

Ministre des
Services aux Autochtones



Minister of
Indigenous Services

Ottawa, Canada K1A 0H4

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Dear Chiefs:

It is with a sense of excitement that I write to you further to Canada submitting its plan to the Canadian Human Rights Tribunal on December 22, 2025, on the long-term reform of the First Nations Child and Family Services Program.

This plan aims to incorporate regional agreements within a national framework and represent a seven-year funding commitment of \$35.5 billion to March 31, 2034. Each regional agreement would reflect that region's proportional share of this commitment.

If there is interest in engaging with Canada on a regional agreement, you are invited to contact Lisa Legault, Director General of the First Nations Children and Family Program and Partnerships, by email at lisa.legault@sac-isc.gc.ca, to coordinate the way forward.

I eagerly anticipate hearing from my departmental officials about your interest in a regional agreement. It is my hope that this reform will support solutions designed by and for First Nations to keep children safe and connected to their families, cultures, and communities.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Mandy Gull-Masty" with "ie n' b' c - L' n' i" written below it.

The Honourable Mandy Gull-Masty, P.C., M.P.