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MNC General Assembly to be held in Vancouver

Ottawa, ON -- The Métis National Council (MNC) will be hosting its 2009 General Assembly on November 21 – 22, 2009, in Vancouver, BC.

“The General Assembly is very important for Métis Nation citizens,” said MNC President Clément Chartier. “Democratically elected representatives from across the homeland will be coming together to debate and decide the future agenda of the Métis Nation in Canada.”

General Assembly delegates are representatives from the MNC’s Governing Members; the Métis Nation British Columbia, the Métis Nation of Alberta, Métis Nation – Saskatchewan, the Manitoba Métis Federation, and the Métis Nation of Ontario. All representatives are democratically elected by province wide ballot box elections.

President Chartier will begin the 2-day Assembly with his “State of the Nation” address, which will set the stage for discussions on the challenges and opportunities facing the Métis Nation.

Major topics of discussion will include the continuing cooperative work with the Federal Government under the Métis Nation Protocol, the implementation of Métis rights, and Métis Nation participation at the 2010 Vancouver Winter Games.

All Métis Nation citizens are invited to observe the General Assembly. It will be held Nov. 21 – 22, 2009 at the Renaissance Vancouver Hotel Harbourside, 1133 West Hasting St., Vancouver, BC.

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The MNC represents the Métis Nation in Canada at the national and international level. The Métis Nation’s homeland includes the 3 Prairie Provinces and extends into Ontario, British Columbia, the Northwest Territories and the northern United States. There are approximately 350,000 – 400,000 Métis Nation citizens in Canada, roughly a quarter of all Aboriginal peoples in the country.