



## **MEDIA NOTICE**

### **Council of the Federation Will Meet in Québec City July 16-18, 2008** ***Media accreditation required***

**June 6, 2008** – As incoming Chair of the Council of the Federation, Québec Premier Jean Charest will host the 2008 Summer Meeting of the Council of the Federation on July 16-18 at the Fairmont Le Château Frontenac in Québec City. The meeting will be held during the 400<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebrations of the founding of Québec City.

#### **Media Accreditation**

Media representatives who wish to attend the Council of the Federation Summer Meeting must register online and complete an application for accreditation, which is available at [www.councilofthefederation.ca](http://www.councilofthefederation.ca). Click on the link to “Media Registration”. Applicants will be screened to ensure they are official media representatives. **Media must register by June 16, 2008.**

#### **Media Accommodations**

Media representatives are responsible for making their own reservations. Rooms have been reserved at both hotels below:

Château Laurier  
**(Reference Group Code 206207)**  
1220 George V Place West  
Québec, Québec G1R 5B8  
Phone: 418-522-8108 or  
1 800 463-4453

Château Bellevue  
**(Reference Group Code 72204)**  
16 de la Porte St.  
Québec, Québec G1R 4M9  
Phone: 418-692-2573 or  
1 800 463-2617

Media representatives must make their reservations **no later than June 16, 2008** in order to qualify for a special group rate of \$199 at the Château Laurier and \$179 at the Château Bellevue. After this date, room availability will not be guaranteed.

#### **Media Work Room**

A media work room will be located at the Salle de bal Room of the Fairmont Le Château Frontenac. This room will be equipped with Internet access, power outlets and television monitors. A news conference area and a uni-mic area will be located nearby.

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**Preliminary Media Program** (All times and events to be confirmed)

**Wednesday, July 16**

- 2:30 p.m. Photo opportunity at the Port of Québec on Wharf 19 prior to Premiers embarking on the three-masted ship the *Belem*
- 6:30 p.m. Opening reception at the Musée national des beaux-arts du Québec (media invited, social only)
- 8 p.m. Guided tour of the exhibit *Le Louvre à Québec, Les arts et la vie*  
Or  
Evening under the stars at l'Espace 400<sup>e</sup>

**Thursday, July 17**

- 8:00 a.m. Premiers' working breakfast
- 9:30 a.m. Premiers' working session – possible photo opportunity at start of session
- 12:15 p.m. Premiers' private luncheon
- 1:45 p.m. Premiers' working session

**Friday, July 18**

- 8:00 a.m. Premiers' working breakfast
- 9:15 a.m. Premiers' working session
- 1:30 p.m. Closing news conference
- 6:30 p.m. Closing B.B.Q. at Club House of the Royal Québec Golf Club (media invited, social only)

A meeting of Premiers and National Aboriginal Organization leaders will commence on the morning of Wednesday, July 16 in Québec City at the Château Laurier Hotel. Details about this meeting will be issued by the Government of Québec.

Media are asked to contact Catherine Poulin at 418-528-7401, or at 418-953-2958 (cellular), or by email at [catherine.poulin@mce.gouv.qc.ca](mailto:catherine.poulin@mce.gouv.qc.ca), should they require assistance with specific services in connection with this meeting.

The Council of the Federation is comprised of all 13 provincial and territorial Premiers. It enables Premiers to work collaboratively to strengthen the Canadian federation by fostering a constructive relationship among the provinces and territories, and with the federal government.

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