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Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General

MEDIA ADVISORY

## ATTENTION: ASSIGNMENT EDITORS

DUNCAN – An inquest into the death of Derek Wayne Welton has been scheduled. Mr. Welton was shot during an incident with North Cowichan/Duncan RCMP. Despite medical treatment, he died on March 1, 2009, at Cowichan District Hospital.

The inquest is scheduled for Jan. 31–Feb. 4, 2011. Presiding coroner Rodrick MacKenzie and a 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: Monday, Jan. 31, 2011

Time: 9:30 a.m.

Location:  
B.C. Provincial Court  
238 Government St.  
Duncan

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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