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Contribution Agreements Funding Uptake

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CHAIRPERSON (Mr. Simpson): We will move on to planning and coordination. The activity total is on page 309. We can discuss the detail on page 310. Comments or questions on page 310? Planning and coordination, grants, contributions. Mr. O'Reilly.

MR. O'REILLY: Thanks, Mr. Chair. There were a number of reductions on this page. Just wondering how those were decided upon. These are contributions that are given out to different Aboriginal governments, communities and so on, to, I think, engage in some of our processes. So how were the reductions made? Thanks, Mr. Chair.

CHAIRPERSON (Mr. Simpson): Thank you, Mr. O'Reilly. Minister.

HON. ROBERT MCLEOD: Thank you, Mr. Chair. Mr. Chair, this would probably have been a result of our overall reduction exercise. If we find in the future we need to allocate these type of dollars again, then we can make some adjustments in the future, but it is part of our overall reduction exercise. Thank you, Mr. Chair.

CHAIRPERSON (Mr. Simpson): Thank you, Minister. Mr. O'Reilly.

MR. O'REILLY: Thanks, Mr. Chair. Just so I understand it, you have 2015-2016 Main Estimates here. Then there are the revised estimates, looks like there are no changes made. Do we know how fully subscribed those programs were in 2015-16? Thanks, Mr. Chair.

CHAIRPERSON (Mr. Simpson): Thank you, Mr. O'Reilly. Minister.

HON. ROBERT MCLEOD: Thank you, Mr. Chair. Mr. Chair, the quick answer is they weren't fully subscribed. Thank you, Mr. Chair.

CHAIRPERSON (Mr. Simpson): Thank you, Minister. Mr. O'Reilly.

MR. O'REILLY: Thanks, Mr. Chair. I don't want to prolong this, but could maybe the Minister or the staff get back and let me know what the year ends were for 2015-16 for those programs? They can do that offline. Thanks, Mr. Chair.

CHAIRPERSON (Mr. Simpson): Thank you, Mr. O'Reilly. Minister.

HON. ROBERT MCLEOD: Thank you, Mr. Chair. Mr. Chair, as I said, they weren't fully subscribed to, which is correct. I actually have the number here. I thought I would try, "They weren't fully subscribed to" first. The actual number is \$546,000. They still weren't fully subscribed to. Thank you, Mr. Chair.