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MEMORANDUM	
Subject:	Pasqua First Nation Treaty 4 Benefits Claim Settlement Agreement
Date:	August 30, 2024
File:	Pasqua First Nation Treaty 4 Benefits Claim
From:	Maurice Law
То:	Pasqua First Nation

I am pleased to report that after several months of negotiation, Canada has agreed to revise the problematic clauses in the Pasqua First Nation Treaty 4 Agricultural Benefits Claim Settlement Agreement.

You will recall that earlier drafts of this document contained an inappropriately broad release clause that had the potential to limit certain agricultural loss of use damages in Pasqua's other specific claims involving lands.

After nearly 7 months of negotiation, redrafting, and advocacy, Canada has agreed to revise the Agreement in a manner that fixes the main issues Pasqua had identified.

While it was always legally inappropriate for Canada to have proposed the offending language, the tireless advocacy of Chief and Council and the meetings with Ministers, Deputy Ministers, and senior government officials were instrumental in resolving these issues. As always, it has been our true pleasure to act as legal counsel to the Pasqua First Nation in relation to your specific claims.

Concluding Remarks

We propose to meet in the coming days to plan next steps. This will include initialling the settlement agreement, planning information meetings and scheduling a ratification vote. Please advise as to your availability and we can make arrangements to meet and plan out the next steps.

Sincerely,

MAURICE LAW Per:

Steven Carey