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By e-mail

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Dear Counsel,

Re: First Nations Child and Family Caring Society et al. v. Attorney General of Canada Tribunal File: T1340/7008

The Panel wishes to communicate the following to the parties:

In order to assist the Panel in determining issues before it, the Panel requests Canada to provide a copy of the most recent version of the Social Programs National Manual and any documented plan to reform inequalities in the Child Welfare Program.

The Panel also requests the most recent version of the Terms and conditions referred to in the AGC's submissions on Major capital dated January 30, 2019 at para. 6 and, in its reply dated May 30, 2019 at para.8 and, a copy of the document referred to at para. 17 (capital directive).

The Panel also requests a copy of ISC's plan to eliminate the lack of coordination in Federal Programs and services adversely impacting First Nations children. The main findings are found in 2016 CHRT 2 at paras. 169, 189, 190, 214, 242, 244, 245, 267, 269, 270, 271, 272, 273, 290, 361, 364, 365, 374, 375, 381, 389, 390, 391, 392, 458, 463, 464, 481, 482, 483). All the above mentioned paragraphs formed part of the Panel's findings referred to in para. 481 reproduced below:

"[481] (...) AANDC is ordered to cease its discriminatory practices and reform the FNCFS Program and 1965 Agreement to reflect the findings in this decision. AANDC is also ordered to cease applying its narrow definition of Jordan's Principle and to take measures to immediately implement the full meaning and scope of Jordan's principle". (emphasis added).

If the AGC wishes to make submissions on those requested documents, it may do so in which case the other parties will also be able to make submissions in response and this would be followed by the AGC's reply, if any.



The Panel requests a response including the documents above mentioned, no later than **March 4, 2020**. Once the documents are received and, if they are accompanied by submissions, the Panel will set timelines for the other parties' responses and for the AGC's reply.

If you have any questions or concerns further to the above, please do not hesitate to contact the Registry by email at registry.office@chrt-tcdp.gc.ca.

Yours truly,

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