## MEDIA ADVISORY OF PRESS CONFERENCE: Indigenous Youth for Wet'suwet'en Respond to Escalating National Crisis in Indigenous Title and Rights

WHAT:

Indigenous Youth for Wet'suwet'en, a coalition of Indigenous youth representing Nations from across the country, will address why reconciliation is dead, and what they plan to do to facilitate immediate provincial and federal action. February 26<sup>th</sup> will mark their third day of their second occupation of the BC Legislature. Supported by Indigenous leadership, they challenge the ongoing RCMP and police violence against the Wet'suwet'en and Indigenous allies. They will speak against the use of court injunctions to forcibly remove Indigenous peoples from their own territories, which is in opposition to the *UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples* and BC *Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples Act*. Additionally they will address a challenge on the overly broad and unethical injunction pertaining to the Legislative Precinct in Victoria, BC.

WHEN: February 26, 2020

10:00 a.m. PST

WHERE: Front steps of BC Legislature

501 Belleville St, Victoria, BC

Lekwungen Territory

Livestream: Follow @Indigenousyouthforwetsuweten on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram

## **SPEAKERS INCLUDE:**

- Kolin Wilson-Sutherland, Indigenous Youth for Wet'suwet'en
- Ta'Kaiya Blaney, Indigenous Youth for Wet'suwet'en
- Gina Mowat, Indigenous Youth for Wet'suwet'en
- Saul Brown, Indigenous Youth for Wet'suwet'en
- Other speakers TBC

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