

**BEYOND BORDERS INC.**  
**AU-DELÀ DES FRONTIÈRES INC.**

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**ENSURING GLOBAL JUSTICE FOR CHILDREN**

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**Victim Impact Statement R. v Bakker**

**BEYOND BORDERS INC. /AU-DELÀ DES FRONTIÈRES INC. is a Canadian non-governmental organization founded in 1996 to be a voice for hyper vulnerable children sexually abused by Canadian child sex tourists. Beyond Borders in 1999 became the Canadian affiliate of a worldwide coalition of NGOs called ECPAT (END CHILD PROSTITUTION, CHILD PORNOGRAPHY, AND TRAFFICKING OF CHILDREN FOR SEXUAL PURPOSES). From Bangkok, Thailand ECPAT coordinates the work of NGOs in over 60 countries working to end the scourge of pedophiles from the developed world preying on very poor third world communities and their children for sexual gratification. These child victims can be very young and are often anonymous although visible in the sexual abuse imagery (child pornography) so often made as a souvenirs to take home by their abusers. The children live hidden away in alleys, cubby holes and brothels imprisoned in sexual slavery by merciless pimps and madams.**

**The short term impact of the sexual abuse of children trapped and used to service foreign sexual deviates are catastrophic. The long term ramifications are worse. Daily rape, disease, community shunning as throwaways result in sexual dysfunction, mental illness and premature death. Lives that begin as a nightmare, end a nightmare. Every right guaranteed by the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child is stripped as these children become sexual commodities for racist, economically powerful child sex tourists. The demand for children in order for foreigners to engage in acts of sexual perversion creates misery and complete degradation for the world's most vulnerable and youngest citizens.**

**On behalf of the child victims of Bakker, Beyond Borders asks that the Court accept this victim impact statement.**

**Respectfully submitted,  
Rosalind Prober and Mark Erik Hecht, co-founders Beyond Borders Inc.**