



VERDICT OF CORONER'S JURY
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As a result of an Inquest into the death of Karen Ann Marie Higona Lagiak-Lander held on
Suite à l'enquête sur le décès de Karen Ann Marie Higona Lagiak-Lander qui s'est tenue

the 25 day of February, 2013 at Yellowknife
le 25 jour de Février, 2013 à Yellowknife

In the Northwest Territories, we the Jurors have considered the evidence and make the following determinations:
aux Territoires du Nord-Ouest, nous les Jurés avons examiné la preuve et sommes arrivés aux conclusions suivantes :

- 1. Identity of deceased; Karen Ann Marie Higona Lagiak-Lander
2. Date and time of death: 18:30, March 14th, 2013
3. Place of death: Stanton Territorial Hospital

4. Cause of death: Multiple gunshot wounds
Immediate cause of death: Multiple gunshot wounds
Antecedent causes: None noted

Other significant conditions contributing to death but not causally related to the immediate cause (a) above:
Alcohol abuse, chronic depression, borderline personality disorder, suicidal ideation

- 5. Manner of death: Undetermined
6. Circumstances under which death occurred: Karen Lander who had history of mental health issues (depression, borderline personality disorder, alcohol abuse, suicidal ideation) was reaching a breaking point.

7. *Recommendations to be attached - use form "Jurors' Recommendations"
*Joindre vos recommandations - utiliser la formule <<Recommandations des Jurés>>

Table with 3 columns: Jurors' names, Signatures, Date. Includes entries for Shayda Yazdanmehr, Heather Ullsten, Saima Qaisar, Amber Henry, and Indiana McIvers.



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JURORS' RECOMMENDATIONS RECOMMANDATIONS DES JURÉS

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[given names of deceased / prénom(s)]

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We, the jurors submit the following recommendations:

Nous, les jurés sou les recommandations suivantes:

Yellowknife Health and Social Services Authority:

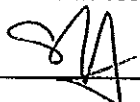
1. That the YHSSA consult with other health social service providers and community organizations to develop a “team approach” for assisting clients with multiple addictions and mental health issues; a consent form should be issued and signed by client if necessary to be shared so all parties can communicate in helping to get the matter resolved;
2. That the YHSSA implement a specific community support group (counselor, doctor, psychiatrist, nurse, etc) for people of First Nations and the north suffering from mental health problems and addictions or abuse;
3. That the YHSSA provide training to all staff to assist them in identifying and addressing cultural considerations when assessing Inuit and Aboriginal patients expressing suicide related issues;

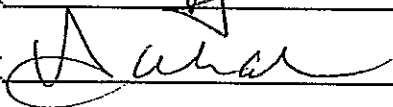
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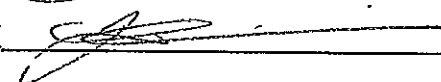
4. That the GNWT review its policies and procedures to ensure that it does not reduce market rent when children are apprehended if they are involved in a plan of care with the Department of Health and Social Services that includes that the children will be returned to the parent(s). In cases where child(ren) will remain under the permanent care of the Director of Child and Family Services for a period of time and where no plan of care has been made, the GNWT will ensure that one full calendar month notice is given to the client before a reduction in market rent is made;

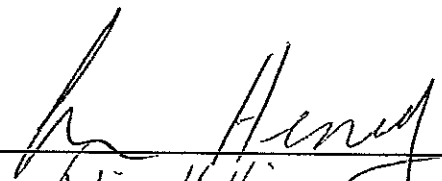
Signatures – All Jurors to sign

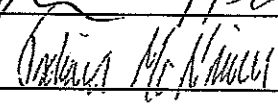
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We, the jurors submit the following recommendations:
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- 10. That the STHA make available a community based nurse/occupational therapist to assist in making appointments and/or referrals for patients that have been admitted to the ER;

Royal Canadian Mounted Police:

- 11. That the RCMP "G" Division review its equipment and ensure that the Division maintains a full range of non-lethal equipment that would be available to all other divisions for deployment in situations with barricaded and potentially armed and suicidal subjects;
- 12. That the RCMP review and revise its training materials and courses to ensure that all full and part-time Emergency Response Team ("ERT") members receive comprehensive training including: Training in criteria governing the use of non-lethal weapons as well as training in the effective operational use of non-lethal weapons in situations with barricaded and potentially armed and suicidal subjects;
- 13. That the RCMP review how communication is relayed to officers in the field for a clear understanding of orders and expectations;
- 14. That the RCMP develop policies and procedures to ensure ongoing contact with qualified mental health workers, where available, throughout negotiations with barricaded and potentially armed and suicidal subjects;

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We, the jurors submit the following recommendations:

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15. That the RCMP ensure initial and ongoing contact with family members where available throughout negotiations with barricaded and potentially armed or suicidal related issues;

16. That any RCMP officer who escorts a person to ER with suicide related issues should speak with psychiatrist nurse before leaving the patient in their care;

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