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HUU-AY-AHT FIRST NATIONS

Invitation to attend the

Specific Claims Tribunal Hearing of the IR1 Timber Claim

**At the Huu-ay-aht Government Offices, Anacla
April 19 to 21, 2016**

All Huu-ay-aht citizens and members of the public are invited to attend the hearing before the Specific Claims Tribunal of the Huu-ay-aht First Nations regarding the value of the compensation Canada owes Huu-ay-aht as a result of the way timber on former Numukamis IR1 was sold to MacMillan Bloedel in the 1940s. The first phase of this hearing occurred in Anacla in November 2013.

WHAT: The Specific Claims Tribunal is a judicial body, like a court, that hears claims by First Nations against Canada regarding past wrongs, when no resolution to the claim has been reached through negotiations.

The HFN IR1 Timber Claim relates to logging that took place on IR1 between 1948 and 1969. In 2014, the Tribunal found that Canada had breached its fiduciary obligations in relation to the way the timber was sold. As a result, Canada owes Huu-ay-aht \$279,597 in 1940s/50s dollars. This hearing deals with the present day value of the compensation owed to Huu-ay-aht.

The hearing will be similar to a trial in court, taking place before a judge.

In February, the Tribunal heard evidence from expert economists and Chief Robert Dennis. Written legal argument has since been filed with the Tribunal. Three days of oral argument by legal counsel must now occur.

WHERE: Huu-ay-aht Government Offices, Anacla, BC

WHEN: 10:00 am to 4:00 pm, April 19 to 21, 2016 (Tuesday to Thursday)