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MCK calls for urgent meeting on tobacco

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(Kahnawá:ke – 19, Tsothohrhkó:wa/January 2006) The Mohawk Council of Kahnawá:ke (MCK) is inviting Kahnawá:ke's tobacco manufacturers to an important meeting to discuss the current situation relating to the industry. This meeting comes as a direct result of the notice of inspections by Canada Customs and Revenue Agency and Revenue Quebec's notification of reporting requirements for the duty-paid tobacco products.

The manufacturers agreed to the inspections as part of the conditions for receiving licenses from Canada.

The MCK has notified Customs and Revenue that they will not be allowed in Kahnawá:ke because they do not have jurisdiction in Kahnawá:ke.

"The need to meet has become urgent," said Grand Chief Michael Ahríhron Delisle, Jr. "This is a matter of jurisdiction and the situation will not magically sort itself out. Nothing less than the collective rights of this community are at stake."

The meeting will be held on Tuesday, 24 Tsothohrhkó:wa/January at the Knights of Columbus Hall from 9 to noon.

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