

### Tsi Nahò:ten Karihwanákere Nó:nen'k

## **PRESS RELEASE**

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## Webpage launched to inform community on detrimental S3 legislation

#### For Immediate Release

(Kahnawake – 26, Kentenhkó:wa/November 2018) The Mohawk Council of Kahnawà:ke (MCK) wishes to inform all Kahnawa'kehró:non that a webpage has been launched to provide information on Canada's S-3 legislation amendments to the Indian Act, which can pose a new assimilation threat for Kahnawà:ke.

Click the following link to view the page, www.kahnawake.com/S3

As stated in a press release sent on Friday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>, "According to Canada's own estimates, over a million new Status 'Indians' will be created based on new and open eligibility criteria in the Indian Act as a result of the S3 amendments. Of this, between 35,000 to 65,000 could be added to the Mohawks of Kahnawà:ke Federal list, which is controlled by Canada and not to be confused with our internal Kahnawà:ke Kanien'kehá:ka Registry. Many of these persons would likely have a very distant connection to our community by either ancestry or family ties and, in the near future, they will significantly outnumber the Kanien'kehá:ka of Kahnawà:ke who grew up and reside in the Territory."

<u>Click here to view</u> the full press release.

Kiosks to provide further information are also being held at the Kahnawà:ke Services Complex on Tuesday, December 4<sup>th</sup> from 9am - 12 noon and Tuesday, December 11<sup>th</sup> from 9am - 4pm, to further explain the urgency of the situation.

Sessions at the Community Organizations, as well as focus groups and other special meetings, will be scheduled shortly for anyone who wants a detailed presentation and the ability to ask questions.