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Recap of MCK presentation on tobacco issue before Standing Committee in Ottawa

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(Kahnawake – 5, Tsothóhrha/December 2013) The Mohawk Council of Kahnawà:ke (MCK) wishes to update the community in regard to the presentation by Chief Gina Deer on the issue of tobacco before the Standing Committee on Justice and Human Rights at the House of Commons in Ottawa.

Following her presentation earlier today, Chief Deer, along with chiefs from the Mohawk Council of Akwesá:sne, took questions from the Standing Committee. [Click here to listen](#) to a recording of the proceedings (*large file; allow a few minutes to download*).

The presentation was a response to Canada's C-10 legislation, referred to as the 'Tackling Contraband Tobacco Act,' which is a proposed amendment to the Criminal Code "to create a new offense in trafficking in contraband tobacco and to provide for minimum penalties of imprisonment for repeat offenders."

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