

Conference on Disarmament

Gouvernement du Canada Mission permanente du Canada auprès des Nations Unies et de la Conférence du désarmement

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**Reference:** Joint letter of the Independent Expert on the promotion of a democratic and equitable international order and the Special Rapporteur on the human rights to safe drinking water and sanitation

The Permanent Mission of Canada to the Office of the United Nations at Geneva presents its compliments to the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights and has the honour to submit Canada's response to the joint letter of the Independent Expert on the promotion of a democratic and equitable international order and the Special Rapporteur on the human rights to safe drinking water and sanitation, dated 14 May 2013, requesting Canada's observations on alleged restrictions on the right to equitable participation of indigenous peoples in decision making.

The Permanent Mission of Canada to the Office of the United Nations at Geneva avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights the assurances of its highest consideration.

Geneva, 25 July 2013.



