

**BEFORE THE COMMISSIONER OF INQUIRY
INTO THE INVESTIGATION OF THE BOMBING OF AIR INDIA FLIGHT 182**

REASONS

The World Sikh Organization of Canada (“WSO”) has applied for broader standing at these hearings. In particular, the WSO seeks a right to cross-examine witnesses on issues related to the reputational interests of the Sikh community and a right to make written and oral submissions on all of the Terms of Reference.

Pursuant to its original application for a standing as an Intervenor, the WSO was given the right to make written submissions with respect to matters touching upon the reputational interests of the Sikh community.

Given its demonstrated expertise and its attendance at many of the hearing dates for this Inquiry, it is appropriate to expand the subject matter of the WSO’s Intervenor status to include all of the Terms of Reference on the same terms as currently prevail with respect to other Intervenors.

No Intervenor at these hearings has been granted a right to cross-examine. That right has been reserved for Parties.

It is not appropriate to make an exception in the case of WSO. Like the other Intervenors, the WSO may present written submissions on all matters for which it has now been given the right to intervene. Like the other Intervenors, the WSO may also apply for leave to make oral submissions at the conclusion of the hearing.

John C. Major, Q.C.
Commissioner