



MEDIA ADVISORY

Ahead of Federal Throne Speech, Canada's Premiers to Hold News Conference in Ottawa on September 18, 2020

September 17, 2020 – A news conference of Canada's Premiers will take place as follows:

Date: Friday, September 18, 2020

Time: 1:00 pm

Location: Drawing Room (Lobby Level), Fairmont Château Laurier, 1 Rideau Street, Ottawa, ON

Media representatives who wish to cover this news conference must register upon arrival at the registration desk in the **Drawing Room Foyer** (Lobby Level). Registration will open at 11:00 am on September 18. Individuals will be screened to ensure they are official media representatives. An ID badge will be provided to all accredited media at the registration desk.

Premiers will make brief statements and take questions from journalists.

Québec Premier François Legault, as incoming chair of the Council of the Federation, will chair this media availability. Joining him will be **Ontario Premier Doug Ford**, **Manitoba Premier Brian Pallister** and **Alberta Premier Jason Kenney**.

Preliminary Media Program

Friday, September 18

11:00 am	Media registration opens in Drawing Room Foyer
1:00 pm	News conference commences in Drawing Room
2:00 pm	News conference concludes
2:30 pm	Media depart Drawing Room

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Notes for Media

Journalists who wish to cover the news conference on-site must confirm with Ewan Sauves by email. A maximum of 3 cameras (pool cameras) will be allowed; those will make the feed available to all media outlets. The number of photographers allowed will also be limited and they must register beforehand and obtain a confirmation email. Please contact Ewan Sauves, ewan.sauves@mce.gouv.qc.ca, (514) 585-4451, for organization and booking details.

Livestream and Dial-in Information

Media representatives who are unable to attend the news conference can watch it online via livestream in the language delivered. The livestream will be available at:

<https://www.facebook.com/FrancoisLegaultPremierMinistre/>

Journalists can dial in to listen and ask questions to the Premiers. Dial-in information:

Local: (613) 244-1334

Toll-free: 1-855-453-6962

Pass code: 5650112#

Interested media are asked to dial in by 12:45 pm ET on Friday, September 18.

COVID-19 Hotel Security Guidelines

At this time, the hotel main front doors are the only point of entry for the Fairmont Château Laurier. Each person entering the lobby **must** go through the hotel security desk to answer a COVID-related questionnaire and have their temperature taken. They must also wear a mask at all times when in public areas.

The Council of the Federation comprises all 13 provincial and territorial Premiers. It enables Premiers to work collaboratively, form closer ties, foster constructive relationships among governments, and show leadership on important issues that matter to Canadians.

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