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January 4th, 2017

To: Chair and Members, Executive Committee

Re: Report on Automatically Recognizing Historical Events Acknowledged by Global Affairs Canada

Background

Currently, the City of Toronto does not automatically recognize historical events described as "genocides" or "massacres." The onus is placed on the City and on City Councillors to bring forward historical events at City Council that should be recognized as such. This process is inefficient and time consuming.

Recommendation

The Executive Committee request City Council to direct the City Manager to report back to the Executive Committee on April 19th, 2017 on the appropriateness of recognizing historical events described or classified as "genocides" or "massacres," and that such a report consider whether only historical events recognized by Global Affairs Canada shall automatically receive recognition by the City of Toronto.

Sincerely,

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