

Metis Senate Constitution Commission (MSCC)

AGENDA

JUNE 23, 24 AND 25 SENATE MEETING

June 23, 1993

- 1. Opening Prayer**
- 2. Introduction of Senators**
- 3. Acceptance of the Agenda**
- 4. Review and ratification of Minutes, June 4, 1993**
- 5. MSCC Budget 1993 - Review Exercise -**

Discussion period if needed

- 6. Strategy Paper - Review Exercise -**

Recommendations on strategies for survey

- 7. Review and Analyze**

1 Sample of Questionnaire

2 Sample of Questionnaire

3 Sample of Questionnaire

Recommendations for modifications for Questionnaire

June 24, 1993

- 1. Continuation on recommendations for modifying Questionnaire**
- 2. Continuation and finalization on Strategy Paper**

Back-Up Strategies for Implementation

June 25, 1993

1. Discussion on General Assemblies

**Scheduling Senators to attend General Assemblies
for Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta and NWT.**

**Ontario has cancelled its General Assembly scheduled
for July 15 to July 18/93.**

**British Columbia has held its General Assembly - how
do we distribute the questionnaire in BC and Ontario?**

2. Schedule November National Meeting for Senators

3. Business Cards. letterheads, etc.

4. Tabled items for New Business

5. News Conference (3:00 PM)

6. MSCC Reception (4:30 PM)

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Metis Senate Constitution Commission (MSCC)

News Release

to be released immediately

Edmonton...The Senators of the Metis Senate Constitution Commission (MSCC) are initiating a survey to find out if the Metis citizens of the Metis Nation of Canada are prepared to accept Metis Self-Government and are prepared to develop their concept of Metis Self-Rule.

The elected National Representatives of the Metis National Council (MNC) which represents the Metis citizens from the provinces of Ontario, Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta, British Columbia, including the North West Territories, (called the Metis Homeland) have empowered the Senators of the Metis Senate Constitution Commission (MSCC) to consult with the grass root Metis communities to find out if the Metis people want Metis Self-Government; and the model for Metis Self-Government.

" It is paramount and imperative that the Metis citizens of the Metis Homeland are consulted prior to the establishment of the Metis Nation Parliament as discussed and proposed by the Metis National Council. What we are attempting to complete by our survey and questionnaire is to get the input and direction from the grass root Metis citizens.", states Thelma Chalifoux, chairman of the Metis Senate Constitution Commission (MSCC).

The preparatory work which includes the budget and strategy plan to accommodate the mandate and objectives of the Metis Senate Constitution Commission (MSCC) has been approved and the community consultation process with the Metis communities will commence on July 28, 1993. This community consultancy process will be completed by November 1, 1993.

"The whole exercise is to touch base with the Metis communities and to collect their opinion/views on how the Metis people should bring into realization the principle of Metis Self-Government and how that Metis Self-Government should be constructed and how we should create a "Third Order of Government"." says Ms. Chalifoux.

The primary objective is to collect the consensus on the implementation of Metis Self-Government from the Metis people via the circulation of the questionnaire. This survey is targeted for the Metis citizens from the aforementioned provinces and territory constituting the Metis Nation of Canada.

There is a news conference scheduled for Friday, June 25, to be held at the Ramada Renaissance Inn, 10155 - 105 Street, Edmonton, Alberta. The time scheduled for the news conference is 3:00 P.M.

Following the news conference there will be a reception hosted by the Senators of the Metis Senate Constitution Commission (MSCC). The reception is scheduled for 4:30 P.M.

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Date of News Release: June 22, 1993

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Metis Senate Constitution Commission (MSCC)

MINUTES OF JUNE 4, 1993

TELEPHONE CONFERENCE CALL

Present: -Thelma Chalifoux (Alberta) - Chairperson -
-Edith McLeod (Ontario)
-John Boucher (Saskatchewan)
-Pete Fraser (NWT)
-Dave Barron (BC)

-Laurent C. Roy (Co-ordinator)

-Mark LeClair (MNC Consultant)

Absent: -Ed Head (Manitoba)
-Ron Swain (Minister/Ontario)

Adoption of Agenda:

By consensus of agreement, the Senators adopted the items listed on the agenda for discussion.

Confirmation on Airfares/flights for Senators:

All Senators agreed to have the 22nd of June and 26th of June as traveling days. The Senators will arrive one day prior to June 23, 1993 and will be pre-booked at the Ramada Renaissance Inn, Edmonton, Alberta.

Information Package for Senators:

The Senators received the information package prepared by the MSCC Co-ordinator, Laurent C. Roy. The information package included the following:

- (1). agenda
- (2). MSCC Budget
- (3). Development and Implementation Strategy Paper
- (4). List of the appointed Senators of MSCC
- (5). 1st Sample of the Questionnaire (not complete)

Edith McLeod did not receive her package due to the mail routes to MacDiarmid. Instruction was that the MSCC Co-ordinator must ensure all mail to be distributed shall be at least 14 days in advance to ensure appropriate time for Senators to receive their information packages.

Budget and Financial Control:

The Chairperson of the MSCC, Thelma Chalifoux, present the budgetary allocations identified within the 1993 Budget. This second draft was revised by the MSCC Co-ordinator and the major revisions made involved:--(1). per diems for only two days to be classified as working days and to be paid for the two working days at \$200.00 per day; (2). Senators to decide who shall attend the provincial/territorial General Assemblies and only three to be designated to each of the upcoming General Assemblies.

By accepting the two noted recommendations, the Senators would save its annual budget of \$48,000 by half (\$23,854.40). If all six Senators were to attend the five General Assemblies, it would have been over budget by approximately \$5,000. This would have created a financial problem to accommodate other travel needs of the Senators.

The balance of the \$48,000 travel budget will be earmarked for the Senators to travel to and from the scheduled national meetings, June 23, 25 and 25/93 and November 13, 14, 15 and 16, 1993.

Thelma Chalifoux informed the Senators that the administrative unit of the MSCC will be purchasing a portable computer with all accessories, ie. printer, monitor, key board, etc. The Senators had no objection to the purchasing of the computer.

On the question of financial accountability and control, Thelma shared her opinion with the Senators and Mark LeClair that the funds approved by the Metis Cabinet to sustain the operations costs of the survey be transferred to the Metis Nation of Alberta financial unit.

Mark LeClair had no major issue of concern regarding the transfer of the funds allocated towards the operations of the MSCC's survey. Mark LeClair's one reservation about the transfer was the itemized accountability of the expenditures. Mark related that since the MSCC budget is compromised from different categories of the MNC, the financial breakdown is essential and all expenditures must be itemized.

Mark reiterated that if the MSCC is in control of the distributions of the funds, MSCC must ensure that proper financial controls are in place to guarantee appropriate accounting principles are enforced.

Senators David Barron, Pete Fraser, John Boucher and Edith McLeod were all in favour of the MSCC administering its own finances. Audrey Poitras, Director of Finance for the Metis Nation of Alberta, provided assurance that the funds allocated from the Metis National Council to the MSCC will receive proper accounting entries of all transactions.

All were in agreement to have the Financial Department of the MNA to administer the finances of the Metis Senate Constitution Commission (MSCC).

MSC:-PETE FRASER/EDITH MCLEOD

MOVED BY PETE FRASE AND SECONDED BY EDITH MCLEOD THAT THE ALLOCATED FUNDS FROM THE METIS NATIONAL COUNCIL TO THE METIS SENATE CONSTITUTION COMMISSION BE ADMINISTERED BY THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT OF THE METIS NATION OF ALBERTA.

MSC:-EDITH MCLEOD/JOHN BOUCHER

MOVED BY EDITH MCLEOD AND SECONDED BY JOHN BOUCHER THAT THE ITEMIZED BUDGET BREAKDOWN AS PREPARED BY THE CO-ORDINATOR BE APPROVED AND ADOPTED.

Quarterly Financial Reports:

Mark LeClair and the Senators were in agreement with the recommendation that the Finance Department of the Metis Nation of Alberta shall advance quarterly statements to Ottawa. These quarterly financial statements as prepared by Audrey shall be itemized under each specific category as delineated in the MSCC budget.

MSCC Co-ordinator's Contract:

Thelma make an inquiry as to why the contract was not completed by Ron Rivard, including the Job Description. Thelma also asked why Laurent had to draft the contract between the MNA and himself.

Mark LeClair provided the backgrounder stating the contract between Laurent and the MNA was required to access Laurent's mid-month and end-month pay cheque. It was only a temporary measure to accommodate the pay periods for Laurent.

Mark also informed the Senators that the Saskatoon office has been closed and transferred to Ottawa, which will be the headquarters of the MNC.

Signing Authority:

By consensus of agreement, the Senators and Mark LeClair endorsed the fact that the Executive of the Metis Nation of Alberta shall be the signing authorities for the MSCC payables and other cheques.

It was recommended that prior to any reimbursements from the MSCC account, proper documentation is required for backup and verification. No cheque will be issued without backup invoices, documents, travel claim forms, etc.

Business Cards/Letterheads:

The Senators approved the authority to print business cards and the business letterheads, including return envelopes. The business cards are a priority and should be ordered immediately.

Per Diem for Telephone Conference Call:

It was recommended that the Senators present for the telephone conference call each receive a per diem of \$100.00 for the two hours of conducting business.

This item will be confirmed and verified during the June 23, 24 and 25 Senators' meeting.

Senators' Print Media:

The Senators agreed to collect the media outlets in their respective provinces and will bring their list to the June 23, 24 and 25 meeting.

Metis National Council Meeting:

Mark LeClair informed the Senators that the Metis National Cabinet have scheduled a meeting for June 28, 29, 30 and July 1/93; to be held at Banff, Alberta. Mark made an inquiry to see if the Senators could reschedule their meeting to accommodate the meeting dates of the Metis Cabinet.

Senator Fraser, Boucher, McLeod, and Barron were not in favour of postponing their meeting and the Senators expressed that the Senate should be somewhat independent. All agreed to have the meeting as scheduled for June 23, 24 and 25/93.

It was recommended that Thelma Chalifoux and Laurent Roy attend the Metis Cabinet meeting to give the Senate update report. Thelma reported that she will be in Winnipeg from June 28 to 30 but will find the means and time to get to Banff to give the report.

It was agreed to have Thelma and Laurent attend the meeting at Banff and make the presentation.

Adjournment:

The Telephone Conference Call adjourned at 3:00 P.M.

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L. Roy.
Laurent C. Roy/MSCC Co-ordinator

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1993 BUDGET

METIS SENATE CONSTITUTION COMMISSION (MSCC)

- 1. COORDINATOR'S SALARY**
- 2. COORDINATOR'S TRAVEL**
- 3. MSCC COMMUNICATIONS**
- 4. MSCC SENATORS' EXPENDITURES**
 - A. PER DIEMS/HONOURARIUMS**
 - B. TRAVEL FOR ASSEMBLIES**
 - C. ACCOMMODATIONS**
 - D. MEALS**
- 5. RECOMMENDATIONS**
- 6. COMPARSION**
- 7. PROVINCIAL TRAVEL BUDGET**
- 8. RECOMMEDATION**
- 9. MSCC REPORT**
- 10. ADMINISTRATIVE OVERHEAD COSTS**

METIS SENATE CONSTITUTION COMMITTEE

BUDGET FOR MSCC OPERATIVES

MAY 3, 1993 - NOVEMBER 30, 1993

BUDGETARY COMPONENTS:

The Metis Senate Constitution Commission approved a \$110,000 Budget which was rectified by the Federal Metis Cabinet. The identified costs for the administrative operations and implementation of the MSCC Co-ordinator and the Metis Senate Constitution Commission include the following: (open for clarification and verification by the Senators of MSCC).

1. MSCC CO-ORDINATOR SALARY..... \$ 21,000

The MSCC Co-ordinator hired by the MSCC via a contractual agreement for a period of seven months shall be paid a monthly salary of \$3,000. The pay periods shall be determined by the finance committee.

May	.....	\$	3,000
June	.....	\$	3,000
July	.....	\$	3,000
August	.....	\$	3,000
September	.....	\$	3,000
October	.....	\$	3,000
November	.....	\$	3,000

TOTAL..... \$ 21,000

2. MSCC CO-ORDINATOR TRAVEL..... \$ 9,000

The average allocation for travel expenses for the MSCC Co-ordinator is \$1,286 per month. (Accompanied with receipts)

May	.....	\$	1,286
June	.....	\$	1,286
July	.....	\$	1,286
August	.....	\$	1,286
September	.....	\$	1,286
October	\$	1,286

November	\$	1,286
TOTAL.....	\$	9,000

MSCC'S CO-ORDINATOR SALARY & TRAVEL..... \$ 30,000
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3. MSCC COMMUNICATIONS..... \$ 20,000

Telephone.....(\$150 per month X 7 months).....	\$	1,050
Fax..... (\$200 per month X 7 months).....	\$	1,400
Mail..... (\$425 per month X 7 months).....	\$	2,975
Paper..... (\$ 75 per month X 7 months).....	\$	525
Photocopier (10 cents per copy X 20,000).....	\$	2,000
Business Cards.....	\$	250
Business Letter Heads.....	\$	250
Business Addressed Envelopes.....	\$	250
Business Manila Envelopes.....	\$	200
Advertisement.....(Newspapers.....)	\$	8,000
News Conferences.....	\$	800
Executive Assistant (part time).....	\$	2,300

Total..... \$ 20,000
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4. MSCC EXPENDITURES..... \$ 48,000

A. SENATORS' PER DIEMS/HONOURARIUMS

1. Ontario General Annual Membership Assembly

July 15, 16, 17, and 18/1993		
Traveling Days, July 14 and 19		
Allocation of \$200 per day X 2 days per Senator.	\$	400
\$400 per Senator X three Senators	\$	1,200

TOTAL..... \$ 1,600

2. Saskatchewan General Annual Membership Assembly

July 23, 24, and 25/1993		
Traveling Days, July 22 and 26/1993		
Allocation of \$200 per day X 2 days per Senator.	\$	400
\$400 per Senator X three Senators	\$	1,200

TOTAL..... \$ 1,600

3. Manitoba General Annual Membership Assembly

Unscheduled at the present	
Two Traveling Days	
Allocation of \$200 per day X 2 days per Senator.	\$ 400
\$400 per Senator X three Senators.....	\$ 1,200
TOTAL.....	\$ 1,600
4. Alberta General Annual Membership Assembly	
August 20, 21 and 22/1993	
Traveling days, August 19 and 23/1993	
Allocation of \$200 per day X 2 days per Senator.	\$ 400
\$400 per Senator X three Senators.....	\$ 1,200
TOTAL.....	\$ 1,600
5. Northwest Territories General Annual Membership Assembly	
July 9, 10 and 11/1993	
Traveling Days, July 8 and 12/1993	
Allocation of \$200 per day X 2 days per Senator.	\$ 400
\$400 per Senator X three Senators.....	\$ 1,200
TOTAL.....	\$ 1,600
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GRAND TOTAL.....	\$ 8,000

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B. SENATORS' TRAVEL (AIRFARES) FOR ASSEMBLIES

1. Airfare to Ontario Assembly	
Allocation for airfare \$650 per Senator.....	\$ 650
\$650 X Three Senators.....	\$ 1,950
TOTAL.....	\$ 1,950
2. Airfare to Manitoba Assembly	
Allocation for airfare \$550 per Senator.....	\$ 550
\$550 X Three Senators.....	\$ 1,650
Total.....	\$ 1,650
3. Airfare to Saskatchewan Assembly	
Allocation for airfare \$600 per Senator.....	\$ 600

\$600 X Three Senators.....	\$	1,800
TOTAL.....	\$	1,800

4. Airfare to Alberta Assembly

Allocation for airfare \$600 per Senator.....	\$	600
\$600 X Three Senators.....	\$	1,800
TOTAL.....	\$	1,800

5. Airfare to Northwest Territories

Allocation for airfare \$800 per Senator.....	\$	800
\$800 X Three Senators.....	\$	2,400
TOTAL.....	\$	2,400

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GRAND TOTAL.....	\$	9,600
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C. SENATORS' RATE FOR ACCOMMODATIONS

1. Accommodations for Ontario Assembly

Allocation of \$50 per nite X 5 nites, per Senator	\$	250
\$250 per Senator X Three Senators.....	\$	750

TOTAL.....	\$	750
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2. Accommodations for Manitoba Assembly

Allocation of \$50 per nite X 4 nite, per Senator	\$	200
\$200 per Senator X Three Senators.....	\$	600

TOTAL.....	\$	600
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3. Accommodations for Saskatchewan Assembly

Allocation of \$50 per nite X 4 nites, per Senator	\$	200
\$200 per Senator X Three Senators.....	\$	600

TOTAL.....	\$	600
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4. Accommodations for Alberta Assembly

Allocation of \$50 per nite X 4 nites, per Senator	\$	200
\$200 per Senator X Three Senators.....	\$	600
TOTAL.....	\$	600

5. Accommodations for NWT Assembly

Allocation of \$50 per nite X 4 nites, per Senator	\$	200
\$200 per Senator X Three Senators.....	\$	600
TOTAL.....	\$	600

GRAND TOTAL..... \$ 3,150

D. SENATORS' ALLOCATION FOR MEALS

1. Meals for Ontario General Assembly

\$39.80 per day X 6 Days = \$238.80 per Senator...	\$	238.80
\$238.80 per Senator for 6 days X 3.....	\$	716.40
TOTAL.....	\$	716.40

2. Meals for Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta/NWT\$

\$39.80 per day X 5 days = \$199 per Senator.....	\$	199.00
\$199 per Senator for 5 days X 3.....	\$	597.00

\$597 X 4 Assemblies (Man. Sask. Alta. NWT)..... \$ 2388.00
(3 Senators to attend the provincial meeting)

TOTAL..... \$ 2388.00

GRAND TOTAL..... \$ 3,104.40

GRAND TOTAL OF (A) TO (D)..... \$23,854.40

The recommendation is to incorporate the noted budget items,(A TO D), totalling \$23,854.40; which will enable three senators to attend each respective General Annual Membership Assembly. The Senator of the hosting province (Ontario, Manitoba, Saskatchewan,

Alberta and Northwest Territories, exception is B..C) is guaranteed to attend the Assembly.

The two senators shall be selected on a rotation basis by the Senators, themselves, or the MSCC can designate the Chairperson of the MSCC to attend all General Assemblies and one senator to be designated at the MSCC conferences. If this recommendation is approved and adopted, this means that the remaining \$24,145.60 can be allocated to travel expenditures of the respective Senators, to attend National Conference specifically scheduled, June 22.23.25/93 and November 13.14.15 and 16/93.

A. Per Diems/Honorariums.....	\$	8,000.00
B. Airfares for General Assemblies.....	\$	9,600.00
C. Accommodations for General Assemblies.....	\$	3,150.00
D. Meals for General Assemblies.....	\$	3,104.40
E. National Travel.....	\$	24,145.60
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TOTAL.....	\$	48,000.00
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5. MSCC REPORT		\$12,000.00
Graphic design, layout costs.....	\$	500.00
Typesetting content of report.....	\$	500.00
Colour Separation for photographs.....	\$	500.00
Binding costs.....	\$	500.00
Printing costs.....	\$	8,000.00
Distribution costs.....	\$	2,000.00
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TOTAL.....	\$	12,000.00
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6. ADMINISTRATIVE OVERHEAD COSTS..... \$11,000.00

The Executive Cabinet of the MNC approved a 10 per cent of the \$110,000 budget to supplement additional overhead capital and administrative costs of the MSCC and the operations of the Co-ordinator's unit.

Purchase of Portable unit, printer, monitor.....	\$	5,000.00
Non-aligned capital/administrative costs.....	\$	6,000.00
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TOTAL.....	\$	11,000.00

NOTE OF INTEREST:

The Senators of the MSCC shall identify the categories for the required administrative expenditures during the June 4 telephone conference call.

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L. C. Roy

Prepared by: Laurent C. Roy
Revised: May 26, 1993

METIS SENATE CONSTITUTION COMMISSION (MSCC)

DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGY PAPER

1. MISSION STATEMENT

2. GOAL

3. OBJECTIVES

4. IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGIES FOR (8) OBJECTIVES

5. PROCEDURES FOR IMPLEMENTATION

6. RATIONAL FOR OBJECTIVES #1 TO #8

7. TIME FRAME SCHEDULES

8. CONCLUSION

**METIS SENATE CONSTITUTION COMMISSION
(MSCC)**

**DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION
STRATEGY PAPER**

MISSION STATEMENT:

THE METIS SENATE CONSTITUTION COMMISSION (MSCC) IS AN INDEPENDENT QUASI-JUDICIAL BODY INCORPORATED AND MANDATED BY THE METIS NATIONAL CABINET OF THE METIS NATIONAL COUNCIL TO SERVE THE METIS CITIZENS OF THE METIS HOMELAND, TO PROTECT AND ENHANCE THE METIS RIGHTS AND TO PROMOTE THE ENTRENCHMENT OF METIS SELF-GOVERNMENT AND; TO DEVELOP A NATIONAL LEGISLATIVE GOVERNING ACT.

THIS MISSION SHALL BE IMPLEMENTED BY THE SENATORS OF THE MSCC WITH DIGNITY, INTEGRITY, HONOUR AND WISDOM AND SHALL PROVIDE LEADERSHIP AND DIRECTION TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE METIS SELF-GOVERNMENT CONCEPTS AND THE FINAL METIS NATIONAL LEGISLATION.

GOAL:

THE METIS SENATE CONSTITUTION COMMISSION (MSCC) MANDATED BY THE METIS FEDERAL CABINET (MNC) SHALL IMPLEMENT A CONSULTATION PROCESS WITH THE METIS CITIZENS OF THE METIS NATIONAL COUNCIL TO DEVELOP AND RECOMMEND CONSTITUTIONAL MODELS FOR THE INCORPORATION OF A METIS NATIONAL CONSTITUTION, A METIS PARLIAMENT STRUCTURE AND ITS GOVERNING INSTITUTIONS TO BE LEGISLATED BY THE PROVINCIAL AND FEDERAL GOVERNMENTS.

OBJECTIVES:

1. COLLECT HISTORICAL DOCUMENTS ON METIS NATIONALISM TO OBTAIN AND SUSTAIN CONTINUITY AND PERSPECTIVE ON METIS SELF-GOVERNMENT;
2. COLLECT ALL EXISTING DOCUMENTS ON PROPOSED METIS CONSTITUTION TO OBTAIN FUNDAMENTAL PRINCIPLES FOR METIS SELF-GOVERNMENT.

3. DEVELOP A METIS NETWORK SYSTEM TO INTERLINK PROVINCIAL METIS NATIONS OF THE METIS NATIONAL COUNCIL AND ITS AFFILIATIONS;
4. DEVELOP A COMMUNICATION STRATEGY TO FACILITATE COLLECTION OF DATA AND CONSULTATION WITH METIS TARGETED CITIZENS AND GROUPS;
5. DEVELOP A MEDIA COMMUNICATION CAMPAIGN TO CREATE PUBLIC AWARENESS ON THE METIS CONSULTATION PROCESS AND EXPECTED REALIZATIONS;
6. DEVELOP THE CONTENT, DESIGN AND FORMAT OF THE QUESTIONNAIRE TO BE USED FOR THE SURVEY PROCESS;
7. DEVELOP A DATA BASE COLLECTION FORMAT TO FORMULATE REALIZATIONS DERIVED FROM THE QUESTIONNAIRE;
8. DEVELOP THE DESIGN, COMPOSITION OF THE REPORT, SELECTION OF THE PUBLISHER AND THE DISTRIBUTION FORMULA OF THE REPORT.

IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGIES FOR OBJECTIVES (8):

1. **Collect historical documents on Metis Nationalism to obtain and to sustain continuity and perspective on movement for Metis Self-Government:**

PROCEDURE FOR IMPLEMENTATION:

- (a) Collect previous laws established by the Metis Provisional Government of Riel, Laws of St. Laurent, Manitoba, Metis Declaration of the Metis National Council, and the Principles of the Metis National Council.
- (b) Collect such documents as the Manitoba Act, the Dominion Lands Act, Metis Adhesions to Treaties, Conscription Transfer of Lands to Metis, National Resources Act and the Indian Act; and the Supreme Court of Canada's Judgement on Metis Nationhood.
- (c) Obtain existing Constitution and By-Laws of the provincial Metis Nations, including their respective codes for membership.
- (d) Obtain copies of the Statutes of the Government of the Northwest Territories and the Yukon Territories and its governmental structures, institutions, etc., for analysis due to its uniqueness on governmental principles.

- (e) Obtain the copy of the Canadian Constitution Act of 1982, including the Charter of Rights and Freedoms; the Charlottetown Accord of 1993, and the Metis Accord, including all Tripartite Agreements.
- (f) Obtain the copy of the Metis Settlement Acts (5) legislated by the Alberta Government.

RATIONALE FOR OBJECTIVE #1:

This "Research and Development" phase should guarantee that the historical accounts and events on the emergence of a Metis Nationalism in western Canada is accurately documented to support credence to the development of the Metis government. The "R & D" phase will also substantiate that the evolution for a Metis Nation and its establishment of a ~~Metis Government~~ ^{Metis Government} is based on uniqueness and distinctiveness involving culture, traditions, ideological concepts and values, social norms and behaviors.

But the most paramount principle, according to historical documentation and today's is the ultimate fundamental right that Metis citizens of western Canada constitute a Nation based on occupations of lands and the right to establish laws and rights to govern the Metis communities. This fundamental principle still exists today. (Historical accuracy as ascertained by Metis academics such as Louis LaMothe, Jim Penton, Father LaVallee and Olive Dickason.)

This "Research and Development" phase should provide fundamental models to delineate Metis principles/rights incorporated and implemented by the Metis citizens of western Canada. This "R & D" phase will provide historical proof and evidence to the Metis principles/rights being pursued by today's Metis generation.

TIME FRAME SCHEDULE:

RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT PHASE..... MAY 10 - JUNE 4/93
 MAIL PROFORMA BUDGET TO SENATORS..... MAY 31, 1993
 TELEPHONE CONFERENCE CALL..... JUNE 4, 1993

- 2. **Collect all existing documents (present) on proposed Metis Constitution to obtain fundamental principles/rights for the creation of a Metis Self-Government.**

PROCEDURE FOR IMPLEMENTATION:

- (a) Obtain present day's documents from 1982, since the PATRITION of the Canadian Constitution Act, including;

- i. Canadian Constitution Act, 1982;
- ii. Charter of Rights and Freedoms;
- iii. MNCC's Constitutional Position Papers for Constitution Conferences;
- iv. Saskatchewan's Metis Declaration of Rights;
- v. Constitution and By-laws of Metis National Council of Canada;
- vi. Constitutions and By-laws of the Provincial Metis Nations;
- vii. Code qualifiers for Metis Identity to qualify as Metis citizens of the Metis National Council;
- viii. Geo-political regions constituting the geographic district of the Metis National Council;
- ix. Draft Constitution on Metis Government and People of the Metis Nation (the six principles);
- x. Document of the Metis Nation Accord, Tripartite Agreement Strategies.

RATIONALE FOR OBJECTIVE #2:

This component, Objective #2, will be implemented in conjunction with the "Research and Development" phase to obtain existing Metis position papers reflecting the continuity toward the evolution of establishing a Metis Government for the Metis citizens within the jurisdiction of the Metis homeland.

This "R & D" phase is crucial and paramount to transpire in order to achieve an appropriate blueprint which will provide practicality and realistic models towards the goal of establishing a Metis Self-Government Constitution.

The Position Papers developed since 1982 to the present should mirror the major principles/rights of the Metis Nation and should serve as units of measurement to indicate consensus among the Metis citizens of the Metis homeland.

These legal documents developed since 1982 received legal scrutiny and skepticism from the provincial and federal governments during the Constitutional Rounds, yet in the end, prior to the 1993 Referendum, the Metis Declaration on Nationhood, including Metis Rights and right to Self-Government were accepted and recognized by the provincial and federal partners during the latest Constitutional Conferences.

To couple and to supplement the Metis Constitutional Principles, the Metis National Council developed the Metis Nation Accord as an option, a backup strategy outlining pro-action plans via Tripartite Agreements with the provincial and federal governments.

These pro-action plans delineated in the Metis Nation Accord qualified mechanisms to achieve the desired aspirations of the Metis citizens, including the inclusive right to Metis Self-Government.

The completion of Objective #1 and #2 shall pave the road to Self-Government for the Metis Nation of the Metis Homeland. It shall reveal legal provisions focusing on the IDENTIFICATION ON WHAT CONSTITUTES A METIS, OTHER BLOOD QUANTITY.

TIME FRAME SCHEDULE:

RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT PHASE..... MAY 10 - JUNE 4/93

TELEPHONE CONFERENCE CALL..... JUNE 4, 1993

- 3. Develop a Metis Network System (MNS) to interlink provincial Metis Nations of the Metis National Council and its affiliations;**

PROCEDURE FOR IMPLEMENTATION:

- (a) Develop a Metis Network System (MNS) to interlink provincial Metis Nations of the Metis National Council and its affiliations:

- i. Metis National Council and sub-offices;
- ii. Metis Provincial Nations;
- iii. Metis Institutions, Corporations, Affiliates;
- iv. Metis Regional Councils/entities;
- v. Metis Local Councils;
- vi. Metis members associated with other services, agencies/organizations and government departments

- (b) Collection of all elected representatives, their addresses, telephone and fax numbers, including;

Same as i. to v. noted above.

- (c) Collection of names, addresses, telephone and fax numbers of individual Metis administrative support staff, including;

Same as i. to v. noted above.

RATIONALE FOR OBJECTIVE #3:

The completion of this Objective #3 will enable the Coordinator of the Metis Senate Constitution Commission (MSCC) to prepare a list of all Metis elected representatives, Metis institutions, Metis corporations, et al. This list shall serve notice that these are the targeted entities to be contacted and consulted during the MSCC's consultation process.

The identified Metis noted above will constitute the Metis Network System (MNS) who shall participate with the proposed consultation process. This participatory mechanism is vital to the distribution and completion of the questionnaire.

TIME FRAME SCHEDULE:

LIST ON AFOREMENTIONED METIS ENTITIES TARGETED FOR COMPLETION ON..... JUNE 4/93

MAIL STRATEGY PAPER TO SENATORS OF THE METIS SENATE CONSTITUTION COMMISSION..... MAY 31/93

TELEPHONE CONFERENCE CALL..... JUNE 4/93

- 4. Develop a Metis Communication Strategy (MCS) to facilitate collection of data and consultation with Metis targeted citizens and groups:**

PROCEDURE FOR IMPLEMENTATION:

- (a) Integrate finalized activities of Objective #3 into the development of a Metis Communication Strategy (MCS) that will include:
- i. Integrate and active operatives of Objective #3 to provide channels of accessibility for participation of the Metis citizens via the consultation process undertaken by the MSCC;
 - ii. Incorporate initiatives revolving on dissemination of information via the Metis Network System (MNS) to create awareness on the consultation process;
 - iii. The Metis Communications Strategy (MCS) will involve - a) identification on targeted Metis individuals; b) develop master list of Metis participants for consultation; c) develop a time schedule for distribution, completion of questionnaire and collection of the questionnaire;
- (b) Communications Strategy shall include:
- i. Selection of the Spokesperson for MSCC;
 - ii. Selection of the Spokesperson for MNC;
 - iii. Delegated Spokespersons should include the Senators for their respective provinces.
- (c) Other components of the Communications Strategy shall include:
- i. Development of news releases by Coordinator;

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- ii. Development of other communiques;
- iii. Senators to serve as hosts for radio/TV in their respective provinces;
- iv. Communiques from Ottawa (Mark LeClair) and from Saskatoon (Gerald Morin) to be utilized concerning the consultation process.

RATIONALE FOR OBJECTIVE #4:

It is important to note that the Objectives #3 (network system) and #4 (communications strategy) must be integrated and activated simultaneously to achieve realizations of the objectives. This preparatory phase is important, creating the Metis Network System and the Metis Communication Strategy.

The network system shall provide the list of the targeted audience for the distribution of the questionnaire and the Communication Strategy shall provide participatory opportunities. The Metis Communication Strategy will guideline the Coordinator in the implementation stage, i.e., who, how, when, etc.

The implementation of the Objectives #3 and #4 will be systematic to ensure that the targeted audience of the questionnaire receive the pertinent information and receive ample awareness of the survey and consultation campaign.

TIME FRAME SCHEDULE:

DEVELOPMENT OF NEWS RELEASES..... MAY 31/93
 AWARENESS CAMPAIGN TO KICK-OFF..... JUNE 4/93
 TELEPHONE CONFERENCE CALL..... JUNE 4/93
 ONGOING IMPLEMENTATION..... ONGOING/93
 CONSULTATION WITH MSCC SENATORS..... ONGOING/93

- 5. **Develop a Media Communication Strategy to create public awareness on the Metis consultation process and expected realizations;**

PROCEDURE FOR IMPLEMENTATION:

- (a) Identify media (print, radio and television) outlets to be utilized prior, during and after the consultation process, and shall include:

- i. Aboriginal print media in each respective provinces to disseminate MSCC news releases and other communiques (i.e. Les Metis, Manitoba; NewBreed, Saskatchewan; Windspeaker, Alta; Native Network News, Alta; The Native Perspective (radio-CFWE), Alta.;
- ii. CBC radio/TV stations and other private mediums in each respective provinces of the Metis Nation of Canada;
- iii. Non-Aboriginal media print publications in each respective provinces of the Metis Nation of Canada;
- iv. Develop a list of journalists for contact reference.

RATIONALE FOR OBJECTIVE #5:

The components of the Media Communication Strategy shall enable the MSCC to disseminate information on the upcoming consultation process via the questionnaire. The targeted media outlets shall provide continuative services to establish awareness of the consultation process to the targeted Metis audience. This is part of the network system to couple and supplement the objectives of mass communications aforementioned in Objectives #3, #4 and #5.

In the utilization of the Aboriginal and Non-Aboriginal mediums it shall guarantee blanket coverage on the proposed intentions and realizations of the MSCC consultation with the Metis citizens of the Metis Nation of Canada.

This blanket strategy focusing on dissemination of information, creating awareness on the MSCC questionnaire, prompting Metis citizens to complete questionnaires is paramount to the desired results of the objectives of the MSCC.

TIME FRAME SCHEDULE:

LIST OF ABORIGINAL PRINT AND RADIO MEDIA..... JUNE 4/93
 LIST OF NON-NATIVE PRINT/RADIO/TV MEDIA..... JUNE 4/93
 DEVELOPMENT OF NEWS RELEASES..... MAY 31/93
 FOLLOW-UP ACTION ON DISSEMINATION..... ONGOING
 CONSULTATION WITH MSCC SENATORS..... ONGOING

- 6. Develop the content, design and format of the Questionnaire to be used for the consultation and collection process.**

PROCEDURE FOR IMPLEMENTATION:

- (a) The development of the Questionnaire to be disseminated shall be designed in a format that will easily be understood by the targeted Metis participants, the format shall include:
 - i. select wording for the questionnaire will be simple and straight forward for clarity;
 - ii. the questionnaire will be in three Sections, (a). questions on the proposed Metis Constitution, including structure, parliamentary procedures, etc;
- (b) identifying powers of jurisdiction between Metis National Cabinet and the provincial Metis Nation Associations;
- (c) codes and qualifiers to constitute the identification of a Metis citizen of the Metis Nation of Canada; and
- (e) other criteria as determined by the Senators of MSCC.
 - iii. determine the number of questions in each of the proposed Sections of the questionnaire recommending 9 for each Section;
 - iv. Recommended number for questions should be 27 - 30.
- (b). The targeted number on the questionnaire to be circulated during the General Annual Membership Assemblies and other Metis activities is 6000.
 - i. 1000 questionnaires for each respective provinces;
 - ii. Circulate questionnaires to other Metis citizens participating at and during other Metis activities occurring at the provincial, regional and local level;
 - iii. MSCC Senators should hand out questionnaires at every possible avenue of opportunity when attending political, social/cultural events in their respective provinces;
 - iv. MSCC Co-ordinator (Alberta) will circulate the questionnaires to Metis citizens whenever opportunities do arise (same as item (iii)).
 - v. MSCC Senators must be scheduled during the first days of each respective General Annual Membership Assemblies. This is a must!

RATIONAL FOR OBJECTIVE # 6:

The words in the questionnaire shall be selected with care to avoid ambiguity (double meaning) and to accommodate the need for

comprehension by the Metis targeted participants. The questions will be short and concise to ensure understanding. The design of the questionnaire could be multiple choice with spaces offered to substantiate their "yes" or "no" responses.

The questionnaire should also contain a "glossary" to explain what words mean, example, constitution, self-government, parliament, cabinet, etc. This method will involve time and energy, however, this mechanism will provide clarity to the participants completing the questionnaire.

The Metis legal representatives, Mark LeClair and Cindy Bartolin, will critique the questionnaire prior to the printing of the final draft. This exercise should prevent the questionnaire having erroneous wording/questions and should eliminate ambiguous questions. This consultation phase with the lawyers must occur prior to the final printing of the questionnaire.

The questionnaire circulated and disseminated to the Metis citizens at and during General Annual Membership Assemblies will be implemented by the MSCC Co-ordinator with the assistance of the six MSCC Senators. In advance consultation with the provincial Metis Nations of each respective provinces hosting the General Annual Membership Assemblies, the Co-ordinator shall negotiate to have the MSCC Senators make a presentation during the first day of each respective assembly. This practise will ensure that the days allocated to conduct the businesses of the Assemblies are captured to accomplish the tasks consociated with the questionnaire. TIME MANAGEMENT IS CRITIAL TO COMPLETION OF THE OBJECTIVE #6.

TIME FRAME SCHEDULE:

COMPLETION OF QUESTIONNAIRE.....	MAY 31, /93
QUESTIONNAIRE MAILED TO SENATORS.....	MAY 31, /93
TELEPHONE CONFERENCE CALL.....	JUNE 4, /93
APPROVAL OF THE QUESTIONNAIRE.....	JUNE 4, /93
SPECIFIC MAIL OUT OF QUESTIONNAIRE..... (TESTING SAMPLE OF QUESTIONNAIRE)	JUNE 7, /93
REVISIONS OF QUESTIONNAIRE FROM TESTING.....	JUNE 14,/93
DISSEMINATE OF QUESTIONNAIRE..... (GENERAL ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP ASSEMBLIES)	ON-GOING
TARGETED DATE FOR COMPLETION.....	OCT. 31,/93

7. **Develop an appropriate statistical analysis format to formulate realizations derived from the responses of the questionnaires:**

PROCEDURE FOR IMPLEMENTATION:

- (a) During the development of the Questionnaire, there should be a process initiated involving a computer programmer. This process should facilitate the needs in:
- i. computer design/program of the questionnaire;
 - ii. computer design/program to speed up imputation of responses derived from completed questionnaires;
 - iii. Categorization of Questions and Answers on the questionnaire(pre-programmed, if possible);

RATIONAL FOR OBJECTIVE #7:

The need to pre-program the components/sections of the questions by a computer programmer will provide guidelines and procedural methods in the collection data phase. This pre-programming phase is required to measure and to tally the responses from the questionnaire. If this method can be utilized at the beginning it shall save consideration time in collecting the information from the respective sections of the questionnaire.

The other method is obviously the manual operations to be incorporated by the MSCC. This method will achieve the same realizations of the consultation process via the questionnaire.

TIME FRAME SCHEDULE:

PRE-PROGRAMMING COMPLETED BY.....	JUNE 18,/93
✓MANUAL SYSTEM DEVELOPED	JUNE 18./93
INTERNAL CONTROL/MONTIOR SYSTEMS.....	JUNE 18,/93
COLLECTION OF QUESTIONNAIRES.....	ON-GOING
DATA ANALYSIS BY CATEGORIES/SECTIONS.....	ON-GOING
COMPLETION OF DATA ANALYSIS.....	OCT. 15 /93

8. **Develop the design, composition of the report, selection of the publisher and the distribution of the report.**

PROCEDURE FOR IMPLEMENTATION:

- (a). In preparation for the drafting of the final report of the survey, the following points should be considered prior to the printing of the report:
 - i. legal consultancy to ensure appropriate legalities are addressed;
 - ii. Cover of the report, title of the report, etc.
 - iii. Sections of the report: introduction, executive summary on the methodology, results of the survey, recommendations and implementation strategy.

- (b). Determine the number of the copies to be distributed and who receives the report.
 - i. 500 copies of the final report
 - ii. Recipients of the report shall include, federal and provincial governmental departments involved with tripartite agreements;
 - iii. Identified targeted Metis groups delineated under Objective # 3, i.e. Metis National Cabinet ministers, Provincial elected Metis representatives, et al.

RATIONAL FOR OBJECTIVE # 8:

Prior to the publication of the final report, it should be reviewed and critiqued by Mark LeClair and Cindy Bartolin to ensure all legalities of the report are appropriately addressed and resolved to eliminate any ambiguities and misconceptions. This is very important and it should be addressed immediately by the Senators.

The components of the report, i.e. cover, style, photos inserted, type and bond of paper, et al shall be determined by the MSCC Senators. To assist and to facilitate the Senators in determining the final report, the MSCC Co-ordinator will make recommendations for their consideration and final approval. The need for consultation with the MSCC by the MSCC Co-ordinator is important and must be maintained to achieve realizations of the exercise.

TIME FRAME SCHEDULE:

CONSULTATION PHASE WITH SENATORS.....	ON-GOING UNTIL	
	OCT.OBER	31/93
COMPLETION DATE FOR DATA ANAYLSIS.....	OCTOBER	31/93
COMPLETION ON 1ST DRAFT OF REPORT.....	OCTOBER	22/93
SUBMISSION OF REPORT TO LAWYERS.....	OCTOBER	22/93
(INCUDING PRESIDENTS & SENATORS)		
RECOMMENDED CHANGES/MODIFICATION....	OCTOBER	29/93

COMPLETION DATE FOR MODIFICATIONS..... NOVEMBER 1/93
PRINTING/PUBLICATION OF REPORT..... NOVEMBER 12/93
SUBMISSION ON FINAL REPORT BY SENATORS..NOVEMBER 16/93

CONCLUSION ON STRATEGY PAPER

THE DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGY PAPER PREPARED BY THE MSCC CO-ORDINATOR, LAURENT C. ROY SHALL BE CRITIQUED BY THE MSCC SENATORS TO BE OFFICIALLY ADOPTED AS THE WORKING DOCUMENT OF THE SURVEY. THIS STRATEGY PAPER IS THE BLUEPRINT FOR OPERATIVES OF THE PROPOSED SURVEY AS MANDATED BY THE METIS NATIONAL CABINET AND DELEGATED TO THE METIS SENATE CONSITUTION COMMISSION.

DRAFTED BY: LAURENT C. ROY

QUESTIONNAIRE

NOTE OF INTEREST: The Metis National Council have commissioned the Senators of the Metis Senate Constitution Commission to conduct a survey. The purpose of the survey is to obtain a consensus from the Metis citizens of the Metis Nation of Canada. This consensus collected will be used by the Metis Senate Constitution Commission which shall then make recommendations to the Metis National Cabinet as to the type of self-government to govern the Metis Nation of Canada.

The following questions contained in the questionnaire are categorized into three Sections:

- (A). Questions on the Metis Constitution (laws for the Metis people) dealing with the proposed six principles identified in the preamble of the Draft Constitution (To serve only as guidelines for the questionnaire);
- (B). Questions on the jurisdictional powers and composition of the Metis Nation Parliament (Government Structure based on a third order of government in Canada);
- (C). Questions on the principle of, "WHO IS A METIS", to get a consensus and to collect codes/qualifiers to determine eligibility and from this collection of data, establish a National Criteria for Metis Citizenship of the Metis Nation of Canada;
- (D). Plus other questions commissioned by the Senators of the Metis Senate Constitution Commission (MSCC).

METHODOLOGY:

This questionnaire will be circulated to targeted Metis participants, such as yourself, throughout the Metis Homeland. Please complete the Questionnaire. If any problems do come up, please contact the MSCC Co-ordinator and the Senators of the MSCC. Refer to attached sheet to contact your respective Senator from your province appointed to the MSCC Commission for assistance if needed. The MSCC Co-ordinator will also be available to provide assistance.

We need your full co-operation and you should give us your ideas, opinions and views by answering the following questions.

HELP US AND YOURSELF TO BUILD OUR HOUSE TO GOVERN THE METIS CITIZENS OF THE METIS NATION OF CANADA! BE A METIS NATION BUILDER BY PARTICIPATING IN THIS DEMOCRATIC EXERCISE!

Please give reason(s) for your response.

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(This process is currently used by the Metis Nations in their respective provinces/territory to resolve issues of concerns and to develop working agreements with the federal and provincial governments.)

_____ "YES"

_____ "NO"

Please explain your response:

10. Do you agree with the terms, Metis Nation Parliament, Metis Nation Legislative Assembly, Metis National Senate, Metis National Council of Ministers (Cabinet) to define and to describe our model for a Metis Self-Government?

_____ "YES"

_____ "NO"

Please offer other definitions to be considered:

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SECTION TWO
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SECTION TWO: This section (2), is a continuation of Section One which will deal with the authority, powers and election process for the Metis National Parliament to be legislated under the Metis Constitution. We need you to assist us in building the Metis Representative House and to develop Metis Nation laws.

1. Do you agree that once our Metis National Parliament is established that our members of our Parliament call an annual legislative session to offer Metis citizens full participation.

_____ "YES"

_____ "NO"

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4. Do you think that once we create our Metis Nation Parliament and our Metis Constitution based on the principles of a "Third Order of Government", that we acknowledge, recognize and honor the existing Constitution Act of 1982, Charter of Rights and Freedoms, 1982, including all Provincial Legislation and Municipal Act?

_____ "YES"

_____ "NO"

Please explain how we can achieve the concept of a Metis Constitution based on a "Third Order of Government":

5. Do you believe that the electoral process developed by the Metis Nation Parliament shall have "one person one vote" and shall have "equitable representation of Metis" according to the population distribution of the Metis people within the Metis Homeland?

_____ "YES"

_____ "NO"

Please explain how we can establish a electoral act to govern our elections:

6. Do you agree that once set up our Metis Nation Parliament and the Metis Constitution Act, that it shall have powers to make laws for the Metis Nation and shall be based on majority vote of our proposed Metis Nation Legislative Assembly?

_____ "YES"

_____ "NO"

Please indicate how we can guarantee equitable participation from the Metis citizens within the Metis Homeland.

9. Do you believe that once we create the Metis Nation Parliament and the Metis Constitution Act, that we should include laws relating to the enumeration and registration of the Metis people of our Metis Homeland?

_____ "YES"

_____ "NO"

Please give your view and opinions:

10. How would you see the powers of the Metis Nation Parliament, as one of the same extending from the elected provincial/territorial representatives of our Metis Homeland?

Please describe the legislative powers of our National Metis Government:

SECTION THREE

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SECTION THREE: This section (3) is very important because we have to make recommendations as to WHO CAN BE QUALIFIED AS A METIS CITIZEN, OF OUR METIS HOMELAND. Under this section, we will be dealing with definitions as to who can be determined as a METIS CITIZENS and the definitions agreed upon will be entrenched in our Metis Constitution Act.

1. To decide of WHO IS A METIS should we adopt the following codes to qualify identification of our Metis citizens"

For the purposes of the Metis Constitution Act;

----- "Metis" means an Aboriginal person who self-identifies as Metis, who is distinct from Indian and Inuit and is a descendant of those Metis who

_____ "YES"

_____ "NO"

Please list other geographical areas that should be included in our definition of the Metis Nation of Canada:

4. Do you believe that the Metis Nation of Canada should conduct a Metis Registry and Enumeration System to identify our Metis citizens?

_____ "YES"

_____ "NO"

Please give examples as to how we should conduct our own registry and enumeration:

MSCC QUESTIONNAIRE

REGISTRATION FILE NUMBER:--MSCC--_____

WE, THE SENATORS OF THE METIS SENATE CONSTITUTION COMMISSION (MSCC) ARE SEEKING YOUR CO OPERATION AND ASSISTANCE. WE NEED YOUR UPMOST DILIGENCE TO PARTICIPATE IN OUR SURVEY BY COMPLETING THE QUESTIONNAIRE:

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

Postal Code: _____

Phone NO : _____

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- (3A). Plus other questions commissioned by the Senators of the Metis Senate Constitution Commission (MSCC).

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SECTION ONE
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SECTION ONE: The following nine questions will be on the Metis Constitution as proposed by our elected representatives of the Metis people. This Metis Constitution is based on "common laws" of the Metis citizens which are based on uniqueness, distinctness, culture, traditions, lifestyle, language, ownership and occupation of lands. (PLEASE CHECK OFF WITH A (X) TO MARK YOUR RESPONSE(S) TO THE QUESTIONS.

1. Do you believe that we, the Metis citizens, should have our own Metis Constitution (Metis laws to establish a Metis government)?

(1.1) _____ "YES", the laws should reflect that the Metis Nation emerged as a unique Nation with its language, culture and provisions for Metis Self-Government;

(1.2) _____ "YES", the laws should include that the Metis Nation, historically, has sought agreements with Canada to protect its land and other rights;

(1.3) _____ "YES", the laws should include that the Metis were formally recognized in the Manitoba Act, 1870, and the Dominion Lands Acts;

(1.4) _____ "YES", the laws should indicate the existing Aboriginal and Treaty rights of Aboriginal peoples including the Metis are recognized and affirmed in the Constitution Act, 1982;

(1.5) _____ "YES", the laws should include that the Metis Nation, Canada and the Provinces agree to a "just and desirable" formula to recognize the contributions made by the Metis Nation to the Canadian Federation and to ensure that the Metis Nation is strengthened within the Canadian Federation.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS (IF NEEDED):

2. Do you believe that we, the Metis citizens, should have our own "Third Level of Government" as talked about during the Constitution discussions?

(2.1)_____ "YES", that the Metis Nation of Canada establish a "Third order of Government" based on the "common laws" of the Metis citizens and on the Manitoba Act of 1870 which recognized and affirmed the "List of Rights"; including the recognition of the Metis as Aboriginal Peoples of Canada under Section 35 of the Constitution Act of 1982, and the Supreme Court of Canada's ruling that the Metis people are affirmed as a Nation;

(2.2)_____ "YES", that the Metis Nation of Canada create "legislative powers" to entrench the principle of Metis Self-Government;

(2.3)_____ "YES", that the legislative powers to be developed shall enable the Metis citizens to design/develop/implement legislative laws to govern the Metis Nation of Canada;

(2.4)_____ "YES", that the Metis Nation of Canada shall abide to all Federal, Provincial and Municipal Statutes and shall develop and implement Self-Rule Legislation which will include provisions for a "Check and Balance" system;

(2.5)_____ "YES", that the Metis Nation of Canada shall establish a METIS CONSTITUTION ACT to govern the legislative institution, legislative assembly, Electoral Act, etc.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS (IF NEEDED):

3. Do you think that we should have an institution, a Metis Nation Parliament, to be called as the Metis Nation legislative Assembly?

(3.1)_____ "YES", the Metis Nation of Canada shall establish " A METIS NATION PARLIAMENT" AND "PARLIAMENTARY SYSTEMS" to govern the elected representatives to the Metis Nation Legislative Assembly (HOUSE);

(3.2)_____ "YES", that the Metis Nation Parliament shall elect a National Leader from within the elected Metis representatives of

the provincial/territorial Metis representative bodies within the Metis Homeland;

(3.3)_____ "YES", that the Metis Nation Parliament shall include the Metis Nation Senate;

(3.4)_____ "YES", that the Metis Nation Parliament develop internal and external parliamentary procedures based on majority rule;

(3.5)_____ "YES", that the Metis Nation Parliament use the "one person, one vote elections"; and shall develop a law to provide equitable representation of Metis according to the population distribution of Metis citizens across the Metis Homeland;

(3.6)_____ "YES", that upon approval by the Metis people of the Metis Nation of Canada to establish a Metis National Parliament and parliamentary systems, the national capital of the the Metis National Parliament shall be BATOCHÉ, SASKATCHEWAN;

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS (IF NEEDED):

4. Do you think that once we create the Metis Nation Legislative Assembly that the elected Metis representatives from the provinces/territorial Metis representative bodies, who make up the Metis Nation of Canada, be the members of the Assembly?

(4.1)_____ ""YES", that the Metis representatives who are elected within their provincial/territorial bodies, shall be eligible for appointments to the Metis Nation Legislative Assembly, on an interim base until an Electoral Act is established;

(4.2)_____ "YES", that the Metis Nation Legislative Assembly shall include a body, to be called the, Metis National Council of Ministers (Cabinet portfolios);

(4.3)_____ "YES", that the Metis representatives who are elected by their provincial/territorial bodies shall be eligible for appointments to the Metis National Council of Ministers, on an interim basis until an Electoral Act is established;

(4.4) _____ "YES", that the selection and make up on the Metis Nation Legislative Assembly shall be determine by the Metis citizens of the Metis Homeland; or

(4.5) _____ "YES", that the Metis representatives who are elected by their provincial/territorial representative bodies and who make up the Metis Nation Legislative Assembly, shall determine:

(a).XXX number of elected Metis representatives from each of the provinces and territories within the Metis Homeland;

(b).XXX number of elected representatives of Metis women; and

(c).XXX number of the Metis National Council of Ministers (the Metis Cabinet).

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS (IF NEEDED):

5. Do you think that we should have a Metis National Body, to be called, Metis Nation Senate, to be included within the Metis Nation Legislative Assembly?

(5.1) _____ "YES" that the Metis Nation Senate be established and shall be part of the Legislative Assembly;

(5.2) _____ "YES", that the Metis representatives who are elected by their provincial/territorial representative bodies and who make up the Legislative Assembly shall appoint the Senators to serve on the Metis Nation Senate, on an interim basis until the Electoral Act is established;

(5.3) _____ "YES", that the names of Metis Elders be recommended by the Metis representatives elected within their provincial/territorial representative bodies to the Metis Nation Legislative Assembly for appointments to the Metis Nation Senate; until the Metis Nation's Electoral Act is established;

(5.4) _____ "YES", that the Metis Nation Legislative Assembly shall determine the:

XXX number of Senators from each province/territorial representative bodies to serve on the Metis Nation Senate;

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS (IF NEEDED):

6. Do you think that we should have Metis laws to protect our rights on:

(6.1) _____ "YES", land entitlement, protection of Metis Land Rights and Land Ownership;

(6.2) _____ "YES", ownership of natural resources and resource management of those resources on Metis lands;

(6.3) _____ "YES", Hunting, Trapping and Gathering Rights, same as Treaty Indians;

(6.4) _____ "YES", Metis Self-Government as a third order of government;

(6.5) _____ "YES", Metis collective rights cannot be altered or taken away through the application of the 'CHARTER OF RIGHTS AND FREEDOMS';

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS (IF NEEDED):

7..Do you believe that our Metis Constitution should spell out our rights in developing and implementing our own institutions on:

(7.1) _____ "YES", Social issues of concerns, ie. administration and control of development and implementation on education, health, housing, social services, etc;

(7.2) _____ "YES", Economic administration and control of development and implementation to ensure economic self-sufficiency;

(7.3) _____ "YES", Financial resources to be secure through Federal/Provincial/Metis Nation Negotiation Process;

(7.4) _____ "YES", Political Structure to spell out "negotiations agreements" based on equality of participation between the Federal and Provincial First Ministers and the Metis Nation of Canada;

(7.5) _____ "YES", Cultural and language issues of concerns, ie. administration and control of development and implementation on Metis history, Metis common laws, etc.;

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS (IF NEEDED):

8. Do you believe that we should continue to use the present system called the Tripartite Agreement Process to achieve Metis Self-Government? (This course of action is described in our Metis Accord which was a back up plan during the Constitutional Discussions.)

(8.1)_____ "YES", the Metis Nation of Canada as represented by the Metis National Council shall continue to pursue "negotiations" with the federal and provincial governments to push for Metis Self-Government ;

(8.2)_____ "YES", the Metis Nation of Canada as represented by the Metis National Council shall "negotiate" with federal and provincial governments to have Metis Self-Government and the Metis Constitution be entrenched in the legislations of the provinces and the federal government;

(8.3)_____ "YES", the Metis Nation of Canada as represented by the Metis National Council shall develop a third order of government, establish Metis Laws (CONSTITUTION), a Metis Nation Parliament and Parliamentary Systems; and this on-going process shall involve the federal and provincial First Ministers and the Metis Nation of Canada;

(8.4)_____ "YES", the Metis Nation of Canada as represented by the Metis National Council shall provide consultation processes with the Metis citizens of the Metis Homeland for clarification, verification and approval of the Metis third order of government;

(8.5)_____ 'YES', the Metis Nation of Canada go ahead of creating a Metis Self-Government model, establish a Metis Nation Legislative Assembly, a Metis Nation Senate, and implement the principles with our federal/provincial agreements.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS (IF NEEDED)

9. What do you think we should call our proposed Metis Nation Self-Government?

(9.1)_____ "YES", Metis Nation Grand Council of Canada;

(9.2)_____ "YES", Metis Nation Parliament, to be called Metis Nation Legislative Assembly;

(9.3)_____ "YES", Metis Nation House of Parliament;

(9.4) _____ "YES", Metis House of Representatives;

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS (IF NEEDED):

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SECTION TWO
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SECTION TWO: This section (2), is a continuation of Section One which will deal with the authority, powers and election process for the Metis National Parliament to be legislated under the Metis Constitution. We need you to assist us in building the Metis Representative House and to develop Metis Nation laws.

1. How do you see the authority and powers of the Metis Nation Parliament once it is established?

(1.1) _____ The authority and powers of the Metis Nation Parliament shall come from the Metis citizens who shall elect the representatives from the constituencies established within the Metis Homeland;

(1.2) _____ All power within the Metis Nation rests with the people and to change any powers or its structure, it may only be exercised through democratic participation by the Metis citizens within the Metis Homeland;

(1.3) _____ Upon establishment of the Metis Nation Parliament it shall be the sole representative body of the Metis people of Canada, exercising its "rights", "powers", "privileges" and "jurisdictions" as a third order of government;

(1.4) _____ The Metis Nation Parliament shall legislate a "check and balance system" that will provide equal participation, equal opportunity, equal recognition and equal representation to the provincial/territorial Metis elected bodies;

(1.5) _____ Upon establishment of the Metis Nation Parliament it shall exercise, enforce and follow the existing federal and provincial laws of jurisdiction to provide "Law and Order" within the Metis Homeland;

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS (IF NEEDED):

2. As an interim initiative, do you agree that the elected Metis representatives from each of the provinces and territory shall decide the number of members for: (Refer to Question 4).

(2.1) _____ "YES", Metis Nation Legislative Assembly (Metis Nation Parliament);

(2.2) _____ "YES", Metis Nation Senate;

(2.3) _____ "YES", Metis Nation Women Council;

(2.4) _____ "YES", Metis National Council of Ministers (Cabinet)

This practice to be continued until we establish our electoral laws to govern our elections.

_____ "YES"

_____ "NO"

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS (IF NEEDED):

3. How do we create a "check and balance system" to govern our Metis Nation Parliament and our provincial/territorial Metis governments?)

(3.1)_____The Provincial/Territorial Metis Representative Bodies must have equal numbers of members on the Metis Nation Legislative Assembly;

(3.2)_____The Provincial/Territorial Metis Representative Bodies must design Metis legislation (laws) to protect their provincial/territorial jurisdiction over its lands and natural resources to recognize existing provincial laws which are different from each province; *weak*

(3.3)_____The Provincial/Territorial Metis Representative Bodies must have jurisdictional powers over their financial resources to protect their annual budgets and to protect their financial obligations;

(3.4)_____The Provincial/Territorial Metis Representative Bodies must have jurisdictional powers to protect their regional interests based on their respective constituents;

(3.5)_____The Provincial/Territorial Metis Representative Bodies must have jurisdictional powers to enable autonomy within their respective regions/communities;

(3.6)_____The Provincial/Territorial Metis Representative Bodies must ensure that the Metis Nation Parliament spells out its roles and responsibilities to eliminate any conflicts of interest.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS (IF NEEDED):

4. How shall we create our laws based on a "Third Order of Government" to govern our Metis Nation, do you think that our Metis Laws should be in accordance with:

(4.1)_____Canada's Constitution Act of 1982;

(4.2)_____Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms, 1982;

(4.3)_____Provincial Legislation Acts;

(4.4)_____Municipal Ordinance (regulations and statutes);

(4.5)_____Territorial Legislation Acts;

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS (IF NEEDED):

5. How shall we elect our representatives to serve on the Metis Nation Parliament?

(5.1)_____By using "one person one vote" election;

(5.2)_____By creating electoral districts (constituencies) in each of the provinces/North West Territories;

(5.3)_____By having "representation by population" in each of the electoral districts (constituencies);

(5.4)_____By having "representation by region" as presently used by the provinces/North West Territories (geographic boundaries);

(5.5) _____ Or by having the elected representatives of the Provincial/Territorial Governing Bodies hold internal election to determine appointments to the Metis Nation Parliament.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS (IF NEEDED):

6. How do we call our representatives appointed/elected to the Metis Nation Parliament?

(6.1) _____ Members of the Metis Nation Legislative Assembly;

(6.2) _____ Senators of the Metis Nation Senate;

(6.3) _____ Ministers of the Metis National Council, to be called the Metis Cabinet;

(6.4) _____ Members of the Metis Nation Women's Council;

(6.5) _____ Or other official title than MEMBER;

If other title or definition, please list:

7. How do we call the position/title of our National Appointed/Elected representative of the Metis Nation Parliament?

(7.1) _____ Prime Minister of the Metis Nation Parliament (Metis National Legislative Assembly);

(7.2) _____ President of the Metis Nation Parliament;

(7.3) _____ Leader of the Metis Nation Parliament;

(7.4) _____ Chief Cabinet Minister of the Metis National Council of Ministries (Metis Cabinet);

(7.5) _____ Or other official title;

If other title, please list:

8. How do we register all the Metis citizens within the Metis Homeland?

(8.1)_____By participating with the Canada Census to be conducted in 1996;

(8.2)_____By participating with Provincial Statistical Data systems;

(8.3)_____By using our provincial/territorial collection data systems ;

(8.4)_____By using and developing our own collection data systems to enumerate and register all the Metis citizens within the Metis Homeland;

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS (IF NEEDED):

SECTION THREE

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SECTION THREE: This section (3) is very important because we have to make recommendations as to WHO CAN BE QUALIFIED AS A METIS CITIZEN OF OUR METIS HOMELAND. Under this section, we will be dealing with definitions as to who can be determined as a METIS CITIZENS and the definitions agreed upon will be entrenched in our Metis Constitution Act.

1. To decide on 'who is a Metis', should we adopt the following?

(1.1)_____ "Metis" means an Aboriginal person who self-identifies as Metis, who is distinct from Indian and Inuit and is a descendant of those Metis who received or were entitled to receive land grants and/or script under the provisions of the Manitoba Act, 1870, or the Dominion Lands Acts, as enacted from time to time; or

(1.2)_____ who self-identifies as a "Metis" and can produce historical or legal proof to qualify Metis status; or

(1.3)._____ who self-identifies as a "Metis" based on "common laws" of the Metis community and is accepted by the Metis community; or

(1.4)_____ who self-identifies as a "Metis" who has any mixture of North American Indian and Caucasian ancestry provided that he/she does not have Indian Status or Indian Treaty Rights under the Laws of Canada; or

(1.5)_____ other codes to qualify the citizenship of the Metis Nation of Canada; such as:

Please list other definitions:

2. Do you agree that the Metis Homeland shall mean the provinces/territory of:

- (2.1) _____ Ontario
(2.2) _____ Manitoba
(2.3) _____ Saskatchewan
(2.4) _____ Alberta
(2.5) _____ British Columbia
(2.6) _____ North West Territories

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS (IF NEEDED)

CONCLUSION

The Senators of the Metis Senate Constitution Commission (MSCC), on behalf of the elected representatives of our Metis National Council extend their "THANKS" for taking the time and effort to complete the questionnaire.

We are always Nation Builders and once again we are building our own NATION.

PLEASE SIGN THE QUESTION UPON COMPLETION:

Signature

Date: _____

Referendum
Constitution

MSCC QUESTIONNAIRE

Registration File Number: --MSCC--

Name: _____

Address: _____

Postal Code: _____

Phone Number: _____

We, the Senators of the Metis Senate Constitution Commission (MSCC) need your help to answer these questions.

Note of Interest: The Metis National Council has asked our Senators (Elders) to question our Metis people as to what kind of government we want to make for ourselves.

The Following questions are developed into three sections:

- (1). Questions on the Metis Constitution (Laws for the Metis people);
 - (2). Questions on "Who is a Metis", this will be important to identify who is a Metis by Metis people;
 - (3). Questions on what powers should be given to our Metis government and what our Metis government should look like;
- Plus other questions asked by our Senators of the Metis Senate Constitution Commission (MSCC).

Methodology:

Please fill out these questions. If you have questions or need some help call the MSCC Co-ordinator (403) 455 -2200 or your Senator from your province/territory.

Help us and yourself to build our house to govern
the Metis Citizens of the Metis Nation of Canada!
Be a Metis Nation Builder by participating in this
democratic exercise!

SECTION ONE

Section One: The following nine (9) questions will be on the Metis Constitution as proposed by our elected Metis representatives. (Please check off with a (X) to mark your response(s) to the questions).

1. Do you think that as Metis people we should have our own Metis Constitution (Metis laws to establish a Metis government)?

(1.1)_____ "YES", the laws should say that we are a Metis Nation and we have our own language, culture, and how our Metis Self-Government is to work for us;

(1.2)_____ "YES", the laws should state agreements with Canada to protect our lands and other rights;

(1.3)_____ "YES", the laws should state that the Metis are now recognized in the Manitoba Act, 1870, and the Dominion Lands Act;

(1.4)_____ "YES", the laws should state that the Metis and our rights are in the Constitution Act, 1982;

(1.5)_____ "YES", the laws should state that the Metis Nation, Canada and the provinces/territory agree to a "just and desirable" formula that explains our rightful place in the Canadian Federation.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS (IF NEEDED):

2. Do you believe that we should have our own "third Level of Government"?

(2.1)_____ "YES", that the Metis Nation of Canada make a "Third Order of Government" based on:

***the Metis "common laws";

***the Manitoba Act of 1870 which affirmed our "List of Rights";

***the recognition of the Metis as Aboriginal Peoples of Canada under Section 35 of the Constitution Act of 1982;

***the Supreme Court of Canada's decision that the Metis people are a Nation;

(2.2)_____ "YES", that the legislative powers or rules will explain how Metis people will run our Metis Government;

(2.3)_____ "YES", that the Metis Nation of Canada will agree to follow all Federal, Provincial and Municipal Statutes (written laws) but we will have our own Self-Rule Legislation (Laws) which must be fair to all Metis people;

(2.3) _____ "YES", that the Metis Nation of Canada will agree to follow all Federal, Provincial and Municipal Statutes (written laws) but we will have our own Self-Rule Legislation (Laws) which must be fair to all Metis people;

(2.4) _____ "YES", that the Metis Nation of Canada shall have a: Metis Constitution Act that says how we are to run our Metis Nation Government and how we are to elect our Metis people to run our government.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS (IF NEEDED):

3. Do you think that we should have a Metis Nation Parliament?

(3.1) _____ "YES", the Metis Nation of Canada shall have our own Metis Nation Parliament (which makes our Metis laws) and Parliamentary Systems (how we are to make these Metis laws);

(3.2) _____ "YES", that the Metis Nation Parliament shall elect a National Leader;

(3.3) _____ "YES", that our Metis Nation Parliament shall include our Metis Nation Senate (Metis Elders);

(3.4) _____ "YES", that our Metis Nation Parliament will make decisions, ie. pass laws based on majority rule;

(3.5) _____ "YES", that our Metis Nation Parliament will use the "one person one vote elections"; and will have our Metis representatives elected based on population distribution (so many Metis people will be needed for each elect Metis representative);

(3.6) _____ "YES", that upon approval by the Metis people of Canada our "National Capital of our Metis Nation Parliament shall be BATOCHÉ, SASKATCHEWAN;

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS (IF NEEDED):

4. How should we pick our Metis representatives to run our Metis Government once it is in place?

(4.1) _____ "YES", that each Metis elected from their own province/territory be appointed, on a temporary basis, to our Metis Nation Government. This would be until we have laws in place saying how we are to elect our Metis

people to run our Metis Nation Government and would include such questions as:

(a).XXX number of elected Metis representatives from each of the provinces and territories within the Metis Homeland; and

(b).XXX number of elected representatives of Metis Women;

(4.2)_____ "YES", that our Metis Government shall include a body, which will have cabinet portfolios (government departments such as Education, Housing, Economic Development & Trade, etc;

(4.3)_____ "YES", that the selection and make up on our Metis Nation Government shall be determined by our Metis people.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS (IF NEEDED):

5. Do you think that we should have a Metis Nation Senate (Council of Elders) to be included within our Metis Nation Government?

(5.1)_____ "YES", that the Metis Nation Senate shall be a part of our Metis Nation Government;

(5.2)_____ "YES", that each provincial/territorial elected Metis Board, appoint the Senators (Elders) to serve on the Metis Nation Senate (Council of Elders), on an interim basis until the Electoral Act is in place;

(5.3)_____ "YES", that the names of the Metis Elders be recommended by each provincial/territorial elected Metis Board to our Metis Nation Government for appointments to our Metis Nation Senate (council of Elders); until the Metis Nation's Electoral Act is in place;

(5.4)_____ "YES", that the Metis National Government with our Metis laws shall determine the (XXX) number of Senators (Elders) from each provincial/territorial elected Metis Board to serve on our Metis Nation Senate (Council of Elders);

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS (IF NEEDED):

6. Do you think that we should have our Metis Laws protect our rights on:

(6.1) _____ "YES", the protection on Metis Land Rights and Land Ownership;

(6.2) _____ "YES", ownership and management of our natural resources on Metis Lands;

(6.3) _____ "YES", Hunting, Fishing, Trapping and Gathering Rights;

(6.4) _____ "YES", Metis Self-Government as a third order of government;

(6.5) _____ "YES", our Metis Rights cannot be changed or taken away through Federal, Provincial/Territorial Statutes (written laws) such as the "Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms";

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS (IF NEEDED):

7. Do you believe that our Metis Constitution should spell out how we build our Metis Nation Government to handle the problems faced by our Metis people such as housing, education, employment and training, etc?

(7.1) _____ "YES", Social issues of concern, ie. where we can handle our own education, health, housing, social services, etc,

(7.2) _____ "YES", have the means to control our own resources that will lead us to economic self-sufficiency (where we can stand on our own two feet);

(7.3) _____ "YES", our Metis Nation Government should negotiate for resources (money, etc) that we will need to run our own government;

(7.4) _____ "YES", our Metis Nation Government should spell out our relationship with the Federal/Provincial Governments through negotiations (how we will work together);

(7.5) _____ "YES", our Metis Nation Government must handle our Metis Culture and language, ie. handling and delivery on Metis History, Metis common laws, etc,;

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS (IF NEEDED):

8. Should we use the Tripartite Agreement to obtain our Metis Self-Government? (This is an agreement with the Federal and

Provincial governments to look at changing existing policies, etc., that does ^{not} for Metis people)?

(8.1) _____ "YES", the Metis National Council shall continue to work towards Metis Self-Government;

(8.2) _____ "YES", the Metis National Council shall work towards our Metis Self-Government and Metis Constitution must be included in the legislations (laws) of the federal and provincial/territorial governments;

(8.3) _____ "YES", the Metis National Council shall develop a third order of government, with our own laws, and shall involved the federal and provincial/territorial First Ministers;

(8.4) _____ "YES", the Metis National Council must have the approval of the Metis people before making our own Metis Nation Government with our own laws;

(8.5) _____ "YES", the Metis National Council shall go ahead in creating a Metis Self-government model, and work for this through our existing federal/provincial/territorial framework.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS (IF NEEDED):

9. What do you think we should call our proposed Metis Nation Self-Government?

(9.1) _____ "YES", Metis Nation Grand Council of Canada;

(9.2) _____ "YES", Metis Nation Parliament, to be called the Metis Nation Legislative Assembly;

(9.3) _____ "YES", Metis Nation House of Parliament;

(9.4) _____ "YES", Metis House of Representatives;

(9.5) _____ "YES" Metis Government House of Riel;

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS (IF NEEDED):

SECTION TWO

Section Two: This Section will be very important for we have to provide codes/recommendations as to "Who can qualify as a Metis citizen of our Metis Homeland". In this section, we will be asking you to decide and to determine how one can become a Metis citizen.

1. Do you think that we should using the following identification when we are deciding "Who is a Metis"?

(1.1) _____ "YES", that "METIS" means a person who is an Aboriginal and who says she/he is a Metis and is different from an Indian and an Inuit; and she/he is a Metis member of her/his family who got or were entitled to receive land grants and/or script under the regulations of the Manitoba Act, 1870, or the Dominion Lands Acts, which were given time to time; or

(1.2) _____ "YES", she/he who says she/he is a "METIS" and she/he can give historial and legal proof can become a "METIS"; or

(1.3) _____ "YES", she/he who says she/he is a "METIS" because of she/he lived the "common laws" of the Metis community and she/he is accepted by the Metis community; or

(1.4) _____ "YES", she/he who says is a "METIS" because she/he has any mixed blood of Indian and European, and she/he is not registered with the Department of Indian and Northern Affairs as a Status Indian and she/he is not qualified for Indian Treaty Rights under the laws of Canada; or

(1.5) _____ "YES", other codes to use to identify our Metis citizens of our Metis Homeland, such as:

Please list other codes:

2. Do you think that we should include the following provinces to identify our Metis Homeland?

(2.1) _____ "YES", Ontario;

(2.2) _____ "YES", Manitoba;

(2.3) _____ "YES", Saskatchewan;

(2.4)_____ "YES", Alberta;

(2.5)_____ "YES", British Columbia;

(2.6)_____ "YES", North West Territories

Other areas:

SECTION THREE

Section Three: This Section will be on questions that will deal with what kind of powers should be given to our Metis Government and what our Metis Government should look like.

1. Do you think that we should give the right to rule and power to our Metis Nation Parliament and how do we give them the right to rule and the power to rule?

(1.1)_____ "YES", the Metis citizens of the Metis Homeland must be the building blocks of our Metis Nation Parliament and we shall elect the representatives from the districts created within the Metis Homeland;

(1.2)_____ "YES", the Metis citizens must hold the power to change any law and/or the structure of our Metis Nation Government and way to change things is by democratic participation by the Metis citizens of the Metis Homeland;

(1.3)_____ "YES", once we create our Metis Nation Parliament it must become the "one voice" for the Metis citizens and it must have the "rights", "powers", "privileges" and the "jurisdiction" to handle all the affairs of the Metis Homeland;

(1.4)_____ "YES", once we create our Metis Nation Parliament, it shall make sure that everyone has an equal "voice" which will be heard, an equal chance to take part in the Metis Nation Parliament, an equal chance to be recognized, and must have equal representation from the provincial/territorial Metis Boards;

(1.5)_____ "YES", once we create our Metis Nation Parliament, it shall have the power to make sure that all Metis citizens follow the federal/provincial laws and it shall make sure that the Metis citizens follow our own "Law and Order" rules within the Metis Homeland.

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2. Do you think that we should agree that the elected Metis representatives from each of the provinces and territory decide the number of members for: (This will be for a short period of time, until we create our own election act).

(2.1) "YES", Metis Nation Legislative Assembly (Metis Nation Parliament);

(2.2) "YES", Metis Nation Senate;

(2.3) "YES" Metis Nation Women Council'

(2.4) "YES", Metis National Council of Ministries (Cabinet).

This practice should be in place until we decide on how to handle our elections.

YES

NO

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS IF NEEDED:

3. How do you think we should set up the Metis Nation Parliament and the systems to handle its business and at the same time, how it should respond to our provincial/territorial Metis bodies?

(3.1) "YES", the provincial/territorial Metis Boards must have the same number of members on the Metis Nation Legislative Assembly;

(3.2) "YES", the provincial/territorial Metis Boards must make up Metis Legislation (Laws) to protect their own provincial/territorial affairs such as matters over land and natural resources;

(3.3) "YES", the provincial/territorial Metis Boards must have the powers to handle their own financial resources, to protect their annual budgets and to protect their financial commitments;

(3.4) "YES", the provincial/territorial Metis Boards must have the powers to protect their regional business of affairs based on their Metis citizens;

(3.5) "YES", the province/territorial Metis Boards must have powers to make sure that the decision-making systems is safe in their regions and/or communities;

(3.6) _____ "YES", the provincial/territorial Metis Boards must make sure that the Metis Nation Parliament spell out its roles and responsibilities to avoid any conflicts of interest.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS (IF NEEDED):

4. Once we create our "Third Order of Government" to rule our Metis Nation, do you think that our Metis Laws should be in line with:

(4.1) _____ "YES", Canada's Constitution Act of 1982;

(4.2) _____ "YES", Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms;

(4.3) _____ "YES", Provincial Legislation Acts;

(4.4) _____ "YES", Municipal Ordinance (regulations and statutes)

(4.5) _____ "YES", Territorial Legislation Acts;

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS (IF NEEDED):

5. How do you think we should we elect our Metis representatives who will serve as members of our Metis Nation Parliament?

(5.1) _____ "YES", we shall use the "one person one vote" election;

(5.2) _____ "YES", we shall create electoral districts (constituencies) across our Metis Homeland;

(5.3) _____ "YES", we shall use the "representation by population" to create the electoral districts (constituencies); or

(5.4) _____ "YES", we shall use the "representation by region" as being used today by the provincial/territorial Metis Boards; or

(5.5) _____ "YES", we shall have the elected representatives of the provincial/territorial Metis Boards hold internal election to determine appointments to the Metis Nation Parliament.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS (IF NEEDED):

6. How should we call our representatives appointed/elected to the Metis Nation Parliament?

- (6.1) _____ "YES", Members of the Metis Nation Legislative Assembly;
- (6.2) _____ "YES", Senators of the Metis Nation Senate;
- (6.3) _____ "YES", Ministers of the Metis National Council (Metis Cabinet);
- (6.4) _____ "YES", Members of the Metis Nation Women's Council; or
- (6.5) _____ By other official than MEMBER.

If other title or definition, please recommend.

7. How should we call the position/title of our National appointed/elected representative of the Metis Nation Parliament?

- (7.1) _____ "YES", Prime Minister of the Metis Nation Parliament;
- (7.2) _____ "YES", President of the Metis Nation Parliament;
- (7.3) _____ "YES", Leader of the Metis Nation Parliament;
- (7.4) _____ "YES", Chief Cabinet Minister of the Metis National Council of Ministries (Metis Cabinet); or
- (7.5) _____ by other official title.

If other title, please recommend

8. How should we identify and register all the Metis citizens within the Metis Homeland?

- (8.1) _____ "YES", by participating with the Canada census in 1996;
- (8.2) _____ "YES", by participating with Provincial Statistical data systems;

(8.3) _____ "YES", by using our own provincial/territorial systems;

(8.4) _____ "YES", by using and developing our own collection systems to count and register all the Metis citizens of the Metis Homeland.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS (IF NEEDED):

CONCLUSION

THE SENATORS OF THE METIS SENATE CONSTITUTION COMMISSION (MSCC), ON BEHALF OF THE METIS NATIONAL COUNCIL, EXTEND THEIR 'THANKS' FOR TAKING THE TIME AND EFFORT TO COMPLETE THE QUESTIONNAIRE.

"WE ARE ALWAYS NATION BUILDERS AND ONCE AGAIN WE ARE ASKED TO BUILD OUR METIS NATION!"

PLEASE SIGN THE QUESTIONNAIRE UPON COMPLETION:

Signature _____

Date: _____

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METIS NATION OF ALBERTA
 1993 GENERAL ELECTION
 ZONE 1 LOCALS
 (REVISED JUNE 7, 1993)

NO. & LOCAL	STATUS	NOTES	ACCESS NO.
#334 ANZAC	Active	Action Taken To Strike Out	50358376
#138 ATHABASCA	STRUCK	April 1, 1989	50273851
#127 CALLING LAKE	STRUCK	February 1, 1989	50333508
#2000 BUFFALO LAKE	STRUCK	February 1, 1991	50370793
#193 CONKLIN	Active	Action Taken To Strike Out	50289320
#111 ELINOR LAKE	STRUCK	July 1, 1988	50295521
#124 FORT CHIPEWYAN	STRUCK	October 1, 1987	50315134
#122 FORT MCKAY	STRUCK	January 1, 1989	50333510
#1935 FORT MCMURRAY	Active	Action Taken To Strike Out	50362834
#214 JANVIER	Active	O.K. Election /93	50326517
#126 KIKINO	Active	O.K. Election /93	50321138
#2001 LAC LA BICHE	STRUCK	December 1, 1992	50402360
#2951 OWL RIVER	STRUCK	September 1, 1992	50362510

METIS NATION OF ALBERTA
 1993 GENERAL ELECTION
 ZONE 2 LOCALS
 (REVISED JUNE 7, 1993)

NO. & LOCAL	STATUS	NOTES	ACCESS NO.
#99 BONNYVILLE	Active	O.K Election /93	50287448
#222 COLD LAKE	STRUCK	December 1, 1991	50366298
#641 ELK POINT	STRUCK	September 1, 1991	50381014
#1988 HEINSBURG	STRUCK	September 1, 1991	50381015
#88 LLOYDMINISTER	Active	O.K. Election /93	50532644
#132 MOOSE MOUNTAIN	STRUCK	June 1, 1993	50412213
#333 ST. PAUL	Active	O.K. Election /93	50563607
#1869 VEGREVILLE	Active	O.K. Election /93	50547175
#69 VERMILLION	STRUCK	October 1, 1991	50381551

METIS NATION OF ALBERTA
 1993 GENERAL ELECTION
 ZONE 3 LOCALS
 (REVISED JUNE 7, 1993)

NO. & LOCAL	STATUS	NOTES	ACCESS NO.
#87 CALGARY	Active	O.K. Election/93	50370795
#1001 CALGARY	Active	O.K. Election/93	50388061
#2003 LETHBRIDGE	Active	O.K. Election/93	50411371
#8 MEDICINE HAT	Active	File Annuals - Could Be Struck after May 14/93	50330192
#84 RED DEER	Active	Action Taken To Strike Out	50290031
#92 RED DEER & DISTRICT METIS CULTURAL SOCIETY	NO RECORD		
#845 ROCKY MOUNTAIN HOUSE	STRUCK	February 1, 1993	50370232
#492 STETTLER & DISTRICT METIS CULTURAL SOCIETY	Active	O.K. Election/93	50537674

METIS NATION OF ALBERTA
 1993 GENERAL ELECTION
 ZONE 4 LOCALS
 (REVISED JUNE 7, 1993)

NO. & LOCAL	STATUS	NOTES	ACCESS NO.
#167 BLUE RIDGE	Active	O.K. Election /93	50232221
#888 DRAYTON VALLEY	Active	O.K. Election /93	50366492
#135 CALAHOO	Active	O.K. Election /93	50009867
#97 EDMONTON	Active	O.K. Election /93	50280999
#999 EDMONTON	Active	O.K. Election /93	50375512
#1885 EDMONTON	Active	Action Taken To Strike Out	50311428
#1886 EDMONTON	STRUCK	March 1, 1992	50390440
#1888 EDMONTON	Active	O.K. Election /93	50374289
#1928 EDMONTON	STRUCK	March 1, 1993	50372435
#1984 EDMONTON	STRUCK	November 1, 1991	50327473
#2085 EDMONTON	Active	O.K. Election /93	50332505
#44 EDSON	STRUCK	June 1, 1991	50320789
#1986 GRANDE CACHE	STRUCK	December 1, 1990	50350408
#55 GUNN	STRUCK	June 1, 1993	50322336
#474 HINTON	Active	O.K. Election /93	50425128

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 1993 GENERAL ELECTION
 ZONE 5 LOCALS
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NO. & LOCAL	STATUS	NOTES	ACCESS NO.
#147 FAUST	Active	Action Taken To Strike Out	50230984
#161 GROUARD	STRUCK	January 1, 1990	50299973
#159 HIGH PRAIRIE	STRUCK	November 1, 1991	50251783
#221 JOUSSARD	STRUCK	February 1, 1991	50370792
#17 MCLENNAN	STRUCK	September 1, 1989	50346428
#1944 PEERLESS LAKE	Active	O.K. Election /93	50468874
#5050 SANDY LAKE	STRUCK	September 1, 1989	50346429
#77203 SLAVE LAKE		--NEW--	
#228 SMITH	Active	Action Taken To Strike Out	50418541
#108 TROUT LAKE	Active	File Annuals - Could Be Struck after Aug. 21/93	50370794
#90 WABASCA/DESMARAIS	Active	O.K. Election /93	50465296

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 (REVISED JUNE 7, 1993)

NO. & LOCALS	STATUS	NOTES	ACCESS NO.
#1994 CADOTTE		-- NEW --	
#163 DIXONVILLE	STRUCK	October 1, 1992	50214755
#183 WHAPPUM PEOPLE	STRUCK	April 1, 1992	50302871
#205 FAIRVIEW	Active	O.K. Election/93	50332118
#202 NORTH/SOUTH FORT VERMILLION	Active	File Annuals - Could Be Struck after Aug. 2/93	50425988
#1990 GRANDE PRAIRIE	Active	O.K. Election/93	50425736
#151 HINES CREEK	STRUCK	June 1, 1992	50307612
#1993 MANNING	Active	RE-CHECK REGISTRATION	50566800
#137 PADDLE PRAIRIE	STRUCK	June 1, 1992	50340344
#601 PADDLE PRAIRIE	Active	File Annuals - Could Be Struck after Aug. 2/93	50425737
#78 PEACE RIVER	Active	O.K. Election/93	50340345
#1929 VALLEYVIEW	Active	O.K. Election/93	50357987

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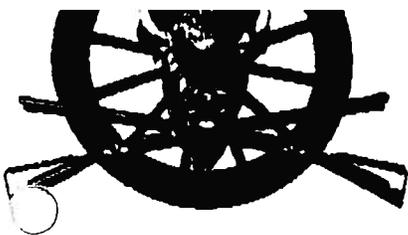
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June 1, 1993

Mr. Laurent Roy
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Dear Mr. Roy;

I am including a copy of our Metis Provincial affiliates and our affiliated Metis Locals in the Northwest Territories as per your request. I am also including information on the date and place of the Metis Nation-Northwest Territories Annual Assembly.

The Metis Nation-Northwest Territories Annual General Assembly will be held in Fort Smith, Northwest Territories on July 9-10-11, 1993.

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome you and the Commission members to observe our assembly proceedings and to the Northwest Territories.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "G. Bohnet", is written over the typed name and title.

Gary Bohnet
President
Metis Nation-Northwest Territories

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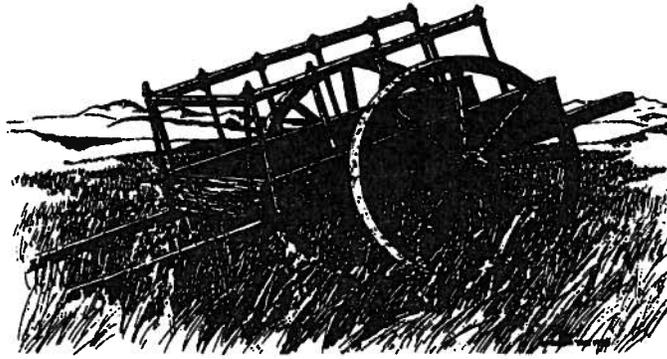
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June 10, 1993

Mr. Laurent C. Roy
 Metis Senate Constitution Committee
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Dear Mr. Roy:

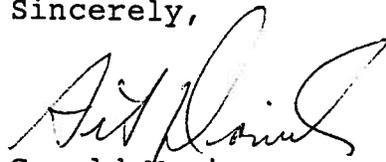
As per your letter of May 27, 1993, we are pleased to enclose names, addresses, titles and where possible telephone numbers for the following;

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- Executive
- Area Directors
- Local Presidents
- Youth Representatives
- Senators
- Metis Women's Executive
- Affiliate's Executive Directors

We trust this is the information you require, however, in the event we can be of further assistance please contact the writer.

Sincerely,

per 
 Gerald Morin
 President

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Dear Laurent:

RE: DRAFT MNC BY-LAW

Enclosed is the draft By-Law I developed for MNC that we spoke about briefly on the phone last week.

I did this work on my own time and it bears no official sanction on the part of the MMF or, any other organization. It is my personal contribution, as a Metis National, to the important work of the MNC Senate Constitution Commission, therefore please accept it in that view.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gordon N. Ranville". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Gordon N. Ranville
Assistant Director
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GNR/clr

Encl.

Enclosed is a draft "Constitution of the Government and People of the Metis Nation". It stems from the proposed Metis National Council By-Law that was drafted by Marc Leclair and presented at the last MNC meeting of February, 1993 in Vancouver, B.C.

Problems with the proposed model for MNC are as follows:

- The draft was tabled for consideration in an incomplete form and some of the central components of the proposed structures were presented with more than one option;
- The National election process, especially representation was not clearly defined;
- No President or Vice-President;
- Duplication within the structure - example, between the Metis National Council of Ministers, the Cabinet, and the Executive Council;
- The Assembly, Senate and executive often function as one unit, rather than with a clear distinction of powers and responsibilities;
- Apparent provision of executive power is given to non-elected members of a proposed Secretariat or Secretariats;
- No provision for formal adoption and ratification of the Structure by a special Constitutional Convention; and
- No amending process.

The principle weakness of the proposal was in its attempt to create a National Metis government made up of the separate, autonomous provincial parts, rather loosely stitched together in the structure and without genuine National political representation that could function separate and independent of the various provincial interests.

Working from the basis established in Mr. Leclair's model, I have developed a re-draft of the proposed constitution that comprises the following alternatives:

- Creation of a National Congressional Assembly made up of separate Legislative, Executive and Judicial functions, which is patterned after the Constitution of the United States;
- Selection of National Representatives for both the Metis National Council (Legislature) and the Metis Senate, as well as the offices of the President and Vice-President are to be determined in simultaneous provincially conducted elections with voting in ballot boxes in the Communities;
- Election of National Representatives and Senators to be based on one person, one vote, in community polling through equal representation based on the distribution of the registered membership; and
- There is included, a process for establishing a judicial branch of the Metis Government.

In this alternative National Constitution for the Metis Nation, the various provincial and Territorial Associations would remain in tact and continue to operate under their present, (or appropriately amended) Constitutions, but there would be a clearer distinction made between National and Regional jurisdictions and powers, authorities, responsibilities, mandates and agendas.

The draft contains an amending process as well as a process for instituting the Metis National Government through adoption of the Constitution by a Special National Constitutional Convention. This Convention should be attended by Community delegations with representation based on the current known membership distribution. For example, there are about 375 established Community organizations or Locals within the current MNC affiliates and assuming a total membership of about 70,000 people, these Local delegations would total about 500, if the average representation is one (1) constitutional delegate per 140 members.

Among the advantages of this initiative is the promotion of National Unity and greater awareness of Metis identity throughout the traditional Metis Homeland. It would provide for recognition of Metis National Political representation and leadership by Canadian and other governments.

Also enclosed is a preliminary draft budget for the major components that will be needed to operate the five new components within the Metis Nation Parliament. Some of these costs are currently being borne by the Provincial Associations as well as the existing MNC operations. These National institutions would eventually establish and maintain their own sources of revenues, and funding can also be generated within the programs and initiatives of the ten Ministries of Cabinet, either independently, or from government sources as well as, community and private contributions for the administration and delivery of programs and services.



GORDON N. RANVILLE
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BUDGET

<u>POSITION</u>	<u>BENEFITS</u>	<u>OFFICE</u>	<u>TRAVEL</u>	<u>UTILITIES</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
President	60,000	12,000	45,000	8,000	125,000
Vice-President	50,000	9,600	15,000	5,400	80,000
Principle Secretary	40,000	6,000	5,000	4,000	55,000
Speaker (Per Diem)	4,500	3,000	4,000	--	11,500
Deputy Speaker (Per Diem)	4,500	3,000	4,000	--	11,500
Ministries (10)	400,000	36,000	60,000	60,000	556,000
Support Staff (15)	300,000	54,000	15,000	45,000	<u>414,000</u>
					1,253,000

CONGRESS:

Representatives (28)	168,000	109,200	448,000	30,000	755,200
Senators (12)	72,000	46,800	48,000	30,000	<u>196,000</u>
					952,000

JUDICIARY:

Supreme Tribunal (3)	9,000	7,800	13,500	4,000	34,300
Appeal Tribunals (6)	7,500	7,800	27,000	2,000	44,300
Provincial Courts (6)	3,750	3,900	27,000	1,000	<u>35,650</u>
					114,250

ELECTIONS:

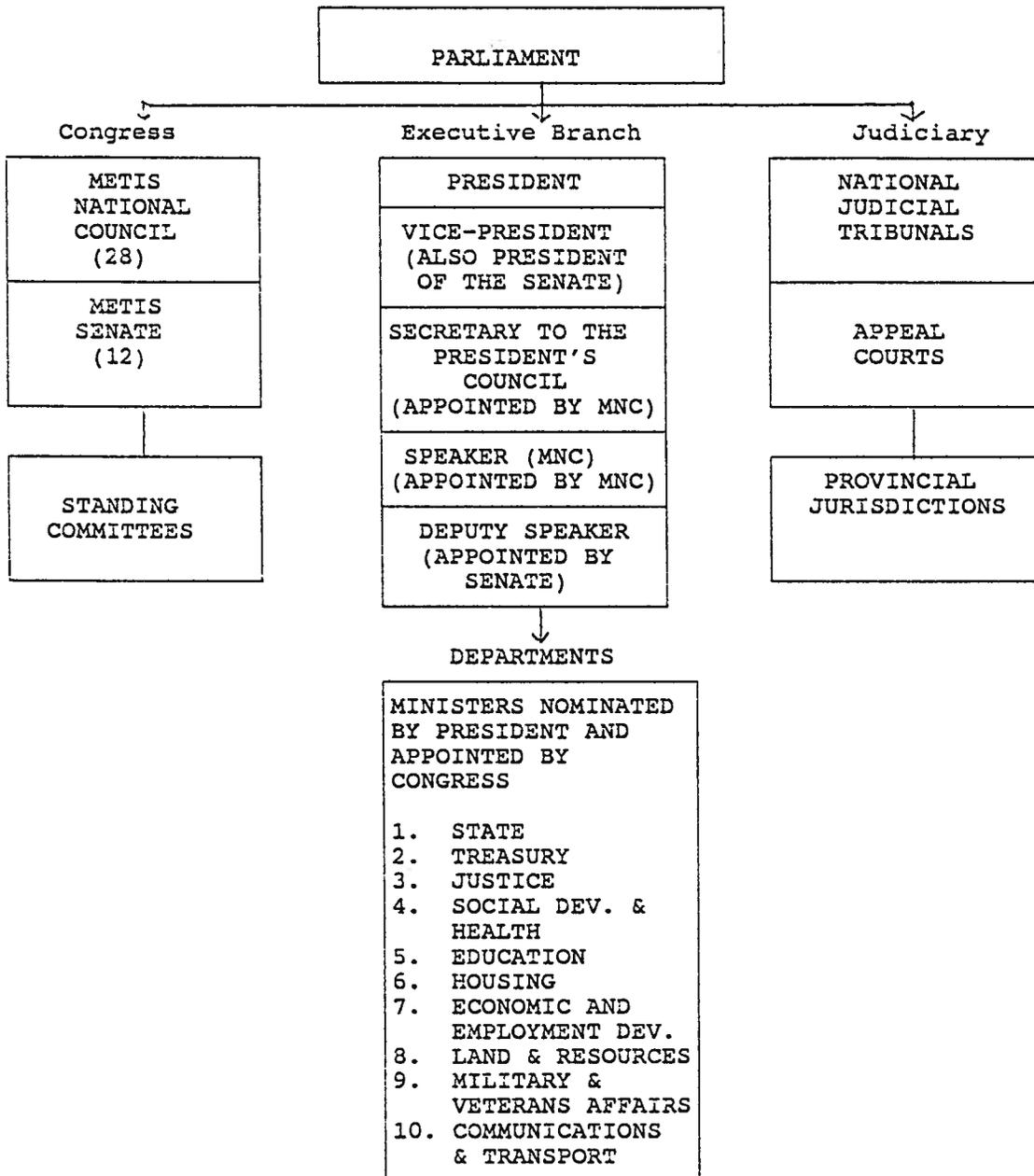
Chief Electoral Officer	13,500	600	18,000	9,000	41,100
Deputy Returning Officer	50,000	25,000	--	25,000	100,000
Poll Clerks	50,000	--	--	--	50,000
Polls & Advertising	--	--	--	--	<u>28,000</u>
					219,000

ENUMERATION/REGISTRY:

National Co-Ordinator	40,000	3,000	12,000	4,000	59,000
Prov. Registrars (6)	165,000	18,000	36,000	24,000	243,000
Materials					<u>700,000</u>
					1,002,000

Contingency & Miscellaneous @ 1.685% on Sub Total of 3,540,350					<u>59,650</u>
					<u>TOTAL</u>
					3,600,000

GOVERNMENT OF THE METIS NATION



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PREAMBLE

WHEREAS the Metis people of Canada are desirous of strengthening the historic bonds among Metis people across the Metis homeland;

AND WHEREAS the Metis people share a common identity, and political will and desire to build a foundation to protect and strengthen the Metis nation;

AND WHEREAS the Metis people have an inherent right to govern themselves and shall continue to assert this right within the context of the Canadian federation;

AND WHEREAS the Metis people are resolutely intent upon reclaiming their rights to land and to control over Metis citizenship;

NOW THEREFORE the Metis people declare this document to be the Constitution of the Metis Nation of Canada.

PART I**GOVERNMENT OF THE METIS NATION**

1. (1) The Government of the Metis Nation shall consist of a National Congressional Assembly; an Executive Council; and a Judiciary composed of a Metis National Tribunal, various appeal tribunals and other courts within the Affiliated Provincial and Territorial Metis Associations.

(2) The Metis Nation Parliament shall be the sole representative body of the Metis people and shall exercise, within the context of the Constitution of Canada as set out by the provisions of this Constitution, the rights, powers, privileges and jurisdictions of an Aboriginal form of government in Canada.

(3) Nothing in this Constitution shall be so construed as to prejudice any claims of the Metis Nation, or of any particular Affiliated Provincial or Territorial Metis Association.

2. The Metis Nation Parliament shall not be competent to surrender any Aboriginal rights of the Metis to land or resources nor to surrender any of its inherent jurisdiction to any other government in Canada except pursuant to a treaty or inter-governmental agreement ratified on behalf of the Metis people affected by the agreement; but in a case where the jurisdiction or rights to be surrendered or extinguished apply to all Metis, the treaty or inter-governmental agreement shall be ratified in a manner prescribed by the Parliament of the Metis Nation.

3. The citizens of the Metis Nation of Canada shall enjoy and have the power to exercise all aboriginal, treaty or other rights or freedoms that pertain to the Metis people as one of the Aboriginal peoples of Canada as defined under Section 35 of the *Constitutional Act, 1982*.

4. (1) The Capital of the Metis Nation shall be in Batoche.

(2) Until such time as a permanent location for the convening of Parliament is constructed, the Metis Nation Parliament shall meet in such place as may be deemed appropriate by the Metis National Council.

5. The people of the Metis Nation shall have dual Canadian and Metis citizenship.

6. (1) For the purposes of this Constitution "Metis" means an Aboriginal person who self-identifies as Metis, who is distinct from Indian and Inuit and

(a) is a descendant of those Metis who received or were entitled to receive land grants and/or scrip under the provisions of the *Manitoba Act, 1870*, or the *Dominion Land Acts*, as enacted from time to time, or

(b) is recognized as a Metis pursuant to laws enacted by the Metis Nation Parliament.

(2) For the purposes of identifying the citizens of the Metis Nation, the Metis Nation Parliament shall establish laws for the enumeration and registration of the Metis population.

7. The Metis Nation Parliament shall adopt a flag to be known as the "Flag of the Metis Nation".

8. The Metis Nation Parliament shall adopt an anthem to be known as the "Anthem of the Metis Nation," which shall be played at the opening and closing of the Metis Nation Parliament and such other official functions involving the Metis Nation as is appropriate.

9. The Metis Nation Parliament shall adopt an emblem to be known as the "Emblem of the Metis Nation," which shall be the official standard of the Metis Nation.

10. The laws of Canada and the laws of the provinces and territories shall continue to apply to citizens of the Metis Nation, subject nevertheless to displacement by laws enacted by the Metis Nation Parliament.

PART II**CENTRAL GOALS AND ASPIRATIONS OF THE METIS NATION**

11. The Central goals and aspirations of the Metis Nation are to
- (a) represent and promote the interests of all citizens of the Metis Nation;
 - (b) preserve and protect Metis lands and its resource bases for the benefit of future generations of Metis people;
 - (c) maintain the full recognition of the Metis Nation and its jurisdiction within the context of the Constitution Act of Canada, 1982 and the Canadian federal political system;
 - (d) seek cooperative and productive social, political and economic relations with other governments and peoples based upon mutual respect, sharing and tolerance;
 - (e) promote progress and prosperity among Metis people in all cultural, social, economic and political fields;
 - (f) achieve self-sufficiency for the Metis people through the development of institutions within the Metis Nation;
 - (g) maintain and promote respect for the individual rights and freedoms of the Metis people and the equal protection and advancement of female and male persons; and
 - (h) maintain the independence and integrity of the Metis Nation, safeguard its stability and resist any aggression upon its existence or any of its people.

PART III**PRINCIPLES OF THE METIS NATION**

12. The family shall form the cornerstone of the Metis community and Metis Nation laws shall promote and safeguard it and shall be directed at enabling the family and its members to become self sustaining, productive and healthy.

13. Education and training shall be the primary instruments for social development and Metis Nation laws or initiatives shall be directed at their promotion and enhancement.

14. Employment and productivity shall form the basis for the growth and prosperity of Metis people and Metis Nation laws or initiatives shall be directed at enhancing employment opportunities and the general advancement of Metis people.

15. The culture and language of the Metis Nation shall nourish Metis identity, unity and patriotism and Metis Nation laws and initiatives shall be directed at their promotion and enhancement.

16. (1) The basis for interaction between Metis shall be mutual respect, co-operation, sharing and tolerance.

(2) All Metis shall have the freedom to hold opinions and express them orally or in writing or by any other means, unless such opinions bring dishonour to the Metis Nation.

17. Discrimination based on sex, language, race, nationality, ethnic origin, age, religion, profession, education, colour, physical or mental disability or social position shall be strictly forbidden.

18. (1) All power within the Metis Nation rests with the people and may only be exercised through the established structures and institutions set out in this Constitution.

(2) Any authority within the Metis Nation that is not exercised in accordance with this constitution is of no force or effect.

PART IV

THE METIS NATION PARLIAMENT

19. (1) The Legislative Branch of the Metis Nation Parliament shall consist of a Congressional Assembly made up of the Metis National Council and the Metis Senate.

(2) The Metis Nation Parliament shall be vested with all the congressional power of the Metis people and shall be the supreme legislative authority within the Metis Nation.

(3) The Metis Nation Parliament shall hold a legislative session at least once every calendar year, and such meeting shall begin at 9:00 o'clock in the forenoon on the first business day after March 31, unless they shall by law, appoint a different day.

(4) Extraordinary sessions of Parliament shall be held upon the call of three-quarters of the sitting Members of the Metis National Council.

(5) At least half of the members of both the Metis National Council and the Metis Senate must be present to constitute a quorum in any session of the Metis Nation Parliament.

Composition and Selection of Members of the Congressional Assembly

20. (1) The Congressional Assembly shall be composed of 45 Members as follows:

(a) 28 elected Metis representatives from the provinces and territories within the Metis Homeland;

(b) 5 Members of the Executive Branch of the Metis Nation; and

(c) 12 Members of the Metis Senate.

(2) Representation of the Metis people within the several Provinces and Territories in the Metis Congressional Assembly shall be distributed as follows: Ontario 3, Manitoba 8, Saskatchewan 7, Alberta 7, British Columbia 2 and the Northwest Territories 1.

(3) The selection of Members of the Congressional Assembly shall be determined by the provincial and territorial representative bodies within the Metis Homeland according to duly constituted election by-laws of each of the respective provinces and territories as are sanctioned by this Constitution.

(4) Parliament shall enact an electoral law to provide for recognition and implementation of, direct one person one vote elections in all duly constituted local electoral districts and such law shall provide for equitable representation of Metis according to the demographic distribution of registered Metis people across the Metis Homeland.

(5) The term of office within the Congress shall not continue for longer than three years from the date of the general election of its Members.

(6) Every citizen of the Metis Nation, 18 years of age or older, shall have the right to exercise one vote in the election of Members for each of the various offices of the Legislative Congress as set out in this constitution and subject to any prescribed restrictions, shall otherwise be eligible to run for election therein.

Oath of Allegiance

21. Before a Member of the Metis National Council undertakes the duties, obligations and responsibilities of elected office he or she shall swear the following oath to be administered according to procedures established by the Metis Senate:

I swear that I will be faithful to the Metis people and will uphold and defend the Constitution and the laws of the Metis Nation and will carry out all duties, obligations and responsibilities which accrue to my elected office in a manner that will bring honour to the people of the Metis Nation, so help me God.

Responsibilities of Metis National Council

22. (1) The Metis National Council shall have plenary authority to enact laws for the Government of the people of the Metis Nation.

(2) Without in any way restricting its plenary authority under subsection (1), the Metis National Council shall be responsible for the following matters:

(a) the formulation of general policy regarding all matters set out in this Constitution, especially policy to achieve the central goals and aspirations of the Metis and to fulfil the principles of the Metis Nation;

(b) the ratification of all intergovernmental agreements or treaties that affect the aboriginal, treaty or other rights or freedoms of the Metis people;

(c) in consultation with the executive council, defining the jurisdiction and responsibility of the departments, committees, task forces or boards and agencies as may be appointed by Congress from time to time to carry out the work of the Legislative Assembly;

(d) the appointment, dismissal and supervision of the Secretary to the President's Executive Council;

(e) co-ordinating electoral laws in the provinces and territories for the election of Congressional Members including the members of the executive council of parliament to be elected by popular vote;

(f) enacting laws relating to the enumeration and registration of the Metis population in each of the Locals throughout the Metis Nation;

(g) enacting a code of ethics or such other instruments as may be necessary to uphold the integrity of the Parliament and Government of the Metis Nation; and

(h) adopting rules of procedure to govern the working of Congress and its constituent parts.

(3) The Metis National Council shall make decisions based upon majority vote, except where a special majority is provided for in this Constitution.

Composition and Selection of Metis Senate

23. (1) The Metis Senate shall be composed of 2 members elected in each of the provinces and territories within the Metis homeland.

Responsibilities of Metis Senate

24. The Metis Senate shall be responsible for

(a) the procedures for swearing in the Members of the Metis National Council, Ministers of the President's Executive Council and the elected members of the Executive Council of the Metis Nation Parliament;

(b) reviewing and ratifying by majority vote all draft legislation to be enacted by a final vote in the Metis National Council;

(c) the ratification of all intergovernmental agreements or treaties that affect the aboriginal, treaty or other rights or freedoms of the citizens of the Metis Nation;

(d) initiating laws respecting decorations, medals of honour or other commemorative honours for citizens of the Metis Nation;

(e) procedures for resolving internal disputes that may arise between and among members of the Metis Nation Parliament, Metis National Council and the members of the Executive Branch;

(f) procedures for resolving conflicts that may arise between the constituent bodies within the Metis Nation Parliament and any of the provincial, territorial or representative bodies within the Metis Nation; and

(g) any such other responsibility as may be vested in it from time to time by the Metis National Council through its authority under this Constitution.

Procedures of the Metis Senate

25. (1) One half of the Metis Senators shall constitute a quorum for the exercise of the authority of the Metis Senate.

(2) The Metis Senate may exercise its authority and fulfil the duties and responsibilities within the premises of the Metis Nation Parliament but shall vote on all ordinary matters separate and independent of the Metis National Council.

(3) The Metis Senate shall act by majority vote, except where a special majority is prescribed by this Constitution.

(4) The Metis Senate shall act under regulations and rules of procedure as prescribed under the laws of the Metis Nation Parliament.

Procedures of the Metis Nation Parliament

26. (1) At the opening of each session of the Metis Nation Parliament, the election of a Speaker and Deputy Speaker in the Congressional Chamber shall be the first order of business and shall not be interrupted by any other proceeding.

(2) The Speaker and Deputy Speaker shall serve on the President's Executive Council until the opening of the next annual Session of Parliament but either or both of them may be reappointed or replaced at the pleasure of the Metis National Council.

(3) The Speaker shall have general charge of the business of the Metis National Council and the Deputy Speaker, as President of the Metis Senate shall have general charge of the business of the Metis Senate, and each shall be the final authority on all procedural questions within their respective charges.

(4) Decisions regarding procedural questions shall be based upon the usage's, forms, customs and precedents of the Metis Parliamentary tradition, as far as they may be applicable to the Metis Nation Government.

(5) The sessions of the Metis Nation Parliament shall be open to the general public.

(6) The Metis National Council and the Metis Senate shall convene and sit concurrently in separate chambers during Parliamentary sessions and shall vote separately unless otherwise provided for in this Constitution.

27. (1) Written Legislation, ordinary Motions and general conventions shall be the primary law making instruments of the Metis National Council.

(2) Laws shall be enacted and come into force upon the conclusion of the following procedures:

(a) the Metis National Council or member of any other body constituted by the Metis National Congress submits a draft of the law to the Metis Senate;

(b) the Metis Senate has reviewed the law and introduced it to the Metis National Council after at least one half of its Members have ratified the law together with any amendments as may be deemed appropriate;

(c) the Metis National Council has reviewed the law and adopted it by a majority vote; and

(d) the law is signed by the President within four days, excluding Sundays.

(3) If a law is not signed by the President within four days, it shall be returned during the same session to the Congressional Assembly together with reasons for its not being signed, having been submitted by the President in writing. Having been reconsidered by Parliament, the Law objected to by the President shall require a 2/3 majority vote of both the Metis National Council and the Metis Senate in order to be passed.

(4) Amendments to a law already enacted shall require approval of at least two-thirds of the Members of the Metis Senate and the law with the proposed amendments shall be returned to the Metis National Council for consideration.

28. Motions may be tabled by any two or more Members of the Metis National Council or by any Senator and shall be considered adopted upon a simple majority vote of the Members present in the current session of the Metis National Council.

29. Laws that are enacted and motions that are adopted shall be recorded and published in the official gazette of the Metis Nation Parliament within two months following the close of a Parliamentary session.

PART V**EXECUTIVE INSTITUTIONS**

30. The executive institutions of the Metis Nation shall consist of:

- (a) the Executive Branch of the Metis Nation; and
- (b) Cabinet, which shall be styled the President's Executive Council.

Composition and Selection of Cabinet

31. (1) The President's Executive Council shall be composed of

CABINET MAKEUP

- (a) President and Vice President;
- (b) Secretary to the President's Executive Council to be appointed from the general membership by the Metis National Council whose term shall not exceed that of the President; and
- (c) The Speaker and Deputy Speaker appointed at the beginning of each annual Legislative Session of Congress by the Metis National Council.

(2) The Secretary to the Presidents Executive Council shall be responsible for supervising, appointing and dismissing persons engaged to carry but the work of the Public Service of the Metis Nation.

32. (1) The Executive Branch of the Metis Nation shall be responsible for intergovernmental and international affairs which accrue to the office of the President as determined by the laws passed by the Metis Nation Parliament.

(2) The Cabinet of the Metis Nation Parliament shall be composed of Ministers selected from the general membership by the President and approved by Congress to serve until the term of the President expires. The Ministries shall be organized into the following departments:

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- (a) State;
- (b) Treasury;
- (c) Justice and Legislative Affairs;
- (d) Social Development and Health;
- (e) Education;
- (f) Housing;
- (g) Economic and Employment Development;
- (h) Land and Resources;
- (i) Military and Veterans Affairs; and
- (j) Communication and Transport.

(3) The Metis Nation Parliament in consultation with the Executive Council shall define the jurisdiction, authorities and mandate of the Ministers within each of their respective departments.

Oath of Allegiance

33. Before a Member of the Cabinet undertakes the duties, obligations and responsibilities of any appointed office he or she shall swear the following oath to be administered according to procedures established by the Metis Senate:

I swear that I will be faithful to the Metis people and will uphold and defend the Constitution, the laws of the Metis Nation and will carry out all the duties, obligations, and responsibilities which accrue to my appointed office in a manner that will bring honour to the people of the Metis Nation, so help me God.

Responsibilities of the President's Executive Council

34. (1) The President's Executive Council shall be responsible for dealing with all internal and external matters within the competence of the Metis Nation according to the laws adopted by the Metis Nation Parliament and this Constitution.

(2) Without limiting the generality of subsection (1), the Cabinet shall carry out the following responsibilities:

(a) the implementation of the general motions, policies or recommendations of the Metis Nation Parliament;

(b) the drafting and submission of laws pertaining to their respective jurisdictions for presentation to the Metis Senate;

(c) assist the President in the consideration and review of the draft annual budget and audited accounts of the Metis Nation Government;

(d) the development of administrative, financial or other policies to be approved by Congress that may be necessary for the implementation of Metis Nation laws for the effective and efficient functioning of the several departments, secretariats or committees; and

(e) any other jurisdiction or responsibility vested in it by this Constitution or by the Metis Nation Parliament.

(3) The Members of the President's Executive Council shall file an Annual Report with the Speaker of the Congressional Assembly outlining the activities of their respective Ministry together with a full financial accounting at the outset of the Parliamentary Session and Members shall be given an opportunity to question each Minister thereon.

Procedures of Cabinet

35. (1) The deliberations of the Cabinet shall be held in camera.

36. Cabinet decisions shall be approved on the basis of consensus but, if a consensus can not be achieved, the question shall be decided by a majority vote.

37. General Meetings of Cabinet shall be convened by the President with at least two weeks written notice, unless such requirement for notice is waived by at least 2/3 of a quorum of members present and voting.

President and Vice-President

38. (1) The Parliament of the Metis Nation shall, in consultation with and by consent of the several provincial and territorial Assemblies enact a law to establish a national electoral process based upon one person one vote for the election of the President and Vice-President. The date for such National elections shall be fixed on the third Monday of September in any election year.

(2) The Office of President or Vice-President shall be automatically vacated:

(a) if the President or Vice-President resigns; or

(b) if the Metis National Council and the Metis Senate adopt a joint resolution of non-confidence approved by at least three-quarters of their respective members at an extraordinary session of Parliament convened for that purpose.

(3) Proceedings for removal of the President shall be initiated in the Metis Senate and presided over by the Chief Justice of the Metis Nation Judicial Tribunal.

(4) The term of Office by the President and Vice-President shall not exceed three years from the date of the general election in which they are elected.

Oath of Allegiance

39. Before the President or Vice-President undertakes the duties, obligations and responsibilities of elected office he or she shall swear the following oath to be administered according to procedures established by the Metis Senate:

I swear that I will be faithful to the Metis people and will uphold and defend the Constitution, the laws of the Metis Nation and will carry out all duties, obligations and responsibilities which accrue to my elected office in a manner that will bring honour to the people of the Metis Nation, so help me God.

Responsibilities of President and Vice-President

40. (1) The President of the Metis Nation shall be responsible for intergovernmental and international affairs and shall be responsible for enhancing and promoting the cultural, social, economic and political interests of the people of the Metis Nation.

(2) Without restricting the generality of subsection (1), the President shall be responsible for:

(a) selection of members to be appointed to Cabinet, subject to approval of the Metis National Council;

(b) calling meetings of the Cabinet, chairing its meetings and presiding over its debates;

(c) supervising and co-ordinating the activities of Cabinet Ministers;

(d) selection of qualified personnel for life time appointments to all judicial offices within the Metis Nation Government, subject to approval of the Metis Congressional Assembly;

(e) appointment, dismissal and supervision of diplomatic appointments;

(f) in consultation with the Cabinet calling the Metis Nation Parliament into session;

(g) opening the annual session of the Metis Nation Parliament with a "State of the Metis Nation" address highlighting the important matters arising during the year and the details of the President's plan and budget for the Metis Nation, for the ensuing year;

(h) supervising the implementation of Metis Nation laws, motions and policies through the Metis National Council; and

(i) representing the Metis Nation on all matters not specifically assigned to other jurisdictions under this Constitution.

(3) The President and Vice-President shall file an Annual Report outlining the activities during their term of office together with a full financial accounting at the outset of the Congressional Assembly and the Members shall be given an opportunity to question the President and Vice-President thereon.

41. The Vice-President shall be responsible for the exercise of all the powers of the President in the event that he or she is absent or unable to act for any reason; and such other responsibilities as may be assigned, from time to time by the Metis Nation Parliament.

42. (1) In the event that the office of President becomes vacant during the term of office the Vice-President shall be sworn in as President and automatically assume the duties of that office and, shall forthwith select a new Vice-President from the general membership who shall serve the remainder of the term upon the approval by a majority vote of the Metis National Council.

(2) In the event that the office of Vice-President becomes vacant during the term of office, the Secretary to the President's Executive Council shall be sworn in as Vice-President and serve the remainder of the term of that office.

(3) In the event that the office of the President or Vice-President becomes vacant when the Metis Nation Parliament is not in session, section (1) and (2) shall continue to apply, except that the prescribed procedures for filling such vacancy shall be executed at the beginning of the next regular Session of Parliament.

PART VI

The Judicial Branch of the Metis Nation

43. Subject only to Canada's Provincial and Federal Jurisdictions as may seem appropriate and to any relevant provisions pertaining to Metis Self-Government Agreements or Treaties recognized under Section 35 of the Constitution Act, 1982, Judicial Authority of the Metis Nation is vested in a Supreme National Tribunal and in such inferior Tribunals as the Metis Congressional Assembly may, from time to time Ordain and Establish.

44. Judges of both the Supreme National Tribunal and inferior Tribunals shall hold their offices during good behaviour, and shall, at stated times, receive for their services, a compensation, which shall not be diminished during their continuance in Office.

45. (1) The Judicial Power shall extend to all cases, in Law and Equity, arising under this Constitution, the Laws of the Metis Nation, and Treaties made, or which shall be made, under their authority; to controversies to which the Metis Nation shall be a Party; to Controversies between two or more affiliated Provincial or Territorial Metis Associations; between a Provincial or Territorial Association and members of another such affiliated association; between members of different Provincial or Territorial Affiliates; between members of the same affiliate claiming Lands under grants of different affiliates or Canadian authority, and between an affiliate, or the members thereof, and foreign States, citizens or subjects.

(2) In all cases affecting Ambassadors, other public Ministers and Consuls, and those in which an affiliated Provincial or Territorial Metis Association shall be a party, the Supreme National Tribunal shall have original jurisdiction. In all other cases before mentioned, the Supreme National Tribunal shall have appellate jurisdiction, both as to Law and fact, with such exceptions, and under such regulations as the Metis Congressional Assembly shall make.

(3) The Trial of all crimes, except in cases of impeachment, shall be referred by the Metis Tribunals to the relevant Canadian Provincial or Federal Jurisdiction, as may seem appropriate.

PART VII

46. This Constitution may be amended upon the approval of two-thirds of the combined membership of the Metis National Council and the Metis Senate, provided such amendments are ratified within five years by resolution of at least 2/3 of the Affiliated Provincial and Territorial Assemblies having a combined representation of no less than 50% of the registered Metis population.

47. This Constitution shall take effect and shall be binding in the Executive of the Metis Nation Parliament and on the Executive of the several Provincial and Territorial Metis Associations as shall be signatories therein, their various constituted and affiliated bodies, subsidiaries and other bodies corporate, when it is adopted by resolution of a special Metis Constitutional Convention, convened for that purpose.