

PRISON ISSUES



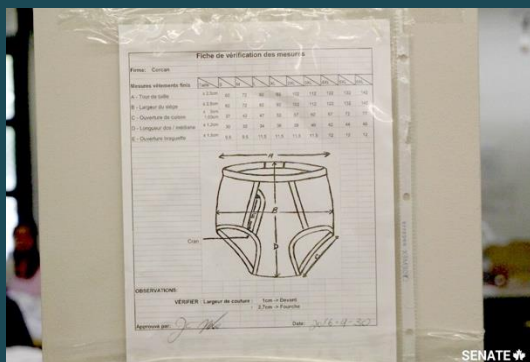
Native Women's
Association of Canada

L'Association des
femmes autochtones
du Canada

End the Practice of Solitary Confinement by any name:

Administrative segregation, disciplinary segregation, modified movement, clinical seclusion, lockdown, suicide watch, enhanced supervision.

At the Joliette Institution for Women in Quebec, the only work available is sewing underwear for male prisoners held in other federal institutions.⁵



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- 5 See footnote 3.

Truth and Reconciliation Calls to Action

30. We call upon federal, provincial, and territorial governments to commit to eliminating the overrepresentation of Aboriginal people in custody over the next decade, and to issue detailed annual reports that monitor and evaluate progress in doing so.

31. We call upon the federal, provincial, and territorial governments to provide sufficient and stable funding to implement and evaluate community sanctions that will provide realistic alternatives to imprisonment for Aboriginal offenders and respond to the underlying causes of offending.

35. We call upon the federal government to eliminate barriers to the creation of additional Aboriginal healing lodges within the federal correctional system (S. 81 of the Corrections and Conditional Release Act).

36. We call upon the federal, provincial, and territorial governments to work with Aboriginal communities to provide culturally relevant services to inmates on issues such as substance abuse, family and domestic violence, and overcoming the experience of having been sexually abused (S. 84 of the Corrections and Conditional Release Act).

37. We call upon the federal government to provide more supports for Aboriginal programming in halfway houses and parole services.