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Presentation of first draft of *Kahnawà:ke Family* Homes and Matrimonial Interests Law May 27th

For immediate release

(Kahnawake - 23, Onerahtókha/April 2014) The Kahnawa:ke Legislative Coordinating Commission wishes to inform the community that the first draft of the proposed Kahnawà:ke Family Homes & Matrimonial Interests Law will be presented at a community Hearing on Tuesday, May 27, 2014. The proposed law is to counter Canada's Family Homes on Reserves and Matrimonial Interests or Rights (S-2) legislation.

The Community Mandate to proceed with a Kahnawà:ke law was given at a community consultation on September 25, 2013. Additionally, it was agreed that the law should be created using the Urgent Process of the Community Decision Making Process due to a deadline of December 16, 2014 imposed by the passage of S-2. If communities do not have their own laws in place when the law comes into force, the Federal legislation will prevail.

The <u>Draft</u>, as well as the <u>Executive Summary</u> and <u>Information Sheet</u> are available for viewing prior to the consultation at www.kahnawake.com and www.kahnawakemakingdecisions.com.

The meeting will take place from 6pm to 8:30pm at the Karonhianónhnha School Gymnasium.

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