



THE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR
WASHINGTON

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Dear Tribal Leader:

In October 2020, the Not Invisible Act of 2019 was signed into law—to increase coordination in identifying and combating violent crime within Indian lands and against Indians—in response to the longstanding crises of missing and murdered Indigenous people (MMIP) and human trafficking (HT).

Pursuant to section 4 of the act, Attorney General Merrick B. Garland and I established the [Not Invisible Act Commission](#) (Commission), which consists of Federal and non-Federal members. The Commission is required, by October 2023, to submit a final report to Congress, the Attorney General, and me with recommendations on how to improve intergovernmental coordination, bolster resources, and establish best practices for State/Tribal/Federal law enforcement to help combat this epidemic of violence.

To help achieve this requirement of section 4, the Commission is holding its final hearings virtually to solicit public testimony to shape its final report recommendations on MMIP and HT topics. These hearings will provide a forum for law enforcement, subject-matter experts, organizations, State/Tribal task forces, advocates, survivors/families, and other stakeholders to offer testimony directly to the Commission in order to improve cross-jurisdictional communications, increase access to resources, and address other issues related to the MMIP and HT crises.

Please join the Commission's virtual hearings, which are closed to the press. Details are below.

DATE	TIME	REGISTRATION LINK
August 2, 2023	10 a.m.–10 p.m. ET	https://cbuilding.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_B_hI4AFhT6mSD-QCpcwM-w
August 3, 2023	10 a.m.–10 p.m. ET	https://cbuilding.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_z28EkJfHQxG5iC-nDR7_BA

Registration and Hearing Information:

Commission members will lead the public hearing to address topics specified under the act. Trauma-informed support will be available online with optional follow-up support, as needed. The Commission's facilitation team will be present to document all oral testimony. Please note that any information provided during the hearings—including oral testimony and written comments—is considered public record, so please protect nonpublic or sensitive information accordingly. Register using the above links for the day you plan to attend. The links include the option to select and register for a preferred 4-hour time block during which testimony may be taken. You will receive confirmation of your time block no later than August 1, 2023.

Written Testimony and Questions:

Submit written testimony, recommendations, or questions to the Commission at: NIAC@ios.doi.gov. Include the following in the subject line: "NIAC Testimony" or "NIAC Question." **The final deadline for all interested parties to submit written testimony is August 10, 2023.**

Thank you in advance for supporting the Commission's work to address the MMIP and HT crises. Only with the collective participation of all our communities will our missing, murdered, or trafficked relatives and friends no longer be invisible.

Sincerely,

Deb Haaland