

treaty relationships. As well, indigenous treaties in Canada enjoy constitutional protection in the Canadian Constitution. However, although it may not be pertinent for the purposes of the study, there is a major distinction to be drawn between treaties in domestic law and treaties in international law. We do not dispute the fact that the James Bay Agreement, for example, is a treaty in domestic Canadian law. However, we do not accept that these treaties are treaties for the purposes of international law, as some have suggested.

Thank you, Mr. Chairman.