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Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General BC Coroners Service

MEDIA ADVISORY

BURNABY – The BC Coroners Service will hold a public inquest into the death of Mr. Ropinder Gill.

On May 16, 2010, Mr. Gill went into medical distress while being taken into custody by Surrey RCMP. Mr. Gill was transported to Royal Columbia Hospital where he died May 19, 2010.

Presiding coroner Liana Wright and a jury will hear evidence from subpoenaed witnesses to determine the facts surrounding this death. The jury will have the opportunity to make recommendations aimed at preventing deaths under similar circumstances in the future.

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

Date: Tuesday, Oct. 11 – Friday Oct. 14, 2011

Time: 9:30 a.m.

Location: Coroners Court 2035 – 4720 Kingsway Burnaby

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