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Vellacott comments on Prime Minister Harper's meeting yesterday with Premier Lorne Calvert

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OTTAWA – Yesterday afternoon, the Prime Minister and Premier Calvert met for 45 minutes in the Prime Minister's Centre Block office. They discussed a number of issues, including federal funding for literacy programs, progress towards a new agricultural disaster assistance program and the Canadian Wheat Board. The two also exchanged views on equalization. Saskatchewan's Conservative MPs also met with Prime Minister Harper yesterday afternoon.

Saskatoon-Wanuskewin MP Maurice Vellacott said, "The federal government is committed to developing a principle-based equalization formula and is carrying on discussions with all the provinces. The federal Conservative government is developing a package to restore the fiscal balance in Canada."

Vellacott added, "Canada's New Government will deliver on its promise to provide fair, principled transfers to all provinces and meet the commitments in the government's election platform. The Government of Saskatchewan will benefit significantly from this package."

Vellacott concluded, "The federal government will also continue to invest in programs and cut taxes for the people of Saskatchewan."

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