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Dear Kukpi7 Wilson, Regional Chief Teegee and Ms. Casimer:

Thank you for your correspondence of March 14, 2019, inviting me to attend the All Chiefs Meeting on Children and Families taking place in Vancouver, on April 4, 2019. Unfortunately, I will not be able to participate. However, Ms. Isa Gros-Louis, Director General, Child and Family Services Reform, will participate by video-conference and Ms. Catherine Lappe, Regional Director General, British Columbia Region, will attend in person.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the First Nations Leadership Council for your collaboration and continued partnership regarding Indigenous child and family services. As you know, I introduced on February 28, 2019, Bill C-92, An Act respecting First Nations, Inuit and Métis children, youth and families.

I believe that this Bill embodies reconciliation and demonstrates true partnership. Thanks to the active engagement of a variety of partners, this proposed legislation is a reflection of the rich perspectives of First Nations and other Indigenous partners.

Moving forward, ongoing and concerted dialogue will continue to be central to advance meaningful reform of Indigenous child and family services. I look forward to our future collaboration on this critical matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Seamus O'Regan".

The Honourable Seamus O'Regan, PC, MP

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