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## Statement

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## UBCIC Shares Condolences with James Smith Cree Nation Stabbing Victims; Calls for Immediate End to Violence

(xwməθkwəyəm (Musqueam), Skwxwú7mesh (Squamish) and səlilwətał (Tsleil Waututh)/Vancouver, B.C. – September 6, 2022) A shelter in place alert has been issued to residents of James Smith Cree Nation after a possible sighting of Myles Sanderson who is accused of killing 10 people and injuring 18 others in a brutal mass stabbing along with his deceased brother Damien Sanderson.

The Union of BC Indian Chiefs (UBCIC) shares our sincere sympathies and deep condolences with the families and communities of the victims of the tragic stabbings in James Smith Cree Nation and Weldon, Saskatchewan, and urges anyone with information on the whereabouts of the outstanding suspect Myles Sanderson to immediately come forward and speak to the RCMP. UBCIC calls on Mr. Sanderson to account for his actions and the tremendous harm caused and immediately surrender to the RCMP. <a href="Donations">Donations</a> to support the community can be directed to the James Smith Cree Nation.

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