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## Norton & Phillips in Ottawa for AFN Special Assembly

### For Immediate Release

**(Kahnawake – 2, Tsothóhrha/December 2019)** The Mohawk Council of Kahnawà:ke (MCK) wishes to inform the community that Grand Chief Joseph Tokwiro Norton and Ratsénhaiensh Clinton Phillips are in Ottawa to attend the Assembly of First Nations 'Special Chiefs Assembly' taking place from Tuesday to Thursday.

Among the agenda items are discussions on Bill C-92 (*"An Act Respecting First Nations, Inuit & Metis Children"*) and British Columbia's implementation of the *United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous People*. Additionally, Minister of Crown-Indigenous Affairs, Minister of Indigenous Services Marc Miller, and NDP Party Leader (and Indigenous Affairs critic) Jagmeet Singh are scheduled to speak at the Assembly.

Ratsénhaiensh Phillips has confirmed that Minister Miller will meet with Kahnawà:ke on Wednesday morning.

Grand Chief Norton & Ratsénhaiensh Phillips are in Ottawa today for several pre-Assembly meetings, including an Anishinabek Nation/Iroquois Caucus Nuclear Waste Working Group networking meeting.

Nitsénhaiensh Norton and Phillips are expected to return to the office on Friday, December 6<sup>th</sup>.

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