



MEDIA STATEMENT

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Stanley Cup Riot Prosecution Update

Victoria –The Criminal Justice Branch (the Branch), Ministry of Justice, confirms that criminal charges have been approved and sworn against an additional two adults for conduct alleged to have occurred during the 2011 Stanley Cup Riot in Vancouver.

The Branch is no longer maintaining personal information in relation to the individual accused on this website.

Public information on files involving adult accused is accessible through Court Services Online or the Vancouver Court Registry.

The *Youth Criminal Justice Act* prohibits publication of the names of young persons who are charged with criminal offences, or any information that could reasonably lead to their identification.

As the last public update on the Stanley Cup Riot prosecutions was released by the Branch on June 6, 2014, it was considered in the public interest to issue a Media Statement advising of these latest charges, as well as provide an update on the status of the prosecution files in general.

To date, comprehensive investigative reports (Reports to Crown Counsel) on a total of **366** persons have been forwarded by police to the Branch for charge assessment and prosecution arising out of the Riot. The charge assessment process for all of these suspects has completed.

A total of **887** criminal charges have been approved by the Branch, against **300** accused persons. The Branch has concluded that no charges will be approved against **66** individuals. In accordance with Branch policy, criminal charges are approved where there is both a substantial likelihood of conviction on the available evidence, and a prosecution is required in the public interest.

A total of **274** of the persons charged with criminal offences have now entered guilty pleas. This includes all young persons who were charged. To date, **seven** accused persons have had their charges resolved by trial: **one** person was acquitted, while the remaining **six** were convicted of all charges. Of the **280** accused who have been convicted following trial, or pleaded guilty, **261** of these persons have been sentenced.

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Of the remaining individuals with prosecutions that remain outstanding, **11** accused persons are awaiting scheduled trial dates. Twenty-four (**24**) of the remaining accused persons have entered guilty pleas and are awaiting sentencing. Three individuals have not yet entered any form of plea. An arrest warrant is outstanding for one accused person.

The prosecution of these cases continues to be handled by members of the Criminal Justice Branch Riot Prosecution Team, which was established shortly after the Riot occurred in order to provide an effective and co-ordinated approach to the processing of Riot related cases.

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