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Dear Brothers and Sisters:

Re: National Aboriginal Day

On June 21, from coast to coast, Canada will celebrate National Aboriginal Day -- a day recognizing and celebrating the cultures and contributions of the First Nations, Inuit and Métis peoples of Canada. It's a time for us all to reflect on the struggle to improve social, economic and political conditions that Aboriginal peoples face, but also a chance for us to re-affirm our Union's commitment to solidarity and support for our Aboriginal Brothers and Sisters.

This year, we send special thoughts of solidarity and support to our Brothers and Sisters striking at Casino Regina, 50 per cent of which are Aboriginal employees. They continue to fight for fairness and equality, not only in the workplace, but in their every day lives. To them we offer our utmost support and respect.

I encourage everyone to attend the special National Aboriginal Day activities that have been scheduled in your communities including traditional dancing, fiddling, jigging and other entertainment by Aboriginal artists, as well as traditional feasts. For a listing of events in your area visit the PSAC Prairies website at www.prairies.psic.com or visit www.aboriginalcanada.gc.ca for more information on this commemorative day. You can also contact your Aboriginal Rep, Alisha Bigelow, at grady2247@shaw.ca or 204-984-8496.

In Solidarity,

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