



The United Church of Canada General Council

GCE42 United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples as a Framework for Reconciliation (GCE 42 2015)

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That the Executive of the General Council, in response to the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada Call to Action 48:

1. formally adopt the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples and comply with its principles, norms, and standards as a framework for reconciliation;
2. create a Task Group comprising:
 - a. a representative from each of the Aboriginal Ministries Council; Committee on Indigenous Justice and Residential Schools; Permanent Committee on Finance Accountability; Permanent Committee on Governance and Agenda; Permanent Committee on Ministry and Employment Policies and Services; Permanent Committee on Program for Mission and Ministry; and the Theology and Inter-Church Interfaith Committee;

- b. a representative from ANCC and two other Conferences;
 - c. the General Secretary;
 - d. the Executive Minister, Aboriginal Ministries Circle and Indigenous Justice and other resource staff as required; and
3. give direction to the Task Group to:
- a. develop and implement a process to engage the whole church in complying with this Call to Action, providing a mechanism with which to assess compliance; and
 - b. develop, by March 31, 2016, as recommended by the commission, a statement to the Canadian public indicating how the Church is living out this call, and a format for ongoing reporting.

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