



MEDIA ADVISORY

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CORONER'S INQUEST INTO THE DEATH OF ROBERT MICHAEL ELLIS

KAMLOOPS – The Coroner's inquest into the death of Robert Michael Ellis has been scheduled. Mr. Ellis became unresponsive while in a cell at Kamloops RCMP detachment on Oct. 13, 2006. He was taken to the Royal Inland Hospital, where he died later that day.

The inquest is scheduled for June 19 – 21. Presiding coroner Tonia Grace and a five-person jury will publicly hear evidence from subpoenaed witnesses in order to determine the facts surrounding the death. The jury will have the opportunity to make recommendations aimed at preventing deaths under similar circumstances in the future.

Date: Tuesday, June 19, 2007

Time: 9:30 a.m.

**Location: Kamloops Provincial Court
455 Columbia Street, Kamloops, B.C.**

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An inquest is a formal court proceeding that allows for public presentation of all evidence relating to a death. The BC Coroners Service is an independent fact-finding agency that may not make any finding of legal responsibility.

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