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Climate Change Strategic Framework

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MR. O'REILLY: Yes. Thanks for that, and I am just -- there's another page in here for the environment fund, so we'll have another chance to look at that, but I appreciate the answer. You know, we don't want to develop a fund and keep running a big surplus in it. That's not the purpose of it, so I'm fine with this. I know, earlier today, the Minister made a statement about the Climate Change Strategic Framework, and I think I heard that we had a climate change strategy at one point. We also had a Greenhouse Gas Strategy 2011, 2015, and that's winding down, and that there's now going to be an effort to bring together all of these plans into, or strategies into, the Climate Change Strategic Framework. I just want to confirm that, Mr. Chair. Thanks.

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

HON. WALLY SCHUMANN: Yes, that's correct, Mr. Chair.

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

MR. O'REILLY: Thanks, Mr. Chair. And, as I recall, the consultations on this Climate Change Strategic Framework are going to start very shortly so that they could feed into whatever positions that The Government might bring forward in terms of the national work that's being done on climate change. Thanks, Mr. Chair.

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

HON. WALLY SCHUMANN: Yes, thank you, Mr. Chair. We're going to be rolling this out as early as this month on the engagement strategy. Thank you, Mr. Chair.

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

MR. O'REILLY: I look forward to that very much. Thanks.