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Kahnawà:ke to participate in Parliament Hill anti-nuke press conference

(Kahnawake – 7, Enniskó:wa/March 2011) The Mohawk Council of Kahnawà:ke wishes to inform the community that Grand Chief Michael Ahríhron Delisle, Jr. and Environment Portfolio Chief Clinton Phillips will be participating in a press conference being hosted tomorrow (Tuesday) by the Canadian Coalition for Nuclear Responsibility. The event is being held in regard to the issue of the transportation of used steam generators used by the Bruce Power nuclear facility in Ontario.

Kahnawà:ke, Akwesasne and Tyendinaga have condemned the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission's decision to allow the shipment through the Great Lakes, St. Lawrence River and the Seaway. The three communities are expected to stand together as one at the press conference, which is being held at Parliament Hill tomorrow morning.

"All parties involved need to know that we are in full agreement with the great majority of people who live along the waters of the St. Lawrence and the Great Lakes, who want no part of this proposal," said Chief Delisle. "The Canadian government – and not just its bureaucrats – needs to deal with this issue. This plan is unacceptable. We need to look at a different solution, something that's more responsible. We're prepared to do whatever is necessary to ensure it doesn't happen."

Senate hearings will begin tomorrow in Ottawa to hear both proponents of the plan and those against it. Akwesasne has been granted an opportunity to speak at Thursday's hearing. Chief Phillips will attend the Thursday hearing on Kahnawà:ke's behalf.

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