

AFN Executive Motions related to COVID-19

DATE	MOTION	WORDING	MOVER & SECONDER
April 6, 2020	#3 – COVID-19 Funding and Supplies	<p>The Assembly of First Nations declare the federal government funding of \$215 million that First Nations have so far received is not nearly sufficient and does not meet the minimum immediate needs in this COVID-19 crisis. This brings to the forefront the drastic underfunding that First Nations receive. Many First Nations have depleted the current allocation of this \$215 million, therefore we expect this investment immediately.</p> <p>Further, First Nations immediately require at minimum \$9 billion targeted specifically to First Nations to address the underfunding and combat the challenges of the COVID-19 crisis and prior to any decisions being made in the future, that AFN is involved in the process for developing funding formulas and that funding formulas now and in the future must be at minimum 10 percent, also taking into consideration isolation and northern living costs;</p> <p>Further, First Nations require personal protective equipment, such as gloves, mask, hand sanitizers and appropriate health supports such as testing kits and medical staff to perform testing in a safe manner equal to what non-indigenous people receive and have access to as well as additional supports both domestically and internationally in order to address a surge in confirmed cases;</p> <p>Further, First Nations require access to Personal Protective Equipment through direct links to supply chains provided March 31st, 2020 by the federal government;</p> <p>Lastly, First Nations require action to be taken to ensure that there is food security available to all First Nation citizens for minimum 8 weeks from April 6, 2020.</p>	<p>Moved by: Regional Chief Kevin Hart, MB Seconded by: Regional Chief Bobby Cameron, SK Motion Carried.</p>