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**Criminal Justice Branch Releases Public Education Materials:
2013/14 Annual Report and Plain-Language Information Sheets**

Victoria - Today, the Criminal Justice Branch of the Ministry of Justice released its 2013/14 Annual Report.

The Annual Report provides the public with information on the role of the B.C. Prosecution Service and the values that guide its work, as well as access to key operational data such as the volume of prosecution files that were approved in the 2013/14 fiscal year, and the aggregate outcomes of prosecution files that were concluded in this same time frame.

The Annual Report provides a status update on the Branch's criminal justice reform agenda, and information on the ongoing efforts being made by the Prosecution Service to effect improvements to the criminal justice system.

As part of its efforts to enhance public understanding of the B.C. Prosecution Service, the Branch is also releasing two plain language Information Sheets (*Role of Crown Counsel* and *Role of the B.C. Prosecution Service*) which are available translated into nine different languages: Chinese (simplified), Filipino, French, Hindi, Korean, Persian, Punjabi, Spanish and Vietnamese.

The Annual Report and Information Sheets are available on the Branch's Internet site: <http://www.ag.gov.bc.ca/prosecution-service>

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Branch Vision:

Courageous, Fair and Efficient – A Prosecution Service that has the Confidence of the Public.

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