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Statements

## **Statement from the BC Federation of Labour regarding the tragic slaying of Winnipeg transit operator Irvine Jubal Fraser**

The BC Federation of Labour is voicing its concern that governments across Canada must do more to protect worker safety, after a Winnipeg bus driver was murdered in an attack by a passenger on February 14.

BCFED President Irene Lanzinger extends condolences to the family, friends, and co-workers of Irvine Jubal Fraser. The Amalgamated Transit Union member was stabbed at the last stop in his work day on Tuesday.

“Transit operators and all workers deserve more from governments and provincial compensation boards to ensure that they are safe on the job and can go home safely to their families at the end of each work day,” says Lanzinger.

“Whether it’s in Winnipeg or Victoria, we need stronger safety protections for workers, tougher enforcement, more rigorous inspections, and stiffer penalties for employers who’ve failed to keep their workers safe.”