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Beyond Borders ECPAT Canada announces 2012 nominees

WINNIPEG- Beyond Borders ECPAT Canada, Canada's global voice against child sexual exploitation, announced the nominees for its annual, national, bilingual media awards today. The awards program, in its 10th year, honours journalists and documentary makers for exceptional coverage of issues related to child sexual exploitation. “Media exposure of child sexual exploitation issues is integral to ending this global scourge,” said Beyond Borders ECPAT Canada president, Rosalind Prober. “On the 10th anniversary of the awards,” she added, “their importance continues to grow as well as the quality and depth of the entries.”

The 2012 nominees are as follows:

Print (English)
1. Catherine Solyom, *Sex trade: The girls next door, Human trafficking is a hidden issue that’s hard to prove: Penalties often light when predators are convicted*, The Montreal Gazette, July 2012

Print (French)
2. Kathleen Frenette, *Le Net est une mine d’or, La Maison de Sabrina, Sites Internets ébranlés*, Journal de Québec, October 31, November 1, November 2, 2011.
Electronic (English)

Electronic (French)

Integrated Media (English)

The 10th anniversary of the Beyond Borders ECPAT Canada Media Awards takes place on Monday, November 19, at the Fort Garry Hotel, located in Winnipeg, Manitoba. Sheldon Kennedy, former NHL player, child rights advocate and sexual abuse survivor, will be honoured with the inaugural Rosalind Prober Award for his fight against child sexual exploitation.

**About Beyond Borders ECPAT Canada**

Beyond Borders ECPAT Canada is a national non-profit organization that advances the rights of children to be free from sexual exploitation. It is the Canadian representative of ECPAT International (End Child Prostitution, Child Pornography and the Trafficking of Children for Sexual Purposes) operating in 75 countries around the world. For more information, please visit: beyondborders.org.

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