From: Bain, Don PREM:EX

Sent: Wednesday, February 21, 2018 2:57 PM

To: Meggs, Geoff PREM:EX

Re s.22 Subject:

Thank you Geoff. I really appreciate it.

I am glad that I made the decision I did and I am happy to be a part of the team we have assembled.

Don

Sent from my iPhone

On Feb 21, 2018, at 2:13 PM, Meggs, Geoff PREM:EX <Geoff.Meggs@gov.bc.ca> wrote:

Don, s.22 . I know the Premier is very appreciative

of your decision to take on the position of special advisor – I make sure he hears about tomorrow's

event

Best wishes

Geoff

#### **GEOFF MEGGS**

Chief of Staff, Office of the Premier West Annex, Parliament Buildings, 501 Belleville St, Victoria, BC V8V 2L8

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From: Bain, Don PREM:EX

Sent: Friday, February 23, 2018 8:34 AM

To: 'lianne@ecotrust.ca'
Cc: Szabo, Maria PREM:EX

Subject: RE: Agenda & Map: Fisheries for Communities Gathering, February 23, 2018

Good morning Lianne,

I am sorry, I will not be able to attend today's gathering.

I would like to arrange a future date to meet with you regarding the issues raised on today's agenda.

Lastly, I request any materials from today's presentations.

Sincerely,

Don Bain | Special Advisor

Vancouver Cabinet Office | Office of the Premier

P;s.17 | E: don.bain@gov.bc.ca

From: Szabo, Maria PREM:EX

Sent: Thursday, February 22, 2018 8:42 PM

To: Bain, Don PREM:EX

Subject: Fwd: Agenda & Map: Fisheries for Communities Gathering, February 23, 2018

More info for tomorrow!

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From: "Ecotrust Canada" < noreply@eventbrite.com>

**Date:** February 22, 2018 at 7:30:10 PM PST

To: maria.szabo@gov.bc.ca

Subject: Agenda & Map: Fisheries for Communities Gathering, February 23, 2018

Reply-To: lianne@ecotrust.ca

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From: Bain, Don PREM:EX

Sent: Tuesday, February 20, 2018 6:29 PM

To: Sas, Jonathan IRR:EX; Sam, Anne-Marie IRR:EX; Papik, Stephanie PREM:EX; Farmer, Leila

PREM:EX; Oreck, Mira PREM:EX; Kingston, Charlotte PREM:EX; Hannah, Matt GCPE:EX;

Aaron, Sage PREM:EX

**Subject:** FYI: B.C. BUDGET 2018 Summary: IMPACTS TO B.C. FIRST NATIONS **Attachments:** FNLC BC Budget Summary - Feb 20 2018.pdf; ATT00001.htm

Initial summary sent to all First Nations leadership this afternoon.

Begin forwarded message:

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From: Rachel Singleton-Polster < rachel@ubcic.bc.ca>

Date: 2018-02-20 5:14 PM (GMT-08:00)

To: Rachel Singleton-Polster < rachel@ubcic.bc.ca>

Subject: B.C. BUDGET 2018 Summary: IMPACTS TO B.C. FIRST NATIONS

# B.C. BUDGET 2018 Summary: IMPACTS TO B.C. FIRST NATIONS

Tuesday, February 20, 2018- FIRST NATIONS LEADERSHIP COUNCIL

#### **BACKGROUND**

The B.C. budget was tabled February 20, 2018. The budget, titled 'Working for You,' is driven by the government's election campaign pledge to 'make life more affordable,' 'improve the services people count on,' and to 'build a strong, sustainable economy'. These themes are apparent throughout the budget documents and the Minister of Finance has stated that the 2018 budget is about the 'people'.

The Economic Forecast Council (EFC) expects B.C.'s real GDP to grow by 2.5 per cent in 2018 and 2.2 per cent in 2019. B.C.'s economic growth is expected to outperform Canada's in the coming years. Risks on the downside for B.C.'s economic outlook include U.S. Trade Policy uncertainty and ongoing economic challenges in Asia and Europe.

With respect to First Nations, the B.C. Government stated their commitment to working with Indigenous peoples to "carve a path toward reconciliation". The B.C. Government has promised to achieve its reconciliation commitments (including the full implementation of the United Nations *Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples* (UNDRIP), the Truth and Reconciliation (TRC) Calls to Action, and the historic Tsilhqot'in Supreme Court Decision) in a manner that is both transformative and collaborative. B.C.'s stated core tenet to implementing this vision is ensuring that Indigenous peoples are "deeply and directly involved in all aspects of the development of any strategy, program, policy or legislation that may affect them."

The Throne Speech promised action to reduce the socio-economic gaps between Indigenous and non-Indigenous British Columbians and Budget 2018 takes a first step in this direction with an investment of \$53 million this year for Indigenous housing, culturally-based Indigenous child care, a continuation of the Indigenous Skills Training Program, and support for Indigenous languages and reconciliation work. This will increase to \$97 million next year and is projected to go up to \$81 million in 2020/21.

#### **SUMMARY**

The areas of focus for Budget 2018 as it relates to resources for Indigenous peoples are housing, child care, and skills training. Budget 2018 allocates more than \$200 million for these priorities over the fiscal plan (2018/19 - 2020/21):

- includes \$30 million in funding to expand culturally-based Indigenous child care (federal and provincial contribution);
- includes \$158 million for 1,750 new units of supportive housing for Indigenous people (developed in partnership with Indigenous housing societies and First Nations);
- includes \$30 million in investments for the Indigenous Skills Training Development Fund (intended for training and solidifying partnerships between industry and provincial, federal, and First Nation governments);
- Aboriginal Friendship Centres will also receive \$6 million in funding over three years to "improve upon the important education, job training, health and cultural services delivered to urban Indigenous residents in communities across the province;"
- includes \$50 million for Language revitalization/preservation funding which will "flow immediately."
- contains \$1.37 billion in 2019/20 and \$1.25 billion in 2020/21 in funding available for priority spending initiatives to be developed for future budgets such as Government's reconciliation commitments to Indigenous peoples, and to accommodate budgetary pressures such as caseload growth and new compensation mandate costs.

Budget 2018 is an improvement from the 2017 Budget and September Budget Update, insofar as a number of significant investments will be of direct and indirect positive benefit to B.C. First Nations. Notwithstanding, a number of items are not specifically referenced in the Budget. Among these items are: funding for the Commitment Document, funding for the Leadership Accord, and revenues stemming from the legalization of recreational cannabis.

More needs to be done to improve the safety of Indigenous women and girls. Poverty and lack of affordable housing are resulting in many Indigenous children being apprehended by child protection authorities and separated from their communities and their roots. Supporting children and families in their communities is a more holistic solution to these problems, and it would be more cost-effective in the long run. Expanding public transportation options and accessibility along the Highway of Tears are long-overdue.

#### APPENDIX A: BUDGET 2018 MEASURES AFFECTING FIRST NATIONS

#### **LANGUAGES**

B.C. will be supporting the revitalization of Indigenous languages across the province through \$50 million in funding from the 2017/18 fiscal year to the First Peoples' Cultural Council. This funding will flow immediately.

#### ABORIGINAL FRIENDSHIP CENTRES

A total of \$6 million over the fiscal plan period is provided to the Ministry of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation to increase funding to Aboriginal Friendship Centres. There are 25 of these facilities in the province that are members of the BC Association of Aboriginal Friendship Centres. This funding will allow these organizations to improve upon the important education, job training, health and cultural services delivered to urban Indigenous residents in communities across the province.

#### **JUSTICE**

Government is committed to building a justice system that works and supports fair access to justice for all British Columbians. Budget 2018 provides \$51 million over three years to improve access to justice as follows:

- \$26 million to the Legal Services Society for the expansion of legal aid service delivery, including Indigenous, family law and duty counsel services;
- \$15 million to increase the number of court sheriffs and increase staffing of the Court Services Branch to address court delays; and
- \$10 million for Ministry of Attorney General initiatives related to family dispute resolution services and increasing digital access to justice services, especially for people living in rural and remote communities.

Previous NDP commitment: 2017 BC Aboriginal Justice Council strategy MOU \$400,000 over two years to jointly support the Council's strategy.

#### CHILD WELFARE AND CHILD CARE

Approximately \$11 million of the \$26 million in funding provided to the Legal Services Society (see 'Justice') will support the expansion of the Parents Legal Centre to additional communities, consistent with the recommendations from the Grand Chief Ed John Report on Indigenous Child Welfare. The Parents Legal Centre, currently in Vancouver and launching soon in Surrey, helps parents resolve child protection matters earlier through legal information and advice as well as through access to collaborative processes such as mediation.

The Province and the Government of Canada have agreed to a new Early Learning and Child Care (ELCC) funding agreement. Under the agreement, the federal government will provide BC with an additional \$153 million over three years beginning in 2017/18 to support a three-year action plan that is complementary to the Government's vision for a universal child care system. ELCC includes \$30 million (\$10 million 2017/18; \$10 million 2018/19; \$10 million 2019/20) allocated to expand culturally-based Indigenous child care.

#### **GAMING**

The Budget makes specific reference to gaming revenue sharing as it relates to Indigenous people, citing the Mandate Letters of Min. James and Min. Fraser; however, a specific number is not included. There is a reference that \$252 million (or 20% of distribution paid to Government by BC Lottery Corp (BCLC)) of gaming income will be shared with "charities and local governments." It is unclear whether the sharing of revenues with First Nations will come out of this 20% of revenues.

#### HOUSING

Budget 2018 represents the beginning of the most significant provincial investment ever made in housing. Government will invest more than \$1.6 billion in operating and capital funding over three years to build and maintain affordable rental housing, introduce a new student housing program for public post-secondary institutions, increase rental assistance supports to low income seniors and working families who rent in the private market, and provide supportive housing for at-risk and vulnerable British Columbians.

#### Of this total investment:

- Over the next three years (2018/19 to 2020/21), Government is investing \$155 million towards the construction of 1,750 new units of supportive housing for Indigenous peoples. This housing will be developed in partnership with Indigenous housing societies and First Nations;
- As housing projects complete, additional funding will be provided for ongoing operating costs and support services. This funding will increase significantly over ten years as more housing units are built. \$24 million over three years will support the initial ongoing operating costs for affordable rental housing, housing for Indigenous peoples and the additional 4,000 new capital-funded supportive housing units described below. In addition, \$8 million over three years will help enhance local government capacity to assess and respond to community housing needs (assuming \$3 million related to housing for Indigenous people will be added under "additional funding", totaling to \$158 million).

These housing investments will be monitored and reviewed to evaluate progress in order to consider additional measures and funding that may be required to meet Government's commitment to help build 114,000 units of affordable market rental, non-profit, co-op, supportive and owner-purchased housing in partnership with local governments, the federal government, Indigenous peoples, the non-profit and for-profit sectors, and faith groups.

#### LAND USE PLANNING

Budget 2018 allocates \$16 million to Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations & Rural Development and other ministries (not specified) to modernize land use planning through engagement and collaboration with Indigenous peoples, governments, communities, stakeholders, and industry.

#### MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTIONS

Federal: as described in Budget 2017 Update, the Government of Canada and the Province agreed to new targeted federal funding for investments in home and community care, and mental

health and addictions services funding. This was added to the Ministry of Health budget in Budget 2017 Update, and sums to \$171 million over the next three years. It will be directed towards strengthening mental health and addictions services capacity in primary care, schools, vulnerable populations, and Indigenous communities.

#### SKILLS TRAINING/POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION

The Ministry of Advanced Education will engage and collaborate with Indigenous communities and partners on ways to ensure post-secondary education and training is responsive to the needs of Indigenous communities and learners. Part of these efforts will include determining appropriate measures and baselines to assess progress toward this objective.

The Indigenous Skills Training Development Fund (intended for training and solidifying partnerships between industry and provincial, federal, and First Nation governments) will receive \$30 million over three years. Projects will be led by Indigenous communities who identify labour market opportunities and work with accredited training providers to deliver appropriate training.

Budget 2018 further allocates \$2 million for the creation of an Indigenous Law Program at the University of Victoria.

#### **EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT**

Budget 2018 allocates \$50 million over three years for wildfire preparation and response. A further \$22 million over three years "to assist rural and Indigenous communities to repair natural resource values in response to the wildfire events of 2017."

#### CLIMATE CHANGE AND ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

One of the key priorities of the Minister of Environment and Climate Change Strategy is to pursue "collaborative opportunities with First Nations on existing projects and broader policy or legislative means to revitalize the EA process." The budget for the BC EAO marginally increased this fiscal year to \$11,902,000 from \$11,870,000. Interestingly, the budget plan for 2019/20 and 2020/21 sees a decrease in resources for the BC EAO to \$11,831,000.

The BC Carbon Tax will increase by \$5/tonne, increasing each year until it reaches \$50/tonne, in line with the federal regulation. The Carbon Tax will no longer be revenue neutral and will rather be invested in efforts to support climate change mitigation.

The Ministry of Environment and Climate Change has passed the first phase of regulations to increase spill preparedness, response and accountability for transporters of liquid petroleum products in B.C. According to Budget 2018 documents, discussions will be starting soon with First Nations, local governments, federal partners, industry and stakeholders on the second phase of spill regulation enhancements.

Budget 2018 allocates \$14 million for a new Provincial Wildlife Management Strategy to be done "in collaboration with Indigenous peoples, stakeholders and communities."

#### FISHERIES AND AQUACULTURE

The new *Water Sustainability Act* continues to be brought into force and new standards around fish processing discharges will strengthen protection of B.C.'s wild salmon stocks. No specific reference was made regarding resources for fisheries and aquaculture.

#### **NEW TAX MEASURES**

As a means to target housing speculation, the B.C. Government is bringing in a 'speculation tax' (effective Fall 2018) and is increasing of foreign buyers tax to 20% from 15%. The latter, which applied only to Metro Vancouver, will be expanded to other urban regions including the Fraser Valley, Victoria and Nanaimo, and the Okanagan).

Resulting from the elimination of the Medical Services Premium (MSP), the B.C. Government has created an 'Employer Health Tax' which will come into effect Jan 2019, and essentially shifts the onus of MSP or health premiums from employee to employer, with specific rules (i.e. Employers with a payroll under \$1.5 million will not be required to pay the full Employer Health Tax, and employers with a payroll under \$500,000 will pay no tax at all).

#### APPENDIX B: MIRR BUDGET AND ANALYSIS

The Ministry of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation (MIRR) overall budget will increase to \$99.5 million for 2018/19, \$101.2 for 2019/20 and \$101.3 for 2020/21. Current 2017/18 spending is forecasted to be \$91.0 million.

#### TREATIES AND OTHER AGREEMENTS

- \$5 million to MIRR over three years to support "enhanced" reconciliation mandate and implementation of UNDRIP and TRC, as well as "treaty transformation".
- "Treaty and other agreements" budget increased to \$46.4 million for 2018/19 from \$41 million in 2017/18.

From: Bain, Don PREM:EX

**Sent:** Friday, February 23, 2018 12:35 PM

**To:** Caul, Doug D IRR:EX; Wood, Jessica IRR:EX **Subject:** BC Cabinet – First Nations Leaders' Gathering

Importance: High

Good afternoon Doug and Jessica,

Geoff asked me to contact you to ask for a copy and/or access to the requests for action generated from the meetings with the Premier during last September's BC Cabinet – First Nations Leaders' Gathering.

Thank you.

Don Bain | Special Advisor

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Hello Sheena and Mira,

From: Sent:

Subject:

To:

Bain, Don PREM:EX

Monday, February 26, 2018 3:51 PM

RE: CALLER - CHIEF EARNEST ALFRED

McConnell, Sheena PREM:EX; Oreck, Mira PREM:EX

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P: s.17   E: don.bain@gov.bc.ca  From: McConnell, Sheena PREM:EX  Sent: Monday, February 26, 2018 3:27 PM  To: Oreck, Mira PREM:EX  Cc: Bain, Don PREM:EX  Subject: FW: CALLER - CHIEF EARNEST ALFRED
From: McConnell, Sheena PREM:EX Sent: Monday, February 26, 2018 3:27 PM To: Oreck, Mira PREM:EX Cc: Bain, Don PREM:EX Subject: FW: CALLER - CHIEF EARNEST ALFRED
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Cc: Bain, Don PREM:EX Subject: FW: CALLER - CHIEF EARNEST ALFRED
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Per our conversation just now.
Per our conversation just now.
From: Privett, Don PREM:EX
Sent: Monday, February 26, 2018 3:24 PM
To: McConnell, Sheena PREM:EX
Subject: CALLER - CHIEF EARNEST ALFRED
Chief Alfred
250-974-7064
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DON PRIVETT   Administrative Assistant   Premier's Office, Executive Branch

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From: Bain, Don PREM:EX

Sent: Thursday, February 15, 2018 4:44 PM

To: Devereux, Rick GCPE:EX; Sam, Anne-Marie IRR:EX

**Subject:** RE: Contacts in Prince George

Hello Rick,

Yes those are the organizations. You may want to ask for the Executive Director of each organization to begin arrangements.

Don Bain | Special Advisor

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From: Devereux, Rick GCPE:EX

Sent: Thursday, February 15, 2018 4:38 PM To: Sam, Anne-Marie IRR:EX; Bain, Don PREM:EX

Subject: Contacts in Prince George

Hi Anne Marie and Don,

Thanks very much to you both for your advice on who to contact in Prince George. I just wanted to make sure, before reaching out, that I was not reaching out incorrectly. Are these the correct groups to reach out to?

http://www.pgnfc.com/contact-us.html http://www.lheidli.ca/contact.php http://www.carriersekani.ca/contact-us/

Please let me know whenever you can.

Thanks Rick

Rick Devereux

Director, Event Services | Government Communications and Public Engagement <a href="mailto:rick.devereux@gov.bc.ca">rick.devereux@gov.bc.ca</a> | 250-812-1207

From: Bain, Don PREM:EX

**Sent:** Wednesday, February 14, 2018 12:23 PM **To:** Smith, George AG:EX; Oreck, Mira PREM:EX

Subject: RE: Eby approved statement

I think you should send them a note to give them a heads up. They will appreciate it. Send the note to Alyssa Melnyk, amelnyk@castlemain.com or (604) 562-7990

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From: Smith, George AG:EX

Sent: Wednesday, February 14, 2018 12:13 PM To: Oreck, Mira PREM:EX; Bain, Don PREM:EX

**Subject:** RE: Eby approved statement

This is a response to a media request, not a proactive statement.

We have been in touch with BC AJC regarding reaction to Boushie but not about this specific media request. Please see their attached statement on the case, in which they make a similar point on working together.

From: Oreck, Mira PREM:EX

Sent: Wednesday, February 14, 2018 12:09 PM To: Bain, Don PREM:EX; Smith, George AG:EX Subject: RE: Eby approved statement

Also curious if this is a response or a proactive statement

From: Bain, Don PREM:EX

Sent: Wednesday, February 14, 2018 12:08 PM To: Smith, George AG:EX; Oreck, Mira PREM:EX

Subject: RE: Eby approved statement

Hi George,

Is the BC Aboriginal Justice Council aware they are being referenced in the statement?

Don Bain | Special Advisor

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P: s.17 | E: don.bain@gov.bc.ca

From: Smith, George AG:EX

Sent: Wednesday, February 14, 2018 12:00 PM To: Oreck, Mira PREM:EX; Bain, Don PREM:EX

**Subject:** Eby approved statement

#### Statement from Minister Eby

"The death of Colten Boushie is a tragedy and my thoughts are with his family in this difficult time. Here in BC, our government is committed to charting a course towards reconciliation with Indigenous people. This includes an openness and a willingness to listen to their concerns and partner with them to take action to address these concerns.

"I understand that, for many, the road towards restoring confidence in the judicial system can appear painfully long but our government is committed to this work. Together with BC Aboriginal Justice Council, Indigenous leaders and community members, we are working to develop strategies to addresses our common priorities and move toward reconciliation."

#### **George Smith**

Senior Ministerial Assistant to the Honourable David Eby
Office of the Attorney General
P: 250-952-6796 | C: s.17 | E: george.smith@gov.bc.ca

From: Bain, Don PREM:EX

Sent: Thursday, February 1, 2018 1:31 PM

**To:** Sas, Jonathan IRR:EX **Subject:** RE: Eta on edits?

Attachments: s.12

My quick edits are tracked changes in the attached document.

Hope it helps.

Don Bain | Special Advisor

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P: s.17 | E: don.bain@gov.bc.ca

From: Sas, Jonathan IRR:EX

Sent: Thursday, February 1, 2018 11:59 AM

To: Bain, Don PREM:EX Subject: Re: Eta on edits?

Np... I start at 1

Jonathan Sas I Senior Ministerial Assistant to Minister Scott Fraser I Ministry of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation

From: Don.Bain@gov.bc.ca
Sent: February 1, 2018 11:57 AM
To: Jonathan.Sas@gov.bc.ca
Subject: Re: Eta on edits?

Sorry not done yet. My meeting with Geoff went longer than expected

Sent from my iPhone

On Feb 1, 2018, at 10:37 AM, Sas, Jonathan IRR:EX < Jonathan. Sas@gov.bc.ca> wrote:

Thanks.

Jonathan Sas I Senior Ministerial Assistant to Minister Scott Fraser I Ministry of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation

From: <a href="mailto:Don.Bain@gov.bc.ca">Don.Bain@gov.bc.ca</a>
Sent: February 1, 2018 10:36 AM
To: Jonathan.Sas@gov.bc.ca

Suhiect: Re: Fta on edits?

Before noon today

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On Feb 1, 2018, at 9:54 AM, Sas, Jonathan IRR:EX < Jonathan.Sas@gov.bc.ca > wrote:

Jonathan Sas I Senior Ministerial Assistant to Minister Scott Fraser I Ministry of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation

From: Bain, Don PREM:EX

Sent: Monday, February 26, 2018 3:04 PM

To: Smith, Jessica C AGRI:EX

**Subject:** FW: Fish Farm Tenure Renewal Process - Final Draft

Attachments: Draft Org chart - Fish Farm Tier 2 Process (00422245-9xC6E53).pdf; FN Collective FF

Tenure Final Draft Feb 20 2018.docx; FN Collective FF Tenures Cover Letter Feb 20

2018.pdf; ATT00001.txt

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From: Van Meer-Mass, Kate PREM:EX Sent: Tuesday, February 20, 2018 3:20 PM

To: Bain, Don PREM:EX

Subject: FW: Fish Farm Tenure Renewal Process - Final Draft

----Original Message-----

From: Chief Robert Chamberlin [mailto:bobc@khfn.ca]

Sent: Tuesday, February 20, 2018 2:58 PM

To: Fraser, Scott IRR:EX; Donaldson, Doug FLNR:EX; Popham, Lana AGRI:EX; Minister, FLNR FLNR:EX

Cc: Caul, Doug D IRR:EX; Shoemaker, Wes AGRI:EX; Meggs, Geoff PREM:EX; Van Meer-Mass, Kate PREM:EX; Beale,

William AGRI:EX; Brenda Gaertner; Sean Jones; Kelly Speck; Dan George; Elin Sigurdson; Eva Roberts

Subject: Fish Farm Tenure Renewal Process - Final Draft

#### Good afternoon

Please see attached the Cover Letter, Final Draft First Nation Engagement Process for Fish Farm Tenure renewal and Flow chart of the same

I believe a follow meeting to begin substantive discussions need to occur at the earliest possible time.

Respectfully

From: Bain, Don PREM:EX

Sent: Monday, February 19, 2018 5:27 PM

To: Nash, Amber PREM:EX
Cc: Oreck, Mira PREM:EX

Subject: RE: FNLC calls

Hello Amber,

4:30 PM - FNS - Grand Chief Ed John - 778-772-8218. NOTE: Robert Phillips, FNS, is attending the Budget speech and then meeting with Minister Fraser at 4:30.

4:45 PM - UBCIC - Chief Judy Wilson - 250-320-7738. NOTE: The UBCIC is preparing for their Chiefs Council meeting Feb 21 and 22 at Musqueam.

5:00 PM - BCAFN - Regional Chief Terry Teegee - 250-299-2030. NOTE: Regional Chief is in Prince George.

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P: s.17 | E: don.bain@gov.bc.ca

-----Original Message-----From: Nash, Amber PREM:EX

Sent: Monday, February 19, 2018 3:27 PM

To: Bain, Don PREM:EX Subject: RE: FNLC calls

Great! I will await numbers/names and speaking notes from you & Mira. Thanks Don.

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-----Original Message-----From: Bain, Don PREM:EX

Sent: Monday, February 19, 2018 3:25 PM

To: Nash, Amber PREM:EX

Cc: Oreck, Mira PREM:EX; Meggs, Geoff PREM:EX; Van Meer-Mass, Kate PREM:EX

Subject: Re: FNLC calls

Looks good. Thank you Amber.

Sent from my iPhone

- > On Feb 19, 2018, at 3:19 PM, Nash, Amber PREM:EX < Amber. Nash@gov.bc.ca > wrote:
- > Ok I have moved things around and can make these 3 calls work on Budget Day at the following times:
- > OK Thave moved things around and can make these 5 cans work on budget buy at the following time
- > 4:30 FNS
- > 4:45 UBIC
- > 5:00 AFN

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> Will these times be ok?

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> The rest of the calls will be the following day.
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> A
> ----Original Message-----
> From: Bain, Don PREM:EX
> Sent: Monday, February 19, 2018 3:04 PM
> To: Oreck, Mira PREM:EX
> Cc: Nash, Amber PREM:EX; Meggs, Geoff PREM:EX; Van Meer-Mass, Kate PREM:EX
> Subject: Re: FNLC calls
> Awkward. My only concern is if there are any questions or disappointments after the MSF call, the Premier will be on
the receiving end of those questions/disappointments.
> Sent from my iPhone
>> On Feb 19, 2018, at 2:21 PM, Oreck, Mira PREM:EX < Mira.Oreck@gov.bc.ca> wrote:
>> Thanks, Amber. I think Wednesday should be fine - unless Don thinks otherwise.
>> In this case, MSF will have called FNLC first.
>> ----Original Message-----
>> From: Nash, Amber PREM:EX
>> Sent: Monday, February 19, 2018 2:11 PM
>> To: Oreck, Mira PREM:EX; Meggs, Geoff PREM:EX
>> Cc: Bain, Don PREM:EX; Van Meer-Mass, Kate PREM:EX
>> Subject: RE: FNLC calls
>>
>> Currently the calendar won't allow for these calls to happen tomorrow afternoon- but if Geoff would prefer them to
be made tomorrow I will work to reschedule the meeting between PJH/Geoff & Don currently booked to another day to
fit these in.
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>> ----Original Message-----
>> From: Oreck, Mira PREM:EX
>> Sent: Monday, February 19, 2018 2:05 PM
>> To: Nash, Amber PREM:EX
>> Cc: Bain, Don PREM:EX
>> Subject: RE: FNLC calls
>> Hi Amber -
>> I think the Premier can call Sharon and Lynelle in one call (if scheduled). Let me know if you need Sharon's cell phone
number. I thought these calls were going to happen tomorrow afternoon/evening. Is that at all possible?
>> Thank you,
>> Mira
>>
>> ----Original Message-----
>> From: Nash, Amber PREM:EX
>> Sent: Monday, February 19, 2018 1:48 PM
>> To: Oreck, Mira PREM:EX
>> Cc: Bain, Don PREM:EX
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>> Subject: RE: FNLC calls
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>> I'm holding time on Wednesday for these calls as follows:
>> 12:15pm - Sharon Gregson
>> 12:30 pm - Lynell Anderson
>> 3:30pm - Labour
>> 4:30pm - Business Leaders
>> 5:15pm - FNS (one call - Don to identify best contact) 5:45pm - UBCIC (one call ....) 6:15pm - AFN (one call....)
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>> Does this work?
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>> A
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>> -----Original Message-----
>> From: Oreck, Mira PREM:EX
>> Sent: Monday, February 19, 2018 1:32 PM
>> To: Nash, Amber PREM:EX
>> Cc: Bain, Don PREM:EX
>> Subject: FNLC calls
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>> Hi Amber,
>> Roughly what time are you thinking for the Premier to make calls to FNLC tomorrow? I'm working on script and Don
has names/contacts, but some people are travelling so we'd like to get a sense (it will impact who gets called).
>> Thanks.
>>
>> Mira Oreck
>>s.17
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From: Bain, Don PREM:EX

Sent: Monday, February 19, 2018 5:59 PM

**To:** Farmer, Susan PREM:EX; Wood, Jessica IRR:EX; Caul, Doug D IRR:EX

Cc: Van Meer-Mass, Kate PREM:EX; Oreck, Mira PREM:EX

**Subject:** RE: FNLC Letter - DRAFT for review

**Attachments:** 2018-02-19 DRAFT First Nations Leadership Council.docx

Don Bain | Special Advisor

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From: Farmer, Susan PREM:EX

Sent: Monday, February 19, 2018 5:17 PM To: Bain, Don PREM:EX; Wood, Jessica IRR:EX

Cc: Van Meer-Mass, Kate PREM:EX
Subject: FNLC Letter - DRAFT for review

Importance: High

Hi Don & Jessica – attached is the draft letter for consideration.

NOTE: I did not incorporate the last bullet as it didn't seem to really fit the tone of the rest of the letter, so I wanted to flag that it's currently omitted. Also, I included a bit of language from the Throne Speech related to reconciliation.

As the FNLC doesn't have its own office/email, I've addressed the letter c/o the BC AFN as they seemed to essentially be the lead based on having an FNLC page on their website – but, please let me know if there's a preferred way to address it. And, the email address listed is what the AFN has on their website as the main contact email to use.

#### Susan Farmer

Managing Director | Correspondence Branch | Office of the Premier

P: 250-387-3570 E: <a href="mailto:susan.farmer@gov.bc.ca">susan.farmer@gov.bc.ca</a>

From: Bain, Don PREM:EX

Sent: Monday, February 19, 2018 1:33 PM

To: Farmer, Susan PREM:EX

Cc: Brown, Evan PREM:EX; Rochon, Jake PREM:EX; Oreck, Mira PREM:EX; Caul, Doug D IRR:EX; Wood, Jessica IRR:EX

Subject: REQUEST: Premier Horgan statement

Importance: High

Hello Susan,

The Premier and Minister Fraser met with the leadership of the Union of BC Indian Chiefs, First Nations Summit and the BC Assembly of First Nations (collectively known as the BC First Nations Leadership Council) last Friday.

At the conclusion of the meeting, the Premier provided closing remarks. The FNLC requested a letter from the Premier reiterating his remarks.

The following are points made during the meeting and the points the Premier summarized at the end of the meeting:

- BC is working to quickly and effectively to implement the mandates of this government which continue to be aligned with the Vision and Principles of the Commitment Document, the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, the Calls to Actions of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission and the Tsilqhot'in decision.
- I hear your frustration. Let me be clear: Our government, and I as Premier, are committed to moving forward with you.
- The key objectives captured under the Commitment Document are vital and we want it to last. I say, genuinely, that I need all of caucus and cabinet to understand and embrace what we are about to do together. As an example, the work we have done together at the First Nations Children and Families Tripartite Working Group.
- We have begun discussions in cabinet on our Provincial reconciliation framework, and it includes the Commitments Document as a cornerstone piece.
- I stated publicly last Wednesday that we support the Federal government's direction on rights recognition and implementation. We understand this important window of opportunity that has opened for action.

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Unfortunately, there is a rush on this letter as it was promised to be provided before Wednesday.

Thank you for your kind attention to this request.

Sincerely,

Don Bain | Special Advisor

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P: s.17 | E: don.bain@gov.bc.ca

From: Bain, Don PREM:EX

Sent: Friday, February 16, 2018 2:54 PM

**To:** Oreck, Mira PREM:EX **Subject:** FNLG Sept follow-up?

Geoff just mentioned there was a file of follow-up work/questions/replies from the Leadership Gathering. He says we should go through and sort them with doable items, requires work. He thinks we can resolve many of the questions with a response.

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From: Bain, Don PREM:EX

Sent: Wednesday, February 14, 2018 2:29 PM

**To:** McGregor, Cara GCPE:EX

Cc: Sas, Jonathan IRR:EX; Sam, Anne-Marie IRR:EX; Smith, George AG:EX; Oreck, Mira

PREM:EX

Subject: RE: Government of Canada to create Recognition and Implementation of Rights

Framework

s.13

VICTORIA--Premier John Horgan made the following statement about the federal government's announcement that it will create a Recognition and Implementation of Indigenous Rights Framework in partnership with Indigenous Peoples:

**Don Bain** | Special Advisor

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P: s.17 | E: don.bain@gov.bc.ca

From: Bain, Don PREM:EX

Sent: Wednesday, February 14, 2018 2:25 PM

To: McGregor, Cara GCPE:EX

Cc: Sas, Jonathan IRR:EX; Sam, Anne-Marie IRR:EX; Smith, George AG:EX; Oreck, Mira PREM:EX Subject: RE: Government of Canada to create Recognition and Implementation of Rights Framework

Hi Cara,

Thanks for the quick turnaround. I tweaked the second, third and last paragraph.

Don

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## Office of the Premier Feb. 14, 2018

#### Statement from Premier Horgan on Canada's Recognition and Implementation of Rights Framework

VICTORIA--Premier John Horgan made the following statement about the federal government's announcement that it will create a Recognition and Implementation of Indigenous Rights Framework in partnership with s.13 Indigenous Peoples:

"I welcome and support today's announcement by Prime Minister Justin Trudeau that the federal government will create a new legislative and policy framework to guide their relationship with Indigenous Peoples.

"Aboriginal Title and Rights are a matter of law and justice. We must move away from the ongoing cycle of court battles and embrace Section 35 of the Constitution to move towards meaningful reconciliation in partnership with Indigenous Peoples.

"This is a unique time in Canada's history, where all partners are at the table are focused on transforming the Crown-Indigenous relationship. That process starts when we recognize the inherent rights of Indigenous Peoples.

"In yesterday's Speech from the Throne, s.13 to develop a cross-ministry framework to meet our commitments to the United Nations Declaration of the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, the Calls to Action of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission, and the Tsilhqot'in decision.

"We look forward to working with First Nations, Metis, and all Indigenous partners and Canada as we build a new and better relationship."

Don Bain | Special Advisor

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P: s.17 | E: don.bain@gov.bc.ca

From: McGregor, Cara GCPE:EX

Sent: Wednesday, February 14, 2018 2:08 PM

To: Bain, Don PREM:EX

Subject: RE: Government of Canada to create Recognition and Implementation of Rights Framework

Hi Don,

Here is the draft I've pulled together – I've worked mostly from the statement but have made some slight adjustments.

Have a read and let me know what you think.

Cara

From: Bain, Don PREM:EX

Sent: Wednesday, February 14, 2018 1:50 PM To: Aaron, Sage PREM:EX; McGregor, Cara GCPE:EX

Cc: Sas, Jonathan IRR:EX; Oreck, Mira PREM:EX; Sam, Anne-Marie IRR:EX

Subject: RE: Government of Canada to create Recognition and Implementation of Rights Framework

We can start with the messaging Jonathan sent as below

**Don Bain** | Special Advisor Vancouver Cabinet Office | Office of the Premier

P: s.17 | E: don.bain@gov.bc.ca

From: Sas, Jonathan IRR:EX

Sent: Wednesday, February 14, 2018 1:38 PM

To: Bain, Don PREM:EX; Meggs, Geoff PREM:EX; Smith, George AG:EX; Oreck, Mira PREM:EX; Aaron, Sage PREM:EX;

Hannah, Matt GCPE:EX; Sam, Anne-Marie IRR:EX; Clark, Layne PREM:EX

Subject: RE: Government of Canada to create Recognition and Implementation of Rights Framework

Thanks Don.

Below is what was approved through issues this morning. We are on standby with our social media.

- I welcome and support the announcement made today by the Prime Minister to develop legislation that recognizes and implements Indigenous rights and move away from the ongoing cycle of court battles.
- The Supreme Court of Canada has upheld that Aboriginal rights and title are a matter of law and justice and we are prepared to engage fully in these conversations as they relate to B.C.
- This is a unique time in the history of Canada. We have all partners at the table focused on transforming the Crown-Indigenous relationship, and that starts with rights recognition.
- In partnership with Indigenous communities, B.C. is ready to get to work. In the throne speech, s.13 to develop a cross-ministry framework to meet our commitments to the United Nations Declaration of the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, the Calls to Action of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission, and the Tsilhqot'in decision.
- We look forward to working with First Nations, Metis, and all Indigenous partners and Canada as this process moves forward.

From: Aaron, Sage PREM:EX

Sent: Wednesday, February 14, 2018 1:39 PM To: Bain, Don PREM:EX; McGregor, Cara GCPE:EX

Cc: Sas, Jonathan IRR:EX; Oreck, Mira PREM:EX; Sam, Anne-Marie IRR:EX

Subject: Re: Government of Canada to create Recognition and Implementation of Rights Framework

Hi Don, ccing Cara who will help draft. Any messaging MIRR can provide which would help is appreciated.

Sage 778-678-0832 Sent from my mobile device

On Feb 14, 2018, at 1:30 PM, Bain, Don PREM:EX < Don.Bain@gov.bc.ca > wrote:

Hello all,

I recommend a statement of support from the Premier's Office for today's GoC statement creating a Recognition and Implementation of Rights Framework.

The statement aligns with BC's commitment to adopt the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, the Calls to Action of the Truth and Reconciliation and the Tsilhqot'in decision. It also aligns with one of the primary commitments in the CASA agreement. Lastly, it aligns with the draft Reconciliation Framework drafted by Minister Fraser's Office and MIRR.

I understand MIRR has done some work on initial messaging for social media distribution but this requires a formal statement of support from our government.

I am willing to assist in any regard with the drafting and messaging.

Regards,

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Government of Canada to create Recognition and Implementation of Rights Framework
Ottawa, Ontario - February 14, 2018
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#### **Associated Links**

- New Ministers to support the renewed relationship with Indigenous Peoples
- Truth and Reconciliation Commission Calls to Action
- Principles Respecting the Government of Canada's Relationship with Indigenous Peoples
- Working Group of Ministers on the Review of Laws and Policies Related to Indigenous Peoples

From: Bain, Don PREM:EX

Sent: Tuesday, February 6, 2018 10:00 AM

To: Hannah, Matt GCPE:EX; Aaron, Sage PREM:EX; Meggs, Geoff PREM:EX; Clark, Layne

PREM:EX; Oreck, Mira PREM:EX; Sanford, Donna L GCPE:EX; Lloyd, Evan GCPE:EX; Van

Meer-Mass, Kate PREM:EX

Subject: Indigenous Leaders Announce Mass Mobilization, Escalation to Protect Waters, Lands

& Climate from KM

Importance: High

FYI

Sent: Tuesday, February 6, 2018 9:46 AM

To: Bain, Don PREM:EX

Subject: Indigenous Leaders Announce Mass Mobilization, Escalation to Protect Waters, Lands & Climate from KM

Importance: High

#### For Immediate Release

#### **February 6, 2018**

Indigenous Leaders Announce Mass Mobilization, Escalation to Protect Waters, Lands & Climate from Kinder Morgan

Mass mobilization to begin on March 10th Copyright

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More information about the mobilization can be found at www.protecttheinlet.ca
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If you have questions or would like to set up an interview with a spokesperon, contact Tegan Hansen media@protecttheinlet.ca, 604-649-8184
Questions about the titleandrightsalliance list? Contact matthew@ubcic.bc.ca
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From: Bain, Don PREM:EX

Sent: Tuesday, February 13, 2018 4:46 PM

To: Oreck, Mira PREM:EX; Aaron, Sage PREM:EX

**Subject:** Jury selection process in BC

We worked with Elections BC prior to the last election to get First Nation residents to register to vote. As I recall, Elections BC stated they had approximately 95% of residents on the voters list.

The interesting point is the one hour public transit or drive limitation. That excludes a large number of reserve communities in the Interior, N. Coast and N. BC when you consider the courts are in Prince Rupert, Terrace, Smithers, Prince George, Quesnel, Williams Lake, Dawson Creek, Fort St John and Fort Nelson. The map here is alarming: <a href="http://www.courts.gov.bc.ca/supreme\_court/court\_locations">http://www.courts.gov.bc.ca/supreme\_court/court\_locations</a> and contacts.aspx

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From: Godfrey, Sam AG:EX

Sent: Tuesday, February 13, 2018 3:56 PM

To: Bain, Don PREM:EX
Cc: Smith, George AG:EX
Subject: FW: Question

Hi Don,

Please see below. I'm happy to follow-up further as required.

S.

#### Sam Godfrey

Ministerial Assistant to the Honourable David Eby, QC

Attorney General of British Columbia and Minister responsible for Liquor, Gaming and ICBC

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From: Proulx, James JAG:EX

Sent: Tuesday, February 13, 2018 3:50 PM

To: Godfrey, Sam AG:EX
Cc: Chiddell, Dan J JAG:EX
Subject: RE: Question

Hello Sam,

B.C. Sheriffs are mandated to manage all jury trials in all Supreme Court locations province wide. B.C. Sheriffs use the Jury Management System (J.M.S.) as the means to electronically create panels, print and mail summonses of jury selection attendance.

Unlike most other provinces, B.C. builds its JMS database from the Elections B.C. registered voters list which is updated annually, and currently containing 3.59 million names.

All jury panels in B.C. are created by algorithm, to ensure complete randomness, which is crucial to the trial process.

 Any deviation to this tombstone principle of random jury selection would require specific, in advance, judicial direction.

Once a panel is created within the JMS system, Sheriffs then apply policy rules:

- Panellists are normally selected from persons who live within one-hour, one-way travelling distance by land via public transportation or private vehicle from the courthouse. This is to ensure no panellist is unduly inconvenienced with excessive driving times, and to ensure potential disruptions to Jury Trials are avoided which can happen when travel distances are excessive.
- Note: this policy rule is never based on name or other factors, only expected driving times to and from the Courthouse.

The JMS system includes no demographic information about the race of persons so there is no way of knowing who may be of First Nations decent or not.

In 2011, and in 2014, the ADM of Court Services Branch sent letters to all First Nations Band Chiefs inviting them to provide band members names, and mailing addresses back to Court Services Branch for specific inclusion into the JMS database and therefore, greater accessibility and or participation within the jury process. From the 180 plus Bands, Court Services received response from only one Band, based on Vancouver Island, and approximately 50 additional names were added into the JMS database when received.

Court Services Branch is planning another mail-out to all First Nations reserves in early 2018.

As mentioned previously, Sheriff Services uses the provincial voters' list as the database for summonsing individuals to participate in the jury process. The provincial voters' list includes registered voters living on First Nations reserves. The letters sent to First Nations reserves in 2011 and 2014 were additional steps taken by Court Services Branch to specifically encourage First Nations participation in the jury process.

Please contact me with any specific further questions for specific details or follow-up.

Regards,

James Proulx
SCMS & JMS Applications
Strategic Information Business Applications
Court Services Branch HQ
Ministry Of Attorney General
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From: Bain, Don PREM:EX

Sent: Friday, February 9, 2018 12:49 PM

To: Sas, Jonathan IRR:EX; Sam, Anne-Marie IRR:EX; Caul, Doug D IRR:EX

**Subject:** FW: Letter from the First Nations Leadership Council

Attachments: image001.jpg; ATT00001.htm; image002.png; ATT00002.htm; FNLC letter to Premier

Horgan Feb 9 2018 FINAL.pdf; ATT00003.htm

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From: Colin Braker [mailto:cbraker@fns.bc.ca] Sent: Friday, February 9, 2018 12:37 PM

To: Bain, Don PREM:EX

Subject: Fwd: Letter from the First Nations Leadership Council

Colin Braker

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Colin Braker <<u>cbraker@fns.bc.ca</u>>

Date: February 9, 2018 at 11:22:23 AM PST

To: "<u>premier@gov.bc.ca</u>" <<u>premier@gov.bc.ca</u>>

Cc: "Minister, IRR IRR:EX" <<u>IRR.Minister@gov.bc.ca</u>>

Subject: Letter from the First Nations Leadership Council

Premier Horgan,

Please find attached a letter from the First Nations Leadership Council dated February 9, 2018.

From: Bain, Don PREM:EX

Sent: Tuesday, February 13, 2018 5:32 PM

To: Oreck, Mira PREM:EX; Kingston, Charlotte PREM:EX

Subject: FW: Letter requesting revision of Order in Council No. 802 re: MMIWG Inquiry

Attachments: 2018Feb13\_MMIWGOrgstoFarnworthreOICfinal.pdf

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From: Rachel Singleton-Polster [mailto:rachel@ubcic.bc.ca]

Sent: Tuesday, February 13, 2018 5:05 PM

To: Farnworth.MLA, Mike LASS:EX

Subject: Letter requesting revision of Order in Council No. 802 re: MMIWG Inquiry

Dear Minister Farnworth,

Please see attached and below a letter from concerned organizations and individuals regarding Order in Council No. 802 which establishes the British Columbia Commission of Inquiry into Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls to participate in the National Inquiry into Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls.

We look forward to your response, please have your staff coordinate with myself at the details below for any further information.

Thank you, Rachel

Rachel Singleton-Polster Policy Analyst

Union of B.C. Indian Chiefs

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February 13, 2018

Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General Honourable Mike Farnworth

Room 128 Parliament Buildings

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107A, 2748 Lougheed Hwy Port Coquitlam, BC V3B 6P2

Via email: mike.farnworth.MLA@leg.bc.ca Via fax: (250) 356-2178, (604) 927-2090

#### RE: Request to revise Order in Council No. 802

Dear Minister Farnworth:

As organizations who are deeply committed to strengthening our justice system and to the advancement of human rights, we write to urge you to immediately revise the Order in Council No. 802, which establishes the British Columbia Commission of Inquiry into Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls to participate in the National Inquiry into Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls (the "Inquiry").

While we hold significant concerns about the Inquiry, we write concerning the ability of the Inquiry to address issues of accountability in British Columbia. This is a national inquiry and as such provinces and territories issued Orders in Council authorizing the Inquiry to carry out its work in their respective jurisdictions. Sections 4(2)(a), (b), and (c) of the Order in Council No. 802 dated November 9, 2016 and titled "British Columbia Commission of Inquiry into Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls Order" presents a significant concern.

Section 21(d) of the BC *Public Inquiry Act* ("the *Act*") allows Commissioners to make a finding of misconduct against a person, or make a report that alleges misconduct by a person. Contrary to the *Act*, Section 4(2)(a) of the OIC explicitly prohibits the Inquiry from making findings of misconduct against a person or making a report that alleges misconduct by a person. This is very concerning as it limits the Inquiry's objectives and mandate, and is contrary to the *Act*. BC is the only region in which the Inquiry does not have the ability to make findings of misconduct. The Inquiry must be afforded with a broad mandate, as contemplated by the *Act*, to ensure that government entities are held accountable for their actions.

We are also deeply concerned about the limits on inquiries into matters concerning the exercise of prosecutorial discretion, as per Section 4(2)(b) of the OIC. This appears to mean that no documents may be sought nor questions asked that touch on why charges were or were not laid in any particular case or more broadly, what factors may bear on charges going forward in respect to Indigenous women and girls as victims. This reference to prosecutorial discretion includes not only charge approval but also may apply to virtually any aspect of Crown responsibility in dealing with Indigenous complainants, victims or witnesses. This provision is hugely limiting on the Inquiry in exercising its federal government mandate to get at the systemic causes of violence against Indigenous women and girls, and is not justifiable in an era of truth and reconciliation.

Finally, we are concerned that the scope of Section 4(2)(c) is over-broad and could be used to keep out a huge scope of potentially relevant evidence. The term "any other legal restriction" in this section could be used to shield government from having to disclose any document that may be subject to even the most minor of legal restrictions, and could lead to time-wasting battles over document disclosure. Again, this undermines the important truth telling component of the Inquiry's mandate.

The Inquiry was called for as a result of Truth and Reconciliation Call to Action number 41, which states, "we call upon the federal government, in consultation with Aboriginal Organizations, to appoint a public inquiry into the causes of, and remedies for, the disproportionate victimization of Aboriginal women and girls." Indigenous and civil society organizations were not consulted on the terms of Order in Council No. 802. It is now in the hands of your government to act in accordance with the TRC's Call to Action to ensure the Inquiry carries out its responsibilities in BC in a meaningful way that addresses violence against Indigenous women and girls through a robust, effective inquiry. The *United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples*, article 21(2), also affirms the role of the State in taking effective measures to ensure the continuing improvement of the social conditions of Indigenous peoples, with particular

attention to be paid to the rights of Indigenous women and youth. Your mandate letter expressly mandates you to fully adopt and implement this *Declaration*.

We ask that you take immediate steps to remove Sections 4(2)(a), (b), and (c) of the OIC.

Please contact the Union of BC Indian Chiefs via <a href="mailto:rachel@ubcic.bc.ca">rachel@ubcic.bc.ca</a> or 604-684-0231 ext. 246, for more information. Our organizations are willing to meet with you and/or your staff to facilitate this amendment in an expedient fashion. We look forward to your response as soon as possible and no later than March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

#### Sincerely,

Carol Martin, February 14<sup>th</sup> Women's Memorial March Committee Member Evelyn Youngchief, Coalition on Missing and Murdered Women in BC Member Lorelei Williams, Butterflies in Spirit Provincial Council of Women of BC Robyn Gervais Union of BC Indian Chiefs Vancouver Rape Relief and Women's Shelter West Coast LEAF (Women's Legal Education and Action Fund) WAVAW Rape Crisis Centre

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CC: David Eby, Minister of Justice and Attorney General of BC
Don Bain, Special Advisor, Office of the Premier
National Inquiry Commissioners Marion Buller, Qajak Robinson, Brian Eyolfson, Michele Audette
Jennifer Cox, Lead Counsel for the National Inquiry
Calvin Wong, Interim Executive Director of the National Inquiry

From: Bain, Don PREM:EX

Sent: Wednesday, February 14, 2018 12:16 PM

To: Nikolejsin, Dave EMPR:EX

Subject: LNG Canada

Importance: High

Good afternoon Dave,

On direction from Geoff, I would like to receive the latest briefing materials regarding the LNG Canada discussions for my review and reference. As well, please cc me on future distributions.

Thank you for your attention to my request.

Respectfully,

**Don Bain** | Special Advisor Vancouver Cabinet Office | Office of the Premier

P: s.17 | E: don.bain@gov.bc.ca

From: Bain, Don PREM:EX

Sent: Monday, February 26, 2018 3:03 PM

To: McLaren, Chris PREM:EX

Subject: RE: Musqueam request to meet/call Premier

Hi Chris,

My understanding is the Premier committed to meet with the Council of Musqueam to further discuss the cited issues during his meeting with them during the BC First Nations Leadership Gathering (FNLG). Apparently, Mira recalls him committing to the meeting request.

Last week, I emailed a request to MIRR DM Caul to have a copy of the requests / follow ups / issues raised at the FNLG. He responded in the affirmative. Geoff asked that I review the copy for any instances requiring quick follow-up.

I do not believe meeting requests generated from the FNLG were logged and put through review. Perhaps I am wrong?

Don Bain | Special Advisor

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P: s.17 | E: don.bain@gov.bc.ca

From: McLaren, Chris PREM:EX

Sent: Monday, February 26, 2018 2:48 PM

To: Bain, Don PREM:EX

Subject: RE: Musqueam request to meet/call Premier

Hi Don,

Has this request come to us previously or is this a new request from the Musqueam?

If this is a new request, we will log it and put it through for review and I will note that you received the invite.

Please advise,

Chris

From: Bain, Don PREM:EX

Sent: Monday, February 26, 2018 7:55 AM

To: Nash, Amber PREM:EX; McLaren, Chris PREM:EX

Cc: Caul, Doug D IRR:EX; Sam, Anne-Marie IRR:EX; Sas, Jonathan IRR:EX; Oreck, Mira PREM:EX

Subject: FW: Musqueam request to meet/call Premier

Good morning Amber and Chris,

I received the following email after speaking with Jaime Sanchez, Energy Projects Coordinator for Musqueam First Nation, last week at the Union of BC Indian Chiefs.

Apparently, as you can see below, this is a follow-up meeting from last September's BC First Nations Leadership Gathering.

**Don Bain** | Special Advisor

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P: s.17 E: don.bain@gov.bc.ca

From: Jaime Sanchez [mailto:jaime@sanchezwood.ca]

Sent: Thursday, February 22, 2018 4:38 PM

To: Bain, Don PREM:EX

Cc: Dianne B. Sparrow; Jaime Sanchez

Subject: Musqueam request to meet/call Premier

Hi Don

Chief Wayne Sparrow of Musqueam asked if a call or meeting with the Premier can ve arranged as soon as possible to discuss the following:

Willingdon Lands Burnaby. Will Province support putting a hospital on 12 acres of land on Willingdon. Meeting with Burnaby Mayor is February 28 th. Very important to know where they stand

Property Transfer Tax. MST Nations do not want to pay PTT to Province on purchase of Jericho Fairmont and West Vancouver.

These are follow up items to discussions had during the Cabinet FN Leadership Forum, and other meetings since then.

Cheers

Jaime Sanchez 250-713-1129

Sent from my Samsung Galaxy smartphone.

From: Bain, Don PREM:EX

Sent: Friday, February 9, 2018 2:27 PM

**To:** Smith, George AG:EX

Subject: RE: Names

Suggestions:

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P: s.17 | E: don.bain@gov.bc.ca

From: Smith, George AG:EX

Sent: Friday, February 9, 2018 1:01 PM

To: Bain, Don PREM:EX Subject: Re: Names

It turns out it was just the 3.

-George

On Feb 9, 2018, at 12:20 PM, Bain, Don PREM:EX < Don.Bain@gov.bc.ca > wrote:

Hi George,

Do you have the other two names?

Don Bain | Special Advisor

Vancouver Cabinet Office | Office of the Premier

P: s.17 | E: don.bain@gov.bc.ca

From: Smith, George AG:EX

Sent: Thursday, February 8, 2018 6:04 PM

To: Bain, Don PREM:EX

Subject: Names

Hi Don,

Per our conversation, see below.

I believe that there may be 1 or 2 other names so I will confirm the list tomorrow.

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Thanks for your help.

# **George Smith**

Senior Ministerial Assistant to the Honourable David Eby
Office of the Attorney General
P: 250-952-6796 | C: s.17 | E: george.smith@gov.bc.ca

From: Bain, Don PREM:EX

Sent: Thursday, February 15, 2018 9:34 AM

To: Hannah, Matt GCPE:EX

**Subject:** No Provincial Charges -- Mount Polley Mine Spill

Following points sourced from DeSmog Canada - <a href="https://www.desmog.ca/2018/02/03/it-s-official-no-provincial-charges-mount-polley-mine-spill-one-largest-environmental-disasters-canadian-history">https://www.desmog.ca/2018/02/03/it-s-official-no-provincial-charges-mount-polley-mine-spill-one-largest-environmental-disasters-canadian-history</a> It's Official:

No Provincial Charges for Mount Polley Mine Spill, One of Largest Environmental Disasters in Canadian

History By Carol Linnitt • Saturday, February 3, 2018

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From: Bain, Don PREM:EX

Sent: Monday, February 19, 2018 10:38 AM

To: Oreck, Mira PREM:EX

Subject: OBC

Hello Mira,

I would like to suggest the following names for consideration:

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Sent from my iPhone

From: Bain, Don PREM:EX

**Sent:** Friday, February 9, 2018 2:39 PM

**To:** Meggs, Geoff PREM:EX

Subject: P&A

Good afternoon Geoff,

Apparently my encrypted iPad is almost ready for use.

I wish to clarify, you would like me to attend the Priorities and Accountability Committee and, if necessary, other Cabinet Committee and/or Cabinet meetings.

Kind regards,

From: Bain, Don PREM:EX

Sent: Tuesday, February 20, 2018 8:18 AM

To: Oreck, Mira PREM:EX
Subject: PJH SCRIPT FNLC Draft I
Attachments: PJH SCRIPT FNLC Draft I.docx

See my edits in tracked changes

From: Bain, Don PREM:EX

Sent: Tuesday, February 6, 2018 6:45 AM

To: Hannah, Matt GCPE:EX

Subject: Fwd: President at Tahltan Central Government: Grizzly Bear hunt

Fyi

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Don Bain" \$.22

Date: February 5, 2018 at 10:49:41 PM PST

To: <don.bain@gov.bc.ca>

Subject: President at Tahltan Central Government: Grizzly Bear hunt

President at Tahltan Central Government

**Chad Norman Day** 

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The Province of British Columbia recently outlawed the hunting of Grizzly Bears for resident hunters and guide outfitters. Their "consultation" was to welcome feedback from First Nations after the fact, and the Tahltan Nation took a strong position saying we heavily disagreed with this decision for several reasons.

Grizzly Bears are the top of the food chain; they have no predators (other than other Grizzly Bears). They compete with humans for dwindling moose and caribou populations in our homeland and they have increasingly become a safety concern as we are seeing more and more Grizzly Bears near our communities. They are also having more babies than ever before; this is what our Elders are telling us.

The Grizzly decision was made with complete disregard for science, local knowledge or Tahltan knowledge and was extremely disrespectful to the Tahltan Nation. The decision was made following an outcry from non-Tahltan people living outside Tahltan Territory. Such people are clueless and will not be there to deal with Grizzly issues or feed the less fortunate Tahltan families without moose meat in their freezers.

About 50+ Grizzly Bears could be spared in the next year following this decision, which in turn will ensure 100s more caribou and moose calfs will be eaten by such predators. Meanwhile, the Tahltan people and other hunters are increasingly struggling to harvest both species.

Tahltan people practiced predator management and killed wolves, black bears and grizzly bears for thousands of years for a reason. They wanted to have abundant populations of wild game so that Tahltan people and their culture could thrive. Wild game is not thriving as it used to, and this decision with Grizzly Bears was completely counter-productive to addressing several wildlife issues in Tahltan Territory.

Following this senseless decision by the Province, the only people left in the world that are allowed to manage Grizzly Bears in Tahltan Territory are the Tahltan people and other First Nations that we welcome into our homelands for the same purpose. The Province can still attempt to charge any Tahltan or First Nation that harvests a Grizzly Bear for anything outside of "ceremonial purposes."

Personally, I do not want to see moose and caribou populations dwindle any further; it's hurting our Tahltan communities, health and culture. I also do not want to stand over one of our dead Tahltan

children following a Grizzly attack knowing there was something more I could have done. No one wants that, but it's not far from reality.

Therefore, tonight I'm promising two things. Firstly, I'm going to do everything I can to reverse this Grizzly Bear decision in Tahltan Territory and make sure Tahltan views are properly respected in the future. Secondly, I am going to become a hunter in 2018 and the first thing I'm going to bring home is a Grizzly Bear. I might bring home 10 actually, I'll make that decision later with my family and fellow hunters.

If the Province wants to charge me or force me into saying it was for "ceremonial purposes" that's fine, but I'm doing my part to ensure this senseless decision has no negative impacts on our moose, caribou and Tahltan populations.

I'm encouraging all the Tahltan hunters out there to plan to hunt Grizzly Bears this year and once the Tahltan Nation discusses this further, we may be inviting other First Nations Brothers and Sisters to help us with this purpose.

Tahltans will be developing and utilizing some new Grizzly Bear ceremonies very soon...

From: Bain, Don PREM:EX

Sent: Tuesday, February 27, 2018 10:41 AM

To: Van Meer-Mass, Kate PREM:EX; Hannah, Matt GCPE:EX; Aaron, Sage PREM:EX; Meggs,

Geoff PREM:EX; Lloyd, Evan GCPE:EX; Wright, Don J. PREM:EX; Oreck, Mira PREM:EX;

Clark, Layne PREM:EX; Sanford, Donna L GCPE:EX

Subject: PRESS RELEASE: First Nations Secure Major Work Stoppage on Site C in Lead-up to

**Summer Injunction** 

----- Original message -----

From: Andrea Glickman <andrea@ubcic.bc.ca> Date: 2018-02-27 8:22 AM (GMT-08:00)
To: Andrea Glickman <andrea@ubcic.bc.ca>

Subject: PRESS RELEASE: First Nations Secure Major Work Stoppage on Site C in Lead-up to Summer

Injunction

#### **PRESS RELEASE**

## First Nations Secure Major Work Stoppage on Site C in Lead-up to Summer Injunction

(Fort St. John, B.C., Treaty 8 Territory, February 26, 2018) The Treaty 8 First Nations taking Site C to court have just secured a major work stoppage in the leadup to a court injunction application set to be heard this summer.

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7. Mercury contamination from the dams threatens human health and First Nations' fishing rights (Affidavit #1 of David Schindler, Fisheries Ecologist).

## **First Nations Contact:**

Chief Roland Wilson, West Moberly First Nations

Telephone: <u>250-783-0733</u>

# **Legal Team Contact:**

Tim Thielmann, Sage Legal

Telephone: <u>250-415-6761</u>

Email: tim@sagelegal.ca

From: Bain, Don PREM:EX

Sent: Sunday, February 25, 2018 10:16 AM

**To:** Sam, Anne-Marie IRR:EX

**Subject:** Fwd: Quarry blast caused Sumas Mountain landslide in Abbotsford - Mission City

Record

**Sumas First Nation** 

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Begin forwarded message:

From: Don Bain s.22

Date: February 24, 2018 at 10:03:05 PM PST

To: don.bain@gov.bc.ca

Subject: Quarry blast caused Sumas Mountain landslide in Abbotsford - Mission City

Record

 $\underline{\text{https://www.missioncityrecord.com/news/quarry-bast-caused-sumas-mountain-landslide-in-land$ 

abbotsford/

Sent from my Samsung Galaxy smartphone.

From: Bain, Don PREM:EX

Sent: Tuesday, February 13, 2018 3:12 PM

**To:** Godfrey, Sam AGRI:EX

**Subject:** RE: Quick question - jury selection in BC

Yes. As I recall, it was not always the case. The rationale was reserves are federal lands not provincial lands. BUT this changed about 5 years ago...I believe.

Don Bain | Special Advisor

Vancouver Cabinet Office | Office of the Premier

P: s.17 | E: don.bain@gov.bc.ca

From: Godfrey, Sam AG:EX

Sent: Tuesday, February 13, 2018 3:05 PM

To: Bain, Don PREM:EX

Subject: FW: Quick question - jury selection in BC

Hi Don,

I've put in a request to get some facts on this. I understand that you want to know if people living on-reserve are called for jury duty, and perhaps some related stats?

Best, S.

#### Sam Godfrey

Ministerial Assistant to the Honourable David Eby, QC

Attorney General of British Columbia and Minister responsible for Liquor, Gaming and ICBC

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From: Smith, George AG:EX

Sent: Tuesday, February 13, 2018 2:49 PM

To: Bain, Don PREM:EX Cc: Godfrey, Sam AG:EX

Subject: Re: Quick question - jury selection in BC

Hi Don,

Sam will look into this and he may contact you to clarify your question.

Cheers

-George

On Feb 13, 2018, at 1:32 PM, Bain, Don PREM:EX <Don.Bain@gov.bc.ca> wrote:

Hi George,

Would you know if jury selection in BC includes addresses and phone numbers of those letters living on-reserve?

Don

Sent from my iPhone

Parveen

From: Bain, Don PREM:EX Monday, February 5, 2018 2:48 PM Sent: Parveen DUSANGH To: Subject: Re: Request to meet Hello Parveen, Sorry I meant to reply to you earlier. I would like to meet regarding response to Civil Disobedience to major projects in BC. Kind regards Don Sent from my iPhone On Jan 29, 2018, at 10:44 AM, Parveen DUSANGH <Parveen.Dusangh@rcmp-grc.gc.ca> wrote: Ok. Perfect. I will send you a meeting request. Could you provide me with some background material on topics of discussion prior to the meeting so that the CO could be adequately prepared? Thanks, Parveen >>> "Bain, Don PREM:EX" <<u>Don.Bain@gov.bc.ca</u>> 2018/01/29 10:33 AM >>> Tuesday February 6 works for me. 15:15 to 16:00 Thank you Don Bain | Special Advisor Vancouver Cabinet Office | Office of the Premier | E: don.bain@gov.bc.ca From: Parveen DUSANGH [mailto:Parveen.Dusangh@rcmp-grc.gc.ca] Sent: Monday, January 29, 2018 10:12 AM To: Bain, Don PREM:EX Subject: RE: Request to meet Unfortunately this is a busy month for her and she has meetings scheduled already during the dates and times you have proposed. She is free during the times below: Friday, February 2 from 10:00-10:45 hours Tuesday, February 6 from 15:15-16:00 hours Wednesday, February 7 from 09:00-09:45 hours Friday, February 23 from 11:00-11:45 hours Please let me know if any of those openings will work. Thanks,

>>> "Bain, Don PREM:EX" <<u>Don.Bain@gov.bc.ca</u>> 2018/01/29 10:03 AM >>>

Hello Parveen,

Great! I have this Thursday between 11AM and 2PM or Monday – Thursday next week from 11AM to 2PM.

I would think no more than 45mins. I would be willing to come out to "E" Division.

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P: s.17 | E: don.bain@gov.bc.ca

From: Parveen DUSANGH [mailto:Parveen.Dusangh@rcmp-grc.gc.ca]

Sent: Monday, January 29, 2018 9:59 AM

To: Bain, Don PREM:EX

Subject: Re: Request to meet

Good Morning Don,

The CO would be happy to meet you. Are you able to propose some dates/times? How long is required?

Are you willing to come out to "E" Division RCMP Headquarters?

Please advise.

Thanks,

Parveen

Parveen Dusangh

A/Executive Assistant to the Commanding Officer, RCMP "E" Division Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) / Government of Canada <a href="mailto:parveen.dusangh@rcmp-grc.gc.ca">parveen.dusangh@rcmp-grc.gc.ca</a> / Tel: 778-290-2503 / Fax: 778-290-6108

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Gendarmerie royale du Canada (GRC) / Gouvernement du Canada

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>>> "Bain, Don PREM:EX" <<u>Don.Bain@gov.bc.ca</u>> 2018/01/29 9:47 AM >>>

Good morning Deputy Commissioner Butterworth-Carr,

As you may know, after 18 years I left the Union of BC Indian Chiefs to take on a new role with the BC Government. It was a challenging decision.

I started January 2, 2018 as a Special Advisor in the Office of the Premier.

As part of my assigned responsibilities, I am tasked with reviewing First Nations interests in the proposed LNG projects in Kitimat.

I am hoping you can meet with me, at you earliest convenience, to walk through some issues.

I hope you and your family are doing well.

Kind regards,

Don Bain | Special Advisor

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From: Bain, Don PREM:EX

Sent: Monday, February 19, 2018 1:33 PM

**To:** Farmer, Susan PREM:EX

Cc: Brown, Evan PREM:EX; Rochon, Jake PREM:EX; Oreck, Mira PREM:EX; Caul, Doug D

IRR:EX; Wood, Jessica IRR:EX

**Subject:** REQUEST: Premier Horgan statement

**Importance:** High

Hello Susan,

The Premier and Minister Fraser met with the leadership of the Union of BC Indian Chiefs, First Nations Summit and the BC Assembly of First Nations (collectively known as the BC First Nations Leadership Council) last Friday.

At the conclusion of the meeting, the Premier provided closing remarks. The FNLC requested a letter from the Premier reiterating his remarks.

The following are points made during the meeting and the points the Premier summarized at the end of the meeting:

- BC is working to quickly and effectively to implement the mandates of this government which continue to be
  aligned with the Vision and Principles of the Commitment Document, the UN Declaration on the Rights of
  Indigenous Peoples, the Calls to Actions of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission and the Tsilqhot'in
  decision.
- I hear your frustration. Let me be clear: Our government, and I as Premier, are committed to moving forward with you.
- The key objectives captured under the Commitment Document are vital and we want it to last. I say, genuinely, that I need all of caucus and cabinet to understand and embrace what we are about to do together. As an example, the work we have done together at the First Nations Children and Families Tripartite Working Group.
- We have begun discussions in cabinet on our Provincial reconciliation framework, and it includes the Commitments Document as a cornerstone piece.
- I stated publicly last Wednesday that we support the Federal government's direction on rights recognition and implementation. We understand this important window of opportunity that has opened for action.

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Unfortunately, there is a rush on this letter as it was promised to be provided before Wednesday.

Thank you for your kind attention to this request.

Sincerely,

Don Bain | Special Advisor

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From: Bain, Don PREM:EX

Sent: Friday, February 9, 2018 11:31 AM

**To:** Aaron, Sage PREM:EX **Subject:** RE: Throne - Draft 5

Attachments: 20180213 SN Throne Speech\_draft5 db.docx

Hi Sage,

Thank you for the opportunity to review and feedback on this.

My suggested edits are attached in tracked changes – my last suggestion may be too much.

Kind regards,

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From: Aaron, Sage PREM:EX

Sent: Thursday, February 8, 2018 7:42 PM

To: Bain, Don PREM:EX Subject: Throne - Draft 5

Hi Don,

Would you please take a look at this most recent draft of the Throne Speech?

I'd like your thoughts (by noon tomorrow or earlier, please) on the whole, and on the reconciliation pieces in specific. Geoff & the Premier are eager for your input.

Thanks,

From: Bain, Don PREM:EX

Sent: Tuesday, February 13, 2018 5:31 PM

To: Smith, George AG:EX; Sas, Jonathan IRR:EX; Oreck, Mira PREM:EX; Aaron, Sage

PREM:EX; Hannah, Matt GCPE:EX

Cc:Meggs, Geoff PREM:EXSubject:Tomorrow's PMJT Speech

Hello all,

My understanding is the Deputies were briefed today by CIRNA staff about the Prime Minister's speech tomorrow on recognition and implementation of Indigenous rights. Furthermore, Minister Fraser was to receive a call from Minister Bennett today. I was unable to speak to Minister Fraser or Jonathan this afternoon to confirm.

The speech tomorrow is approximately 10 minutes and is now confirmed the Prime Minister will state Canada's reliance on the courts to incrementally define Section 35 of the Constitution is a failure and is no more. The PM will speak of introducing an implementation bill in the House before it rises for the summer recess. Minister Bennett will lead the engagement across the country over the summer and into the fall. The draft bill will provide direction to all Federal decision-makers and will recognize the rights of Indigenous Peoples. The bill may include recognizing relations with Indigenous Peoples based on the recognition and implementation of the right to self-determination, the inherent right of self-government and reconciliation is the purpose of Section 35.

It will coincide with Bill C-262 on implementation of the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples. It is possible, Bill C-262 could be rolled into the larger bill if engagements direct the Federal government to do so.

I requested advance embargoed copies of public materials related to the announcement. I will forward any materials to this group as soon as I receive them.

Regards,

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From: Bain, Don PREM:EX

Sent: Monday, February 26, 2018 8:01 AM

To: McLaren, Chris PREM:EX

Subject: Tsilhqot'in National Government - Invitation Letter

Attachments: 2018\_02\_21\_Exoneration\_invite\_Tribal Chair to Premier Horgan.pdf

Hello Chris,

Do you know what the status of this request may be?

I do not believe the Premier would travel to Ottawa to witness this event BUT I could be wrong!

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From: J.P. Laplante [mailto:jlaplante@tsilhqotin.ca]

Sent: Thursday, February 22, 2018 3:07 PM

To: Bain, Don PREM:EX

Subject: Fwd: Invitation Letter

FYI

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Myanna Desaulniers < Myanna@tsilhqotin.ca>

**Subject: Invitation Letter** 

February 21, 2018

Please find an invitation letter attached from the Tsilhqot'in National Government.

Sechanalyagh, Myanna

Myanna Desaulniers

Communication Manager Negotiations and External Affaris Tsilhqot'in National Government (p) 778-799-2145 ext 2600

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