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**CFWWIRF UNVEILS SEASON 2, EPISODE #1, *THE CAMPS* WEBSERIES
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WINNIPEG, MANITOBA – January 5, 2017 – The Canadian First World War Internment Recognition Fund (CFWWIRF) announces release of Season 2 - Episode #1 of *The Camps* webseries located on the digital interactive map on its website - www.internmentcanada.ca.

Over 100 years ago the Fernie Internment Camp opened. Tom Uphill was elected as Fernie's mayor in 1915. Mayor Uphill personally did not feel that there was justification for the internment of Austro-Hungarians, and many of those that would be interned at Morrissey were personal friends of the Mayor's.

SYNOPSIS OF EPISODE #1 – Fernie, British Columbia

Daniel Ste-Marie recalls how he first stumbled upon the Internment camp in Fernie.

Link: <http://internmentcanada.ca/map.cfm> - Click on Fernie

The Camps is a Cross-Canada journey that looks at all 24 concentration camps in Canada when over 8,500 people were wrongfully imprisoned from 1914 - 1920. Hear from internee descendants, Archeologists, Scholars and Military on why these internment operations are relevant today, over 100 years later.

The CFWWIRF digital map also contains **over 6,000 digitized news articles** dating from 1914 to 1920 that describes the opinion of the time and presents the hardship unjustly endured by new immigrants who were invited to Canada and then had their civil and human rights taken away by the *War Measures Act*.

About CFWWIRF

The Canadian First World War Internment Recognition Fund (CFWWIRF) was established to support projects that commemorate and recognize the experiences of all of the ethno-cultural communities affected by Canada's first national internment operations of 1914 to 1920.

For more information on this webseries of the Canadian First World War Internment Recognition Fund contact the Program Manager, Andrea Malysh, toll free at 1-866-288-7931.

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