Smith and put
15 up on our website at the beginning of July.

16 MS. MULROONEY:

17 Q. Exhibit P-004.

18 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-004

19 MR. BUDDEN:

20 Q. The fifth exhibit will be Mr. Thomas
21 Williams' response on behalf of the family
22 of Burton Winters to that Draft Discussion
23 Paper dated July 22nd of 2021.

24 MS. MULROONEY:

25 Q. Exhibit P-005.

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1 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-005

2 MR. BUDDEN:

3 Q. The next exhibit, number six, will be the
4 Government of Canada's submission in
5 response to that Draft Discussion Paper of 2
6 August 2021.

7 MS. MULROONEY:

8 Q. Exhibit P-006.

9 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-006

10 MR. BUDDEN:

11 Q. The next exhibit will be the Government of
12 Newfoundland and Labrador's submission in
13 response to that Draft Discussion Paper
14 dated 13 August 2021.

15 MS. MULROONEY:

16 Q. P-007.

17 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-007

18 MR. BUDDEN:

19 Q. The next exhibit will be the Concerned
20 Citizens for SAR, for Search and Rescue,
21 submission in response to that Draft
22 Discussion Paper of August 2nd.

23 MS. MULROONEY:

24 Q. P-008.

25 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-008

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1 MR. BUDDEN:

2 Q. The next will be a corrected version of that
3 submission from that same party dated
4 several days thereafter.

5 MS. MULROONEY:

6 Q. Exhibit P-009.

7 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-009

8 MR. BUDDEN:

9 Q. The next exhibit is correspondence from a
10 Mr. Maurice Murphy submitted on 28 July
11 2021, and also in response to the Discussion
12 Paper.

13 MS. MULROONEY:

14 Q. P-010.

15 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-010

16 MR. BUDDEN:

17 Q. The next eight exhibits are all exhibits
18 that were submitted in response to a
19 commission request by the Government of
20 Canada; and, again, the titles here are
21 approximate. The next exhibit is B-Division
22 Operations Manual, an excerpt dated 2019 06
23 12.

24 MS. MULROONEY:

25 Q. P-011.

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1 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-011

2 MR. BUDDEN:

3 Q. The next exhibit is B-Division Operation
4 Manual dated 2011 04 20.

5 MS. MULROONEY:

6 Q. P-012

7 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-012

8 MR. BUDDEN:

9 Q. The next is a document entitled—and, again,
10 these titles are working titles for today
11 only. I have no official meeting, and
12 they're approximate—"Lost, Overdue Persons",
13 and that was submitted—that is dated,
14 rather, 2005 11 29.

15 MS. MULROONEY:

16 Q. P-013.

17 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-013

18 MR. BUDDEN:

19 Q. The next exhibit has an identical title,
20 Lost, Overdue Persons, and is dated 2019 08
21 22.

22 MS. MULROONEY:

23 Q. P-014

24 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-014

25 MR. BUDDEN:

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1 Q. The next exhibit is the Operations Manual,
2 Search and Rescue dated 2008 07 09.

3 MS. MULROONEY:

4 Q. P-015

5 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-015

6 MR. BUDDEN:

7 The next exhibit is Operations Manual, Search and
8 Rescue, same title. However, this one is dated
9 2017 11 24.

10 MS. MULROONEY:

11 Q. P-016.

12 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-016

13 MR. BUDDEN:

14 Q. The next is a document of—also a federal
15 government document simply entitled
16 "Occurrence Details".

17 MS. MULROONEY:

18 Q. P-017.

19 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-017

20 MR. BUDDEN:

21 Q. The next is a similar federal government
22 document entitled "Briefing Note to
23 Commissioner".

24 MS. MULROONEY:

25 Q. P-018.

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1 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-018

2 MR. BUDDEN:

3 Q. And the final federal government document is
4 entitled "Government of Canada, Government
5 of Newfoundland Agreement of 15 August
6 1983".

7 MS. MULROONEY:

8 Q. P-019.

9 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-019

10 MR. BUDDEN:

11 Q. We are now going to a tranche of about 50
12 documents that were submitted pursuant to a
13 subpoena—to a summons, rather, by the
14 Government of Newfoundland and Labrador;
15 and, again, these titles are working titles
16 and are approximate. The next exhibit is an
17 e-mail of 23 January 2012, Frampton to
18 McCormick, SAR Support Request from RCMP to
19 FES-NL.

20 MS. MULROONEY:

21 Q. P-020.

22 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-020

23 MR. BUDDEN:

24 Q. The next is an e-mail of 30 January 2012,
25 Peddle to English entitled "Search

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1 Makkovik".

2 MS. MULROONEY:

3 Q. P-021

4 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-021

5 MR. BUDDEN:

6 Q. And essentially most of these titles I'm
7 simply taking from the subject line of the
8 e-mails. The next is an e-mail also dated
9 30 January 2012, Gullage to Peddle, Media
10 Release from Makkovik RCMP Search for
11 Missing 14-Year-Old.

12 MS. MULROONEY:

13 Q. P-022.

14 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-022

15 MR. BUDDEN:

16 Q. The next exhibit is of the same date
17 involving the same parties, Gullage to
18 Peddle, Update on Missing Snowmobiler in
19 Makkovik.

20 MS. MULROONEY:

21 Q. P-023.

22 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-023

23 MR. BUDDEN:

24 Q. The next is an e-mail of 31 January 2012,
25 Sampson to FES-NL, The Search in Makkovik.

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1 MS. MULROONEY:

2 Q. P-024.

3 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-024

4 MR. BUDDEN:

5 Q. The next is an e-mail dated 30 January 2012
6 titled Air Services Divisions Reservation
7 Printout.

8 MS. MULROONEY:

9 Q. P-025.

10 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-025

11 MR. BUDDEN:

12 Q. The next is an e-mail of 1 February 2012,
13 FES-NL to McCormick et. al. entitled "Search
14 in Makkovik".

15 MS. MULROONEY:

16 Q. P-026.

17 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-026

18 MR. BUDDEN:

19 Q. The next is also an e-mail of February 1st,
20 2012, Pretty to Clarke, CF OPS in NL Last 24
21 Hours.

22 MS. MULROONEY:

23 Q. P-027.

24 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-027

25 MR. BUDDEN:

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1 Q. The next is also an exhibit is an e-mail of
2 February 1st, 2012, Gullage to Peddle et. al.
3 entitled "Missing Person Makkovik".

4 MS. MULROONEY:

5 Q. P-028.

6 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-028

7 MR. BUDDEN:

8 Q. The next is an e-mail of February 2nd, 2012,
9 also from Gullage to Peddle et. al. entitled
10 "Media Request and Draft Response".

11 MS. MULROONEY:

12 Q. P-029.

13 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-029

14 MR. BUDDEN:

15 Q. The next is an e-mail of 3 February 2012,
16 Sampson to Gullage entitled "Bullet for
17 Approval".

18 MS. MULROONEY:

19 Q. P-030.

20 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-030

21 MR. BUDDEN:

22 Q. The next is an e-mail of 6 February 2012,
23 also Sampson to Gullage entitled "Revised
24 for Approval Air Services Engagement".

25 MS. MULROONEY:

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1 Q. P-031.

2 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-031

3 MR. BUDDEN:

4 Q. The next is an e-mail of 7 February 2012
5 entitled "Universal Helicopters Newfoundland
6 Limited Invoices".

7 MS. MULROONEY:

8 Q. P-032.

9 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-032

10 MR. BUDDEN:

11 Q. The next is an e-mail of 29 February 2012,
12 Peddle to Hogan et. al. entitled "Makkovik
13 Incident".

14 RALPH, Q.C.:

15 Q. I'm sorry, what's the date of that? I'm
16 sorry, what's the date of that e-mail.

17 MR. BUDDEN:

18 Q. The date of that e-mail is 29 February 2012.
19 For those following in the binders, there
20 are two exhibits that we will return to next
21 one-next session because some work needs to
22 be done redacting those exhibits.

23 MS. MULROONEY:

24 Q. They're done.

25 RALPH, Q.C.:

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1 Q. I'm sorry, I -

2 MS. MULROONEY:

3 Q. That's been done.

4 MR. BUDDEN:

5 Q. Okay. Okay, in that case we will enter them
6 immediately after this e-mail if we can do
7 that.

8 MS. MULROONEY:

9 Q. So, that e-mail dated February 29, 2012,
10 Peddle to Hogan Re Makkovik Incident is P-
11 033.

12 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-033

13 MR. BUDDEN:

14 Q. Thank you. The next e-mail is essentially a
15 collection of telephone records, and I would
16 note that these have been significantly
17 redacted to remove extraneous numbers that
18 have nothing to do with the subject matter,
19 and that is dated, I believe, 18 February
20 2012, so we can entitle that for these
21 working purposes Telephone Records of that
22 date.

23 MS. MULROONEY:

24 Q. P-034.

25 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-034

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1 MR. BUDDEN:

2 Q. The next exhibit -

3 RALPH, Q.C.:

4 Q. I'm sorry, I just want to try to follow
5 along here.

6 MS. MULROONEY:

7 Q. Okay.

8 RALPH, Q.C.:

9 Q. So, that one, was that the Bell Aliant
10 invoice, or was that the -

11 MS. MULROONEY:

12 Q. Bell Aliant dated February 18, 2012.

13 RALPH, Q.C.:

14 Q. Yes.

15 MS. MULROONEY:

16 Q. It's the thicker one.

17 RALPH, Q.C.:

18 Q. Right, and so that -

19 MS. MULROONEY:

20 Q. And that one is P-034.

21 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-034

22 RALPH, Q.C.:

23 Q. Okay.

24 MR. BUDDEN:

25 Q. Thank you.

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1 MS. MULROONEY:

2 Q. And this is the other one. It's an e-mail,
3 this one.

4 MR. BUDDEN:

5 Q. The next is an e-mail of 23 February 2012
6 from Peddle to Rogers, and the subject is
7 Long Distance from January 31 to February 1,
8 2012, and it is also a list of phone numbers
9 of which—of many—in fact, most of them
10 redacted because they are extraneous to this
11 matter.

12 MS. MULROONEY:

13 Q. This one is P-035.

14 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-035

15 MR. BUDDEN:

16 Q. The next is an e-mail of 5 March 2012,
17 Laaouan—I'm not pronouncing that name
18 correctly at all—to Moores et. al. entitled
19 "Meeting Fire and Emergency Services NL".

20 MS. MULROONEY:

21 Q. P-036.

22 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-036

23 MR. BUDDEN:

24 Q. The next is an e-mail of 26 March 2012,
25 Dutton to Sampson, "Operational Log January

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1 30, 2012".

2 MS. MULROONEY:

3 Q. P-037.

4 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-037

5 MR. BUDDEN:

6 Q. The next is a document entitled "JRCC
7 Halifax Incident Description".

8 MS. MULROONEY:

9 Q. P-038.

10 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-038

11 MR. BUDDEN:

12 Q. The next is an e-mail of 22 February 2012,
13 Gullage to Sampson et. al., "DND Newser
14 Transcription February 8th, 2012".

15 MS. MULROONEY:

16 Q. P-039

17 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-039

18 MR. BUDDEN:

19 Q. The next is an e-mail of 8 February 2012,
20 Sampson to Gullage entitled "Script".

21 MS. MULROONEY:

22 Q. P-040.

23 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-040

24 MR. BUDDEN:

25 Q. Thank you. The next is an e-mail of 27

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1 March 2012, Sampson to Dutton entitled
2 "Updated Timelines Makkovik Search".

3 MS. MULROONEY:

4 Q. P-041.

5 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-041

6 MR. BUDDEN:

7 Q. Next is an e-mail of that same date, e-mail
8 of 27 March 2012, Sampson to Gullage, in
9 this instance entitled "Makkovik SAR
10 Analysis".

11 MS. MULROONEY:

12 Q. P-042.

13 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-042

14 MR. BUDDEN:

15 Q. The next is an e-mail also of that same
16 date, 27 March 2012, also from Sampson to
17 Gullage entitled "Media Reply for Approval".

18 MS. MULROONEY:

19 Q. P-043.

20 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-043

21 MR. BUDDEN:

22 Q. The next is an e-mail also of 27 March 2012,
23 Dutton to Sampson entitled "Makkovik SAR
24 Weather and Asset Analysis".

25 MS. MULROONEY:

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1 Q. P-044.

2 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-044

3 MR. BUDDEN:

4 Q. Next is a memorandum dated April 4, 2012,
5 Sampson to O'Brien entitled "Review of FES-
6 NL Involvement of the GSAR Incident at
7 Makkovik".

8 MS. MULROONEY:

9 Q. P-045.

10 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-045

11 MR. BUDDEN:

12 Q. The next exhibit is an e-mail of 4 May 2012,
13 McCormick to Gullage, "Response to be Sent
14 to CBC". That would be 46, I believe.

15 MS. MULROONEY:

16 Q. It says, "Re: as discussed."

17 UNKNOWN SPEAKER:

18 Q. Yes, and I just put the document number.

19 MS. MULROONEY:

20 Q. Oh, I'm sorry, P-046.

21 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-046

22 MR. BUDDEN:

23 Q. Next is an e-mail of 5 May 2012, Hollett to
24 Blackmore.

25 RALPH, Q.C.:

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1 Q. I'm sorry, I lost you there, I apologize. I
2 was -

3 MR. BUDDEN:

4 Q. The title in that one wasn't the subject
5 line.

6 RALPH, Q.C.:

7 Q. Oh, okay.

8 MR. BUDDEN:

9 Q. That was more an approximation of the
10 content, so the -

11 MS. MULROONEY:

12 Q. The subject line was "Re as discussed".

13 RALPH, Q.C.:

14 Q. Okay.

15 MS. MULROONEY:

16 Q. That's number 46.

17 RALPH, Q.C.:

18 Q. Right on, okay. Right on.

19 MR. BUDDEN:

20 Q. The subject line was quite uninformative, so
21 I tried to be -

22 RALPH, Q.C.:

23 Q. Fair enough, yes, so that's 46, right?

24 MS. MULROONEY:

25 Q. That's 46.

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1 MR. BUDDEN:

2 Q. That's right.

3 RALPH, Q.C.:

4 Q. Okay, great, thank you.

5 MR. BUDDEN:

6 Q. You're welcome. As I said, these titles are
7 working titles--

8 RALPH, Q.C.:

9 Q. Fair enough, absolutely.

10 MR. BUDDEN:

11 Q. --and in most cases are the subject line--

12 RALPH, Q.C.:

13 Q. No worries.

14 MR. BUDDEN:

15 Q. --but not always.

16 RALPH, Q.C.:

17 Q. Yes.

18 MR. BUDDEN:

19 Q. The next is an e-mail of 5 May 2012, Hollett
20 to Blackmore entitled "Winters SAR
21 Commission".

22 MS. MULROONEY:

23 Q. P-047.

24 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-047

25 MR. BUDDEN:

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1 Q. Next is an e-mail entitled "SAR Recordings
2 Redacted for Release Makkovik dated 30
3 January 2012".

4 WILLIAMS, Q.C.:

5 Q. 30th of January?

6 MR. BUDDEN:

7 Q. Pardon?

8 WILLIAMS, Q.C.:

9 Q. Sorry, 30th of January?

10 MR. BUDDEN:

11 Q. 30th of January 2012, that is correct.

12 MS. MULROONEY:

13 Q. P-048.

14 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-048

15 MR. BUDDEN:

16 Q. And I should say there's a group of four
17 exhibits here all with the same title, just
18 sequential dates, so the next in that
19 sequence is also obviously entitled "SAR
20 Recordings Redacted for Release Makkovik".
21 This one is dated 31 January 2012.

22 MS. MULROONEY:

23 Q. P-049.

24 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-049

25 MR. BUDDEN:

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1 Q. The next in the sequence, same title dated 1
2 February 2012.

3 MS. MULROONEY:

4 Q. P-050.

5 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-050

6 RALPH, Q.C.:

7 Q. Commission Counsel, if I could just make a
8 point here, we recently were reviewing
9 these, and I'm not sure which one—I think it
10 might be February 1st—was actually a
11 conversation that took place -

12 MR. CARTER:

13 Q. The day before.

14 RALPH, Q.C.:

15 Q. One of the dates is not correct because I
16 believe they were relying on Zulu time or
17 Greenwich Mean Time, and I can't remember
18 exactly what -

19 MR. BUDDEN:

20 Q. When the clock had rolled over?

21 RALPH, Q.C.:

22 Q. But just to point that out now, and I will
23 clarify that later as we go.

24 MR. BUDDEN:

25 Q. Sure.

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1 RALPH, Q.C.:

2 Q. But one of those, I think—so, basically, it
3 was into Wednesday that the conversation had
4 taken place; but because of the time
5 difference, it's recorded as Tuesday.

6 MR. BUDDEN:

7 Q. Okay.

8 RALPH, Q.C.:

9 Q. I believe that's—something of that nature.
10 Anyway, I just wanted you to know that now,
11 but we'll straighten that up later.

12 MR. BUDDEN:

13 Q. Sure, okay, well, thank you. And the final
14 one in that sequence is the same title, SAR
15 Recordings Redacted for Release Makkovik
16 dated 2 February 2012.

17 MS. MULROONEY:

18 Q. P-051.

19 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-051

20 COMMISSIONER IGLOLIORTE:

21 Q. I'll just ask the technician, Ms. Gibbons,
22 if the sound quality is fine from each of
23 the speakers?

24 REPORTER:

25 Q. Yes, Mr. Commissioner.

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1 COMMISSIONER IGLOLIORTE:

2 Q. Great, thank you.

3 MR. BUDDEN:

4 Q. Thank you. The next exhibit is an e-mail of
5 7 May 2012, Gullage to Sampson entitled
6 "RCMP B-Division Response to CBC News Story,
7 7 May 2012".

8 MS. MULROONEY:

9 Q. P-052.

10 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-052

11 MR. BUDDEN:

12 Q. The next is an e-mail also of 7 May 2012,
13 Blagdon to Sampson entitled "Briefing Note".

14 MS. MULROONEY:

15 Q. Subject, "Makkovik, May 7, Attached Briefing
16 Note"?

17 MR. BUDDEN:

18 Q. Yes, that would be it, yes.

19 MS. MULROONEY:

20 Q. Okay, P-053.

21 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-053

22 MR. BUDDEN:

23 Q. The next or the next several is an e-mail
24 also of May 7, 2012. This one is Peddle to
25 Sampson, and the title is "Makkovik

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1 Weather".

2 MS. MULROONEY:

3 Q. P-054.

4 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-054

5 MR. BUDDEN:

6 Q. The next is an e-mail of 7 May 2012, Gullage
7 to Sampson et. al., Timeline Press Release.
8 I believe if we turn the page, that's just a
9 one-page document.

10 MS. MULROONEY:

11 Q. Okay.

12 MR. BUDDEN:

13 Q. Yes.

14 MS. MULROONEY:

15 Q. That one is P-055.

16 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-055

17 RALPH, Q.C.:

18 Q. I'm sorry. Once again, can I get you to
19 repeat that, which one that is?

20 MS. MULROONEY:

21 Q. It's NLIS Fire and Emergency Services, May
22 7, 2012, Timelines for Provincial Government
23 Response in Burton Winters' Case Entered and
24 Verified by RCMP.

25 RALPH, Q.C.:

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1 Q. Oh yes, okay, right on, and that's -

2 MS. MULROONEY:

3 Q. P-055.

4 RALPH, Q.C.:

5 Q. Great, thank you.

6 MR. BUDDEN:

7 Q. The next is also an e-mail from Colman-Sadd
8 to Noble et. al. entitled "VOCM RCMP Denies
9 New Report on Winters' Case".

10 MS. MULROONEY:

11 Q. P-056.

12 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-056

13 MR. BUDDEN:

14 Q. The next is an e-mail of 8 May 2012,
15 Langmead to Thompson, Forwarded for Your
16 Information.

17 MS. MULROONEY:

18 Q. P-057.

19 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-057

20 MR. BUDDEN:

21 Q. The next is an e-mail of 17 May 2012,
22 English to Thompson et. al., Significant
23 Event Timeline, May 17.

24 MS. MULROONEY:

25 Q. P-058.

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1 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-058

2 MR. BUDDEN:

3 Q. The next is an e-mail of 23 May 2012,
4 Sampson to McCormick et. al. entitled
5 "Document Re 30 January 2012 Events".
6 That's the approximate title. That is a
7 one-pager-or two-pager, sorry. Yes, that's
8 the one.

9 MS. MULROONEY:

10 Q. P-059.

11 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-059

12 MR. BUDDEN:

13 Q. The next is a document—it's, rather, an e-
14 mail of 30 May 2012, Sampson to Gullage
15 entitled "Significant Event Timeline, May
16 23, Revised".

17 MS. MULROONEY:

18 Q. P-060.

19 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-060

20 MR. BUDDEN:

21 Q. The next is an e-mail of 5 May 2012, Noble
22 to Boland, and the approximate title is
23 "Winter SAR Mission".

24 MS. MULROONEY:

25 Q. P-061.

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1 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-061

2 MR. BUDDEN:

3 Q. The next exhibit is an e-mail of 2 February
4 2012, Pretty to Clarke, and the title, I
5 believe, is "CF OPS in Newfoundland, NL,
6 Last 24 Hours".

7 MS. MULROONEY:

8 Q. P-062.

9 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-062

10 MR. BUDDEN:

11 Q. The next is an e-mail of 1 February 2012,
12 same parties, the same title, "CF OPS in NL,
13 Last 24 Hours".

14 MS. MULROONEY:

15 Q. P-063.

16 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-063

17 MR. BUDDEN:

18 Q. The next is an approximate title. It's
19 "Meeting Note, Intergovernmental &
20 Aboriginal Affairs Secretariat, Rear Admiral
21 David Gardam, March 16th, 2012, 10:00 A.M.,
22 Premier's Office".

23 MS. MULROONEY:

24 Q. P-064.

25 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-064

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1 MR. BUDDEN:

2 Q. The next is an information note, "Makkovik
3 SAR Weather and Asset Analysis".

4 MS. MULROONEY:

5 Q. P-065.

6 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-065

7 MR. BUDDEN:

8 Q. The next is "Makkovik Incident, GSAR
9 Operations, FES-NL", and it's February 8,
10 2012.

11 MS. MULROONEY:

12 Q. P-066.

13 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-066

14 MR. BUDDEN:

15 Q. The next document—or next exhibit, rather,
16 is an e-mail of "7 May 2012, Coleman Saud to
17 Collins et. al., Media Interview'.

18 MS. MULROONEY:

19 Q. P-067.

20 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-067

21 MR. BUDDEN:

22 Q. The next is an e-mail of 30 May 2012,
23 English to Sampson entitled "Significant
24 Events Timeline, May 23, Revised".

25 MS. MULROONEY:

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1 Q. P-068.

2 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-068

3 MR. BUDDEN:

4 Q. The next is a collection of some pages that
5 I've entitled for working purposes "Weather-
6 Related Documents January and February
7 2012".

8 MS. MULROONEY:

9 Q. P-069.

10 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-069

11 MR. BUDDEN:

12 Q. The next is an e-mail of 6 May 2012 from
13 Noble to Blackmore entitled "Winter SAR
14 Mission".

15 MS. MULROONEY:

16 Q. P-070.

17 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-070

18 MR. BUDDEN:

19 Q. The final provincial government exhibit for
20 now is entitled "Media Advisory, Premier
21 Tables Correspondence With D&D Minister",
22 and that covers a number of pages of
23 materials.

24 MS. MULROONEY:

25 Q. P-071.

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1 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-071

2 MR. BUDDEN:

3 Q. The next group of exhibits—there will be
4 about five of them—are either accounts of or
5 submissions on behalf of, or both, relating
6 to various Search and Rescue operations
7 around the province as submitted by the
8 Search and Rescue teams. The first in that
9 sequence is entitled "Exploits SAR Report
10 (November 2020)".

11 MS. MULROONEY:

12 Q. P-072.

13 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-072

14 MR. BUDDEN:

15 Q. The next in sequence is entitled "Deer Lake
16 SAR Report", and I believe it's undated.

17 MS. MULROONEY:

18 Q. P-073.

19 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-073

20 MR. BUDDEN:

21 Q. The next is entitled "Incident Summary
22 Report of November 2020".

23 MS. MULROONEY:

24 Q. P-074.

25 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-074

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1 MR. BUDDEN:

2 Q. The next is entitled "Makkovik Search".

3 MS. MULROONEY:

4 Q. P-075.

5 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-075

6 MR. BUDDEN:

7 Q. And now just as a passing note, that is not
8 the Burton Winter search. It is an entirely
9 unrelated search. The next in sequence is
10 entitled "Bay of Island Volunteer SAR
11 Submission of August 2021".

12 MS. MULROONEY:

13 Q. P-076.

14 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-076

15 MR. BUDDEN:

16 Q. The final group of exhibits are documents
17 obtained from the Royal Newfoundland
18 Constabulary pursuant to a summons, and
19 there are six such documents, and I will
20 simply go with the titles that were in the
21 correspondence I received from counsel for
22 the RNC. The first in that sequence is an
23 exhibit which will be entitled "RNC General
24 Order 368 Issued June 13th, 2017, titled
25 Missing Persons".

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1 MS. MULROONEY:

2 Q. P-077.

3 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-077

4 MR. BUDDEN:

5 Q. The next is RNC General Order 361 issued
6 September 2, 2016, titled "Ground Search and
7 Rescue".

8 MS. MULROONEY:

9 Q. P-078.

10 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-078

11 MR. BUDDEN:

12 Q. The next in sequence is entitled
13 "Newfoundland and Labrador Search and Rescue
14 Association Searcher Manual Dated July
15 2017".

16 MS. MULROONEY:

17 Q. P-079.

18 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-079

19 MR. BUDDEN:

20 Q. The next is entitled "Newfoundland and
21 Labrador Search and Rescue Association
22 Searcher Manual" with a different sequence
23 of numbers also dated July 2017.

24 MS. MULROONEY:

25 Q. Is that this one here?

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1 MR. BUDDEN:

2 Q. Yes.

3 MS. MULROONEY:

4 Q. P-080.

5 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-080

6 MR. BUDDEN:

7 Q. The next is entitled "Section V-1 Forms".

8 MS. MULROONEY:

9 Q. P-081.

10 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-081

11 MR. BUDDEN:

12 Q. May I see 80 again just for one second?

13 That's right. Thank you. And the final one
14 in this sequence of documents and the final
15 exhibit to be entered in today is entitled
16 "Search and Rescue Management Initial
17 Response Through Extended Operations Best
18 Practices by Experienced Practitioners Dated
19 March 2018".

20 MS. MULROONEY:

21 Q. P-082.

22 EXHIBIT ENTERED ON INQUIRY AND MARKED: P-082

23 MR. BUDDEN:

24 Q. That is it for the exhibits we intend to
25 enter today. People may have noticed that

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1 we did not enter the final report of the
2 Discussion Paper. We have that, and we
3 anticipate—well, we certainly will be in the
4 position to submit it at the next hearing
5 date, which we will notify counsel, but I
6 would anticipate would most likely be
7 Wednesday, but could possibly be Thursday of
8 next week. So, that is all that I have
9 today, and that's all we have scheduled
10 today unless there's some pressing matters
11 that counsel wish to raise.

12 COMMISSIONER IGLOLIORTE:

13 Q. Go ahead, please.

14 WILLIAMS, Q.C.:

15 Q. I guess I'd just like to add one
16 introductory remark, Mr. Commissioner, and
17 that is—for purposes of the record, I'll -

18 MR. BUDDEN:

19 Q. Just, Mr. Williams, for those who are coming
20 in by telephone, it's Mr. Thomas Williams
21 speaking on behalf of Burton Winters'
22 family.

23 WILLIAMS, Q.C.:

24 Q. Thank you, and I just wanted to notify the
25 commissioner that I've been speaking with

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1 the family regularly obviously since this
2 matter arose, as recently as yesterday, and
3 they are most pleased that this inquiry is
4 finally underway. While we appreciate it's
5 a Ground Search and Rescue Inquiry, they are
6 very pleased that, one, it's commencing in
7 Makkovik. It's not only the family, but
8 it's the community that will have an
9 interest in this, and they are quite eager
10 to participate in the inquiry to their
11 counsel; and, as well, we're hopeful that
12 some of the family members may have an
13 opportunity to speak. I know they've been
14 offered that opportunity. I would note on
15 probably a more tragic sense—is that not
16 only the community of Makkovik, but a number
17 of the northern communities have been going
18 through a very rough time over the last
19 number of months, and the family has been
20 particularly affected by these, and as
21 recently as yesterday I've had members of
22 the family in touch with the support system
23 that the inquiry has put in place. Ms.
24 Louise Bradley, who has been in contact with
25 them—so, that offer of support has been

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1 appreciated and will be availed of not only
2 now but will be availed of as we approach
3 the inquiry and perhaps even subsequent to
4 the inquiry because there's obviously long-
5 term effects from this. So, given the
6 amount of time that has elapsed since the
7 incidents pertaining to Burton's loss has
8 occurred, they are most pleased to see that
9 we're up and running, this being the first
10 official day, I would suggest, of the
11 inquiry, and I just want to put on the
12 record that the family is quite eager to see
13 this matter move along and thank the
14 commissioner and staff for their co-
15 operation to date.

16 COMMISSIONER IGLOLIORTE:

17 Q. Thank you very much. Go ahead, sir.

18 RALPH, Q.C.:

19 Q. I have nothing to say, Commissioner. I
20 appreciate that.

21 COMMISSIONER IGLOLIORTE:

22 Q. All right.

23 RALPH, Q.C.:

24 Q. I guess I will say that, you know, the
25 province is also pleased. It's been a long

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1 time coming, and we appreciate this has not
2 been easy for the Winters' family waiting
3 for this to happen; and, you know, I hope
4 that everything is in place to help this
5 family through this very difficult process.
6 I suspect this won't be easy either; but,
7 you know, again, the province is pleased
8 that we are moving forward on this inquiry.

9 COMMISSIONER IGLOLIORTE:

10 Q. Thank you. Mr. Freeman or Mr. Bedford, do
11 you wish to speak?

12 MR. FREEMAN:

13 Q. Thank you. It's Mark Freeman here.
14 Appreciating I'm over the speaker phone, but
15 I do want to echo what my friends have said.
16 Obviously very tragic circumstances, and
17 it's been a long time coming, and we are
18 eager to live up to the expectations of the
19 commissioner and inquiry to participate and
20 help improve Search and Rescue, Ground
21 Search and Rescue in the province through
22 this process, and anything we can do to, you
23 know, assist and to co-operate, we will make
24 every effort to do so, so thank you.

25 MR. BUDDEN:

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1 Q. I have no—we have no further business today,
2 Mr. Commissioner, so unless you desire
3 otherwise, we are prepared to close matters
4 here today.

5 COMMISSIONER IGLOLIORTE:

6 Q. Well, thank you. I just want to add that
7 with the comments all counsel have made that
8 we are most satisfied with the work that you
9 have done to date, particularly that of Mr.
10 Williams, but also of the participation of
11 all the parties, and I think that bodes
12 well. It says you have set the co-operative
13 tone for this hearing. I want to assure you
14 that our staff, Ruth Steele, who is the
15 principal administrator, and her assistant,
16 Marcella Mulrooney, once you meet them, you
17 won't forget them; but as has been pointed
18 out, the community has already expressed its
19 welcome to each and every one of you, and
20 they consider this to be important work, and
21 they will greet you with great respect as
22 you will see, as will the commission, so I
23 want to say to everyone I'll be asking
24 Marcella to adjourn this hearing to the 7th
25 of September Tuesday when we pick up again.

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1 Is that correct, Mr. Budden?

2 MR. BUDDEN:

3 Q. We do have that other session next week, so
4 perhaps you may wish to adjourn to either a
5 date uncertain, or perhaps we can even nail
6 down a date now, Wednesday or Thursday of
7 next week.

8 COMMISSIONER IGLOLIORTE:

9 Q. And that purpose is to introduce the
10 Discussion Paper?

11 MR. BUDDEN:

12 Q. And the 50 or 60 or 70 or more exhibits that
13 we have received in the last couple of days
14 primarily from the Government of Canada and
15 the Government of Newfoundland, and we will
16 enter those as well.

17 COMMISSIONER IGLOLIORTE:

18 Q. And we'll use this location.

19 MR. BUDDEN:

20 Q. Yes, if it's available, so perhaps we can
21 tentatively adjourn to Wednesday, the 1st of
22 September.

23 COMMISSIONER IGLOLIORTE:

24 Q. 29th.

25 MR. BUDDEN:

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1 Q. No, I think the 29th is Monday, Mr.
2 Commissioner.

3 COMMISSIONER IGLOLIORTE:

4 Q. Oh, sorry about that. What have I got. I
5 got September. This is August. Let me just
6 correct that. August 30th, no, that's Monday
7 next.

8 MR. BUDDEN:

9 Q. That's Monday, right, so Wednesday,
10 September 1st, and perhaps we can adjourn to
11 that date at 10:00 A.M. subject to the
12 commission, ideally before the day is out,
13 confirming that date or else suggesting a
14 date, perhaps the following date. We have
15 to check on the availability of the room and
16 make sure we can get the documents processed
17 and so forth, so if that pleases the
18 commissioner, perhaps we could adjourn to
19 the 1st of September subject to -

20 COMMISSIONER IGLOLIORTE:

21 Q. Yes, let's double check with counsel now
22 starting with Mr. Ralph and Mr. Williams,
23 and then our participants on the phone.
24 Wednesday, September 1st, 10:00 A.M.

25 RALPH, Q.C.:

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1 Q. Certainly I'm available, Commissioner, and
2 I'm hoping that we will have everything, the
3 remaining documents that we'll be forwarding
4 to you, forwarded before Wednesday. I
5 guess, I can't guarantee that a hundred
6 percent, but I'm hopeful that it'll be done
7 sort of Monday or Tuesday, so that'll give
8 you, I hope—and I don't anticipate a huge
9 onslaught of documents, the remaining
10 documents, so I'm hoping that that'll leave
11 commission counsel and staff and the
12 commissioner sufficient time to review those
13 documents; but, you know, again, we're going
14 as fast as we can. We'll be working the
15 weekend, but it may be that it's late in the
16 day, and you may want to wait until
17 Thursday.

18 COMMISSIONER IGLOLIORTE:

19 Q. Okay.

20 RALPH, Q.C.:

21 Q. That's the only suggestion I would make;
22 but, again, I mean, I think Wednesday is
23 fine for now, and we can play it by ear
24 perhaps.

25 WILLIAMS, Q.C.:

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1 Q. I'll be available for Wednesday or Thursday.
2 I'm fairly fluid to meet -

3 COMMISSIONER IGLOLIORTE:

4 Q. Thank you very much, and Mr. Freeman, Ms.
5 Bedford, please, any issue with those dates?

6 MR. FREEMAN:

7 Q. No. Thank you, Mr. Commissioner, we'll make
8 ourselves available at your convenience.

9 COMMISSIONER IGLOLIORTE:

10 Q. Thank you very much.

11 MS. MULROONEY:

12 Q. All rise. This Commission of Inquiry is
13 concluded for the day.

14 (Upon concluding at 10:40 A.M.)

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CERTIFICATE

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3 I, Joan Willmott, do hereby certify that the foregoing
4 is a true and correct transcript of a Commission of
5 Inquiry heard on the 27th day of August 2021 at
6 Confederation Building and was transcribed by me to
7 the best of my ability by means of a sound apparatus.

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9 Dated at St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador, this
10 1st day of September 2021.

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12 Joan Willmott