



Office of the Vice-President of the
MÉTIS NATION

March 25, 2020

Dear Members of the General Assembly,

RE: Canada Provides \$30 million for Métis Nation's COVID-19 Emergency Response Plan

I am pleased to announce that the federal government is providing the Métis Nation with \$30 million to begin its response to the COVID-19 emergency.

I wish to thank the Prime Minister for living up to his word to me in our call on March 13 that there would be distinctions-based funding for the Métis Nation to cope with the crisis and that Minister Miller would partner with the Métis National Council to ensure the Métis Nation is resourced. I also wish to thank Minister Miller who spoke with me on March 20 to finalize the plan.

As per the MNC request, the federal funding will flow directly to the five provinces with a small portion directed to the MNC to coordinate the emergency response work and ensure that no Métis Nation citizens, communities and essential service delivery providers are left behind in the fight against the invisible enemy.

Yours sincerely,

David Chartrand

Vice-President and National Spokesperson

c.c.: President Margaret Froh, Métis Nation of Ontario
Theresa Stenlund, Northwestern Ontario Métis Community