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Re: Ending the second-generation cut-off

Dear Ministers and Member of Parliament,

I am writing to you to ask you to end the second-generation cut-off. Please work to advance and pass Bill S-2.

Bill S-2 addresses long-standing discrimination rooted in *Indian Act* registration rules. Families from Southern Chiefs' Organization (SCO) member Nations continue to face harm tied to historic enfranchisement and loss of status. These rules have disrupted family lines, created unequal treatment across siblings and descendants, and produced ongoing barriers tied to registration, including access to services connected to status.

I join SCO in seeking three clear outcomes:

1. Pass Bill S-2 without delay.
2. Maintain a strong remedy for families impacted by enfranchisement and related status loss, including descendants.
3. Pair passage with a clear implementation plan, resourcing, and service standards so people receive timely decisions and updated records.

Please also prepare for implementation now by: providing resources to Indigenous Services Canada to manage increased registration volumes and reduce backlogs; publishing plain language guidance for people who need to apply for their status; funding community-based supports so citizens receive help with applications, documents, and follow up; and providing transparent service standards, regular reporting, and a clear pathway for reconsideration and appeal.

This Bill impacts identity, kinship, and equal treatment. I ask you to support Bill S-2, move it through Parliament, and put it in place it with speed and accountability.

Sincerely,