



## Press release

**For immediate Release**

### Press release clarification

**Ottawa, September 24, 2004** -- The Commission of Inquiry into the Actions of Canadian Officials in Relation to Maher Arar wishes to make a clarification to the press release it issued earlier today.

It should be noted that in the Garvie report tabled during the *in camera* hearings of the Commission and made public today, it is clearly stated that : "Members of the RCMP, or members of other law enforcement agencies working with the RCMP, while performing national security policing functions, did not provide information about Maher Arar to the Syrian authorities."

*Established under Part I of the Inquiries Act, the Arar Inquiry was set up on the recommendation of the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness to investigate and report on the actions of Canadian officials in relation to Maher Arar. The Commission is also mandated to recommend an arm's length review mechanism for the activities of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police with respect to national security. [www.ararcommission.ca](http://www.ararcommission.ca).*

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