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Media Advisory

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Commissioner Wells to Review TSB Report on Crash of Cougar Flight 491

On today's date the Transportation Safety Board of Canada released its final report of the investigation into the March 12, 2009 crash of Cougar Helicopters Sikorsky S-92A, in the Newfoundland and Labrador offshore. The Transportation Safety Board Report is posted on its own website <u>www.bst-tsb.gc.ca</u>

The Honourable Robert Wells, Q.C., Inquiry Commissioner will take approximately one month (30 days) to study the Transportation Safety Board's Report and encourages those with an interest in the subject matter to do the same.

Within a month Commissioner Wells will ask stakeholders with a professional and commercial interest in the offshore to indicate whether they wish to contribute, in accordance with the Terms of Reference for Phase II of the Offshore Helicopter Safety Inquiry. A public notice will follow later as posted on the Inquiry website.

The full Terms of Reference for the Offshore Helicopter Safety Inquiry are posted on the Inquiry's website <u>www.oshsi.nl.ca</u>

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