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Chief Bruce Archibald
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Subject: Updates to the funding approach for coordination agreements under *An Act respecting First Nations, Inuit, and Métis children, youth, and families*

Dear Chief Bruce Archibald,

I am writing to inform you of updates to Canada's funding approach for the implementation of coordination agreements under the framework of *An Act respecting First Nations, Inuit and Métis children, youth and families* (the Act).

As a result of these updates, funding for on-reserve child and family services will align with reforms of the First Nations Child and Family Services Program. This funding approach will guide fiscal discussions as negotiations toward your coordination agreement continue.

At your next coordination agreement discussion table meeting, Indigenous Services Canada (ISC) officials will provide additional information on the updated funding approach, discuss its application to your coordination agreement, and respond to any questions that you may have.

ISC's funding approach remains guided by the principle that Indigenous peoples are best placed to make decisions about the well-being of their children, youth, and families. Canada remains committed to supporting the exercise of jurisdiction under the framework of the Act and to working collaboratively with Indigenous governing bodies throughout the coordination agreement process.

We look forward to continuing our discussions with you and your representatives.

Sincerely,

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