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Mohawk Chiefs to Discuss Tobacco with Feds

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Chiefs from Kahnawà:ke, Akwesasne, Tyendinaga and Six Nations are meeting today with Federal representatives to discuss the tobacco issue.

This is a follow up to a recent meeting between Grand Chief Michael Ahrírhon Delisle, Jr. and Minister of Public Safety Stockwell Day, as well as a conference call with chiefs from the four Territories.

“This is an important meeting,” said Chief Delisle. “It’s something that should have happened before Canada made its recent ill-advised announcement on so-called contraband tobacco. However, at least we are sitting and discussing the issue face-to-face. We’re hoping for some positive results.”

Officials from Public Safety Canada, the RCMP, Finance, Canadian Revenue Agency and the Department of Indian Affairs are expected to attend.

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