Métis Nation - Saskatchewan Secretariat Inc.

Financial Statements

March 31, 2017



Independent Auditor's Report

To the Members of Métis Nation - Saskatchewan Secretariat Inc.

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Métis Nation - Saskatchewan Secretariat Inc., which comprise the statement of financial position as at March 31, 2017, and the statements of operations, changes in net assets and cash flows for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the organization's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the organization's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our qualified audit opinion.

Independent Auditor's Report, continued

Basis for Qualified Opinion

As described in Note 6 to the financial statements, Metis Nation - Saskatchewan Secretariat Inc. balance sheet, statement of operations, changes in net assets and cash flows were unaudited for the period ending March 31, 2016. Due to the limitations faced by the financial trustee of the entity in preparing the March 31, 2016 financial statements we were not able to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence over the completeness of accounts payable and accrued liabilities or amounts due to related parties as at March 31, 2017 due to uncertainty over opening balances.

Métis Nation - Saskatchewan Secretariat Inc. derives a material amount of revenue from donations and fundraising activities related to the Back to Batoche event, the completeness of which is not susceptible to satisfactory audit verification. Accordingly, verification of these revenues was limited to the amounts recorded in the records of Metis Nation - Saskatchewan Secretariat Inc.. Therefore, we were not able to determine whether any adjustments might be necessary to revenue or excess of revenue over expenditures for the period ending March 31, 2017 and current assets and net assets as at March 31, 2017.

Qualified Opinion

In our opinion, except for the effects of the matter described in the Basis for Qualified Opinion paragraph, these financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Métis Nation - Saskatchewan Secretariat Inc. as at March 31, 2017 and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations.

Other Matter

The balance sheet as at March 31, 2016 and the statements of operations, changes in net assets and cash flows for the period ended March 31, 2016 are prepared by management and are unaudited.

Independent Auditor's Report, continued

Other Matter

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements as a whole. The supplemental information presented in the attached summary of revenue and expenses and schedules 1-7 are unaudited and are presented for the purpose of additional analysis. Such supplemental information has only been subjected to audit procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements, taken as a whole.

Chartered Professional Accountants

Warman, Saskatchewan

September 23, 2016, except as to Note 11 which is as of January 25, 2019

Restatement of previously issued financial statements:

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We draw your attention to Note 11 of the financial statements which describes a restatement of the March 31, 2017 financial statements previously issued on September 23, 2016.

The financial statements of March 31, 2017 approved by the board on September 23, 2016 were restated in the March 31, 2018 financial statements approved by the board on September 13, 2018.

The auditor's procedures subsequent to the original date of the auditor's report of September 23, 2016 are limited solely to the revision of the financial statements described in Note 11 of the March 31, 2017 financial statements.

MÉTIS NATION - SASKATCHEWAN SECRETARIAT INC. STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION MARCH 31, 2017, WITH COMPARATIVE INFORMATION FOR 2016

		2017		2016
400570	Resta	ted (Note 11)	(U	naudited)
ASSETS Current assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	•	306,987	\$	119,988
Accounts receivable (Note 3)	\$	200,883	\$	859
Prepaids	\$ \$ \$	9,000	¥	000
· ispailes	S	516,870	\$	120,847
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Property, plant and equipment (Note 4)		348,205		361,300
	-	865,075		482,147
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS (DEFICIENCY) Current assets:				
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	s	557,392	\$	206,292
Deferred revenue (Note 5)	\$ \$ \$	100,000	*	
	\$	657,392	\$	206,292
Contingent liabilities (Note 6) Commitments (Note 8)				
Royal Bank of Canada loan		-		319,174
NET ASSETS (DEFICIENCY)				
Operating fund		207,683		(43,319)
		865,075		482,147

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METIS NATION - SASKATCHEWAN SECRETARIAT INC. STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS YEAR ENDED MARCH 31 2017, WITH COMPARATIVE INFORMATION FROM FEBRUARY 16, 2016 TO MARCH 31, 2016

		7 (Restated - e Note 11)	ende	o months d March 31, 2016 naudited)
Revenue Federal funding Back to Batoche receipts Other	\$ \$ \$ \$	1,991,147 259,237 3,567 2,253,951	\$ \$ \$	200,000
Expenses Amortizaton expense Wages Rent Back to Batoche disbursements Travel Office expenses Consulting and contract fees		13,095 85,387 156,478 224,004 320,986 662,138 1,065,861 2,527,949		13,784 - 60,840 25,059 17,745 27,425 165,510 310,363
Excess (Deficiency) of revenue over expenses from operations		(273,998)		(110,323)
Gain on forgiveness of debt Gain on sale of library		25,000 500,000		
Excess (Deficiency) of revenue over expenses		251,002		(110,323)
Operating fund, beginning of the period Operating fund, end of the period		(43,319) 207,683		67,004 (43,319)

METIS NATION - SASKATCHEWAN SECRETARIAT INC. STATEMENT OF CASHFLOWS YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2017, WITH COMPARATIVE INFORMATION FOR 2016

	Res	2017 stated (Note 11)	en	vo months ded March 31, 2016 (naudited)
Cash flows from (used in):				
Operations:				
Excess (Deficiency) of revenue over expenses Items not involving cash:	\$	(273,998)	\$	(110,323)
Amortization Change in non-cash operating working capital:	\$	13,095	\$	13,784
Accounts receivable	\$	(200,024)	\$	(859)
Prepaid expenses and deposits	\$	(9,000)	\$	(555)
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	Š	351,100	Š	206,292
Due from related parties				
Due to Provincial Metis Holdco Inc.				
Deferred revenuue	\$	100,000		
	<u>\$</u> \$	(18,827)	\$	108,894
Financing:				
Repayment of debt	\$	(294,174)	\$	-
	\$	(294,174)	\$	
Investing:			_	
Sale of library	\$	500,000	\$	-
Increase (decrease) in cash		186,999	<u> </u>	108,894
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Cash, beginning of year	\$	119,988	\$	11,094
Cash, end of year	\$	306,987	\$	119,988
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1. General:

Métis Nation - Saskatchewan Secretariat Inc. (the "Métis Nation") is incorporated under the Métis Act of Saskatchewan. The Métis Nation's purpose is to undertake activities that strive to recognize the political, legal and constitutional rights of the Métis people in Saskatchewan.

Metis Nation – Saskatchewan (MN-S) represents the province's Metis citizens. The Metis Nation Legislative Assembly is the governing authority of the MN-S and has the authority to enact legislation, regulation, rules and resolutions governing the affairs and conduct of the Métis in Saskatchewan.

2. Significant accounting policies:

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Part III of the *CPA Canada Handbook*—*Accounting*, which sets out generally accepted accounting principles for not-for-profit organizations in Canada and includes the significant accounting policies described below.

(a) Use of estimates:

The preparation of financial statements requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amount of revenue and expenses during the reporting period. Significant items subject to such estimates and assumptions include estimated useful life of property and equipment, the collectibility of accounts receivable, the estimates of deferred revenue and contingency. Actual results could differ from these estimates.

(b) Revenue recognition:

The Métis Nation follows the deferral method of accounting for contributions. Externally restricted contributions are recognized as revenue in the year in which the related expenses are incurred. Unrestricted contributions are recognized when received or receivable if the amount to be received can be reasonably estimated and collection is reasonably assured. Interest earned from cash and cash equivalents is recognized as revenue when earned.

Deferred revenue represents restricted funding received related to expenditures in future years.

Amounts receivable related to program funding are subject to approval by funding agencies and may change.

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2. Significant accounting policies (continued):

(c) Cash and cash equivalents:

Cash and cash equivalents include funds on deposit and short-term investments with maturities less than 90 days at date of purchase.

(d) Property, plant and equipment:

Purchased property, plant and equipment are recorded at cost. Property, plant and equipment are amortized on a declining balance basis over their estimated useful lives. Any gain or loss on disposal of these assets is recorded in the statement of revenue and expenses and changes in unrestricted net assets in the year of disposal.

Amortization is provided using the following method and annual rates:

Assets	Rate
Buildings and infrastructure	5%
Furniture	35%
Computers	50%

(e) Accounts payable and accrued liabilities:

Accounts payable and accrued liabilities are recorded as incurred or when the Métis Nation has incurred expenditures pursuant to the terms of funding agreements.

(f) Financial instruments and risk management:

Financial instruments are recorded at fair value on initial recognition. Freestanding derivative instruments, equity instruments that are quoted in an active market and pooled funds are subsequently measured at fair value. All other financial instruments are subsequently measured at cost or amortized cost, unless management has elected to carry the instruments at fair value. The Métis Nation has not elected to carry any such financial instruments at fair value.

Transaction costs incurred on the acquisition of financial instruments measured subsequently at fair value are expensed as incurred. All other financial instruments are adjusted by transaction costs incurred on acquisition and financing costs. These costs are amortized using the straight-line method.

Financial assets are assessed for impairment on an annual basis at the end of the fiscal year if there are indicators of impairment. If there is an indicator of impairment, the Métis Nation determines if there is a significant adverse change in the expected amount or timing of future cash flows from the financial asset. If there is a significant adverse change in the expected

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2. Significant accounting policies (continued):

(f) Financial instruments and risk management (continued):

cash flows, the carrying value of the financial asset is reduced to the highest of the present value of the expected cash flows, the amount that could be realized from selling the financial

asset or the amount the Métis Nation expects to realize by exercising its right to any collateral. If events and circumstances reverse in a future period, an impairment loss will be reversed to the extent of the improvement, not exceeding the initial carrying value.

The Metis Nation, through its financial assets and liabilities, has exposure to the following risks from its use of financial instruments:

Credit risk

The Metis Nation's principal financial assets subject to credit risk are cash and accounts receivable. The carrying amounts of these financial assets on the statement of financial position represent the Metis Nation's maximum credit exposure as at March 31, 2017. The amounts disclosed in the statement of financial position are net of allowance for doubtful accounts, estimated by management of the Metis Nation based on previous experience and its assessment of the current economic environment.

The credit risk on cash is limited because the counterparties are chartered banks with high credit ratings assigned by national credit-rating agencies. The credit risk related to accounts receivable is minimized as these receivables are from government agencies.

Liquidity risk

The Metis Nation's objective is to have sufficient liquidity to meet its liabilities when due. The Metis Nation monitors its cash balances and cash flows generated from operations to meet its requirements. As of March 31, 2017, the most significant financial liabilities are accounts payable and accrued liabilities.

Fair values

The fair values of cash, accounts receivable and accounts payable and accrued liabilities approximate their carrying value due to their short-term period to maturity.

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3. Accounts receivable

	2017	(un	2016 audited)
Program funding GST recoverable	\$ 161,646 39,237	\$	0 859
	\$ 200,883	\$	859

Accounts receivable for program funding are subject to final approval by funding agencies and amounts may change.

4. Property, plant and equipment:

As at March 31, 2017

Cost		cumulated nortization		Net book value
\$ 99,405 379,774	\$	0 130,974	\$	99,405 248,800
\$ 479,179	\$	130,974	\$	348,205
Cost				Net book value
\$	\$ 99,405 379,774 \$ 479,179	Cost ar \$ 99,405 \$ 379,774 \$ 479,179 \$	Cost amortization \$ 99,405 \$ 0 379,774 130,974 \$ 479,179 \$ 130,974 Accumulated	Cost amortization \$ 99,405 \$ 0 \$ 379,774 130,974 \$ 479,179 \$ 130,974 \$ Accumulated

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Land	\$	99,405	\$ 0	\$	99,405
Buildings and infrastructure		379,774 479,179	 117,879 117,879		261,895 361,300
	<u> </u>	4/9,1/9	\$ 117,679	<u> </u>	301,3

5. Deferred revenue:

Deferred revenue represents unspent externally restricted contributions for the Economic Development Strategy funding. It relates to professional consulting fees, travel, and MN-S administrative expenses of future periods to facilitate in the research, planning, and designing of a draft Metis Economic Development Strategy for the Saskatchewan Metis.

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6. Contingent liabilities:

a) Legal claim against The Metis Nation

In 2017, The Metis Nation was served with a statement of claim for legal fees incurred between April 2011 – March 2016. The amount of the claim against The Metis Nation is \$198,830. The likelihood of payment is not determinable as of the date of the financial statements as the litigation is in the early stages.

b) Accounts payable and accrued liabilities:

Funding was suspended by the federal government in 2014 for failure to comply with the Basic Organizational Capacity Agreement due to internal governance issues. Since 2015 the Government of Canada has been working with MN-S leadership to support the organization towards resolving internal governance issues, including funding for governance activities with the support of an expert financial advisor.

Ernst & Young ("EY") was appointed as the expert financial advisor in February 2016. As part of its mandate, EY was requested to compile and summarize a preliminary estimate of financial assets and liabilities. The preliminary listing of accounts payable balances owed to ordinary unsecured creditors from available physical records approximated \$280,000.

No amounts have been paid or accrued for amounts owing to unsecured creditors related to goods or services provided to The Metis Nation prior to appointment of EY as the expert financial advisor.

The likelihood of payment related to goods or services provided prior to February 2016 is not determinable and has not been accrued in the financial statements as at March 31, 2016 or March 31, 2017.

Due to restrictions placed on EY with regards to access to records and documents, the completeness of accounts payable and accrued liabilities related to goods or services provided to The Metis Nation prior to appointment of EY as the expert financial advisor in February 2016 is not able to be ascertained.

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6. Contingent liabilities (continued):

c) Related parties:

Ernst & Young was also requested to compile financial information for the following related parties of The Metis Nation:

- Back to Batoche Festival Days Inc.
- Back to Batoche Land Management Inc.
- · Provincial Metis Housing Inc.
- Round Prairie Ventures Inc.
- Round Prairie Development Ltd.
- Provincial Metis Holdco Inc.
- Metis Society of Saskatchewan Inc.
- Louis Gardiner
- Robert Doucette
- Robert Lafontaine
- May Henderson

EY did not receive satisfactory responses to its initial requests to parties believed to have relevant financial information. Thus, The Metis Nation legal counsel filed an application with the Court of Queen's Bench for Saskatchewan in an effort to obtain financial information documents from MN-S affiliates.

Because of the restrictions placed on EY with regards to access to records and documents of related parties, the completeness of accounts payable and accrued liabilities, due to/from related parties, contingencies, commitments, guarantees, and other relevant financial information is not able to be ascertained.

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7. Related party transactions:

The Metis Nation had the following revenue and expense transactions with related parties during the year. All transactions were recorded at the exchange amount being amounts agreed upon between the related parties:

The Metis Nation — Saskatchewan Secretariat Inc. previously managed and operated a non-incorporated entity operating as Back to Batoche. On April 6, 2011 Metis Nation incorporated "BTB Land Management Inc." to undertake the management of the Batoche land owned by Metis Nation — Saskatchewan Secretariat Inc. Upon incorporation Metis Nation transferred buildings and infrastructure from the Back to Batoche operations to BTB Land Management Inc. with a cost of \$388,970. However, on October 3, 2014 Batoche Land Management was struck off the corporate registry. Based on a court decision on April 4, 2017 there is evidence that Metis Nation — Saskatchewan Secretariat Inc. is the registered owner of the lands and the buildings and has been so since 1985. Therefore, on April 1, 2016 the buildings and infrastructure were recorded on the financial statements at a cost of \$379,774 and accumulated amortization of \$117,878 and net assets adjustment of \$275,679.

In June 2016, Clarence Campeau Development Fund provided a donation in the amount of \$35,000 and in July 2016, SaskMetis Economic Development Corp provided a donation in the amount of \$10,000 for Back to Batoche 2016.

In June 2016, Gabriel Dumont Institute of Native Studies and Applied Research, Inc. purchased the library and all fixtures, cabinets, storage and equipment associated with The Metis Nation Library Archival Collection for the purchase price of \$500,000.

On October 25, 2016, The Metis Nation and Gabriel Dumont College (The "Contractor") entered into a service contract for The Contractor to professionally manage research aimed at providing the membership of The Metis Nation with a voice on the effectiveness of the Urban Aboriginal Strategy (UAS). The amount of the service contract between the two parties was for the full amount of the funding agreement of \$150,000. Included in accounts payable is a payable in the amount of \$37,500 to Gabriel Dumont College related to this service contract.

	2017	(un	2016 audited)
Gabriel Dumont College	\$ 37,500	\$	0
	\$ 37,500	\$	0

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8. Commitments:

The Metis Nation is committed pursuant to a one year operating lease agreement for office space commencing on August 1, 2017.

For the year ended March 31, 2018 For the year ended March 31, 2019	\$ 31,857 15.928
	\$ 47,785

9. Economic dependence:

Approximately 89% of The Metis Nation's revenue was derived from The Government of Canada through their Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada agency to be used to support economic development for the Metis Nation. A new funding agreement was obtained after year end securing funding over the next five years for governance and capacity. The funding is contingent on MN-S continuing to retain expert financial advisory services.

10. Comparative financial information:

Comparative financial information is unaudited and is for the period from February 17, 2016 to March 31, 2016 due to financial information prior to this date being incomplete.

11. Restatement of previously issued financial statements:

As disclosed in Note 8 of the March 31, 2018 financial statements issued September 13, 2018, the financial statements of March 31, 2017 issued on September 13, 2016 were restated to reflect consulting and contract fees applicable to the year ended March 31, 2017 which were not previously recorded. As a result, excess of revenue over expenditures and net assets as at March 31, 2017 have been decreased by \$228,000.

In addition, the company has increased previously reported accounts payable and accrued liabilities by \$228,000 as at March 31, 2017.

Metis Nation of Saskatchewan Secretariat Inc. Non-Consolidated Summary of Revenue and Expenses

For the Year Ended March 31, 2017 (Unaudited)

							2017
	Schedule #	Tota	Total Revenue	To	Total Expenses		Excess (deficiency)
		•		(1	•	
Basic Organization Capacity	_	59	414,000	₩	589'/69	∌	(243,683)
MNI A. Meetings and Election	2		1,201,007		1,114,124	↔	86,883
Flection	က		ı		142,903	↔	(142,903)
Liban Partnership	4		150,000		150,000	↔	•
Program funding	5		226,140		226,140	49	1
Melis Contribution to Canada - Batoche	9		259,237		224,004	ઝ	35,233
Other	7		3,567		13,095	↔	(9,528)
Melis Economic Development	8				•	↔	1
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expend	ditures	\$	\$ 2,253,951	69	2,527,949	↔	(273,998)

Metis Nation of Saskatchewan Schedule 1 - Basic Organizational Capacity For the Year Ended March 31, 2017

	2017
	(Unaudited)
Rovonue	
Foderal Funding (INAC)	S 414,000
****	414,000
Expenses	714,000
Salarios and wagos	05.007
Operating costs	85,387 331,487
Information management	11,296
Consulting and contract fees	229,533
	657,683
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	\$ (243,683)

Metis Nation of Saskatchewan Schedule 2 - MNLA, Meetings and Election For the Year Ended March 31, 2017

	2017
	(Unaudited)
Rovonuo	
Foderal Funding (INAC)	\$ 1,201,007
	1,201,007
Exponses	
PMC travel and other meeting expenses	177,063
MNLA travel and meeting expenses	122,873
MNLA expenses	148,317
Consulting and contract foos	665,870
	1,114,124
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expanditures	\$ 86,883

Metis Nation of Saskatchewan Schedule 3 - Program funding For the Year Ended March 31, 2017

	2017 (Unauditod)
Revenue	
Federal Funding	.\$ -
Provincial Funding	
Candidate Nomination Deposits	
Expenses	•.
Election consulting fees	70,306
Election Ront	9,027
Election office supplies and miscellaneous	57,070
Election Advortising	4,572
Election travel	1,928
	142,903
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	\$ {142,903}

Metis Nation of Saskatchewan Schedule 4 - Urban Partnership For the Year Ended March 31, 2017

	2017 (Unauditad)
Revenue Fodoral Funding (INAC) Provincial Funding	\$ 150,000 - 150,000
Expenses Operating expense	150,000 150,000
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	\$ -

Metis Nation of Saskatchewan Schedule 5 - Program funding For the Year Ended March 31, 2017

		2017
		(Unaudited)
Revenue		
National Resources	\$	73,725
Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency		86,415
Fisheries		33,000
Navigation		33,000
		226,140
Expenses		
Reporting costs		47,872
Travel		58,280
Professional fees		90,338
Consulting and contract fees		29,650
		226,140
Constitution of State and	-	
Excess (deficiency) of revenues ever expenditures		

Metis Nation of Saskatchewan Schedule 6- Metis Contribution to Canada - Batoche For the Year Ended March 31, 2017

	2017
	(Unaudited)
Rovenue	
Fodoral funding	\$ 50,000
Foos and admissions	7.4,028
Donations	135,209
	259,237
Exponsos	
Consulting and contract foos	19,000
Operating	148,232
Insuranco	13,878
Advortising	2,850
Properly taxes	33,700
Utilities	6,344
	224,004
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	\$ 35,233

Metis Nation of Saskatchewan Schedule 7 - Other For the Year Ended March 31, 2017

	2017
	(Unaudited)
Revenuo	
Interest	\$ 3,567
Expenses	3,567
Amortization	13,095
	13,095
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	\$ (9,528)

Metis Nation of Saskatchewan Schedule 8 - Metis Economic Development Strategy For the Year Ended March 31, 2017

	2017
	(Unaudited)
Revenue	
Foderal funding	<u>s - </u>
Expenses	-
Expenses	
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	\$ -