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Inquest into death of Juan Carlos Salvany Sailes scheduled for July

BURNABY – The BC Coroners Service has scheduled a public inquest into the death of Juan Carlos Salvany Sailes, beginning on July 9, 2018.

The inquest is scheduled to start at 9:30 a.m. at the Burnaby Coroners' Court (20th Floor - 4720 Kingsway, Metrotower II, Metrotown, Burnaby).

Salvany Sailes, 42, was a Venezuelan national and permanent resident of Costa Rica. He came to Canada in 2014 to study at the B.C. Institute of Technology.

As Salvany Sailes was in the custody of a peace officer at the time of his death, an inquest is mandatory under Section 18(2) the Coroners Act. An inquest is a formal process that allows for public presentation of evidence relating to a death. For more information on inquests, please visit: http://ow.ly/8WRx30gbxTr

Presiding coroner Susan Barth, and a jury, will hear evidence from witnesses under oath to determine the facts surrounding this death. The jury will have the opportunity to make recommendations aimed at preventing deaths under similar circumstances. A jury must not make any finding of legal responsibility, or express any conclusion of law.

The BC Coroners Service looks to gather the facts surrounding why a death took place and is not a fault-finding agency. It provides an independent service to the family, community, government agencies and other organizations.

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