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Budget 2021 is the culmination of decades of tireless, dedicated efforts of many to recognize the benefits of early learning for every Canadian child and the value of child care in supporting families.

Investment of \$30 billion over five years, starting in 2021-22, and \$9.2 billion going forward, will bring the federal government's annual contribution for early learning and child care equal to that of the provinces and territories. Included in the amount, is \$2.5-billion to expand and improve early learning and care for Indigenous families.

Recognizing the groundwork laid by Quebec, the federal government is committed to working in partnerships with provinces, territories and Indigenous peoples to make meaningful progress towards publicly-managed,