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Observers' Guide to Treaty Negotiation Sessions

Welcome to an Open Meeting of the treaty negotiations between the Ktunaxa Kinbasket Treaty Council, the Government of Canada and the Province of British Columbia. The three parties to these negotiations consider public access to the negotiation process important for the successful conclusion of a modern-day treaty.

What you can expect of us:

- This is a negotiation session between three Parties. Members of the public are welcome as observers to the process, not as participants. The Chair will not recognize any speakers from the floor during the meeting. There will be public information meetings in which you may participate at various stages throughout the treaty negotiation process.
- The parties may need to meet in private to discuss an issue. These unscheduled breaks are known as caucus sessions and can happen frequently during negotiations.
- You will have access to publicly available documents, as determined by the Chief Negotiators. The meeting agenda and other documents may be distributed as you enter the room. Negotiators may also provide copies of information kits or other public documents during breaks or after the meeting is finished.

What we expect of you:

- Please register at the door each day.
- You are being admitted as an observer, not as a participant. Please follow instructions from the Chair. Talking and disruptions are not allowed during the proceedings. The Chair reserves the right to ask anyone who does not respect these rules to leave.
- The Chair may hold a short Question-and-Answer session for members of the audience at the end of the meeting. You may address any questions you have to any of the negotiators during this Question-and-Answer session, or during breaks in the days proceedings. Those with longer questions may be asked to speak individually with negotiators after the session.

Some or all of the following may attend as members of each Party's negotiating team:

For the Ktunaxa Kinbasket Treaty Council

Kathryn Teneese, Chief Negotiator
Cheryl Casimer, Side Table Negotiator
Garry Merkel, Side Table Negotiator
Donna Kraus-Hagerman, Communications Coordinator

For the Government of Canada

Brian Smith, Chief Negotiator
Ken Warren, Negotiator
Leigh Freeman, Assistant Negotiator
Katherine Beavis, Communications & Consultation Adviser

For the Province of British Columbia

Bronwen Beedle, Chief Negotiator
Marty Osberg, Negotiator
Kim Ott, Assistant Negotiator
Bill Armstrong, Communications Coordinator
Tom Mann, TAC representative¹

¹ The Ktunaxa-Kinbasket Treaty Advisory Committee (TAC) represents municipal and regional government in the Kootenays and Columbia-Shuswap as a member of the provincial treaty negotiation team in these negotiations.
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