Metis Settlement Act Modernization

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The MSGC is seeking feedback from the Membership on the proposed amendments to the Metis Settlement Act as proposed by the Minister of Indigenous Relations.

Each question will have the proposed amendment, we ask that you select either agree or disagree on the removal of the statement within the act.

If you disagree, we ask that you state a reason why.

The first 9 questions pertain to removal of outdated Provisions

Then a question concerning the removal of the Minister from having a say in Financial Allocation Policies FAPs

Then 3 proposed amendments that will improve governance.

We will then ask a question for general feedback on the proposed control of the Metis Settlements Land Registry by the Metis Settlements General Council.

* 1. Section 111 (b) refers to the Co-Management agreement - **Remove** - "before it is signed"

☐ Agree

☐ Disagree

Please explain why you disagree

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* 2. Section 140 (1)(e) and (2)(a) **Remove** - refer to annual payments that have already been made under the Accord Implementation Act

☐ Agree

☐ Disagree

Explain why you disagree?

[   ]

* 3. Section 142 (2) (d) **Remove** the words "after March 31, 2007"

☐ Agree

☐ Disagree

Please Explain?

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* 4. Section154(1)(e) **remove** a the statement referring to matching grants that have already been paid to settlements in accordance with the Accord Implementation Act.

☐ Agree

☐ Disagree

Please Explain?

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* 5. Section 246 1(3) **remove** - requires the Joint Review Committee to do specific tasks by Decmber 31, 2013 or a date agreed on by the Minister or the MSGC

☐ Agree

☐ Disagree

Please Explain?

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* 6. Section248 (1) - **Remove** - Allows the Minister to make regulations governing the first annual election of councilors.

☐ Agree

☐ Disagree

Please Explain?

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* 7. Section 251 (1) **Remove** - requires the Minister to appoint interim councilors as soon as possible after October 31, 1990.

☐ Agree

☐ Disagree

Please Explain?

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* 8. Section 252 (1) **Remove** - Requires the Minister to appoint the first officers of the General Council as soon as possible after November 1, 1990

☐ Agree

☐ Disagree

Please Explain?

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* 9. Section 264 **Remove** - requires the Minister and General Council review and make a report about the election process and system in 1994

☐ Agree

☐ Disagree

Please Explain?

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* 10. The Minister currently has a role in reviewing Metis Settlement General Council FAPs *(an FAP is used to withdraw funds from the future fund)* The Minister currently has discretion on whether to allow the FAPs to come into effect or to veto (in whole or in part)

The Minister has heard from some Settlements that they would prefer that there is no role for the Minister when it comes to FAPs

The Minister proposes an amendment that would remove his role in Financial Allocation Policies (FAPs)

☐ Agree

☐ Neither agree nor disagree

☐ Disagree

Please explain why you agree or disagree?

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* 11. Amend the MSA to prohibit a dis-qualified councilor from being re-elected until the next general election

☐ Agree

☐ Neither agree nor disagree

☐ Disagree

Please Explain if you agree or disagree?

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* 12. An amendment that would authorize the Minister, by way of ministerial order, to quickly address limitation periods and other procedural requirements that are difficult to follow in emergencies (Covid 19)

☐ Agree

☐ Neither agree nor disagree

☐ Disagree

Please Explain why you agree or disagree?

☐

* 13. To enhance good governance Section 25 (1) (m) could be expanded to address debts to the MSGC and debts to entities owned by the MSGC or Settlements

☐ Agree

☐ Neither agree nor disagree

☐ Disagree

Please Explain Why?

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* 14. The Minister has heard from the MSGC that it is interested in having the land registry including maintaining and updating the membership list, turned over to the Metis Settlements General Council.

The Minister has been advised that in order for the MSGC to obtain funding from the federal government that Metis Settlements must control their own membership.

Requests have been made to remove section 75(2)

Turning over the Metis Settlements Land Registry and the amendments to allow MSGC to control membership criteria would not be an quick or easy process.

Do you agree or disagree to further discussion on this matter?

☐ Strongly agree   ☐ Disagree

☐ Agree   ☐ Strongly disagree

☐ Neither agree nor disagree

Please Explain your thoughts?

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