

COMMUNITY AND SOCIAL SERVICES Office of the Minister

## Ministerial Order No. 2017-13

WHEREAS the Government of Canada and certain First Nations are in the process of negotiating settlements related to agricultural benefits (Agricultural Benefits Settlement Agreements);

AND WHEREAS, certain First Nations intend to make a one-time per capita distribution payment equally to their members from the settlement proceeds related to the Agricultural Benefits Settlement Agreements;

AND WHEREAS, pursuant to section 1(1)(r) of Schedule 2 of the Income Support, Training and Health Benefits Regulation (the Regulation) under the *Income and Employment Supports Act*, a payment of a non-recurring nature received from a First Nation that is paid equally to each member on the First Nation's band list is exempt from the determination of financial resources;

AND WHEREAS, pursuant to section 1(1)(n.2) of Schedule 1 of the Regulation, the Minister may exempt an asset or liquid asset that was purchased or obtained with money exempted under section 1(1)(r) of Schedule 2 of the Regulation for the purpose of determining assets;

AND WHEREAS, pursuant to Ministerial Order No. 2017-10, only payments and assets purchased with payments received by Treaty 8 First Nation members as a result of an Agricultural Benefits Settlement Agreement were exempted from the determination of financial resources and assets;

- I, IRFAN SABIR, Minister of Community and Social Services, hereby:
  - exempt an asset or liquid asset purchased or obtained with money from a non-recurring, equal payment received by First Nation band members from the First Nation as a result of an Agricultural Benefits Settlement Agreement with the Government of Canada for the purpose of determining assets; and
  - 2 rescind Ministerial Order No. 2017-10.

DATED this 10 day of 0c	<i>TOBER</i> , 2017.
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Irfan Sabir

Minister of Community and Social Services