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PEI Mi'kmaq Chiefs comment on the release of final report from the Truth and Reconciliation Commission

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The Chiefs of PEI's Mi'kmaq Governments are recognizing the release of the full report of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission. Chaired by Justice Murray Sinclair, the Report contains 94 recommendations aimed at addressing the impacts of the government policies on Canada's Aboriginal people. The recommendations within the report were released on June 2nd.

"We are pleased to see the new Federal Government's commitment to act on these recommendations and begin the process of rebuilding the relationship between our country and our Aboriginal people," said Chief Brian Francis of Abegweit First Nation. "As we stated in June, the Commission has shown us a path forward. As a country, we must take that path."

"The TRC Report is a call to action. We must act now to honour the victims of the Residential School era," said Chief Matilda Ramjattan of Lennox Island First Nation. "I continue to have hope that with real action and support from governments, we can restore our people and culture. Only with that can we move forward and heal our country."

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