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RED COALITION CONFIRMS OPENING OF POLICE ETHICS FILE REGARDING STATION 39 AND ANNOUNCES PROVINCE-WIDE COMMUNITY PRESS CONFERENCE

Coalition demands accountability for systemic racial profiling and retaliation against racialized officers and community members across Quebec

MONTRÉAL, QC, June 17th, 2026 - The Red Coalition, can officially confirm today that there are new developments relating to two formal complaints that they filed concerning serious allegations connected to Poste de quartier 39 (Station 39) of the Service de police de la Ville de Montréal (SPVM) in Montréal-Nord, and announces a province-wide community press conference to take place on Monday, June 22, 2026.

The first complaint, a public interest complaint filed with the *Commission des droits de la personne et des droits de la jeunesse (CDPDJ)*, addresses systemic patterns of discriminatory conduct and racial harassment targeting both community members and SPVM employees at Station 39 and beyond.
As of this morning, the Red Coalition has received confirmation that its complaint and supporting documentation have been brought to the attention of the President of the Commission, Mme Nadine Koussa. The complaint documents the disproportionate impact of this systemic racism on racialized residents and on racialized police officers working within the SPVM itself and raises concerns regarding the institutional and vicarious liability of the SPVM arising from the alleged conduct and failures identified in the complaint.

As part of this complaint, Red Coalition is formally asking the CDPDJ to seek an emergency injunction imposing a moratorium on the SPVM's use of street checks (interpellations policières) pending the outcome of its investigation, citing the ongoing and disproportionate harm these practices inflict on racialized communities.

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The second complaint, filed by the Red Coalition with the *Commissaire à la déontologie policière*, addresses specific allegations of police misconduct and ethical violations connected to Station 39. As of this morning, the Red Coalition has been advised that the Office of the Police Ethics Commissioner has formally opened a file regarding the complaint and assigned file number SIG 26-5129.
The Red Coalition is asking the Commissioner to investigate not only acts of racism and discrimination directed at civilians, but also acts of racism and discrimination within the ranks of the SPVM affecting Black and racialized SPVM employees, including conduct connected to disclosures made through internal whistleblower channels, as well as matters relating to the institutional and vicarious liability of the SPVM arising from the conduct alleged in the complaint.
The Red Coalition has stated plainly: this conduct will not be tolerated. The organization is calling on Quebec's police oversight bodies and elected officials to treat these complaints with the urgency and seriousness the affected communities have been denied for too long.

A Province-Wide Call for Accountability
On Monday, June 22, 2026, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., Red Coalition will host a community press conference at the Jamaican Association of Montréal (4065 Jean-Talon West, Montréal, Quebec, H4P-1W6). The event will give voice to individuals and families from across the province who have experienced harm at the hands of police services in Quebec, extending well beyond the events connected to Station 39.

"This is not only about community members who have been profiled and mistreated. It is also about racialized police officers within their own services who have been silenced, marginalized, and left to suffer in silence for raising these very concerns. Red Coalition will make sure their voices are heard loud and clear, and that their suffering is finally addressed; not buried." - Alain Babineau, Director of Racial Profiling and Public Safety, Red Coalition

"From Montréal-Nord to every corner of this province, we are hearing the same story: people stripped of their dignity by the very institutions meant to protect them. Red Coalition will not tolerate this anymore. On June 22, we are giving a voice to victims of police misconduct from across Quebec, and we will make sure that voice cannot be ignored." - Joel DeBellefeuille, Founder, Chairman & Executive Director, Red Coalition

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About Red Coalition

The Red Coalition is a federally registered lobbying organization based in Montréal, Quebec, advocating to eliminate racial profiling and systemic racism within Canadian institutions, including law enforcement.

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