It’s time to end drinking water advisories in First Nations!

Dear Prime Minister Trudeau,

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The Water Crisis in First Nations

Brown bath water that leaves rashes and skin irritation, having to boil water to wash dishes, inadequate sanitation and wastewater disposal, and having to rely on bottled water to drink are realities for many First Nations.

In early 2017, there were 144 drinking water advisories in 95 First Nations.

Some of the advisories date as far back as 1995. Shoal Lake First Nation No. 40 near Winnipeg has drawn media attention for its boil water advisory, which has been in place for nearly 20 years.

In the lead-up to the 2015 federal election, Prime Minister Justin Trudeau and the Liberal government pledged to end drinking water advisories in First Nations within five years.

The Council of Canadians is also calling on the federal government to keep its promise and to create a National Water Policy that respects Indigenous water rights and recognizes the human rights to water and sanitation.

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