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TREATY COMMISSION AWAITING WORD ON CHIEF COMMISSIONER

VANCOUVER -- The BC Treaty Commission today announced that Wilf Adam will continue for a second week as Acting Chief Commissioner pending the final decision on Alec Robertson's re-appointment to the post.

Robertson's re-appointment to a two-year term is yet to be confirmed by the provincial Cabinet. His re-appointment has the support of federal Indian Affairs Minister Jane Stewart and leaders of the First Nations Summit. His three-year term as Chief Commissioner expired May 14.

The four commissioners agreed to the temporary appointment while awaiting formal notification from the Province and to conduct necessary Treaty Commission business.

Adam is the longest serving commissioner of the four, first elected to the Treaty Commission in April 1995 by the First Nations Summit.

The Treaty Commission comprises four commissioners: a provincial appointee, a federal appointee, and two commissioners elected by the First Nations Summit. The Chief Commissioner is chosen by agreement of BC, Canada and the First Nations Summit.

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