

Subject: letter from Mennonite Central Cttee Ontario

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Minister Dhaliwal,

Greetings to you, and assurances that our prayers are with you in the difficult days of dealing with the tensions at Burnt Church.

We understand that in spite of hopeful signs scant days ago, things on Miramichi Bay have deteriorated significantly.

However, we urge you strongly to resist the urge to respond to this impasse with further force or violence. No situation is beyond hope of resolution through honest and sincere negotiation. There are as you know, some fundamental issues of control of resources for us to resolve as Canadians. But we first need to adequately diffuse this extreme tension.

Again, our prayers are with you and your staff, as they are with others embroiled in these difficult issues.

In peace,

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