

## AFFIRMATION OF INDIGENOUS IDENTITY FORM

### Who must complete this form?

This form is to be completed by Indigenous individuals who are connected to a news business that is applying to the Canadian Journalism Collective-Collectif canadien de journalisme (CJC-CCJ) as the operator of an Indigenous news outlet or for membership in a CJC-CCJ member class reserved for Indigenous news businesses. CJC-CCJ policy clarifies which specific individuals connected to a news business must complete this form.

### Why is this form important?

The form was established with the help of Indigenous partners as part of broader CJC-CCJ practices to ensure that news businesses receiving funding in the eligibility category for Indigenous news outlets are filled by news businesses operating Indigenous news outlets, and that news businesses that join one of the Indigenous CJC-CCJ member classes meet the relevant eligibility criteria.

Information about your Indigenous identity or other information you provide here may need to be substantiated or further substantiated during the CJC-CCJ's verification or audit processes.

### PART A. NEWS OUTLET INFORMATION

Name of news business

Name of Indigenous news outlet operated by the news business

Your role in the news business (check all that apply)

Owner of a \_\_\_ % share in the news business as ☐ a shareholder ☐ a partner ☐ other

☐ Sole proprietor ☐ Director ☐ Other key role: \_\_\_\_\_ (specify)

### PART B. INDIGENOUS IDENTITY

Please indicate which of the following documents you are in a position to provide if called upon to do so:

- ☐ A current "Certificate of Indian Status" issued to you by Indigenous Services Canada
- ☐ A citizenship identification issued to you by a First Nation that has a modern Treaty and/or self-government agreement
- ☐ A citizenship identification issued to you by the authority of Hereditary leadership and traditional institutions

A citizenship or membership card from:

- ☐ the Manitoba Métis Federation ☐ one of the Métis Settlements of Alberta
- ☐ the Northwest Territory Métis Nation

A citizenship or membership card and a "complete citizenship" confirmation letter from the Registrar of the:

- ☐ Métis Nation of Ontario ☐ Métis Nation Saskatchewan
- ☐ Métis Nation Alberta ☐ Métis Nation British Columbia

- ☐ An Inuit Enrolment card, or a beneficiary card/proof of enrolment associated with Land Claim Agreements in the claim territories of Nunatsiavut, Nunavik, Nunavut and Inuvialuit.
- ☐ A sworn statement from you attesting that you are actively investigating and filing an application to gain or regain status as a First Nation member or citizen, a member of a recognized Métis Nation, or enrolment to an Inuit claim
- ☐ Other documentation or proof of your connection to your Indigenous community, such as letters from Chief, Council, Elders, or community organizations, which may be considered if you have no access to the documents listed above

### PART C. DECLARATION AND SIGNATURE

I declare that I am an Indigenous person and that I am able to produce one of the documents described above in Part B. I understand that the news business is applying for an opportunity that is intended for Indigenous news outlets. I understand that additional information may be required of me, and that determinations are made on a case-by-case basis. I understand that providing false or misleading information about my Indigenous identity may result in an investigation by the CJC-CCJ and in some cases in the news business's ineligibility for an application that it has made to the CJC-CCJ.

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Your name (print)

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Your signature

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Date (YYYY-MM-DD)