

## **Victims of Violence**

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Mr. John Traversy Secretary General CRTC Ottawa (ON) K1A 0N2

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Dear Mr. Traversy,

I am writing to you on behalf of Victims of Violence Canadian Centre for Missing Children to express our support of the renewal of "Avis de recherche's" (ADR) television license, as well as its renewal of its "Public Interest" status.

As President of Victims of Violence, I wish to stress the benefits and achievements ADR has provided to the province of Quebec. It is our understanding that ADR has assisted law enforcement agencies in locating wanted suspects and missing persons, while also providing essential information to citizens of Quebec in all matters pertaining to public safety. It has been used by all public safety bodies to reach out to the community to improve the safety and well-being of Quebecers through informative and educational programming. Therefore, we join in support of ADR's application to retain its status as a "Public Interest" service.

Furthermore, we would like to show our support and stress the potential advantages that the rest of Canada could receive by creating a similar service in English. A program such as ADR would be a welcomed addition to an organization such as ours as it would help us reach out to victims and/or potential victims with a variety of informative messages aimed at making our communities safer. As such, we respectfully request that the CRTC approve the application put forward by "All Points Bulletin" (APB) and grant it the same status of "Public Interest" that ADR receives, in accordance with Article 9(1)(h) of the Canadian Broadcasting Act.

It is our belief that a program such as the one proposed by "All Points Bulletin" will aide in making Canada a safer place to live. We feel that APB and ADR can be used as extremely effective tools of communication, particularly in the event of a missing child and/or person. For this reason, we stress the importance of approving the programs proposed above. We hope that the CRTC will continue to aide in improving the level of public safety in Quebec, and most importantly, spread this aide to the rest of Canada through an English spoken program.

Sincerely,

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