



**The United Church  
of Canada  
General Council**

# **GCE41 National Inquiry Petition: Missing and Murdered Aboriginal Women and Girls (2013-05-04-071)**

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The Aboriginal Ministries Council and the Committee on Indigenous Justice and Residential Schools propose:

That the Executive of the General Council...

1. Publicly support the call of the Native Women's Association of Canada (NWAC) and the Assembly of First Nations (AFN) for the Government of Canada to convene as soon as possible a National Inquiry into missing and murdered Aboriginal women and girls in Canada, with Aboriginal women to have a leadership role in the design, decision-making, process and implementation of this inquiry;
2. Direct the General Secretary to write to Prime Minister Stephen Harper, apprising him of The United Church of Canada's support for the Inquiry, and urging him to act quickly to institute it;
3. Communicate this decision across the United Church, and to all Canadians, via a media release to major media outlets; and
4. Encourage all members of The United Church of Canada to sign the NWAC petition for a National Inquiry, and to write to their respective Councillors, Mayors, MLAs and MPs with a copy to the Prime Minister.

5. Convey the actions of The United Church of Canada on this matter to the United Nations Indigenous Forum.

## **Source:**

*[https://commons.united-church.ca/Documents/Governance/General Council Executive/GC41 Executive \(2012-2015\)/Minutes/2013-05-04-06 GCE \(pages 58-72\).pdf](https://commons.united-church.ca/Documents/Governance/General%20Council%20Executive/GC41%20Executive%20(2012-2015)/Minutes/2013-05-04-06%20GCE%20(pages%2058-72).pdf)*

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