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## The SDRCC Announces the Launch of an Investigation Unit

Montréal (Québec) - Supporting the will of the Canadian sport system to foster healthy and safe workplace and sport practice environments, the Sport Dispute Resolution Centre of Canada (SDRCC) announces the launch of an Investigation Unit as a pilot-project for federally-funded sport organizations.

Offered on a voluntary and fee-for-service basis, the investigation services will be overseen by an advisory committee and provided by pre-selected investigators who will receive sport-specific orientation and training. Remuneration conditions, operating standards and processes and policies for quality control will be established to ensure the smooth running of the pilot project that is expected to officially start in November 2018 and to end on March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2020.

"I truly believe that this pilot project will assist national sport organizations and multisport services organizations in moving to full compliance with the directives set out by the Minister of Sport in June, by offering independent and affordable third-party investigation services", declared David de Vlieger, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the SDRCC. "We hope this program serves as a stop-gap measure while the sport system seeks a robust and permanent response to prevent harassment, abuse and discrimination and to properly deal with complaints."

A public call will be launched in the upcoming days, inviting interested individuals to submit their applications to be part of the very first SDRCC Investigation Unit.

## About SDRCC

The SDRCC is a not-for-profit corporation created by federal legislation and funded by the Government of Canada. The mission of the SDRCC is to provide the sport community with a national alternative dispute resolution service and strengthen the culture of fairness in Canadian sport by resolving disputes quickly and efficiently and to provide expertise and assistance regarding alternative dispute resolution.

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