

Fwd: NNTC: Summary Bullets for MMR 12pm w/ NNTC

From: Caul, Doug D IRR:EX <Doug.Caul@gov.bc.ca>
To: Rankin, Murray IRR:EX <Murray.Rankin@gov.bc.ca>, Yeung, Lucinda IRR:EX <Lucinda.Yeung@gov.bc.ca>
Cc: Melles, Jennifer IRR:EX <Jennifer.Melles@gov.bc.ca>, Banford, Alexandra R IRR:EX <Alexandra.Banford@gov.bc.ca>, Plank, Sarah EAO:EX <Sarah.Plank@gov.bc.ca>, French, Shawna IRR:EX <Shawna.French@gov.bc.ca>
Sent: July 9, 2021 11:25:43 AM PDT
Minister and Lucinda. FYI

Good summary Alexandra. Thank you
Dc

Doug Caul
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Ministry of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation

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To support the 12pm MMR conversation with Matt, draft summary bullets for consideration:

Summary bullets from 10am PST Fed/Prov call with NNTC Chief Matt Pasco:

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Thanks,
Alexandra

Alexandra Banford Chief Negotiator, South Area - Negotiations and Regional Operations Division | Ministry of
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Sorry Lucinda. Should've copied you as well.
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Here is the structure I propose. Next steps for discussion?

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Ref. 52992

July 11, 2021

Matthew Pasco
Tribal Chair
Nlaka'pamux Nation Tribal Council

Dear Chief Matthew Pasco:

This is a follow up to the July 10, 2021, letter from British Columbia and Canada outlining commitments to, and next steps with, Indigenous leadership regarding wildfire recovery and rail safety. As we have discussed and in acknowledgement of the specific impacts of the Lytton fire on the Lytton First Nation, we offer this letter to guide the next steps with the Nlaka'pamux Nation Tribal Council (NNTC) and the Lytton First Nation regarding recovery from the devastating fire.

We agree that our 2017 Political Accord on Advancing Recognition, Reconciliation, and Implementation of Title and Rights provides us with the appropriate framework for the next steps outlined below. As per the 2017 Accord, the foundation of the government-to-government relationship between British Columbia and NNTC is the recognition and implementation of Nlaka'pamux Nation title, rights, laws, and jurisdiction. All relations between British Columbia and NNTC, including the implementation of the actions in this letter, will be based on this foundation.

In addition, as per the *Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples Act*, the standards of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples will be fully implemented in all aspects of the relationship between British Columbia and NNTC including the implementation of the actions outline in this letter.

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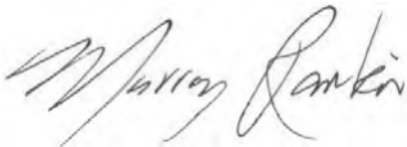
Together through this letter we confirm the following:

1. British Columbia and NNTC will form a leadership implementation table that will be responsible for overseeing implementation of this letter and ensuring progress is being made for the Lytton First Nation on recovery from the Lytton fire. The table will consist of Chief Matt Pasco, Chief Janet Webster, Minister Farnworth, and Minister Rankin. The table will be established upon confirmation of this letter and will meet on a mutually agreeable frequency.
2. British Columbia and NNTC will form an implementation coordination task force consisting of three representatives of the NNTC and three representatives of British Columbia. The task force will be responsible for developing and implementing workplans for each of the commitments in the July 10, 2021 letter and this letter and tracking the completion of immediate, near, medium, and long-term deliverables. The task force will begin work by July 13, 2021 and will provide regular updates to the leadership implementation table.
3. British Columbia will provide NNTC initial funding \$100,000 to begin implementation of the actions in this letter. British Columbia acknowledges that substantially more funding will be needed to "build back better" the damage NNTC communities, and in particular the Lytton First Nation. British Columbia and NNTC will coordinate with Canada regarding funding of these needs.
4. British Columbia and NNTC recognize that enhanced health supports, including mental health supports, are amongst the urgent needs for those members of NNTC affected by the fires. British Columbia and the NNTC will work with the First Nations Health Authority to develop a plan, including funding, that builds on the current and ongoing supports. The parties will develop the plan by July 20, 2021.
5. British Columbia and NNTC recommit to the full implementation of their Political Accord, and specifically all the commitments in section 6. The Parties mutually appoint Dr. Roshan Danesh, QC to facilitate the full implementation of section 6, including making recommendations to the leadership implementation table by September 30, 2021 on recommendations that include clear structures and processes between the parties for dealing with future emergencies.
6. British Columbia and NNTC recognize that addressing the emergency situation that has occurred will require structures, processes, actions, investments, and forms of co-operation that have not previously been in place between them, and that they will work together in new ways to address all disputes and disagreements that may arise in the implementation of this letter.

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7. British Columbia and NNTC will coordinate with Canada in the implementation of this letter.

In addition to the commitments of the July 10, 2021 letter, we confirm our mutual understandings of the actions outlined above by signing below.



Murray Rankin, QC
Minister of Indigenous Relations
and Reconciliation



Mike Farnworth
Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor
General

Chief Matthew Pasco
Nlaka'pamux Nation Tribal Council Chair

Chief Janet Webster
Lytton First Nation

Chief Douglas McIntyre
Skuppah First Nation

Chief Mike Campbell
Boothroyd First Nation

CC: The Honourable Carolyn Bennett
Minister of Crown-Indigenous Relations

The Honourable Marc Miller
Minister of Indigenous Services

Doug Caul, Deputy Minister
Ministry of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation

Rick Manwaring, Deputy Minister
Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development

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Christine Massey, Deputy Minister
Ministry of Mental Health and Addictions

Tara Richards, Deputy Minister
Emergency Management BC
Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General

Ref. 52992 - Letter from Ministers Rankin and Farnworth

From: Minister, IRR IRR:EX
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Cc: carolyn.bennett@canada.ca, Marc.Miller@canada.ca, Minister, PSSG PSSG:EX <PSSG.Minister@gov.bc.ca>, Caul, Doug D IRR:EX <Doug.Caul@gov.bc.ca>, Manwaring, Richard G FLNR:EX <Rick.G.Manwaring@gov.bc.ca>, Massey, Christine MMHA:EX <Christine.Massey@gov.bc.ca>, Richards, Tara R EMBC:EX <Tara.Richards@gov.bc.ca>
Sent: July 11, 2021 7:32:47 PM PDT
Attachments: 52992 - SIGNED.pdf
Good evening,

Please find attached a letter from Minister Murray Rankin and Minister Mike Farnworth. A physical letter will not follow.

Thank you,

Office of the Honourable Minister Rankin
Minister of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation
Ph: 250.953.4844 | E: IRR.Minister@gov.bc.ca

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Hi Murray,

Attached you will find the signature page of the letter. I have reached out to Marc Miller accepting Canada's side letter of July 11, 2021.

Matt Pasco

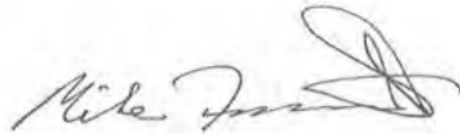
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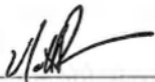
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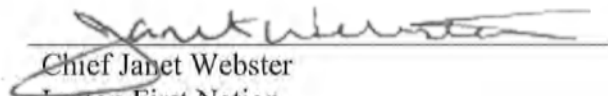
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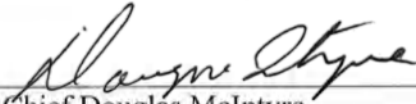
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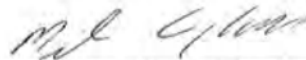
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Lytton: Letters

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Sent: July 12, 2021 3:58:23 PM PDT
Attachments: Nlaka'pamux Nation Tribal Council - signed.pdf, Saturday letters, NNTC/Lytton- BC letter
Hi all,

All letters now in one package:

- EMBC July 10th letters ('Saturday')
- BC letter (Sunday)
- Federal letter (Sunday)

Thanks,
Alexandra

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FYI: NNTC/Lytton- BC letter

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Sent: July 12, 2021 8:20:02 PM PDT
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Thanks,
Alexandra

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To: Ronmark, Tracy C FLNR:EX <Tracy.Ronmark@gov.bc.ca>
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Attachments: Nlaka'pamux Nation Tribal Council - signed.pdf, Saturday letters, NNTC/Lytton- BC letter

From: Banford, Alexandra R IRR:EX <Alexandra.Banford@gov.bc.ca>

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Subject: Lytton: Letters

Hi all,

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Thanks,
Alexandra

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From: Manuel, Jennifer IRR:EX
To: Sposato, Luigi IRR:EX <Luigi.Sposato@gov.bc.ca>
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Subject: Lytton: Letters

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Thanks,
Alexandra

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Nlaka'pamux Nation Tribal Council - signed.pdf

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Cc: Kristianson, Eric PREM:EX <Eric.Kristianson@gov.bc.ca>, Richards, Tara R EMBC:EX <Tara.Richards@gov.bc.ca>
Sent: July 12, 2021 7:51:58 AM PDT
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And the federal letter.
Dc

Doug Caul
Deputy Minister
Ministry of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation



July 11, 2021

Nlaka'pamux Nation Tribal Council

Nlaka'pamux Nation Tribal Council Office
1632 St. Georges Road
Box 430
Lytton, B.C. V0K 1Z0

nlakapamux@nntc.ca

Dear Chiefs:

We are writing on behalf of the Government of Canada, following the letter sent to the Nlaka'pamux Nation Tribal Council (NNTC) on July 10, 2021 (the Letter) and subsequent discussions held between Chief Pasco, on behalf of the NNTC, and Minister Miller.

We have reviewed the nine proposed commitments that you have sent for the Government of Canada and the NNTC, following the commitments in the Letter. We agree with the nature and direction of these proposed commitments, and, for some, have some further refinement that we are proposing. If you agree with these refinements, we can consider these commitments of the Government of Canada and the NNTC.

1. The foundation of the Nation-to-Nation relationship between Canada and NNTC is the recognition and implementation of Nlaka'pamux Nation title, rights, laws, and jurisdiction. All relations between Canada and NNTC, including the implementation of the Letter, will be based on this foundation.
2. The standards of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples will be fully implemented in all aspects of the relationship between Canada and NNTC including the implementation of the Letter.

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The Government of Canada agrees and shares these first two commitments.

3. Canada and NNTC will form a leadership implementation table that will be responsible for overseeing implementation of the Letter. The table will consist of Chief Matt Pasco, Chief Janet Webster, and Minister Marc Miller. The table will be established on July 11, 2021 and will touch base daily until decided otherwise by the table.

4. Canada and NNTC will form an implementation coordination task force consisting of three representatives of the NNTC and three representatives of Canada. The task force will be responsible for developing and implementing work plans for each of the commitments in the Letter and tracking the completion of immediate, near, medium, and long-term deliverables. The task force will begin work on July 11, 2021 and meet on a daily basis until directed otherwise by the leadership implementation table.

For the proposed third and fourth commitments, the Government of Canada agrees with setting up a leadership implementation table, led by either Minister Miller or Minister Bennett. The Government of Canada will appoint three representatives to be members of the task force to develop work plans for each commitment, as well as looking into the various MOUs or agreements with the goal of streamlining and ensuring progress and action. The work of the task force will be watched closely by the Minister to ensure progress and regular check-in. The first meeting with the NNTC and the Minister will be held the week of July 12, 2021, followed by the meeting of the task force.

5. Canada will provide NNTC initial funding of \$2,000,000 to begin implementation of the letter and support Lytton First Nation in immediate preliminary recovery needs. Canada acknowledges that substantially more funding will be needed to "build back better" the damage NNTC communities, and in particular the Lytton First Nation.

For the proposed fifth commitment, the Government of Canada agrees to provide initial funding of \$2,000,000 to begin implementation of the letter and support Lytton First Nation and other affected NNTC member First Nations in preliminary recovery needs and Canada recognizes that more will be required to build back better.

6. Canada and NNTC recognize that the damage resulting from the fires is creating a deepening humanitarian crisis for communities of the NNTC, including in particular interim housing needs, and will develop a plan and funding for interim housing for all affected individuals and families by Friday July 16, 2021.

In regards to the sixth proposed commitment, the Government of Canada is committed to supporting those who have lost their homes following the devastating fires, by funding interim housing as a temporary measure. The Government of Canada proposes to meet with the NNTC and community representatives on July 12, 2021 to discuss needs, details and the process to develop a plan. Canada will work with the First Nation's Recovery Manager or other designated representative(s) to support a damage assessment, which needs to be undertaken to develop the plan and needed funding for interim housing. The Government of Canada commits to work closely with the affected First Nations and the NNTC to develop the process by Wednesday July 14, 2021, with the plan to follow the damage assessment, respecting the lead of the First Nation.

7. Canada and NNTC will work to complete a comprehensive framework agreement by October 15, 2021 to guide the recognition and implementation of Nlaka'pamux title, rights, jurisdiction, and laws in their relationship.

For the seventh proposed commitment, the Government of Canada welcomes the opportunity to work with the NNTC on the recognition and implementation of Nlaka'pamux title, rights, jurisdiction, and laws. Canada, lead by CIRNAC in support of Minister Bennett, will work collaboratively with NNTC to develop a comprehensive framework agreement by October 15, 2021. To launch the work, an introductory meeting can be set up as soon as possible to discuss NNTC's vision, develop a work plan in order to determine the amount of support funding required, and to discuss the scheduling of future meetings.

8. Canada and NNTC recognize that addressing the emergency situation that has occurred will require structures, processes, actions, investments, and forms of co-operation that have not previously been in place between them, and that they will work together in new ways to address all disputes and disagreements that may arise in the implementation of the Letter.

The Government of Canada agrees with the proposed eighth commitment. The Leadership table and task force referenced above, as well as the investments we have committed to are important demonstrations of how we will work together to implement the Letter.

9. Canada and NNTC will coordinate with British Columbia in the implementation of this side letter.

The Government of Canada agrees with the ninth proposed commitment. The coordination on the implementation of these commitments will include the Government of Canada, NNTC and British Columbia.

As noted in the Letter, the Government of Canada is committed to strengthening the important relationship with the NNTC and moving forward together along the shared path to reconciliation. The commitments above, with Canada's responses, are important steps in building a path forward together.

We look forward to continuing to work with you, and would be available to discuss the next steps on these commitments.

Sincerely,



The Honourable Marc Miller, PC, MP
Indigenous Services Canada

The Honourable Carolyn Bennett, PC, MP
Crown-Indigenous Relations

Cc:

The Honourable Dominic LeBlanc, President of the Queen's Privy Council for Canada and Minister of Intergovernmental Affairs

The Honourable Mike Farnworth, Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General, Government of British Columbia

The Honourable Bill Blair, Minister of Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness

The Honourable Murray Rankin, Minister of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation

Saturday letters

From: Caul, Doug D IRR:EX
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Hi Christine- here are the Saturday letters on which Tara lead the work.

Dc

Doug Caul
Deputy Minister
Ministry of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation

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Cc: "Brownsey, Silas IGRS:EX" <Silas.Brownsey@gov.bc.ca>, "Zacharuk, Christina PREM:EX" <Christina.Zacharuk@gov.bc.ca>, "Kristianson, Eric PREM:EX" <Eric.Kristianson@gov.bc.ca>, "Bisson, Melissa (AADNC/AANDC)" <melissa.bisson@canada.ca>, "Wielinga, Anne (AADNC/AANDC)" <anne.wielinga@canada.ca>, "Peterson, Dave EMBC:EX" <Dave.Peterson@gov.bc.ca>, "Thomas, Lana (AADNC/AANDC)" <lane.thomas@canada.ca>, "De Sa, Caroline (AADNC/AANDC)" <caroline.desa@canada.ca>
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Final versions signed by both Ministers attached. They have all gone out. Tara, could I ask that you share with the Ministers in BC copied on these letters? We have done it on our end. Will keep you posted on reactions/responses. The Minister and I are making some calls tonight. Chris

From: Richards, Tara R EMBC:EX <Tara.Richards@gov.bc.ca>
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To: Roumeliotis, Eugenia (AADNC/AANDC) <eugenia.roumeliotis@canada.ca>; Fox, Christiane (AADNC/AANDC) <christiane.fox@canada.ca>; Westmacott, Chad (AADNC/AANDC) <chad.westmacott@canada.ca>
Cc: Brownsey, Silas IGRS:EX <Silas.Brownsey@gov.bc.ca>; Zacharuk, Christina PREM:EX <Christina.Zacharuk@gov.bc.ca>; Kristianson, Eric PREM:EX <Eric.Kristianson@gov.bc.ca>; Bisson, Melissa (AADNC/AANDC) <melissa.bisson@canada.ca>; Wielinga, Anne (AADNC/AANDC) <anne.wielinga@canada.ca>; Peterson, Dave EMBC:EX <Dave.Peterson@gov.bc.ca>; Thomas, Lana (AADNC/AANDC) <lana.thomas@canada.ca>; De Sa, Caroline (AADNC/AANDC) <caroline.desa@canada.ca>
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Signed by Minister Farnworth

Tara Richards

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Subject: RE: Signature needed: Written commitment document

Hi Tara,

Attached are the letters for signature - please let me know if there are any issues

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From: Fox, Christiane (AADNC/AANDC) <christiane.fox@canada.ca>
Sent: Saturday, July 10, 2021 8:45 PM
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Thanks Tara. Gene is sending them momentarily. Thank you.

From: Richards, Tara R EMBC:EX <Tara.Richards@gov.bc.ca>
Sent: Saturday, July 10, 2021 8:43 PM
To: Westmacott, Chad (AADNC/AANDC) <chad.westmacott@canada.ca>
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Yes I'm on standby to get Minister signature, please send directly to me

Tara

From: Westmacott, Chad (AADNC/AANDC) <chad.westmacott@canada.ca>
Sent: July 10, 2021 5:31 PM
To: Richards, Tara R EMBC:EX <Tara.Richards@gov.bc.ca>
Cc: Fox, Christiane (AADNC/AANDC) <christiane.fox@canada.ca>; Brownsey, Silas IGRS:EX <Silas.Brownsey@gov.bc.ca>; Zacharuk, Christina PREM:EX <Christina.Zacharuk@gov.bc.ca>; Kristianson, Eric PREM:EX <Eric.Kristianson@gov.bc.ca>; Roumeliotis, Eugenia (AADNC/AANDC) <eugenia.roumeliotis@canada.ca>; Bisson, Melissa (AADNC/AANDC) <melissa.bisson@canada.ca>; Wielinga, Anne (AADNC/AANDC) <anne.wielinga@canada.ca>; Peterson, Dave EMBC:EX <Dave.Peterson@gov.bc.ca>
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Hi Tara,

We are almost ready to send the letters for Minister Farnworth's signature. Eugenia will be sending them momentarily to you and we would like to get them signed and sent back very quickly so that our minister can sign and we can send them out in the next 30 minutes.

Can you confirm that this will work?

Thanks!

Chad

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From: "Westmacott, Chad (AADNC/AANDC)" <chad.westmacott@canada.ca>
Date: 2021-07-10 6:29 p.m. (GMT-05:00)
To: "Richards, Tara R EMBC:EX" <Tara.Richards@gov.bc.ca>
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Wonderful, thanks!

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Yes my minister has reviewed and our PO is coordinating signatures

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Thanks Tara. And any confirmation re Minister Farnworth okay for us to send out?

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Date: 2021-07-10 6:12 p.m. (GMT-05:00)
To: "Westmacott, Chad (AADNC/AANDC)" <chad.westmacott@canada.ca>, "Fox, Christiane (AADNC/AANDC)" <christiane.fox@canada.ca>
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Hi Chad, I alerted Christine that there is an addition. We understand Minister Miller's office is waiting for this. This is the final from BC. Apologies and appreciate your patience

From: Westmacott, Chad (AADNC/AANDC) <chad.westmacott@canada.ca>
Sent: July 10, 2021 2:54 PM
To: Richards, Tara R EMBC:EX <Tara.Richards@gov.bc.ca>; Fox, Christiane (AADNC/AANDC) <christiane.fox@canada.ca>
Cc: Peterson, Dave EMBC:EX <Dave.Peterson@gov.bc.ca>; Brownsey, Silas IGRS:EX <Silas.Brownsey@gov.bc.ca>; Zacharuk, Christina PREM:EX <Christina.Zacharuk@gov.bc.ca>; Kristianson, Eric PREM:EX <Eric.Kristianson@gov.bc.ca>; Roumeliotis, Eugenia (AADNC/AANDC) <eugenia.roumeliotis@canada.ca>
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Tara and Dave,

Can you confirm that Minister Farnworth is aware and fine that we send the letter on his behalf?
Thanks

Chad

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Date: 2021-07-10 4:53 p.m. (GMT-05:00)
To: "Fox, Christiane (AADNC/AANDC)" <christiane.fox@canada.ca<mailto:christiane.fox@canada.ca>>, "Westmacott, Chad (AADNC/AANDC)" <chad.westmacott@canada.ca<mailto:chad.westmacott@canada.ca>>
Cc: "Peterson, Dave EMBC:EX" <Dave.Peterson@gov.bc.ca<mailto:Dave.Peterson@gov.bc.ca>>, "Brownsey, Silas IGRS:EX" <Silas.Brownsey@gov.bc.ca<mailto:Silas.Brownsey@gov.bc.ca>>, "Zacharuk, Christina PREM:EX" <Christina.Zacharuk@gov.bc.ca<mailto:Christina.Zacharuk@gov.bc.ca>>, "Kristianson, Eric PREM:EX" <Eric.Kristianson@gov.bc.ca<mailto:Eric.Kristianson@gov.bc.ca>>
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One minor edit to add missing word in bullet five, filled in BC Ministers and Minister Farnworth signature block. That's all from our side

Thanks Chris

Tara

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Yes, we will CC Ministers Blair, Alghabra, McKenna, Bennett and LeBlanc (IGA).

Here is the latest (and hopefully final) version.

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Sent: Saturday, July 10, 2021 4:18 PM
To: Westmacott, Chad (AADNC/AANDC)
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Subject: RE: Written commitment document

Are you cc'ing your Ministers? If so we could include

Minister Katrine Conroy
Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development

Minister Murray Rankin
Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation

Minister Farnworth's signature block is:

Minister Mike Farnworth
Public Safety and Solicitor General

From: Westmacott, Chad (AADNC/AANDC)
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Tara,

Do you have any Ministers that you want CC'd? and do we have the signature block correct for Minister Farnworth?

Thanks!

Chad

From: Fox, Christiane (AADNC/AANDC) <christiane.fox@canada.ca<mailto:christiane.fox@canada.ca>>
Sent: Saturday, July 10, 2021 4:08 PM
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Chad (AADNC/AANDC) <chad.westmacott@canada.ca<mailto:chad.westmacott@canada.ca>>
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OK, we will add these changes to what our Minister's changes were + include a few TC edits. New version to come.

From: Richards, Tara R EMBC:EX <Tara.Richards@gov.bc.ca<mailto:Tara.Richards@gov.bc.ca>>
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Chad (AADNC/AANDC) <chad.westmacott@canada.ca<mailto:chad.westmacott@canada.ca>>
Subject: RE: Written commitment document

Here are out hopefully final edits (disregard green highlight)

From: Fox, Christiane (AADNC/AANDC) <christiane.fox@canada.ca<mailto:christiane.fox@canada.ca>>
Sent: July 10, 2021 12:51 PM
To: Richards, Tara R EMBC:EX <Tara.Richards@gov.bc.ca<mailto:Tara.Richards@gov.bc.ca>>
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Minister Miller has made some revisions so new version to come ASAP.
Sent from my iPhone

On Jul 10, 2021, at 3:20 PM, Fox, Christiane (AADNC/AANDC)
<christiane.fox@canada.ca<mailto:christiane.fox@canada.ca>> wrote:

Hi,
Here is the NEW version, including EMBC's additions.
Let me know if this works.
Chris

From: Richards, Tara R EMBC:EX <Tara.Richards@gov.bc.ca<mailto:Tara.Richards@gov.bc.ca>>
Sent: Saturday, July 10, 2021 3:02 PM
To: Fox, Christiane (AADNC/AANDC) <christiane.fox@canada.ca<mailto:christiane.fox@canada.ca>>
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Chad (AADNC/AANDC) <chad.westmacott@canada.ca<mailto:chad.westmacott@canada.ca>>
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Importance: High

Hi Chris

Comments back from BC officials on the draft commitment doc provided this morning. If you hopefully incorporate any revisions back and the pending updates from Public Safety Canada that weren't in the first draft provided this morning

Please call if you wish to discuss s.17

Thanks.

Tara

From: Westmacott, Chad (AADNC/AANDC)

<chad.westmacott@canada.ca<<mailto:chad.westmacott@canada.ca>>>

Sent: July 10, 2021 7:25 AM

To: Peterson, Dave EMBC:EX <Dave.Peterson@gov.bc.ca<<mailto:Dave.Peterson@gov.bc.ca>>>

Subject: Written commitment document

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Hi Dave,

Following up on our discussion yesterday, attached you will find a draft of the letter of written commitments for EMBC review. This draft has been reviewed by our DM and she is comfortable with it, but note that changes could come from other DMs as it is circulated federally.

s.16

Happy to take any comments you may have and will integrate them in. We are under lots of pressure on timing, so anything that you can provide promptly would be appreciated!

Happy to chat as well if easier. My number is below.

Password to follow.

Thanks!

Chad

Merci, Thank you, Miigwetch, Marsi, Nakumik,

Chad Westmacott (he/him | il/lui)

Sous-ministre adjoint par intérim | Acting Assistant Deputy Minister

Opérations Régionales | Regional Operations

Services aux Autochtones | Indigenous Services

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July 10, 2021

First Nations Summit Society
First Nation Leadership Council

ccasimer@fns.bc.ca
rphillips@fns.bc.ca
lhwitsum@fns.bc.ca

Dear Cheryl Casimer, Robert Phillips and Lydia Hwitsum:

We are writing on behalf of the governments of Canada and British Columbia, following recent discussions in regards to the wildfires in British Columbia that have been devastating for your communities and families. At this critical moment, it is imperative that we listen to the voices of Indigenous leaders, such as that of the First Nation Leadership Council, and engage meaningfully on a path forward that respects Indigenous peoples needs and priorities.

Over the past few days, government representatives and officials from Canada and British Columbia have met with you and other First Nation leaders impacted by the fires. Discussions have been about the concerns around the emergency response, cause of this fire, and how we can work together to improve the response and preparedness process. We are committed to working with you and other First Nation leaders to improve the experience in the short term, and working over the longer term for better outcomes.

In those discussions we heard clear concerns regarding safe rail operations, which are especially important in the context of extreme weather conditions, and the Government of Canada is taking immediate actions to address the concerns of communities that live and work near rail lines.

Transport Canada has issued a Ministerial Order to cease movement of trains between Kamloops and Boston Bar, British Columbia for 48 hours ending midnight local time Saturday July 10. This was done in the interest of safe railway operations and to protect public safety for the temporary return of residents to inspect their homes in Lytton. To address the concerns regarding risks to community safety from rail operations in extreme weather conditions, Transport Canada will be issuing a new Ministerial Order requiring railways take additional measures to further protect against wildfires in the

context of extreme weather conditions. Key provisions of this order will take effect at midnight local time Saturday (at the same moment the order to cease train operations expires). It will require railways to take additional actions to reduce fire risk and increase their capacity to immediately respond to any fire in the context of extreme weather conditions and fire risk. It will include targeted speed restrictions, increased equipment inspections and staging and deployment of additional fire prevention equipment for more rapid response to any fire along the right of way.

Transport Canada is committed to build on recent discussions with Indigenous leadership and local communities to develop a sustained structured process for engagement and consultations on issues related to rail safety and the impacts of rail operations on communities. As a first step, Transport Canada has invited First Nations representatives to participate in a live demonstration of the department's inspections of track and rail equipment in the area with Transport Canada rail safety experts. In the coming days we will follow up with sustained consultations on these issues, including a focused engagement with Indigenous groups, and local communities, along with CN and CP, on additional actions that can be taken to ensure safe rail operations in the context of the extreme weather conditions being seen in the region.

There are a number of investigations ongoing into the tragic Lytton area fire, led by the following agencies: BC Wildfire Services, BC Coroner's Office, the RCMP, and the Transportation Safety Board of Canada. We recognize the importance of trust and confidence in these investigations. Given the independence of these agencies from the governments of Canada and British Columbia, we will encourage these agencies to include processes where First Nation and local government voices are able to be heard.

To address other concerns raised by you and other First Nation leaders, the governments of Canada and British Columbia commit to the following:

- To continue to work with First Nation leaders on concrete steps in the short term to improve the emergency response process, especially around increasing communication and coordinating communication during emergencies.
- To immediately fund initial supports directly to affected households to help them get through this challenging time. We also acknowledge the importance of mental health supports and will work with you to identify how best to meet these needs.
- Recognizing the expertise of the First Nations' Emergency Services Society (FNESS), we will provide support to the Society for immediate surge capacity to deliver greater emergency response and preparedness, such as FireSmart programming, which is especially important since the risk of wildfires remains. Specifically, through its Emergency Management Assistance Program, Indigenous Services Canada will also provide a requested \$1.8 million in additional funding to FNESS to increase the ability of this experienced emergency management partner to respond to this wildfire season. Indigenous Services Canada will also provide requested funding of \$248,000 to the First

Nations Leadership Council (FNLC), to be divided equally among the organizations (the British Columbia Assembly of First Nations, First Nations Summit and Union of British Columbia Indian Chiefs) to address immediate response needs for the 2021 wildfire season.

- To supporting affected First Nations to identify and address the infrastructure needs resulting from damages sustained during the wildfires. We are committed to working closely and in partnership with both Indigenous and non-Indigenous communities to not only build back the infrastructure destroyed by the wildfires, but to build back better.
- To develop a longer-term approach in partnership that recognizes the benefits and expertise of First Nation leadership in Emergency Management by continuing the work identified in the MOU with the First Nations Leadership Council to develop a tripartite agreement on emergency management in British Columbia. Where local communities wish to undertake work to develop emergency management capacity and partnerships, we stand ready to undertake this work together. We recognize the need to work together as equal partners in order for no community to be left behind.
- To work with the First Nation Emergency Services Society to examine the core funding necessary for the Society and First Nations to be able to deliver emergency preparedness and response as identified in that tripartite agreement.
- To support these commitments above, Public Safety Canada is committed to working with First Nations to determine how it can best provide supports to federal, provincial and First Nation partners. Given the unprecedented risks that exist in British Columbia, these efforts will require a focus toward proactive prevention and mitigation efforts and forward-looking recovery measures. Public Safety Canada stands ready to support efforts to move forward on emergency preparedness, especially for First Nations that are at risk in the immediate fire season. Public Safety Canada is also ready to support building back better – with a view on how to better prepare for the kinds of wildfire risks seen already, so as to be better protected in the future.

We also want to be clear that we heard you when you discussed with officials about being directly contacted and communicated with. We are strongly committed to on-going discussions and engagements directly with you – the members of the First Nation Leadership Council – on the items above. Our governments are aligned to work with First Nation communities to specifically ensure that there are no jurisdictional issues that hinder progress on the commitments noted in this letter.

The governments of Canada and British Columbia are committed to strengthening the important relationship with Indigenous peoples and moving forward together along the shared path of reconciliation. We are committed to working to advance reconciliation and renew the relationship with Indigenous peoples based on affirmation of rights, respect, cooperation and partnership. It is important that we find new ways of working together so we can build a path forward together.

In closing, we want to thank First Nations Leadership and organizations for the care and dedication they are focusing on communities. We look forward to continuing to work with you and other First Nation Leadership to address the commitments outlined in this letter to ensure that we advance together toward a better emergency preparedness and response.

Sincerely,

A stylized, handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a large, flowing loop followed by a horizontal stroke.

The Honourable Marc Miller, PC, MP
Indigenous Services of Canada
Government of Canada

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mike Farnworth" with a stylized flourish at the end.

Minister Mike Farnworth
Public Safety and Solicitor General
Government of British Columbia

Cc:

The Honourable Carolyn Bennett, Minister of Crown-Indigenous Relations

The Honourable Dominic LeBlanc, President of the Queen's Privy Council for Canada
and Minister of Intergovernmental Affairs

The Honourable Catherine McKenna, Minister of Infrastructure and Communities

The Honourable Bill Blair, Minister of Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness

The Honourable Omar Alghabra, Minister of Transport

The Honourable Katrine Conroy, Minister of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource
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The Honourable Murray Rankin, Minister of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation

The Honourable Rob Fleming, Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure



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July 10, 2021

Nlaka'pamux Nation Bands Coalition

Dear Chiefs:

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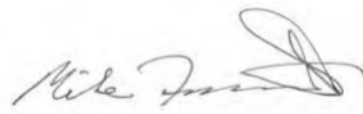
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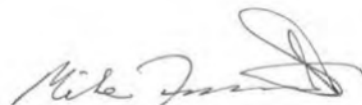
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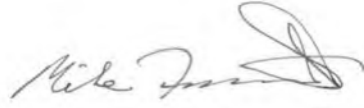
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Cc: Manuel, Jennifer IRR:EX <Jennifer.Manuel@gov.bc.ca>
Sent: August 18, 2021 1:34:43 PM PDT
Attachments: NNTC/Lytton- BC letter, Nlaka'pamux Nation Tribal Council - signed.pdf
Hold off until we get the green light....

Luigi Sposato

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NNTC/Lytton- BC letter

From: Caul, Doug D IRR:EX <Doug.Caul@gov.bc.ca>
To: Wanamaker, Lori PREM:EX <Lori.Wanamaker@gov.bc.ca>
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Sent: July 12, 2021 7:50:55 AM PDT
Attachments: 52992 - SIGNED.pdf
Here is our letter from yesterday Lori. Good team effort.

Dc

Doug Caul
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NNTC: Lytton Recovery Leadership table - request for Ministers call with Chief Pasco

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Sent: August 26, 2021 1:49:09 PM PDT
Good afternoon Lucinda and Devon,

As part of the priority dialogue with NNTC on Lytton wildfire recovery, NNTC Chief Pasco has requested a call with Ministers Rankin and Farnworth in order to keep the Leadership Table dialogue (as per Lytton Recovery Commitment Letter) open and active. Tom and Jennifer support this meeting request, alongside EMBC and FLNRORD (as per email below).

If supportive, I would suggest MIRR MO reach out to Minister Farnworth MO on scheduling, and then to NNTC via Chief Pasco to confirm a date & time that will work for a call.
I'm happy to support as needed.

MIRR, EMBC and EMBC staff will coordinate on a joint Minister briefing note if there is approval to proceed with this proposed call with NNTC.
Happy to discuss further.

Thanks,
Alexandra

From: Rasmussen, Paul FLNR:EX <Paul.Rasmussen@gov.bc.ca>
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Importance: High

Hello Tom and Kathryn (acting for ADM Dave P).

I just got off the weekly Lytton recovery implementation task force team call (was chairing today, for Dave).

On the call, NNTC Tribal Chair Matt Pasco asked that Ministers Rankin and Farnworth reach out to Matt, to have a quick conversation / update on progress related to the province's commitments in the July 11 letters. Chair Pasco asked for a call "this week".

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I suggest EMBC could likely put a quick briefing note together (based on the latest calls) to support any call the Ministers may choose to make to Matt on this.

BULLETS

DATE: September 2, 2021

PREPARED FOR: Honourable Murray Rankin, Minister

REGARDING: September 2th Lytton Wildfire Recovery Leadership Table status call with Nlaka'pamux Nation Tribal Council (NNTC) Tribal Chief Matt Pasco, Lytton First Nation Chief Janet Webster, and Honourable Mike Farnworth

SUMMARY:

- The Nlaka'pamux Nation Tribal Council is a governing entity who represents the interests for four (4) Nlaka'pamux First Nation: Boothroyd, Lytton, Oregon Jack Creek, and Skuppah.
- As an initial response to the catastrophic Lytton wildfire, on July 11, 2021 BC and Canada respectively signed Commitment Letters with NNTC outlining immediate actions the parties would take together on fire recovery and rail safety – including the establishment of an Implementation Coordination Task Force to develop and implement work plans for the Commitment Letters (Commitment #1). The Implementation Task Force reports up to the Chiefs to Ministers Leadership Implementation Table (Commitment #2).
- The NNTC-BC-Canada Coordination Task Force has been meeting on a weekly basis since August 6th. A Terms of Reference has been drafted, membership has been confirmed, and the Task Force is now in the process of establishing three working groups to carry out key commitments identified in the Letters: 'Build Back Better', Comprehensive Framework (Canada), and Political Accord commitments (BC).
- The Province has flowed \$100K in funding to NNTC as well as \$100K in funding to First Nations Emergency Support Services (FNESS) as part of initial commitments. Canada has also provided NNTC with initial funding of \$2M to begin implementation of their Commitment Letter and support Lytton First Nation in immediate recovery needs

• s.12; s.16

- There are clear and direct linkages between the Task Force's proposed 'Political Accord working group' and existing, long term MIRR-led G2G efforts with NNTC. MIRR staff recommend that Commitment Letter priorities relating to the Political Accord are routed to these G2G existing tables, thereby mitigating the risk of duplication and dilution of effort with NNTC.
 - This proposed routing also reflects Chief Pasco's preferred approach.

SPEAKING POINTS:

- [*Territorial Acknowledgement*]
- I would like to start by acknowledging the ongoing devastation and impacts Lytton First Nation and Nlaka'pamux communities continue to face in the wake of the wildfire. I can only begin to imagine how distressing the situation continues to be for community members, and my thoughts are with all those affected.
- I would also like to recognize the tremendous commitment our teams have made over this past month in standing up the Implementation Task Force and digging into the complex recovery work planning. This is a monumental task, and one that will take an incredible amount of discipline, compassion, and partnership together.
- I am grateful that we were able to find time to connect today. As we agreed to in the Commitment Letter, coming together as a Leadership Implementation Table is vital for us to support the pace and direction of the Task Force, and address issues and

challenges quickly. Minister Farnworth and I are deeply committed to keeping the lines of communication open with you through this Leadership Implementation Table, and to stay closely connected as this recovery work starts to take shape.

- In addition to the critical recovery work planning efforts with EMBC, my Ministry will have a lead role in advancing our shared Political Accord commitments. I understand there are existing G2G tables that MIRR leads with partner ministries (EMLI, FLNRORD, EAO), where there are active and ongoing discussions regarding Political Accord implementation.
- We are committed to ensuring that immediate Accord priorities, including concluding a renewed Land & Resource Decision Making Agreement and pursuing economic development initiatives are key trust-building activities. My staff are currently working with ministry partners to prepare for more detailed conversation with you on these commitments.
- I recognize the federal election may delay some of our tripartite recovery efforts for the next few months. I am committed to continuing to work closely with my federal counterparts to ensure recovery work on the ground does not get impacted.
- Thank you for the time and conversation today. This is a critically important partnership and I look forward to our next conversation. I hope you all have a safe and relaxing Labour Day long weekend.

APPENDICES:

1. EMBC BN for Honourable Minister Farnworth
2. EMBC Proposed Speaking Points for Minister Farnworth

RE: Board Package

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Hi, I think Jenn inadvertently attached the wrong letters where she intended to attach the 2 commitment letters. The correct letters are attached.

Thanks
Krista

From: Manuel, Jennifer IRR:EX <Jennifer.Manuel@gov.bc.ca>
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Good Afternoon.

Please find attached all of the relevant documents for tomorrow's Board meeting. Please note that there has been some adjustments to the agenda and the timeslots – so if you were planning to dial in for specific portion of the agenda please double check that.

Attached you will find the updated Key Actions and the CFA Workplan for the Action Items Review, the Commitment letters referenced at the last meeting as important foundational documents, a Board Report on TMEP Arch Permits for board discussion on recommendations, and the proposed process for the TMEP WAR permits for Board endorsement.

Looking forward to a productive meeting tomorrow.

Thanks
Jenn M

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Re: July 11 commitment letters from NNTC

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Yes, thanks Matt.

Jenn, may I ask that you flip both the prov & fed July letters to Matt?

Thanks,
Alexandra

On Nov 15, 2021, at 1:59 PM, Howie, Matthew IRR:EX <Matthew.Howie@gov.bc.ca> wrote:

Hi Alexandra,

5 ministries just received FNLG meeting requests from NNTC re: July 11 commitment letters. I can't find them in cliff.

Do you have the letter(s) they're referring to? I need to send that to the ministries to inform their meeting topics. Thanks!

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