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 Corrigendum

 Paragraphs 43, 48 and 49

For the existing text *substitute*

43. The Native Women’s Association of Canada and the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) are continuing an information-sharing arrangement related to missing and murdered aboriginal women. The Department of Justice is working with the Association to explore the development of resources for raising awareness among victim service providers about the specific needs of families of missing and murdered aboriginal women.

48. The Government of Canada and the provinces and territories collaborate through the Federal, Provincial and Territorial Working Group on Missing Women to examine criminal justice system responses to cases involving serial killers who target vulnerable women, including aboriginal women in high-risk situations.

49. A second federal, provincial and territorial working group, whose mandate is to examine aboriginal justice issues, is also studying the issue of missing and murdered aboriginal women as part of its broader examination of victimization in aboriginal communities resulting from disproportionately high levels of family and interpersonal violence. The ongoing efforts of this working group include a focus on improvements to police response and investigation models. This working group and the Federal, Provincial and Territorial Working Group on Missing Women share information on common themes.