

AQ Requests Meeting with Premier Landry

Montreal, Thursday, March 8, 2001 - In a letter to Bernard Landry, the newly appointed premier of Quebec, Alliance Quebec has requested a meeting to review and discuss issues of particular concern to the English-speaking community, notably:

- Municipal mergers and their impact on acquired rights and bilingual status.
- Access to English language health and social services.
- Employment equity and youth development.
- Access to English language education.

“We hope to have an opportunity to meet with the new premier to remind him that he has a responsibility to represent all Quebecers,” said Darryl Levine, member of Alliance Quebec’s Executive Committee. “We want to stress the importance of revisiting recent reform initiatives and particularly Bill 170, the government’s omnibus municipal merger law, and Bill 171, which raises the threshold for bilingual status in Quebec and their impact on the English-speaking community.”

Alliance Quebec is a non-profit, community based organization committed to the preservation and enhancement of the English-speaking communities and its institutions within Quebec.