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Iqaluit, Nunavut**Tuesday, February 21, 2017****Members Present:**

Mr. Tony Akoak, Ms. Pat Angnakak, Hon. Monica Ell-Kanayuk, Mr. Joe Enook, Hon. George Hickes, Mr. David Joanase, Mr. Pauloosie Keyootak, Hon. George Kuksuk, Mr. Steve Mapsalak, Hon. Johnny Mike, Mr. Simeon Mikkungwak, Mr. Paul Okalik, Hon. Keith Peterson, Mr. Emiliano Qirngnuq, Hon. Paul Quassa, Hon. George Qulaut, Mr. Allan Rumbolt, Mr. Alexander Sammurtok, Mr. Tom Sammurtok, Hon. Joe Savikataaq, Mr. Isaac Shooyook, Hon. Peter Taptuna.

>>House commenced at 13:29

Item 1: Opening Prayer

Speaker (Hon. George Qulaut) (interpretation): Can you say the opening prayer, please, Mr. Paul Quassa.

>>Prayer

Speaker (interpretation): Good afternoon, members, visitors, ministers, (interpretation ends) Premier, (interpretation) and Nunavummiut who are watching the televised proceedings. Welcome to the House.

Before we proceed, I will read a letter from the Commissioner of Nunavut. It reads:

Money Message

(interpretation ends) Mr. Speaker, I wish to advise that I recommend to the Legislative Assembly of Nunavut the passage of the following bills during the Third Session of the Fourth Legislative

Assembly:

- Bill 32, *Supplementary Appropriation (Capital) Act, No. 5, 2015-2016*;
- Bill 33, *Supplementary Appropriation (Operations and Maintenance) Act, No. 3, 2016-2017*;
- Bill 34, *Appropriation (Operations and Maintenance) Act, 2017-2018*; and
- Bill 35, *Supplementary Appropriation (Capital) Act, No. 1, 2017-2018*.

Sincerely, Nellie T. Kusugak
Commissioner of Nunavut

(interpretation) Going to the orders of the day. Item 2. Ministers' Statements. (interpretation ends) The Hon. Minister of Finance, Mr. Peterson.

Item 2: Ministers' Statements**Minister's Statement 228 – 4(3):
Notice of Budget Address**

Hon. Keith Peterson: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Welcome back to all my colleagues and Nunavummiut to our winter sitting.

Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to notify my colleagues that on Wednesday, February 22, 2017, I will introduce the 2017-18 budget on behalf of the Government of Nunavut. This budget will outline our government's financial priorities for the fiscal year 2017-18. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Ministers' Statements. (interpretation ends) The Hon. Premier of Nunavut, Mr. Taptuna.

**Minister's Statement 229 – 4(3):
Official Meeting with Prime
Minister Trudeau and Mary
Simon**

Hon. Peter Taptuna: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. (interpretation) Good afternoon, my colleagues, Kuglukturmiut, and Nunavummiut.

(interpretation ends) Mr. Speaker, I rise today to welcome my colleagues to this fourth session of the Fourth Nunavut Legislative Assembly.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to take this opportunity to update members on my recent meetings here in Iqaluit with Prime Minister Trudeau and Mary Simon, the Minister of Indigenous and Northern Affairs' special representative on arctic issues.

Mr. Speaker, on February 9 I had the opportunity to meet with the Prime Minister here at the Legislative Assembly and welcome him on his first official visit to Nunavut. We had a very productive conversation and I reiterated the need for increased and dedicated resources for infrastructure here in our territory.

Our discussion also centred around the lack of consultations with the territories on implementing an arctic oil and gas moratorium and specifically its possible effects on Nunavut's devolution negotiations. I stressed the need for the territorial government's involvement and thorough consultation in the

development of future planning involving Nunavut, especially with regard to the federal government's arctic policy development.

Mr. Speaker, the next day, on February 10, I was fortunate enough to meet with Ms. Simon and discuss her work to develop a new shared arctic leadership model. We spoke about the need for conservation to be balanced with the socioeconomic realities of the north. I emphasized Nunavut's robust regulatory framework when it comes to resource development, wildlife protection, and conservation.

Mr. Speaker, in both these meetings I restated our government's commitment to build healthy families through strong and resilient communities, and the necessity to provide Nunavummiut with access to opportunities.

I continue to lobby on behalf of Nunavummiut to ensure our voices are heard, understood, and appreciated. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

>> *Applause*

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Ministers' Statements. (interpretation ends) The Hon. Minister of the Qulliq Energy Corporation, Mr. Johnny Mike.

**Minister's Statement 230 – 4(3):
Expansion of the QEC's LED
Street Light Project**

Hon. Johnny Mike (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I'll be making a statement on the expansion of the QEC's LED street light project.

I am pleased to rise in the House today to announce the continued expansion of the Qulliq Energy Corporation's energy-efficient street light project in Nunavut.

Last year in Iqaluit the QEC replaced conventional street lighting with LED, or Light Emitting Diode, lights in a portion of the city to test the benefits of energy-efficient lighting. The successes of the pilot project informed the decision to expand the installation of LED street lighting to other communities in the territory.

The QEC is continuing with the installation of LED street lighting in our capital city and will begin upgrading all street lights in Cambridge Bay and Rankin Inlet this summer.

LED street lighting offers a number of benefits. These benefits include a reduction in energy usage by approximately 30 percent, further leading to lower carbon emissions. The new street lights also bring significant savings in maintenance costs since LEDs last five times longer than conventional street lights. In addition to the environmental and financial benefits, LED street lights also offer improved road safety as they provide brighter illumination of the roads.

(interpretation ends) Mr. Speaker, I would like to acknowledge Natural Resources Canada for their financial contribution and continued support of the QEC's energy efficiency initiatives such as the LED street lights project. The QEC is actively working with the federal agency on plans to further expand this project to other communities in late 2017.

(interpretation) The QEC is committed to seeking opportunities that will enhance energy efficiency in all aspects of its operation, reduce reliance on diesel fuel, and cut carbon emissions to reduce our impact on the environment. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

>> *Applause*

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Ministers' Statements. Minister of Environment, Mr. Savikataaq.

**Minister's Statement 231 – 4(3):
Quota increase for Sub-area 0
Turbot**

Hon. Joe Savikataaq: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I am pleased to report that Nunavut has received an increase in quota for Greenland halibut, also known as turbot, of 575 tonnes in Northwest Atlantic Fisheries Organization Division 0A and 575 tonnes in Division 0B, for a total quota increase of 1,150 tonnes.

Our government's long-standing position has been that 100 percent of any fisheries quota increase in adjacent waters must go to Nunavut until we reach an equitable share of our adjacent resources, and this recent allocation is a welcome sign of progress in this regard.

Mr. Speaker, this allocation increase will not only help to strengthen our industry's presence in Canada's commercial fishing sector but will also bring real economic benefits to the people of Nunavut. This additional quota holds a current market value of approximately \$8 million, which will increase the total value of Nunavut's turbot resources to \$113 million.

Offshore fisheries continue to hold a great deal of unrealized potential for providing Nunavummiut with a sustainable route to economic prosperity, and we will therefore continue our lobbying efforts for Nunavut interests to receive an equitable share and maximum benefits from the fishery resources in its adjacent waters. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

>>Applause

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Ministers' Statements. Minister of Education, Mr. Quassa.

Minister's Statement 232 – 4(3): Pink Shirt Day

Hon. Paul Quassa (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would like to ask my fellow members to join me in recognizing tomorrow, February 22, as Pink Shirt Day. I am happy to share that my department has been supporting efforts to promote anti-bullying in our schools.

In celebration of Pink Shirt Day, my department has provided all schools with a resource list, suggested activities, and an anti-bullying pledge that students can sign. This year Pink Shirt Day is in partnership with the Red Cross and the Embrace Life Council.

Mr. Speaker, students are watching videos and writing essays about the issue of bullying. Some schools are having a pep rally to celebrate positive spaces while others are singing and square dancing to recognize Pink Shirt Day. Elders are speaking about *Inuit Qaujimagatunqangit* values in classrooms. These are some of the ways

our students are sharing positive messages about anti-bullying today.

Mr. Speaker, we recognize that bullying is a problem that exists in and out of Nunavut. Bullying in many forms continues to affect our schools, workplaces, communities, and even the Internet. I hope our efforts in promoting and modelling positive behaviour and values to our students help them become advocates of *Tunnganarniq* (being open, welcoming and inclusive) and *Inuuqatigiitsiarniq* (respecting and caring for people).

I hope my fellow Nunavummiut participate in Pink Shirt Day tomorrow to show their support. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

>>Applause

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Ministers' Statements. I have no more names on my list. Moving on. Item 3. Members' Statements. Member for Rankin Inlet South, Mr. Alexander Sammurtok.

Item 3: Members' Statements

Member's Statement 419 – 4(3): Celebrating Wedding Anniversary with Wife and Happy Birthday to Granddaughter

Mr. Alexander Sammurtok: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. (interpretation) My fellow residents of Rankin Inlet, Nunavummiut, and my colleagues, have a good day.

I rise today to celebrate my wedding anniversary with my wife. (interpretation ends) Happy anniversary, *nuliaq*.

(interpretation) The other statement I wish to make is in regard to my granddaughter, Jenelle Natuuq Koonoo, who is celebrating her birthday. I wish her a happy birthday. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

>> *Applause*

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Members' Statements. Member for South Baffin, Mr. David Joanasié.

Member's Statement 420 – 4(3): State of Inuit Culture

Mr. Joanasié (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Good afternoon, my colleagues, visitors in the gallery, residents of Cape Dorset and Kimmirut, as well as Nunavummiut listening to the proceedings.

Mr. Speaker, I rise today to ask a question to my fellow Inuit: what are your thoughts about our lives as Inuit today? How are we? We're fine in some aspects, but we're not so fine in other aspects. It's obvious that we have to rise up and take action.

Mr. Speaker, Nunavut is what Inuit fought to get because they wanted their own land. People worked very hard to turn Nunavut into reality because they wanted their own government.

Mr. Speaker, it has been too long now that Inuit have been silent and not running things in their own community or even their own lives. They're not being allowed to take part in that.

Mr. Speaker, we can see many things today that are not being run by Inuit. I know it's obvious that we have to rise as

Inuit. Nunavut is what Inuit tried to get because they wanted to have their own land. People worked very hard to make Nunavut a reality because they wanted their own government.

Mr. Speaker, there are too many Inuit that don't have jobs and too many Inuit commit suicide. Mr. Speaker, those of us Inuit, let us help each other because we have Nunavut now. Let us be involved. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

>> *Applause*

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Members' Statements. Member for Quttiktuq, Mr. Isaac Shooyook.

Member's Statement 421 – 4(3): New Health Centre in Arctic Bay

Mr. Shooyook (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Good day, Nunavummiut, my colleagues, visitors in the gallery, and welcome to the House.

It is with a state of calmness that I rise today with happy thoughts because my eyesight will no longer be clouded over.

>> *Laughter*

I rise today to say that when I got elected, I went to tour our health centre. What I saw there were no longer plans being made and I sat down determined to get to the bottom of this. It was not long after that I received a letter which said that designs would be drawn and plans made up. It is with this that I have scored.

I am happy because the health centre renovations have been completed. We're just waiting for the opening day. I am

very happy about that today and I am quite calm right now in the Legislative Assembly. I cannot express my pleasure more about that. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

>> *Applause*

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Members' Statements. Member for Iqaluit-Niaqunngu, Ms. Pat Angnakak.

**Member's Statement 422 – 4(3):
Status of Qikiqtani General
Hospital Board of Management**

Ms. Angnakak (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Welcome. (interpretation ends) Good afternoon.

Mr. Speaker, I rise today to remind the government of its obligation to respond to a motion that was put forward and approved in this House.

In fact, just last October, the Minister of Health indicated that he recalled seconding a motion way back in November of 2014 when called upon the Government of Nunavut to look into establishing a board of management at the Qikiqtani General Hospital.

Mr. Speaker, on November 14, 2014 Motion 16 – 4(2) was adopted without opposition and moved that the Government of Nunavut undertake a comprehensive review of the merits and benefits and also the logistics, administrative and financial aspects of establishing a board of management for the Qikiqtani General Hospital.

The Minister of Health of the day suggested an amendment to the motion committing the government to report on

its considerations and findings to the House on the first day of the 2015 fall sitting of the Legislative Assembly.

Since the adoption of this motion, no fewer than three different ministers of health have responded to my questions on the status of this review.

In October 2015 the Minister of Health of the day indicated that a review of this issue had occurred and implied that a new body would be established.

In June 2016 the minister of the day indicated that the department had received approval to move forward with the development of a board.

However, in October 2016 the current Minister of Health, who happens to be the same Member of the Legislative Assembly who seconded the motion in the first place, would not commit to a date for the tabling of this review.

Mr. Speaker, time is running out for this government to meet its obligations with respect to the motion that was put forward and adopted without opposition in this House.

At the appropriate time I will have questions on the issue. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Members' Statements. Member for Netsilik, Mr. Qirngnuq.

**Member's Statement 423 – 4(3):
Congratulations to Netsilik Youth
Parliamentarian**

Mr. Qirngnuq (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I say "good day" to

the residents of Taloyoak. I am happy to once again be in the House with my colleagues.

(interpretation ends) Congratulations to Netsilik youth parliamentarian. Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I rise today to congratulate one of my constituents for her good work in representing the constituency of Netsilik during the Legislative Assembly's recent Youth Parliament.

Mr. Speaker, Hayley Totalik of Taloyoak joined with 21 other students last fall to participate in the Legislative Assembly's Sixth Youth Parliament.

I had the pleasure of watching the televised proceedings of the Youth Parliament and I can safely say that all of the students represented their constituencies with pride.

Mr. Speaker, I also noted that Premier Taptuna, Ms. Angnakak, and a number of other ministers and MLAs helped out during the Youth Parliament by serving as pages for the day and providing some on-the-spot coaching to the youth parliamentarians.

Mr. Speaker, please accept my appreciation to you and your staff for organizing this excellent event. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

>>Applause

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Members' Statements. Member for Uqqummiut, Mr. Pauloosie Keyootak.

Member's Statement 424 – 4(3): Clyde River Trauma Team in Qikiqtarjuaq

Mr. Keyootak (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I rise today to have everyone be thankful to my constituency.

Before I get started I would like my granddaughter Alisa to know that I love her.

Mr. Speaker, in Qikiqtarjuaq there were a bunch of people that came to our community to help us and I would like to express my appreciation. People from Iisaqsivik came to our community to help with trauma issues and counselling. They did their job very well.

The people who came to our community were Isa Piungituq, Raygilee Piungituq, Rebecca Panipak, and their youth representative was Jusa Iqaqrialu. That youth representative was able to work very well with our youth in Qikiqtarjuaq and they did some very good programming in our community. They did their work very well and they helped many people.

Mr. Speaker, while they were in my community there was an unfortunate suicide and those people in Clyde River really helped the grieving family. We were so appreciative of their visit to our community and they helped us a great deal.

Iisaqsivik is doing some really good work for Inuit. Let's make sure that the government helps whenever Iisaqsivik needs more help because it's really useful to Inuit right now. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

>> *Applause*

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Members' Statements. Member for Iqaluit-Manirajak, Ms. Monica Ell-Kanayuk.

**Member's Statement 425 – 4(3):
Opening of the Iqaluit Aquatic
Centre**

Hon. Monica Ell-Kanayuk
(interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I say "good afternoon" to the people of Iqaluit-Manirajak. Welcome to all my fellow MLAs who are here for the sitting again and to the people of Iqaluit.

Mr. Speaker, I was part of an opening ceremony in my constituency when we opened the new swimming pool and recreation centre on January 26 at lunchtime. My four-year-old grandson and I went there for the opening and there were many people there for that occasion. We have not had a swimming pool in Iqaluit for the past four years.

Mr. Speaker, the young and old alike are very happy to see the opening of the pool. We were quite anxious while we were waiting outside for the official ceremonies to end so we could go inside and see the new facility.

My grandson and I were some of the first to go inside and we saw the beautiful place. It has an elders' space, recreation space, and a 25-metre swimming pool. There were other attractions there too. It's like going to a complex down south. It's very similar and we now have that here.

My grandson and I, along with other people have gone there many times since

it opened. We hear that 150 people use that facility every day. That new pool is extremely useful to the people of Iqaluit and also to visitors. We get many visitors to Iqaluit from all over the place and it's open to everybody. We hear that young people want to exercise more, they want to eat better, and they talk about taking better care of their bodies.

I would like to recognize Jimmy Kilabuk, who was a part of the group that worked on the new facility. He was recognized.

Mr. Speaker, I would like unanimous consent to conclude my statement.

Speaker: The member is seeking unanimous consent to conclude her statement. Are there any nays? There are none. Please proceed, Ms. Ell-Kanayuk.

Hon. Monica Ell-Kanayuk
(interpretation): Thank you, my colleagues. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Jimmy Kilabuk was a town councillor and he was recognized at the opening of the new facility with a plaque. He really helped out and pushed for the facility. He hasn't been with us since 2013 now.

Mr. Speaker, I wanted to add while I have the floor that I thank the mayor and council of Iqaluit and the many volunteers who believed in raising funds through Outreach to make the opening a reality. They held meetings and worked hard for the opening of the facility without being paid. I also thank the Government of Nunavut and Government of Canada for their support in creating that facility. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

>>Applause

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Members' Statements. Member for Iqaluit-Sinaa, Mr. Okalik.

**Member's Statement 426 – 4(3):
Meeting with the City of Iqaluit
Council**

Mr. Okalik (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Welcome to our community, my colleagues.

I would like to recognize people we work with at the City of Iqaluit. We have met with them on more than one occasion, once in particular to discuss homelessness. We were able to have discussions with them in the planning to assist them in getting well organized.

I will be asking my colleague next to me questions as to how else we can provide more assistance to the homeless in Iqaluit. We would also like to show more support for homeowners and how to better benefit those homeowners who go through difficult times. It helps everybody when people have their own private homes. We also talked about that in our discussions.

When we work together, even though we're not the same government, we benefit all the members of the community. To my colleagues who were there, I would like to show my appreciation and welcome. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

>>Applause

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Members' Statements. Member for

Kugluktuk, Mr. Taptuna.

**Member's Statement 427 – 4(3): New
Infrastructure in Kugluktuk**

Hon. Peter Taptuna: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. First of all I want to apologize to my dear wife that I couldn't be there for our 39th wedding anniversary.

On a happier note, I was home last week in Kugluktuk to attend the official opening of some very important infrastructure for our community. There are three new community buildings that will improve services, provide reliable access to clean drinking water, and help protect the environment. The projects include the construction of a new water treatment plant, a public works building, as well as a six-bay garage to house the community's water and wastewater trucks.

Some of the funding for these initiatives was made available through the Gas Tax and Canada Strategic Infrastructure funds. It is a partnership project with Canada, the Government of Nunavut, and our hamlet to build community infrastructure.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our Mayor, Ryan Nivingalok of Kugluktuk. I'm going to have doubled the pleasure this afternoon recognizing him during our order paper here.

The hamlet administration and the people of Kugluktuk are to be commended for their planning, hard work, and dedication in moving this project forward. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

>>Applause

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Members' Statements. Member for Pangnirtung, Mr. Mike.

**Member's Statement 428 – 4(3):
Pangnirtung Northern Store**

Hon. Johnny Mike (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I rise today to first of all say "hello" to Nunavummiut and my colleagues.

I remember the people who recently lost a family member in Pangnirtung. We love you.

I would like to point out something that we don't usually hear about which happened during Christmas in Pangnirtung. Everywhere in Canada or internationally when Christmas is celebrated, there are sales in stores. I would like the residents of Pangnirtung to celebrate in every way during the Christmas season.

However, something strange happened just before Christmas, something that doesn't usually happen in our community. The Northern Store hesitated to hold a sale for the residents of Pangnirtung before the Christmas holidays. As it got closer to Christmas, we didn't see anything on sale at the Northern Store in Pangnirtung. Right after Christmas on what usually is a big sale day, Boxing Day on December 26, the store was closed.

Residents of Pangnirtung weren't served very well by the Northern Store during Christmas. The residents of Pangnirtung had celebrations and participated in games. We also had family get-togethers and feasts. I point it out that this was the first time in a very long time that

residents of Pangnirtung had such an experience with the Northern Store. However, that store is still operating today.

I don't think the Northern Store believes that they and Pangnirtung residents can celebrate together by having them involved in Christmas sales. I don't think the Northern Store is aware of how their outlet in Pangnirtung is operating right now. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

An Hon. Member: Shame, shame!

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Members' Statements. Member for Aggu, Mr. Quassa.

**Member's Statement 429 – 4(3):
Appreciation of Canadian
Rangers, Junior Rangers, and
Cadets**

Hon. Paul Quassa (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I wish my fellow residents of Igloolik and Nunavummiut a good day.

I rise today to recognize once again those who provide assistance anywhere in Nunavut, the Canadian Rangers. They provide assistance on anything, through search and rescue and other ways. The youth, the cadets, and the Junior Rangers provide a lot of assistance in our communities. This is a very good way for our youth moving into the future.

I also heard this morning that the Canadian Rangers from our community started a journey to go elsewhere. These are the types of things they do. I would like to recognize them and I appreciate their assistance to our communities and their fellow residents. That's main

reason I made this statement. I would like more people to recognize the benefit from that. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Members' Statements. I have no more names on my list. Moving on. Item 4. Returns to Oral Questions. (interpretation ends) The Hon. Minister of Community and Government Services, Mr. Savikataaq.

Item 4: Returns to Oral Questions*

Return to Oral Question 509 – 4(3): Northern Employee Benefits Services Pension Plan Act

Hon. Joe Savikataaq: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This is a return to an oral question asked by the Member Mr. Allan Rumbolt, asked of myself, Minister of Community and Government Services, Question No. 509 – 4(3). The date was November 1, 2016. Subject, *Northern Employee Benefits Services Pension Plan Act*.

Mr. Speaker, as part of my response to the member's question regarding the Northern Employee Benefits Services Pension Plan, I committed to getting back to my colleague with regard to three issues he brought up.

“Can the minister confirm whether or not all housing authorities and associations in Nunavut are now participating in the NEBS pension plan?”

My response:

Yes, all housing authorities and associations in Nunavut are now participating in the NEBS pension plan.

According to an update received from NEBS staff, the Kimmirut and Pond Inlet housing associations are now participating in the NEBS pension plan.

“Can the minister confirm whether or not all Nunavut hamlets are now participating in the NEBS pension plan?”

With the exception of Arctic Bay and Pond Inlet, at this time all Nunavut hamlets are now participating in the NEBS pension plan. NEBS staff are currently in discussions with those two hamlets and are assisting them with the program registration process.

“Can the minister indicate when he will be tabling the next set of reports that are required under the legislation?”

My response:

In accordance with section 25(6) of the NEBS Act (Tabling of the Actuarial Report), the variation for 2016 will not be complete until September of 2017. That report is expected to be tabled in the legislature for the fall of 2017.

In accordance with section 27(4) of the NEBS Act (Tabling of Financial Report), CGS has received the Northern Employee Benefits Services Pension Plan Annual Report for the year ended December 31, 2015. The report is expected to be tabled in the Legislative Assembly for the 2017 winter sitting. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. (interpretation ends) Item 4. Returns to Oral Questions. Mr. Clerk.

*See Appendix for full text of Returns to Oral Questions 559 – 4(3) and 571 – 4(3).

**Return to Oral Question 559 – 4(3):
Services for Children in Care
Outside of Nunavut**

**Return to Oral Question 571 – 4(3):
Meetings of Federal-Provincial-
Territorial Ministers of
Agriculture**

Clerk (Mr. Quirke): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I am tabling returns to oral questions No. 559 and 571 that were taken as notice during the fall of 2016 sitting of the House. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. (interpretation ends) Returns to Oral Questions. I have no more names. We shall continue to Item 5. Recognition of Visitors in the Gallery. The Hon. Member for South Baffin, Mr. David Joanasie.

**Item 5: Recognition of Visitors in the
Gallery**

Mr. Joanasie (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would first like to recognize Martha Pudlat from Cape Dorset, who is participating as a student in the Interpreter/Translator Program, and their instructor, Letia Qiatsuk, a fellow Cape Dorset resident. I would also like to recognize Jeela Palluq-Cloutier, our past instructor at Nunavut Sivuniksavut. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

>>Applause

Speaker (interpretation): Welcome to the gallery. Recognition of Visitors in the Gallery. Member for Aggu, Mr. Quassa.

Hon. Paul Quassa (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would like to recognize a well-known person at the Legislative Assembly. He was a former minister and MLA, and he is now a board member of Inuit Uqausinginnik Taiguusiliuqtiit, Louis Tapardjuk.

>>Applause

He is also my in-law.

I would also like to welcome a fellow resident, Toby Otak. She is taking the Interpreter/Translator Program.

I'll be recognizing the students at Arctic College later on in the week as they are proceeding in this program. I'm just recognizing my two fellow residents for now. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

>>Applause

Speaker (interpretation): Welcome to the gallery. Recognition of Visitors in the Gallery. Member for Iqaluit-Sinaa, Mr. Okalik.

Mr. Okalik (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would also like to recognize a constituent who is taking the Interpreter/Translator Program. Peter Aningmiuq is in the booth right now, who is the late Peter Etulu's son. I would like to welcome him.

I would also like to acknowledge a person whom I worked with for many years, Louis Tapardjuk, who was a Member of the Legislative Assembly. He was always pushing to use *Inuit Qaujimajatuqangit*. I respect him for providing and using *Inuit Qaujimajatuqangit*. I would like to

welcome him to the House. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

>> *Applause*

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Welcome to the gallery. Member for Uqqummiut, Mr. Keyootak.

Mr. Keyootak (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would also like to recognize a constituent of mine who is known by many people. He has worked in various positions, including a teacher. He's also a dog team owner. I would like to recognize Joellie Sanguya, a constituent of mine from Clyde River, as I know the people are aware of all the work he has done in the past. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

>> *Applause*

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Welcome to the gallery. Recognition of Visitors in the Gallery. Member for Arviat and Whale Cove, Mr. Kuksuk.

Hon. George Kuksuk (interpretation): Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. Good afternoon to my fellow Nunavummiut, residents of Arviat and Whale Cove.

Mr. Speaker, I am very pleased to rise today to recognize visitors in the gallery. We worked closely together with these individuals and questions were asked in the House in regard to the work that they're doing. Please rise when I say your name.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to recognize the members of the Inuit Uqausinginnik Taiguusiliuqtiit who are in the gallery today. They work on Inuit terminology

within our department and we're able to work closely with them.

I would first like to acknowledge the Chair of the Inuit Uqausinginnik Taiguusiliuqtiit, Mary Thompson, who is here in the House today.

I would also like to recognize an individual who was already recognized, who is a member of the IUT, Louis Tapardjuk. He is in the House.

Another member is Rosemary Meyok, who is also here.

Another member who was just appointed to the IUT is Joellie Sanguya.

Welcome to the House and colleagues, please join me in welcoming the members of the IUT. Thank you.

>> *Applause*

Speaker (interpretation): Welcome to the gallery. Recognition of Visitors in the Gallery. Member for Kugluktuk, Mr. Taptuna.

Hon. Peter Taptuna: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I want to recognize a constituent of mine that has been hard at work on the Inuinnaqtun language. We appreciate that very much. There is a lot of work to be done. We appreciate the fact that we have folks here to ensure that our language is passed on down because we have different dialects throughout our regions. I want to recognize Rosemary Meyok.

Also, I was going to recognize the mayor and SAO. They're too busy going from meeting to meeting, but I won't mention

their names too. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

>> *Applause*

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Welcome to the gallery. Recognition of Visitors in the Gallery. Member for Cambridge Bay, Mr. Peterson.

Hon. Keith Peterson: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would like to recognize a constituent of mine from Cambridge Bay, Mr. Joe Otokiak. He's in Iqaluit helping out with the simultaneous translation/interpretation program. Welcome to the House, Joe.

>> *Applause*

Speaker (interpretation): Welcome to the gallery. Recognition of Visitors in the Gallery. I have no more names on my list. Moving on. Item 6. Oral Questions. Member for Iqaluit-Niaqunnguu, Ms. Pat Angnakak.

Item 6: Oral Questions

Question 574 – 4(3): Status of Hospital Board of Management

Ms. Angnakak (interpretation): Thank you. (interpretation ends) Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would like to direct my question to the Minister of Health.

Mr. Speaker, a few minutes ago or half an hour or so ago I referred to Motion 16 – 4(2) regarding the establishment of a board of management for the Qikiqtani General Hospital. That review was to have been tabled on the first day of the 2015 fall sitting of the Legislative Assembly of Nunavut. Mr. Speaker, we are well beyond that date.

Can the Minister of Health provide an update on the status of the review regarding the establishment of a board of management at the Qikiqtani General Hospital and tell this House when he will be tabling the report? Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker: The Hon. Minister of Health, Mr. George Hickes.

Hon. George Hickes: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I thank the member for bringing up this issue again. It gives me an opportunity to discuss on where we are in the proceedings regarding the development of a board of directors for the Qikiqtani General Hospital.

Mr. Speaker, as far as tabling a report, I don't anticipate tabling one this sitting. The amount of context that was developed in researching the topic of developing a board of directors came to a conclusion in the basis that the Department of Health will be going forward in developing an advisory board of directors for the Qikiqtani General Hospital.

Mr. Speaker, there are a number of different reasons why we have chosen to go that direction. One of the main ones is that a board of directors, as the member well knows, as I knew when I put the motion forward, changes the fiscal and financial reporting structure of the general hospital to create a separate entity from the Department of Health.

At this time, in the best interests of moving this project forward, instead of waiting, we felt that an advisory board be created to develop capacity within that specific sector to provide and develop expertise so that we can move

forward at some date down the road, at a later date, and actually entail a full board of directors. The process is ongoing in anticipation of that creation. The by-laws are being developed as I stand right now and we're looking at putting out advertising and recruitment options in April of 2017. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Your first supplementary, Ms. Angnakak.

Ms. Angnakak: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I am very disappointed to hear that. The motion specifically said "a board of management" and we all agreed to that. I don't think it has been brought to this House to see if we all agree if it should be an advisory board or not. I think the intent of the motion was actually to do that separation between the department and the hospital, just so that we can have more accountability.

Mr. Speaker, I recognize that a significant amount of information, research, and analysis goes into a review of this nature and it is important to ensure that all input is thoroughly considered.

Last November the Information and Privacy Commissioner tabled a report on her privacy audit of the Qikiqtani General Hospital. On page 16 of that report she recommends that the hospital be treated in an "equivalent way" to public bodies such as Nunavut Arctic College or the Nunavut Housing Corporation for the purpose of ensuring appropriate accountability for the collection, use, and disclosure of personal health information. I would note that both of those entities are governed by boards of management.

Can the minister confirm whether his officials received input from the Information and Privacy Commissioner regarding the merits and benefits of establishing a board of management for the Qikiqtani General Hospital or, for that matter, to talk about an advisory board? Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. (interpretation ends) The Hon. Minister of Health, Mr. George Hickes.

Hon. George Hickes: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. As all members will be aware, in the coming period of time the Information and Privacy Commissioner will be appearing before the legislature to discuss any reports and recommendations that she makes to the government.

Specifically to this case, it is recognized that the Department of Health has a different need when it comes to health privacy information and access to information. It's not like a normal government department. We're dealing with medical information. We're dealing with a higher level of scrutiny with regard to how health care is provided to Nunavummiut across the territory.

I can't speak specifically to what feedback we got from the Information and Privacy Commissioner with regard to the specific creation of a board of directors. I do understand the member's frustration in how this is proceeding. At the same time, as all of us know in this room, when it comes to the creation of spending money, which a board of directors changes the fiscal requirements of the Department of Health, it changes the makeup of how reporting and accountability is.

An advisory board is a step, in my opinion, that as we go forward, it will increase community engagement, it will increase accountability, and it will increase transparency. It may not be as fast as the member or even me originally when I seconded the motion wanted to see. At the same time we have to recognize that to change the entire framework in an endeavour of this nature overnight is quite cumbersome and it opens us up to potential liabilities. It is felt at this time that an advisory board is a step in the direction to increase the community engagement, accountability, and transparency of operations of the Qikiqtani General Hospital. Thank you.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Your final supplementary, Ms. Angnakak.

Ms. Angnakak: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Once again I want to say how disappointed I am that the department has come to that conclusion.

I'm wondering if I could ask the minister to see if he could share that information with us of how they came to that decision where they felt that the advisory board was the best route to go. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. (interpretation ends) The Hon. Minister of Health, Mr. Hickes.

Hon. George Hickes: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. As far as sharing all the information with the entire Assembly, I can talk to my officials and correlate all the information and have a meeting with the member. If she still feels that that is a

necessary step, it's something that I will explore. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Oral Questions. Member for Rankin Inlet and Chesterfield Inlet, Mr. Tom Sammurtok.

Question 575 – 4(3): Municipal Funding Formula

Mr. Tom Sammurtok (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Greetings to the people of Chesterfield Inlet and Rankin Inlet, as well as my fellow Nunavummiut.

(interpretation ends) My question today is for the Minister of Community and Government Services.

As the minister is well aware, his department is responsible for the government's Municipal Funding Program, which provides core contribution funding to municipalities on an annual basis. These contributions are intended to assist in the cost of delivering municipal programs and services.

Mr. Speaker, the amount of funding that the government has allocated to its Municipal Funding Program has remain unchanged for a number of years. Can the minister tell us today: when was the last time that the government increased the amount of funding that it allocates to its Municipal Funding Program? Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Minister of Community and Government Services, Mr. Savikataaq.

Hon. Joe Savikataaq: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The funding formula has not changed, I believe, in the last five years. A review has been done and the review is concluded, but the funding formula is currently still the same. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Your first supplementary, Mr. Tom Sammurtok

Mr. Tom Sammurtok: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I guess I have to take that as a non-answer response to my original question. However, I will go on to another question.

Can the minister tell us how the government determines whether or not it will make changes to this funding program in a given fiscal year? Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. (interpretation ends) The Hon. Minister of Community and Government Services, Mr. Savikataaq.

Hon. Joe Savikataaq: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. As I indicated, the funding formula was reviewed and the department feels that it's adequate right now. The parties that reviewed the funding formula agree that the hamlets are getting adequate funding right now. In fact we feel that the funding formula is more than adequate because we have had decreases in the cost of fuel and the cost of energy twice now. We're still going with the same funding formula. As I stated earlier, the funding formula is currently staying the same. That was the recommendation of the parties that reviewed the funding formula for the

hamlets. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Your final supplementary, Mr. Tom Sammurtok.

Mr. Tom Sammurtok: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. According to the department's *Municipal Funding Program Policy*, and I have a copy here, the amounts of each contribution are determined according to the municipal funding formula, which takes into account populations, "community uniqueness factors," and the need for funding as a result of forced growth. This policy also states that "Community uniqueness factors will be reviewed every five years to determine if there are any changes in community circumstances that require an adjustment."

Can the minister tell us today: when was the last time that his department reviewed the "community uniqueness factors"? I'm asking in particular of Chesterfield Inlet and Rankin Inlet. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Minister of Community and Government Services, Mr. Joe Savikataaq.

Hon. Joe Savikataaq: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I'm not that familiar with the "uniqueness factors," but I assume that means like in case you have a lot of snow build up or roads washing out. The funding formula was reviewed and that is part of the funding formula, so it would have been reviewed at the very same time as all the other factors that are looked at in terms of seeing if the municipalities are adequately funded. It was reviewed the last time the municipal funding formula was reviewed. Thank

you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Oral Questions. Member for Gjoa Haven, Tony Akoak.

Question 576 – 4(3): Public Housing Construction

Mr. Akoak: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Good afternoon to the community of Gjoa Haven and family watching. Welcome to my colleagues.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. My questions are for the Minister responsible for the Nunavut Housing Corporation.

Mr. Speaker, I was pleased to note that the NHC's tender package for the construction of 20 new public housing units in Gjoa Haven was recently issued and closes on March 10 of 2017. The community is very much looking forward to these desperately-needed new units.

Mr. Speaker, I was also pleased to note that the tender documents indicate that the prescribed minimum level of Inuit labour as a percentage of total labour by dollar value for this construction will be 25 percent. Will the minister commit to ensuring that Gjoa Haven's local housing association is made aware of this requirement so that the LHA can inform local Inuit workers of this employment opportunity? Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Minister responsible for the Nunavut Housing Corporation, Mr. George Kuksuk.

Hon. George Kuksuk: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I thank the member for the question. Mr. Speaker, we work and must work with the local housing associations or authorities in every community. I agree with him 100 percent that we will and I will ensure that my staff in the department are working closely with the local associations across Nunavut, including my colleague's community of Gjoa Haven. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Your first supplementary, Mr. Akoak.

Mr. Akoak: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Thank you for your response. Mr. Speaker, the NHC's tender package for the construction of 20 new public housing units in Gjoa Haven also indicates that "an amount of up to \$50,000 will be made available to the contractor to fund training of Inuit workers" in trades and other disciplines. That is good news.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to remind you that we as Inuit already know how to shovel snow and already know how to carry lumber.

Will the minister commit to ensuring that Gjoa Haven's local housing association is made aware of this requirement so that the LHA can inform local Inuit workers of this training opportunity? Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. (interpretation ends) The Hon. Minister responsible for the Nunavut Housing Corporation, Mr. George Kuksuk.

Hon. George Kuksuk: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Again I want to make it clear to

the member that the corporation would like to and always works closely with the associations and LHOs because they know best how the numbers are in terms of the employment rate and all that. When it comes to construction, we have to, must, and will continue to work closely with the local associations or authorities when it comes to dealing with issues such as the member is asking about. I can say that we will continue and I will ensure that this good working relationship continues with both my department and the local associations. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Your final supplementary, Mr. Akoak.

Mr. Akoak: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The NHC's tender package for the construction of 20 new public housing units in Gjoa Haven also indicates that the NNI Policy will apply to the tender. As the minister is aware, the government's new NNI Policy comes into effect on April 1, 2017. Can the minister clarify whether the current NNI Policy or the new NNI Policy will apply to this tender? Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Minister responsible for the Nunavut Housing Corporation, Mr. Kuksuk.

Hon. George Kuksuk: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The NNI Policy that my friend is asking about, all government tenders, whether it is through my department or other departments, the NNI Policy that is in place is the GN's policy. All I can say is that we at the Nunavut Housing Corporation, as well as with our partners, the local partners, associations and authorities, ensure that we abide by the rules of the NNI Policy. All I can say

at this point is that we do follow the NNI Policy when it comes to tendering or awarding of our contracts and so on. I can say yes, we follow our policy when it comes to the NNI Policy.

I can confirm to my hon. friend at a later date about the specific question that he is asking about, the specific contract or tender that is out today. I can get back to the member on that specific question about the specific contract and get back to him on a later date. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

>> *Laughter*

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Oral Questions. Member for Baker Lake, Mr. Simeon Mikkungwak.

Question 577 – 4(3): Status of Medical and Duty Travel Contracts

Mr. Mikkungwak (interpretation): Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. I say “good day” to the people of Baker Lake and Nunavummiut.

Mr. Speaker, my questions are for the Minister of Health.

(interpretation ends) On June 1, 2016 I asked questions in the Legislative Assembly concerning the government's contracts for medical and duty travel on scheduled airlines. At that time the minister of the day publicly stated that the government's current standing offer agreements will expire on August 31, 2017, which is just a few months from now. This date was also provided in response to a written question that I subsequently asked concerning medical travel.

Can the minister confirm when the government will be issuing its request for proposals for the new medical and duty travel contracts? Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Minister of Health, Mr. George Hickes.

Hon. George Hickes: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I thank the member for raising that question. It gives me an opportunity to bring forward and update some information to the House.

At this time, for two of the airlines involved, there has been a negotiated two-year extension to the existing contract, bringing us to August 31, 2019. That being said, we are working very closely with the Department of Community and Government Services, the Department of Justice, and the Department of Economic Development and Transportation to coordinate the best practices to create an appropriate RFP process so that we can get the best value for our dollar.

There are a number of issues leading up to the decision to go for an extension versus an immediate RFP. There was some concern around the codeshare agreement that we have just recently found out has been dissolving between two partners. At the time it was calculated to be the best financial result possible for the Government of Nunavut to negotiate an extension. We have extended by two years with two airlines and are in the process of negotiating an extension with a third. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Your first supplementary, Mr. Mikkungwak.

Mr. Mikkungwak: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. As the minister mentioned extensions, Section 2.2.8 of the government's 2011 request for proposals for standing offer agreements for medical travel on scheduled airlines provided that the term of the agreement would be for a period of three years, with the possibility of three one-year extensions. Mr. Speaker, that's a maximum of six years. Can the minister clarify under what authority the government has extended the current standing offer agreements? Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. (interpretation ends) The Hon. Minister of Health, Mr. Hickes.

Hon. George Hickes: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I appreciate the member. We do have the authority. I'm just trying to find the exact clause that it was put under. It was a negotiated extension. It was in collaboration with Community and Government Services. Whenever we enter into direct contract negotiations, there is a permission to initiate a negotiated contract at that time with a potential two-year contract, which was based on existing medical travel contracts. At that time it was recognized that it wouldn't change the parameters of that contract in any substantial way, so it allowed us to negotiate an extension. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Your final supplementary, Mr. Mikkungwak.

Mr. Mikkungwak: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The government's response to the written question that I asked last year indicated that it spent approximately \$50.6 million on scheduled medical travel and approximately \$58.8 million on duty travel during the 2015-16 fiscal year.

Mr. Speaker, while it makes sense for the Department of Health to have the primary responsibility for managing medical travel contracts and standing offers, it does not necessarily make sense for this department to also be responsible for all of the government's duty travel.

Can the minister clarify whether the government will be separating its medical and duty travel contracts into two different sets of agreements? Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Minister of Health, Mr. Hickes.

Hon. George Hickes: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The member raises a very valid question. It has been raised here before in the House and the member has raised it himself.

With this extension, it allows the Government of Nunavut, amongst a number of different involved departments, to take a look at best practices on procurement to decide on what is the best value for residents of the territory and employees of the Government of Nunavut for duty travel as well as medical travel.

At this time I can't state whether those contracts will be separated or not. This extension allows us time to explore

procurement procedures that will give the best value to us as the Legislative Assembly and the Government of Nunavut overall. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Oral Questions. Member for Tununig, Mr. Joe Enook.

Question 578 – 4(3): Development Partnership Agreements

Mr. Enook (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. First of all, I say "good day" to my wife and have a good day, Mary.

Mr. Speaker, my questions are for the Minister of Economic Development and Transportation.

During last year's winter sitting I asked questions to the minister concerning the government's Development Partnership Agreement Policy, which expired at the end of March of 2016. At that time the minister publicly stated in this House that the Department of Economic Development and Transportation was working with the Department of Finance to "develop a replacement" for the DPA program.

My question to the minister is: can you update us today on the status of this work? Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Minister of Economic Development and Transportation, Ms. Ell-Kanayuk.

Hon. Monica Ell-Kanayuk (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I also thank the member for that question. Under the development

partnership agreement, the mining companies were able to claim part of their fuel tax based on a review of what assistance they provided to the communities and residents of Nunavut. I can state today that the fuel tax rebate can no longer be claimed by mining companies anymore. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Your first supplementary, Mr. Enook.

Mr. Enook (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I don't think my question was answered. You said that you were working on a replacement partnership development agreement and I asked about the status. However, I will go to my first supplementary.

Just before Christmas the government announced that its Fuel Tax Rebate Program was being changed so that the rebate "will no longer be available to firms using the fuel for mining development, extraction or reclamation." New regulations to this effect were published last month in the *Nunavut Gazette*.

Under the government's former Development Partnership Agreement Policy, companies that entered into DPAs with the government to benefit communities impacted by mining projects would be eligible for fuel tax rebates.

I'm asking now: what incentives is the government considering offering to companies under its replacement program? Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. (interpretation ends) The Hon. Minister

of Economic Development and Transportation, Ms. Ell-Kanayuk.

Hon. Monica Ell-Kanayuk (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I also thank the member for that question. We are still working on amendments to the agreement with the Department of Finance.

On your question on how the communities can benefit financially from mining companies, the agreement is being phased out. There was one company that had a partnership agreement with the government and we don't have any other partnership agreements.

What we are working on instead is making arrangements with mineral exploration companies for the future. Our position is it would be better to have exploration companies receive benefits. We are not looking at assisting the operating mining companies as they are profitable. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Your final supplementary, Mr. Enook.

Mr. Enook (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Our government has indicated that they were going to come up with a replacement policy.

I have spoken clearly and consistently on the need for communities to be closely consulted when it comes to proposals that would impact them. As the minister is well aware, the community of Pond Inlet is the most significantly impacted by the Mary River project. Can the minister indicate how the community is being consulted on the design of the government's replacement for the

development partnership agreement program? Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Minister of Economic Development and Transportation, Ms. Ell-Kanayuk.

Hon. Monica Ell-Kanayuk (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I also thank the member for pointing that out. I can ask my officials exactly what work they have done with your community to date and provide that information to my colleague. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

An Hon. Member (interpretation): It's Mr. Speaker.

>> *Laughter*

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Oral Questions. Member for South Baffin, Mr. David Joanasié.

Question 579 – 4(3): Activities of the Makigiaqta Inuit Training Corporation

Mr. Joanasié (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. My questions are for the Minister of Education.

Both the Premier of Nunavut and the Minister of Education sit on the board of directors of the Makigiaqta Inuit Training Corporation.

Earlier this month the minister jointly announced with NTI approximately \$3.0 million in funding for a dozen different training initiatives that are intended to “provide Inuit with employment skills,” and I applaud this work. This announcement also indicated that the Makigiaqta Inuit Training Corporation

has, and I quote, “established an advisory council, developed a work plan and a framework for a strategic plan...”

For the benefit of people following our proceedings today, can the minister confirm who belongs to the Makigiaqta Inuit Training Corporation's advisory council? Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Minister of Education, Mr. Quassa.

Hon. Paul Quassa (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I also thank my colleague for looking into that. Yes, it's true that our Premier and I sit on the Makigiaqta board. I think he's asking about the advisory council. We select the members from the government and NTI representatives who sit on that council. The Associate Deputy Minister, Virginia Mearns, sits on the council, as well as Richard Paton from Nunavut Arctic College. Those are government representatives and the rest of them are appointed by Nunavut Tunngavik Incorporated. I'm just telling you about the ones from the government. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Your first supplementary, Mr. Joanasié.

Mr. Joanasié (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. For the benefit of the public record, will the minister commit to tabling a copy of the Makigiaqta Inuit Training Corporation's work plan and budget in the Legislative Assembly before the end of our current winter sitting? Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. (interpretation ends) The Hon. Minister

of Education, Mr. Quassa.

Hon. Paul Quassa (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Please remember that this came about after Nunavut Tunngavik took the federal government to court. The money that will be spent comes from Makigiaqta and it will mostly be up to Nunavut Tunngavik to put this out on the public record. We have also heard through the media that NTI is in a better position to answer that question because the money is held by them. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Your final supplementary, Mr. Joanasié.

Mr. Joanasié (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I also thank the minister for elaborating on that. As the minister is aware, I have been a strong proponent of training programs and investments for Inuit employees of the government. Can the minister describe how the Makigiaqta Inuit Training Corporation works with the Government of Nunavut to ensure that its training initiatives are complementary? Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Minister of Education, Mr. Quassa.

Hon. Paul Quassa (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The Makigiaqta board recently held its meeting and we work very closely with them because we have the mandate as government representatives. We work very closely with the NTI representatives who are board members of Makigiaqta. It's evident that we do get a clearer understanding after a meeting. As a government, we get a

better idea of what would be best to use. This is just at its initial stage. Let us remember that the Makigiaqta corporation is quite new, so we still have quite a bit to deal with.

We do have a good working relationship and understanding amongst the two entities. The Government of Nunavut officials work closely with them and I know the government and NTI communicate on a daily basis. The representatives who sit on the advisory council get regular reports of what we should be doing or what is happening within Makigiaqta. I just want to reiterate that we have a good working relationship. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. (interpretation ends) Oral Questions. The Hon. Member for Rankin Inlet South, Mr. Alexander Sammurtok.

Question 580 – 4(3): Status of Mental Health Treatment Services in Nunavut

Mr. Alexander Sammurtok: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would like to direct my question to the Minister of Health.

Mr. Speaker, for some time now the department had plans to renovate and repurpose the children's group home in Rankin Inlet to a mental health transition facility. We have been given to understand that the costs to renovate the facility were too high to proceed with that initiative.

Can the minister provide an update on what plans are currently being considered to build a mental health transition facility in the community of

Rankin Inlet? Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. (interpretation ends) The Hon. Minister of Health, Mr. George Hickes.

Hon. George Hickes: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The member, I think, is quite well aware that the Department of Health is exploring many different options for building a new mental health facility in Rankin Inlet. As recently as last week when the federal Minister of Health was here, it was a topic that I again raised with her on the importance of creating mental health facilities in the territory to provide care to our residents. I can assure the member that there are numerous discussions ongoing. It's a very high priority of this government to bring mental health services to be able to stay within the territory. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Your first supplementary, Mr. Alexander Sammurtok.

Mr. Sammurtok: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Some of the services planned to be delivered at the mental health transition facility were related to addictions and recovery. Can the minister clearly describe what specific plans are currently in place to address addictions treatment needs within the territory of Nunavut? Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. (interpretation ends) The Hon. Minister of Health, Mr. George Hickes.

Hon. George Hickes: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I thank the member for that question. It's a very important issue. The

Department of Health works with a lot of organizations at the community level and a lot of professionals to be able to deal with mental health and specifically addictions, as the member highlights.

There are a number of qualified people in our communities that assist people through the evaluation to determine whether they're able to help at the community level for addictions counselling and determine whether a residential treatment facility is needed to provide them that level of care.

At this time, again, it is part of the evaluation whenever we look at exploring opportunities to provide infrastructure within the territory. Addictions counselling is very high on the priority list to examine. We do have to make sure that we're able to provide the level of care that people expect. We have good partnerships with outside organizations right now.

That being said, the goal of all health care that the Department of Health provides and my goal as the minister responsible for it is to provide care closer to home and at home whenever and wherever possible. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Your final supplementary, Mr. Alexander Sammurtok.

Mr. Sammurtok: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I recognize that sending individuals away from their home and culture is not always successful in treating their substance abuse issues because, when they come back home, the circumstances which led them to that abuse are still there. On the other hand,

having mobile treatment units visit communities for short periods of time risks leaving clients without ongoing support in their home community when the program is completed.

Can the minister confirm whether any serious analysis has been undertaken to determine the benefits and feasibility of opening a permanent treatment centre in Nunavut? Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Minister of Health, Mr. Hickes.

Hon. George Hickes: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I sincerely want to thank the member for continuing the dialogue on this important issue. Whenever we're dealing with mental health and specifically, as the member raises, the addictions residential treatment, it doesn't always work the first time. It's very important to recognize that and we do recognize and we're working with our health care professionals and within the communities within counselling and the assessment of the viability of what status of addictions counselling an individual needs.

There's engagement not just with the client or with the patient; the families are engaged. There are life-changing, life-altering negotiations, I guess if you want to call it that, on how people live their lives if they truly do want to help themselves. There are sometimes life-altering decisions that they have to make on their behaviour and sometimes who they hang out with, but it's dealt with primarily at the community level, where we're working with the residents that come to us and want help to make sure that they get the level of help and assistance that they need. Sometimes

that does entertain the necessity to send somebody to a residential treatment facility and ideally that facility would be located in Nunavut.

I have been a party to numerous different discussions along this topic. There are treatment facilities through different indigenous "fundings" all over Canada, yet none of them are in the territory and in fact none of them are in Inuit Nunangat territories. It is something that I'm aware of, our government is aware of, and more and more so the federal government, as numerous dialogues that I've had. Whenever I have an opportunity to discuss this topic, I continue to raise the issue that there are no treatment facilities in the territory. We have numerous competing interests for infrastructure in this territory, but I believe that this is a very high need. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Oral Questions. Member for Hudson Bay, Mr. Allan Rumbolt.

Question 581 – 4(3): Status of Sanikiluaq's Sewage Lagoon

Mr. Rumbolt: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Good afternoon to the people of Sanikiluaq.

I would like to direct my questions today to the Minister of Community and Government Services.

As the minister is well aware, Sanikiluaq has been waiting for its new sewage lagoon for many years.

During our recent fall sitting the minister indicated that his was "looking at enhancing the current sewage lagoon in

Sanikiluaq.” The minister also indicated that Dalhousie University had completed a study on the effluent standards across Nunavut and that the results of this study would be analyzed by January of this year. The minister also indicated that this analysis would help the department to determine Sanikiluaq’s wastewater needs.

Can the minister confirm if this analysis has been completed and, if so, can he explain what this analysis tells us about Sanikiluaq’s wastewater needs? Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. (interpretation ends) The Hon. Minister of Community and Government Services, Mr. Savikataaq.

Hon. Joe Savikataaq: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The wastewater study that was done in Sanikiluaq is complete and the analysis has been the same as all the others in general, that our sewage treatment facilities in terms of sewage lagoons filtrate the water quite well and the water that comes out on the other end is fairly good. The reason these studies are done is to make sure that what we build is adequate for what is needed. The results of the Sanikiluaq study will be used to come up with a plan to tackle the sewage lagoon situation in Sanikiluaq. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Your first supplementary, Mr. Rumbolt.

Mr. Rumbolt: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. During our recent fall sitting the minister stated that his department was working with Transport Canada “to expand and enhance the existing” sewage lagoon in Sanikiluaq. Can the minister explain

Transport Canada’s role in determining the feasibility of enhancing or expanding Sanikiluaq’s sewage lagoon? Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Minister of Community and Government Services, Mr. Savikataaq.

Hon. Joe Savikataaq: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I’ll just explain the situation on the Transport Canada situation and sewage lagoons in Nunavut.

Transport Canada has regulations that if a sewage lagoon is going to be built within four kilometres of a runway, it needs to be exempted. Otherwise it cannot be built within four kilometres of a runway. That was the first funding block that we had with the new sewage lagoon that was going to be built in Sanikiluaq because it was within the four-kilometre zone. We have tried to get exemption permits and they have been denied.

We are going to work with the existing sewage lagoon by maybe enhancing it or expanding it. We will be applying for permits because we assume that we still need permits, but it should be less of an issue because it is an existing operating sewage lagoon, so there should be [fewer] issues in terms of getting that process to go forward. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Your final supplementary, Mr. Rumbolt.

Mr. Rumbolt: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. During our recent fall sitting the minister also indicated that his department will still need to acquire a number of permits in order to move forward with an

expansion of Sanikiluaq's current sewage lagoon. Can the minister clarify what specific permits have yet to be acquired and can he tell us when we can expect to see the construction of this project move forward? Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Minister of Community and Government Services, Mr. Savikataaq.

Hon. Joe Savikataaq: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Before any permitting process is started, we have to know the design of the sewage lagoon. We are anticipating that the design of the existing, enhanced sewage lagoon in Sanikiluaq should be completed in the fall of 2017. Once we have a design in place, we can start the permitting process. There are two other processes that would have to be done are with the water board and with Transport Canada, but we have to wait until the design is done. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Oral Questions. Member for Iqaluit-Sinaa, Mr. Okalik.

Question 582 – 4(3): Status of New Power Plant in Cape Dorset

Mr. Okalik (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. My question is directed to the Minister of Qulliq Energy Corporation regarding the statement he made earlier about LED street lights and the fact that they will cost 50 percent less to operate.

I first want to say how happy I am with this replacement program and I encourage the minister to follow through with this program. I am sure the minister has heard what the Member for South

Baffin has been asking about when the power plant there will be expanded. It is no longer able to keep up with growing demands in the community.

Can the minister indicate what plans are there to deal with power generation unable to keep up with demand in Cape Dorset? When will planning be done to have energy-efficient street lights installed in Cape Dorset? That's my first question. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. (interpretation ends) The Hon. Minister responsible for the Qulliq Energy Corporation, Mr. Johnny Mike.

Hon. Johnny Mike (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I also thank my colleague for asking that question. As I stated in my Minister's Statement, we are examining the replacement of street lights with the new energy-efficient lights. That is part of the planning we are doing right now. We haven't yet made a decision about installing the new street lights in Cape Dorset, but what I can say is that we are working with the federal agency that deals with energy issues. We are working with them to identify a solution to install energy-efficient lighting in the communities and when. I can't say when we would be installing those new lights in Cape Dorset. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Your first supplementary, Mr. Okalik.

Mr. Okalik (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The minister is supposed to be representing all of Nunavut and I don't know which communities are closest to reaching maximum capacity. The situation in Cape Dorset is such that

it is unable to grow anymore.

Can the minister use his capacity as head of the energy corporation to ensure plans are drawn to install these LED street lights so that more people in Nunavut can benefit from them? Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Minister responsible for the Energy Corporation, Mr. Mike.

Hon. Johnny Mike (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I also thank the member for that question. As I stated, what we can announce right now is that Cambridge Bay and Rankin Inlet will be putting up LED street lights, but I can look into my colleague's question. I would like all of you to be aware that there is planning for a new power plant in Cape Dorset. I can look into the issue of street lights as well to see what can be done along the lines of his question. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Your final supplementary, Mr. Okalik.

Mr. Okalik (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This is nothing new and it won't just go away. Can the minister give us a report during the spring session on what he plans to do? Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Minister responsible for the Energy Corporation, Mr. Mike.

Hon. Johnny Mike (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. As I stated, the Qulliq Energy Corporation works with a federal agency on this work. We're working on the plan with that other

body, but this program to convert street lights is very new. There are 25 communities and we need to plan it properly for all of them.

With respect to the question about Cape Dorset in general, I can look into that. As I stated, I will make an announcement this spring session if I am able to do so. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Oral Questions. Member for Uqqummiut, Mr. Pauloosie Keyootak.

Question 583 – 4(3): Baffin Island Caribou Management

Mr. Keyootak (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would like to direct my question to the Minister of Environment.

Mr. Speaker, as those of us who live in the Baffin know, there is a moratorium on caribou and there is a limit to the caribou that we are allowed to catch. Mr. Speaker, communities are allowed to catch a certain number of animals and I believe that any person was allowed to go to another community to hunt caribou. They would transfer their own community's allowable catch to another community and catch it there. Is that still in effect? Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Minister of Environment, Mr. Joe Savikataaq.

Hon. Joe Savikataaq (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. As for the question about the caribou moratorium in the Baffin, it's a limit of 250 for the entire region. They can harvest that in

any Baffin community. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Your first supplementary, Mr. Keyootak.

Mr. Keyootak (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Are all the communities made aware that if anyone from some other town wanted to go hunt caribou... ? For example, I am allowed to catch a certain number of caribou in Qikiqtarjuaq. If I wanted to go caribou hunting in another community, would the local HTO in my community have to approve me first and would I also need approval from that other community's HTO before I can go hunt there? Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. (interpretation ends) The Hon. Minister of Environment, Mr. Savikataaq.

Hon. Joe Savikataaq (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Let me explain this clearly. The communities have a limit as to how many caribou they can catch that is held by the HTA. If a community HTA agrees that their caribou quota can be caught somewhere else, then they make an agreement with the other HTA. They can do that. That's fine. There's nothing wrong with that.

The community where the hunt will be undertaken has to be notified saying that they will be hunting in their area. They don't need to approve it. They're not able to say no, but it's good to let them be aware that there will be hunting in their area. Just notify them and if they agree to do that, then there's no problem with it. I hope I was understandable. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Your final supplementary, Mr. Keyootak.

Mr. Keyootak (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Local HTA members seem to have a different understanding of that from what I understand. I wanted to bring one of the tags here for the meeting, but I was told that the HTAs in both communities have to agree if I wanted to go hunting near another community. If they don't agree, then I am unable to go hunting there.

Some HTAs seem to understand it one way and other HTAs understand it the other way. Is there a way that you could make everybody have the understanding? Can the minister clarify to all the communities' HTAs how this caribou management is supposed to run in the Baffin region? Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Minister of Environment, Mr. Savikataaq.

Hon. Joe Savikataaq (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I will direct my staff to inform the HTAs in the communities of what their rights are so that they are all aware of the caribou hunting rules in the Baffin region. Each community has a number of caribou that they are allowed to catch and it's up to that HTA if they want somebody else from another community to go hunting in their area. I will give very clear direction to all the HTAs so that they will all have the same understanding and direction. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Members, the time for question period

has expired. Let us proceed to Item 7. Written Questions. (interpretation ends) Item 8. Returns to Written Questions. Mr. Clerk.

Item 8: Returns to Written Questions*

Return to Written Question 016 – 4(3): Small Craft Harbour Capital Contributions

Return to Written Question 017 – 4(3): Ministerial Travel

Return to Written Question 018 – 4(3): Public Service

Return to Written Question 019 – 4(3): Marine Infrastructure

Return to Written Question 020 – 4(3): Inuit Employment Initiatives

Return to Written Question 021 – 4(3): Western Canada Lottery Act

Clerk: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I wish to table returns to written questions No. 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, and 21, all of which were asked during the fall 2016 sitting of the House. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. (interpretation ends) Item 9. Replies to Opening Address. Item 10. Petitions. Item 11. Responses to Petitions. Item 12. Reports of Standing and Special Committees on Bills and Other Matters. Item 13. Tabling of Documents. The Hon. Member for Tununiq, Mr. Joe Enook.

Item 13: Tabling of Documents

Tabled Document 238 – 4(3): Correspondence to the Minister of Indigenous and Northern Affairs Concerning the Nutrition North Canada Program

Tabled Document 239 – 4(3): Excerpt from Senate Hansard of February 7, 2017

Mr. Enook (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I have two documents to table today.

Mr. Speaker, the first document I wish to table today is a copy of correspondence that I sent to the federal Minister of Indigenous and Northern Affairs on December 7, 2016 concerning the Nutrition North Canada Program. I look forward to tabling a copy of the minister's reply to me once I have received it. Thank you.

Mr. Speaker, I also wish table today an excerpt from the Senate *Hansard* of February 7, 2017. Members will note that the federal Minister of Indigenous and Northern Affairs responded to a number of questions concerning the Nutrition North Canada Program. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Tabling of Documents. Member for Baker Lake, Mr. Simeon Mikkungwak.

Tabled Document 240 – 4(3): Correspondence from Agnico Eagle Mines Concerning Carbon Pricing Mechanisms

Mr. Mikkungwak: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I wish to table today a copy of correspondence that I recently received from Agnico Eagle Mines, which owns

*See Appendix for full text of Returns to Written Questions 16 – 4(3), 17 – 4(3), 18 – 4(3), 19 – 4(3), 20 – 4(3), and 21 – 4(3).

and operates the Meadowbank mine in my constituency, concerning the issue of carbon pricing. Mr. Speaker, this correspondence, which was copied to all Kivalliq MLAs, was sent to the Premier last month. I will have questions on this issue during our current winter sitting. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Tabling of Documents. Member for South Baffin, Mr. David Joanasic.

**Tabled Document 241 – 4(3):
Correspondence to the Minister of
Education Concerning Arson
Prevention Initiatives in Cape
Dorset**

Mr. Joanasic (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I wish to table today a copy of correspondence that I recently sent to the Minister of Education concerning arson prevention initiatives in Cape Dorset. I look forward to continuing to work closely with community stakeholders on this critical issue. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Tabling of Documents. Member for Rankin Inlet South, Mr. Alexander Sammurtok. I apologize. Tabling of Documents. (interpretation ends) The Hon. Minister of the Qulliq Energy Corporation, Mr. Mike.

**Tabled Document 242 – 4(3): 2015-
2016 Qulliq Energy Corporation
Annual Report**

Hon. Johnny Mike (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would like to table today the 2015-16 *Qulliq Energy Corporation Annual Report*. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Tabling of Documents. I also have documents.

**Tabled Document 243 – 4(3): 2015-
2016 Annual Report of the Chief
Electoral Officer and the Report
on the 2016 Netsilik By-election**

**Tabled Document 244 – 4(3): 2016
Report of the Chief Electoral
Officer on the Municipal Land
Sale Referenda/Plebiscites**

**Tabled Document 245 – 4(3): 2015-
2016 Annual Report of the
Languages Commissioner**

(interpretation ends) Thank you, members. I have three documents to table today. The first document is the *2015-16 Annual Report of the Chief Electoral Officer and the Report on the 2016 Netsilik By-election*.

The second document is the *2016 Report of the Chief Electoral Officer on the Municipal Land Sale Referenda/Plebiscites*.

The third document is the *2015-16 Annual Report of the Languages Commissioner*. (interpretation) Thank you.

(interpretation ends) Item 14. Notices of Motions. The Hon. Member for Baker Lake, Mr. Mikkungwak.

Item 14: Notices of Motions

**Motion 041 – 4(3): Extended Sitting
Hours and Days – Notice**

Mr. Mikkungwak: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I give notice that on Thursday,

February 23, I will move the following motion:

I MOVE, seconded by the Hon. Member for Aggu, that the Speaker be authorized to set such sitting hours and days as the Speaker deems fit to assist with the business before the House during the winter 2017 sitting of the Legislative Assembly.

At the appropriate time I will seek unanimous consent to deal with my motion today. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. (interpretation ends) Item 15. Notices of Motions for First Reading of Bills. The Hon. Minister of Finance, Mr. Peterson.

Item 15: Notices of Motions for First Reading of Bills

Bill 34 – Appropriation (Operations & Maintenance) Act, 2017-2018 – Notice

Hon. Keith Peterson: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I give notice that on Wednesday, February 22, 2017, that Bill 34, *Appropriation (Operations and Maintenance) Act, 2017-2018*, be read for the first time. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. (interpretation ends) Notices of Motions for First Reading of Bills. The Hon. Minister of Economic Development and Transportation, Hon. Monica Ell-Kanayuk.

Bill 38 – Nunavummi Nangminiqaqtunik Ikajuuti Implementation Act – Notice

Hon. Monica Ell-Kanayuk: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I give notice that on Wednesday, February 22, 2017, that Bill 38, *Nunavummi Nangminiqaqtunik Ikajuuti Implementation Act*, be read for the first time. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. (interpretation ends) Item 16. Motions. The Hon. Member for Baker Lake, Mr. Simeon Mikkungwak.

Item 16: Motions

Mr. Mikkungwak: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I seek unanimous consent to deal with my motion today. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. (interpretation ends) The member is seeking unanimous consent to deal with his motion today. Are there any nays? There are none. Please proceed, Mr. Mikkungwak.

Motion 041 – 4(3): Extended Sitting Hours and Days

Mr. Mikkungwak: Thank you, Mr. Speaker and to my colleagues.

I MOVE, seconded by the Hon. Member for Aggu, that the Speaker be authorized to set such sitting hours and days as the Speaker deems fit to assist with the business before the House during the winter 2017 sitting of the Legislative Assembly.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. (interpretation ends) The motion is in order. To the motion. All those in favour. (interpretation) Thank you.

(interpretation ends) Opposed. The motion is carried.

Item 17. First Reading of Bills. The Hon. Minister of Economic Development and Transportation, Hon. Monica Ell-Kanayuk.

Item 17: First Reading of Bills

Hon. Monica Ell-Kanayuk: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I request consent of this Assembly to waive the one-day notice requirement to allow for the first reading of Bill 38, *Nunavummi Nangminiqagtunik Ikajuuti Implementation [Act]*. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. (interpretation ends) The minister is seeking consent to allow for Bill 38 to be read today. Are there any nays? There are none. Minister Ell-Kanayuk, you may proceed.

Bill 38 – Nunavummi Nangminiqagtunik Ikajuuti Implementation Act – First Reading

Hon. Monica Ell-Kanayuk: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I move, seconded by the Hon. Member for Iqaluit-Tasiluk, that Bill 38, *Nunavummi Nangminiqagtunik Ikajuuti Implementation Act*, be read for the first time. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. (interpretation ends) The motion is in order. All those in favour. (interpretation) Thank you. (interpretation ends) Opposed. The motion is carried.

Item 18. Second Reading of Bills. Item 19. Consideration in Committee of the Whole of Bills and Other Matters. There are no items in Committee of the Whole. Item 20. Report of the Committee of the Whole. There is none. Item 21. Third Reading of Bills. Item 22. *Orders of the Day*. Mr. Clerk.

Item 22: Orders of the Day

Clerk: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Just a reminder that the Standing Committee on Legislation meets tomorrow morning at nine o'clock in the Nanuq Boardroom.

Orders of the Day for February 22:

1. Prayer
2. Budget Address
3. Ministers' Statements
4. Members' Statements
5. Returns to Oral Questions
6. Recognition of Visitors in the Gallery
7. Oral Questions
8. Written Questions
9. Returns to Written Questions
10. Replies to Opening Address
11. Replies to Budget Address
12. Petitions
13. Responses to Petitions
14. Reports of Standing and Special Committees on Bills and Other Matters
15. Tabling of Documents
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17. Notices of Motions for First Reading of Bills
18. Motions
19. First Reading of Bills
 - Bill 34
20. Second Reading of Bills
 - Bill 38
21. Consideration in Committee of the Whole of Bills and Other Matters
22. Report of the Committee of the Whole
23. Third Reading of Bills
24. Orders of the Day

Thank you.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. (interpretation ends) This House stands adjourned until Wednesday, February 22, at 1:30 p.m.

(interpretation) Sergeant-at-Arms.

>>*House adjourned at 15:41*

Appendix – February 21, 2017



Return to Oral Question

Asked by: MLA Angnakak

Asked of: The Hon. Johnny Mike, Minister of Family Services

Number: Question 559 – 4(3)

Date: November 15, 2016

Subject: Services for Children in Care Outside Nunavut

Question:

Can the minister provide an update on how the Department of Family Services monitors and oversees the services and care being provided to Nunavut children and youth who are receiving care outside of the territory?

Response:

The Department of Family Services is responsible for the provision of out-of-territory residential care that provides specialized services for children/youth when these services are not available in Nunavut. Specialized services may include medical care and intervention, mental health support, and/or services to address acute behavioral symptoms such as self-harm.

The Department of Family Services completes a comprehensive review of all out-of-territory residential care facilities on an annual basis. Additionally, Case Managers from clients' home communities monitor clients' progress and wellbeing through weekly/monthly telephone calls. Case Managers are also responsible for ensuring their clients' Individual Care Plans are reviewed on a quarterly basis and are being met by clients' out-of-territory placements.

Previously, the Department of Family Services contracted Residential Care Client Liaisons to complete these reviews. The Residential Care Client Liaisons would work closely with the client's Case Manager, sharing the reviews with the Case Manager and supporting the implementation of any recommendations stemming from the review.

The Department of Family Services has secured funding for 2 Client Liaison Officers who will provide ongoing support to clients in out-of-territory placements, and work closely with Case Managers to ensure clients are receiving adequate care. The Client Liaison Officer positions will be posted for Beneficiaries as knowledge of Inuit language, communities, culture, and Inuit Qaujimagatuqangit will be fundamental to supporting Inuit and other Nunavummiut receiving care out-of-territory. The Client Liaison Officers will visit out-of-territory clients on a monthly basis.

Before any child/youth is placed out-of-territory, the Pre-Placement Review Committee (PPRC) meets with staff and other stakeholders to discuss all treatment options for a child/youth that requires additional support. The PPRC consists of Department of Family Services' staff, other key service providers (i.e., Mental Health, School Counselors, RCMP, etc.), and family members. The PPRC is responsible for ensuring kinship and community care options are explored, and considering placement options available for the child/youth in- territory, and out-of-territory where necessary.



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Return to Oral Question

Asked by: Pat Angnakak, MLA Iqaluit-Niaqunnguu

Asked of: Hon. Monica Ell-Kanayuk

Number: Question 571 – 4(3)

Date: November 8, 2016

Subject: **Meetings of Federal-Provincial-Territorial Ministers of Agriculture**

Question:

In July of this year, the minister attended the annual meeting of federal, provincial, and territorial ministers of agriculture. One of the topics that were addressed at this meeting was the issue of aquaculture, which involves such activities as fish farms.

One of our most important natural resources is our sustainable fishery and our reputation for wild-caught seafood. Can the minister indicate what our government's position is regarding the development of aquaculture in Nunavut?

Answer:

The Government of Nunavut's participation in federal, provincial, and territorial ministers forums; recognizes the importance of advocating for the needs of Nunavummiut in the development of frameworks for federal funding programs.

Aquaculture was discussed at Annual Conference of Federal-Provincial-Territorial Ministers and Deputy Ministers of Agriculture in the limited context of whether or not the industry should be eligible to access the federal "Growing Forward" funding program.

Considering Nunavut's currently limited ability to access "Growing Forward" funds, the department cautiously supports expansion of eligible criteria under the "Growing Forward" program.

The Government of Nunavut is not opposed to aquaculture, providing it is done in an environmentally safe manner, and providing aquaculture projects take into consideration possible market disruption of products from wild caught fish.

As aquaculture is a fisheries matter, further questions on aquaculture should be directed to the Environment Minister, who has the fisheries portfolio.



Return to Written Question

Asked by: Joe Enook, MLA for Tununig

Asked of: Hon. Monica Ell-Kanayuk, Minister of Economic Development and Transportation

Number: 016-4 (3)

Date: November 8, 2016

Subject: Small Craft Harbour Capital Contributions

Question: 1

With respect to the “Installation of Mooring Bollards” project in Pond Inlet that has been approved for funding during the 2016-17 fiscal year under the Department of Economic Development and Transportation’s Small Craft Harbours Capital Contributions Program (Schedule ‘B’ of the Community Transportation Initiatives Program Policy),

a. *What is the total budget for the project?*

Answer: \$244,665 has been approved for the Installation of Mooring Bollards project in Pond Inlet.

The total budget for the Small Craft Harbours Capital Contributions Program is \$500,000.

b. *What percentage of the total budget for the project has been approved for funding by the Department of Economic Development and Transportation?*

Answer: 100%

c. *What percentage of the total budget for the project is being funded by entities other than the Department of Economic Development and Transportation?*

Answer:

0%

d. *What entities other than the Department of Economic Development and Transportation are funding the project?*

Answer:

No other entities are funding the project.

e. *Within the meaning of Schedule B of the Department of Economic Development and Transportation's Community Transportation Initiatives Program Policy, on what date did the department receive the formal proposal for the "Installation of Mooring Bollards" project in Pond Inlet?*

Answer:

On June 21, 2016 the department provided the hamlet with a project framework; the hamlet then reworked this into a proposal which was submitted to the department on June 29, 2016.

f. *What entity formally submitted the proposal?*

Answer:

The Hamlet of Pond Inlet.

g. *Who formally signed the proposal on behalf of the submitting entity?*

Answer:

The proposal was not signed. The hamlet's Assistant Senior Administrative Officer authorized it by email on June 29, 2016.

h. *On what date was the proposal formally approved by the Department of Economic Development and Transportation?*

Answer:

June 29, 2016.

- i. *Who formally approved the proposal on behalf of the Department of Economic Development and Transportation?*

Answer:

The Director of Transportation Policy and Planning

- j. *On what date did the Department of Economic Development and Transportation formally communicate its approval decision to the submitting entity regarding the proposal?*

Answer:

June 29, 2016.

- k. *By what means was the decision communicated?*

Answer:

The decision was communicated by email from the department's Director of Transportation and Planning to the hamlet's Assistant Senior Administrative Officer.

- l. *On what date was the contribution agreement for the "Installation of Mooring Bollards" project in Pond Inlet signed?*

Answer:

July 8, 2016.

- m. *Who signed the contribution agreement on behalf of the Department of Economic Development and Transportation?*

Answer:

The Assistant Deputy Minister of Transportation.

- n. *Who signed the contribution agreement on behalf of the Municipality of Pond Inlet?*

Answer:

The Mayor of Pond Inlet.

- o. As of November 8, 2016, how many instalment payments have been made under the contribution agreement?*

Answer:

One payment of \$195,732 has been made, representing the standard 80% advance.

- p. As of November 8, 2016, broken down by specific expenditure, how much has been expended on the "Installation of Mooring Bollards" project in Pond Inlet?*

Answer:

As of November 8, 2016 the work has not been completed. Once the work is completed the contractor will invoice the hamlet for the work performed.

- q. What entity or entities have been awarded contracts to perform work in relation to the "Installation of Mooring Bollards" project in Pond Inlet?*

Answer:

The hamlet awarded the general contract to Dean Utility Services Inc. of Iqaluit, Nunavut. Subcontract information is anticipated to be included in the hamlet's final reporting.

- r. What is the value of each contract awarded to date?*

Answer:

Only one contract has been awarded by the hamlet to date in the amount of \$212,750 to Dean Utility Services Inc.

- s. Within the meaning of the Government Contracting Regulations made under the Financial Administration Act, what contracting process was used to award each contract?*

Answer:

Neither contributions agreements nor municipal contracts are governed by the Government Contracting Regulations.

Funding was provided to the hamlet, through a Contribution Agreement. The hamlet used their own contracting procedures to select the contractor.

t. *Who formally approved the awarding of each contract on behalf of the Department of Economic Development and Transportation?*

Answer:

The department did not award the contract for the purchase and installation of the bollards. This was done by the Hamlet of Pond Inlet.

u. *Who formally signed each contract on behalf of the Department of Economic Development and Transportation?*

Answer:

The department did not sign the contract. This would have been done by the Hamlet of Pond Inlet.

v. *As of November 8, 2016, how many residents of the Municipality of Pond Inlet have been employed and/or contracted to perform work in relation to contracts awarded for the "Installation of Mooring Bollards" project in Pond Inlet?*

Answer:

The department is not in possession of this information. Depending on the provisions of the contract signed with the contractor, the hamlet may include this information in their final reporting to the department.

w. *How many of these residents are beneficiaries of the Nunavut Land Claims Agreement?*

Answer:

The department is not in possession of this information. Depending on the provisions of the contract signed with the contractor, the hamlet may include this information in their final reporting to the department.

x. *What is the scheduled completion date for the “Installation of Mooring Bollards” project in Pond Inlet?*

Answer:

No completion date is stipulated in the contribution agreement; project completion is estimated for December 1st.

y. *On what date is the final financial statement concerning the “Installation of Mooring Bollards” project in Pond Inlet scheduled to be submitted to the Department of Economic Development and Transportation?*

Answer:

Financial statements and complete project accounting must be submitted by the hamlet no later than March 31, 2017. The Hamlet of Pond Inlet may submit the financial statement as soon as they are available, at which time the department will release the 20% holdback payment.

z. *What is the process by which a resident of the Municipality of Pond Inlet may obtain copies of all proposals, design concepts, contribution agreements, budgets, financial statements, audit reports, and evaluation reports produced in relation to the “Installation of Mooring Bollards” project in Pond Inlet?*

Answer:

Information about contract award, delivery, or evaluation should be requested of the Hamlet of Pond Inlet.

Information about program funding award, evaluation, or audit can be requested of the Department of Economic Development and Transportation.

5 Within the meaning of the Home Travel provisions of the Government of Nunavut's Ministerial Policy, how many trips were undertaken for the period of March 04, 2016 to November 07, 2016 by:

A.	<i>The Honourable Peter Taptuna, MLA</i>	8
B.	<i>The Honourable Monica Ell-Kanayuk</i>	0
C.	<i>The Honourable George Hickes, MLA</i>	0
D.	<i>The Honourable George Kuksuk, MLA</i>	6
E.	<i>The Honourable Johnny Mike, MLA</i>	19
F.	<i>The Honourable Keith Peterson, MLA</i>	3
G.	<i>The Honourable Paul Quassa, MLA</i>	13
H.	<i>The Honourable Joe Savikataaq, MLA</i>	6

Please refer to the appropriate attached appendices for each Minister

6 What was the purpose, itinerary and duration of each trip?

Please refer to the appropriate attached appendices for each Minister

7 What was the total cost of each trip, broken down by:

- a. Airfare and/or aircraft charter expenses
- b. Accommodations expenses and
- c. Other expenses?

Please refer to the appropriate attached appendices for each Minister

8 What was the itinerary and duration of each trip?

Please refer to the appropriate attached appendices for each Minister

9 With respect to the periods of time between March 4, 2016 and November 7, 2016, during which members of the Executive Council were not on official ministerial duty travel status, home travel status within the meaning of the Government of Nunavut's Ministerial Benefits Policy, or attending sittings of the Legislative Assembly and/or meetings of its committees and caucuses, what mechanisms were used to track ministerial attendance in the workplace?

Coordination of Ministerial Attendance during session, attendance at Federal Provincial Territorial Meetings, Provincial Territorial Meetings and any other scheduled Minister Travel Outside of Iqaluit is through the Premier's Office. Home Travel for Ministers for constituency work is not coordinated by the Premier's Office. During those times when there is no sessional days, standing committee hearings or meetings, caucus or other FPT/PT meetings, attendance at the individual Minister's Iqaluit/Legislative Assembly Office is under the auspices of the Minister. No formal attendance register is required from the Premier.

As for the Constituency days, Ministers are able to claim when they are in Constituency. These are recorded by the Legislative Assembly.

No. 017-4(3) Response to Written Question
 Ministerial Travel, March 4, 2016 to November 07, 2016

A. The Honourable Peter Taptuna - 10 Ministerial Trips									
Purpose	Travellers	Location	Trip Dates		Total Cost	Airfare(\$)	Accom(\$)	Other (\$)	Notes
Clyde River Cabinet Retreat	Premier/Cabinet/C'Darcy/D Akeegok/O Ikkidluak/E Picco/ MLA P Keyootaak	Clyde River	19-Apr-16	20-Apr-16	\$12,403.89	\$ 11,503.89	\$ 900.00		Breakdown by Ministerial Budgets- Charter
Northern Premier's Forum Mtgs/Western Premier's Conference	Northern Premier's Forum/Premier Taptuna/J Taptuna/ T Hughes/E Picco/ D Akeegok/ Western Premiers	Whitehorse, Dawson City, Yukon/Vancouver, BC	26-Apr-16	07-May-16	36,267	28,539	5,284	2,444	
Kughluktuk NAC Graduation	Premier Taptuna/L Flaherty/T Hughes/G Kuksuk/D Taptuna/J Taptuna/T Wood	Kughluktuk, NU	11-May-16	12-May-16	11,020	10,255	765		Charter
AAWG Meetings/Mtgs with Bennett/Tour of Ottawa Royal/Mtgs with Rideau Hall Arctic Inspiration Prize	Premier Taptuna/E Picco	Ottawa, ON	09-Jun-16	15-Jun-16	9,638	5,972	2,414	1,252	
Meadowbank Mtgs Agnico	Premier Taptuna/E Picco/ R House/J Hayward	Agnico Mines, Baker Lake	15-Jun-16	15-Jun-16	14,109	14,109			One Way Charter Meadowbank- Iqaluit
KITIA 40th Celebration and NU Day Celebrations	Premier Taptuna/ J Taptuna/ Y Pepa	Cambridge Bay, NU	08-Jul-16	11-Jul-16	10,408	7,184	1,590	1,634	
Summer COF Meetings	Premier Taptuna/J Taptuna/E Picco/ Y Pepa/D Akeegok	Whitehorse, YT	17-Jul-16	25-Jul-16	18,698	12,377	3,303	3,017	
High Arctic Tour	Premier Taptuna/Min. Savikataaq/Min. Hickey/Min. Kuksuk/MLA Shoooyok/T Hughes	Arctic Bay, NU	16-Sep-16	16-Sep-16	8,223	8,223			Breakdown by Ministerial Budget- Charter
Kivalliq Trade Show	Premier Taptuna/ C D'Arcy	Rankin Inlet, NU	26-Sep-16	28-Sep-16	4,592	3,212	900	480	
KITIA AGM	Premier Taptuna/T Hughes/ V Means	Cambridge Bay, NU	5-Oct-16	9-Oct-16	8,227	7,048	156	1,023	
					133,584	108,422	15,313	9,849	Total

B. The Honourable Monica Ell-Kanayuk, MLA- 10 Ministerial Trips

Purpose	Travellers	Location	Trip Dates		Total Cost	Airfare(\$)	Accom(\$)	Other (\$)	Notes
Clyde River Cabinet Retreat	Premier/Cabinet/C/Darcy/D Akeegok/O Ikkidhuk/E Picco/ MLA P Keyootaak	Clyde River	19-Apr-16	20-Apr-16	1,116	866	250		Charter
Greenland Forum Program	Min. Ell-Kanayuk/ N Camphaug/ S Rowe/K Kabloona	Greenland	16-May-16	20-May-16	9,298	6,413	1,941	944	Charter
Centralia 2016	Min. Ell-Kanayuk/ S Rowe	Winnipeg, Manitoba	24-May-16	28-May-16	4,510	3,039	1,105	367	
FPT Mtgs Innovation and Economic Forum/International Economic Forum of the Americas (IEFA) Conference	Min. Ell-Kanayuk/N Camphaug/ B MacIssac	Ottawa/Montreal	12-Jun-16	15-Jun-16	4,350	3,162	629	559	
The Economic Club of Canada	Min Ell-Kanayuk/ N Camphaug	Ottawa/Montreal	19-Jun-16	21-Jun-16	3,680	2,826	436	419	
FPT Agriculture	Min. Ell-Kanayuk/ N Camphaug/ L Kammerman	Calgary, Alberta	19-Jul-16	23-Jul-16	9,153	7,888	511	753	
FPT Energy & Mines EMMC 2016, NACA Festival & AGM	Min Ell-Kanayuk/ S Rowe(EMMC)	Winnipeg/Calgary/Cambridge Bay	30-Aug-16	29-Aug-16	7,832	5,221	1,633	979	
Tungvalik-High School Opening	Min. Ell-Kanayuk/ Min. Mike/ Min. Quassa/Min. Peterson	Nauyasat, NU	09-Sep-16	09-Sep-16	112			112	Charter Arranged by Education
FPT Status of Women	Min. Ell-Kanayuk/ R Williams/ A Taylor	Edmonton, Alberta	14-Sep-16	16-Sep-16	2,399	1,806		593	
Opening of the Floe Edge Exhibit-UK/Arctic Circle Forum	Min. Ell-Kanayuk/N Camphaug/ S Rowe/ J Hawkins/ N Guyon	Iceland, UK	26-Sep-16	12-Oct-16	42,517	10,515	23,884	8,118	
					84,967	41,736	30,389	12,842	Total

C. The Honourable George Hickey, MLA- 9 Ministerial Trips

Purpose	Travellers	Location	Trip Dates		Total Cost	Airfare(\$)	Accom (\$)	Other (\$)	Notes
CHRA Conference	Min. Hickey/ H Casey	Montreal, PQ	11-Apr-16	16-Apr-16	6,943	4,350	1,685	908	Charter
Cabinet Retreat-Clyde River	Premier/Cabinet/C Darcy/D Akeegook/O Ikkidluak/E Picco/ MLA P Keyootaak	Clyde River	19-Apr-16	20-Apr-16	3,028	3,028			
NHC Meetings	Min. Hickey/ H Casey	Cape Dorset, NU	09-May-16	10-May-16	3,073	2,182	600	291	
National Inuit Suicide Prevention Strategy Launch	Min. Hickey/ K Kabloona	Goose Bay, NL	21-Jul-16	28-Jul-16	1,782	1,414	184	183	
Kughluktuk Mtgs with Hamlet Re: Elders Centre	Min Hickey/ H Casey/C Stockley/ K Perrin/ G Girouard/R Wassink/ V Mearns/ C D'Arcy	Kughluktuk, NU	11-Aug-16	12-Aug-16	468			468	Charter
FPT Mtgs RE: Seniors Issues	Min. Hickey/ H Casey/ C Stockley/ R Carson	Ottawa, ON	9-Sep-16	15-Sep-16	5,911	4,353	923	635	
High Arctic Tour	Premier Taptuna/Min. Savikataaq/Min. Hickey/Min.	Arctic Bay, NU	16-Sep-16	16-Sep-16	2,741	2,741			Charter
KIA and Kivalliq Mayor's Mtgs	Min. Hickey/ H Casey	Rankin Inlet, NU	5-Oct-16	7-Oct-16	4,666	3,475	880	311	
Health Minister's Meetings	Min. Hickey/ H Casey/ C Stockley/ L Ingebrigtsen/ A Stark	Toronto, ON	13-Oct-16	19-Oct-16	7,617	4,100	2,502	1,015	
					36,228	25,642	6,774	3,812	Total

D. The Honourable George Kuksuk, MLA, 14 Ministerial Trips

Purpose	Travellers	Location	Trip Dates		Total Cost	Airfare(\$)	Accom(\$)	Other (\$)	Notes
Cabinet Retreat-Clyde River	Premier/Cabinet/C Darcy/D Akeegook/O Ikkidluak/E Picco/ MLA P Keyootaak	Clyde River	19-Apr-16	20-Apr-16	3,028	3,028			Charter
Briefings in Rankin	Min.Kuksuk	Rankin Inlet	02-May-16	03-May-16	1,469	1,165	230	74	
NAM Meetings	Min.Kuksuk/T Wood/ R Williams/ T Audla	Rankin Inlet	16-May-16	17-May-16	2,511	843	1,184	484	Charter Arranged by CGS
Return to Session	Min.Kuksuk	Iqahuit	25-May-16		3,914	3,914			
NAC Graduation	Min.Kuksuk/ T Wood	Kughluktuk	11-May-16	12-May-16	6,438	6,187		251	Charter
FPT Mtgs, CH	Min.Kuksuk/ T Wood/ N Amaquq/ S Clouthier/ J Vaddapalli	St. John's, NL	21-Jun-16	25-Jun-16	6,782	4,859	1,168	755	
FPT Mtgs-NHC	Min.Kuksuk/ T Wood/	Victoria BC	26-Jun-16	29-Jun-16	8,386	7,187	619	580	
FPT Mtgs CH	Min.Kuksuk/ R Kennedy/ A Stubbing	Victoria, Winnipeg	03-Jul-16	12-Jul-16	12,317	7,900	2,448	1,969	
NHC Mtgs	Min.Kuksuk	Return to Iqahuit	27-Jul-16	28-Jul-16	1,575	1,345	230		
NHC President Trip to Arviat	Min.Kuksuk/T Wood/ T Audla	Arviat	17-Aug-16	19-Aug-16	5,817	4,729	690	398	
Whale Cove Graduation	Min.Kuksuk/T Wood	Whale Cove	24-Aug-16	29-Aug-16	8,511	5,165	2,000	1,346	
WAG Mtgs	Min.Kuksuk/ T Wood/ P Survega	Toronto	29-Sep-16	30-Sep-16	9,065	7,134	1,517	413	
Kivalliq Mayors Forum	Min.Kuksuk/ T Wood/ T Audla	Rankin Inlet	4-Oct-16	6-Oct-16	5,922	4,188	920	815	
FPT Meeting-NHC	Min.Kuksuk/T Wood/T Audla/A Stockdale	Ottawa, ON	30-Oct-16	1-Nov-16	5,029	3,864	641	524	
					80,763	61,507	11,647	3,496	Total

E. The Honourable Johnny Mike, MLA , 7 Ministerial Trips

Purpose	Travellers	Location	Trip Dates		Total Cost	Airfare(\$)	Accom(\$)	Other (\$)	Notes
Celebration of the Seal	Min Mike/J Anilniliak	Pangnirtung, NU	20-Mar-16	22-Mar-16	1,826	1,178	225	423	
Cabinet Retreat-Clyde River	Premier/Cabinet/C Darcy/D Akeegok/O Ikkiidluak/E Picco/ MLA P Keyootaak	Clyde River, NU	19-Apr-16	20-Apr-16	4,146	3,896	250		Charter
Seafood Expo Global	Min Mike/ J Anilniliak	Brussels, Europe	23-Apr-16	30-Apr-16	21,865	15,882	3,881	2,102	
Nunavut Sivumiksavut Graduation Ceremonies/ Seal Day on Parliament Hill	Min. Mike/J Anilniliak	Ottawa, Ontario	14-May-16	18-May-16	5,164	2,912	1,336	916	
Cdn Council of Fisheries & Agriculture Ministers	Min. Mike/J Anilniliak/ S Awa/ J Kennedy	Halifax, NS	19-Jun-16	23-Jun-16	9,956	6,953	2,524	478	
Tungaalik-High School Opening	Min. Eli-Kanayuk/ Min. Mike/ Min. Quassa/Min Peterson	Nauyasat, NU	09-Sep-16	09-Sep-16	-	-	-	-	Charter, Arranged by Education
FLMM FPT Meetings	Min Mike/ J Anilniliak/ D Martin	Quebec City, PQ	12-Oct-16	15-Oct-16	5,730	4,144	1,002	584	
					48,688	34,965	9,219	4,505	Total

F. The Honourable Keith Peterson, MLA, 8 Ministerial Trips

Purpose	Travellers	Location	Trip Dates		Total Cost	Airfare(\$)	Accom(\$)	Other (\$)	Notes
Cabinet Retreat-Clyde River	Premier/Cabinet/C Darcy/D Akeegok/O Ikkidhuak/E Picco/ MLA P Keyootaak	Clyde River, NU	19-Apr-16	20-Apr-16	4,145	3,895	250		
FMB/Cabinet/Spring Session	Min. Peterson	Camb Bay- Iqaluit	23-May-16		1,922	1,459	174	289	
Retirement/LSB/NLC Healing Centre Mtgs	Min. Peterson	Rankin Inlet/Winnipeg/Ottawa	09-Jun-16	14-Jun-16	4,451	3,258	570	623	
FPT Finance Mtgs	Min. Peterson/C.Darcy/P.Tumility	Vancouver, BC	16-Jun-16	29-Jun-16	4,219	2,436	1,243	540	
FMB and Cabinet Mtgs	Min Peterson	Camb Bay- Iqaluit	13-Aug-16		1,688	1,401	159	128	
Tungaalik-High School Opening	Min. Ell-Kanayuk/ Min. Mike/ Min. Quassa/Min Peterson	Naujaat, NU	09-Sep-16	09-Sep-16	32			32	Charter, Arranged by Education
Attend KIA Meetings	Min. Peterson	Cambridge Bay, NU	30-Sep-16	1-Oct-16	1,913	1,591	174	148	
FPT Justice Minister Mtg's	Min. Peterson/ M Courtney/ B Mackay/A.Espinosa	Halifax, NS	10-Oct-16	16-Oct-16	7,141	4,344	1,813	984	
					25,511	18,385	4,383	2,743	Total

G. The Honourable Paul Quassa, MLA, 8 Ministerial Trips

Purpose	Travellers	Location	Trip Dates		Total Cost	Airfare(\$)	Accom(\$)	Other (\$)	Notes
NAC Board Mtgs	Min Quassa/Q Ellsworth	Cambridge Bay, NU	28-Mar-16	01-Apr-16	9,322	6,265	1,790	1,267	
Cabinet Retreat-Clyde River	Akeeagok/O Ikkidhuak/E Picco/ MLA P Keyootaak	Clyde River, NU	19-Apr-16	20-Apr-16	4,468	3,968	500		Charter
Graduation Ceremonies	Min. Quassa/Q Ellsworth/E Quassa/K Okpik/A Akoak	Taloyoak, NU	18-May-16		15,154	15,154			Charter Arranged by Education
Graduation Ceremonies NTEP Students	Min. Quassa	Hall Beach, NU	14-Jun-16	15-Jun-16	1,455	939	249	268	
Students on Ice	Min. Quassa/ Q Ellsworth	Greenland	27-Jul-16	29-Jul-16	3,803	1,517	1,485	802	
Graduation Ceremonies-High Scholl	Min. Quassa	Whale Cove, NU	24-Aug-16	29-Aug-16	3,224	2,052	500	673	
Tungaalik-High School Opening	Min. Ell-Kanayuk/ Min. Mike/ Min. Quassa/Min Peterson	Naujaat, NU	09-Sep-16	09-Sep-16	-				Charter Arranged by Education
FPT Mtg Education Minister	Min. Quassa/Q Ellsworth	Yellowknife, NT	23-Sep-16	28-Sep-16	7,461	6,229		1,232	
					44,888	36,122	4,523	4,242	Total

H. The Honourable Joe Savikataaq, MLA, 12 Ministerial Trips									
Purpose	Travellers	Location	Trip Dates		Total Cost	Airfare(\$)	Accom(\$)	Other (\$)	Notes
AWG Meetings	Min. Savikataaq/ L Kimball/ D Flynn	Greenland	05-Mar-16	9-Mar-16	520			520	Charter, Arranged by CGS
Meetings SOHI	Min Savikataaq/ R Elliott/ L Kimball	Ottawa, ON	05-Apr-16	7-Apr-16	4,266	3,759	258	249	
Cabinet Retreat-Clyde River	Premier/Cabinet/C Darcy/D Akeegok/O Ikkidhuak/E Picco/ MLA P Keyootak	Clyde River, NU	19-Apr-16	20-Apr-16	4,218	3,968	250		
FPT Meetings-EMO	Min Savikataaq/ R Elliott/ L Kimball/ D Flynn/ K Mullaly	Toronto, ON	04-May-16	09-May-16	6,373	4,947	579	846	
NAM Mtgs	Min Savikataaq/ R Elliott/ L Kimball/ D Flynn	Rankin Inlet, NU	15-May-16	17-May-16	1,062		169	893	Charter arranged by CGS
EMO Nunavut Mtgs	Min.Savikataaq/ R Elliott/ E Zebedee/ K Mullaly	Churchill, Manitoba	17-Jun-16	22-Jun-16	5,739	3,065	1,567	1,107	
FPT PTOC	Min. Savikataaq/R Elliott/ L Kimball/ D Flynn	Quebec City	04-Jul-16	08-Jul-16	7,255	5,527	958	770	
Environment-Federal Min. Mtg/ Northern Minister's Environment	Min. Savikataaq/ R Elliott/ C Mallory	Yellowknife, YT	10-Jul-16	13-Jul-16	9,010	7,505	883	621	
Environment Briefing with Directors and Cabinet	Min Savikataaq	Iqahuit, NU	15-Aug-16	20-Aug-16	1,455	711		745	Flying own Aircraft
FPT Mtgs- CGS Infrastructure Edmonton	Min. Savikataaq/ R Elliott/ L Kimball/ D Flynn/ K Mullaly	Edmonton, AB	05-Sep-16	09-Sep-16	10,264	8,324	1,086	854	
FPT Mtgs- Environment CCME	Min. Savikataaq/ R Elliott/ D Akeegok/ B Carson	Montreal, PQ	01-Oct-16	06-Oct-16	9,675	7,485	699	1,490	
Return for October Session	Min. Savikataaq	Iqahuit, NU	14-Oct-16		3,073	2,695	137	241	
					62,908	35,312	1,922	7,567	Total

No. 017-4(3) Response to Written Question
 Home Travel, March 4, 2016 to November 07, 2016

A. The Honourable Peter Taptuna - 8 Home Trips									
Purpose	Travellers	Location	Trip Dates		Total Cost	Airfare(\$)	Accom.(\$)	Other (\$)	Notes
Home Trip	Premier Taptuna/D Taptuna	Iqahuit-Kughuktuk-Iqahuit	22-Mar-16	29-Mar-16	8,861	8,469	392		Overnight Stay in YKN
Home Trip	Premier Taptuna/J Taptuna/D Taptuna	Iqahuit-Kughuktuk-Iqahuit	10-May-16	19-May-16	11,979	11,790	189		Overnight stay in YKN
Home Trip	Premier Taptuna/J Taptuna/D Taptuna	Iqahuit-Kughuktuk-Iqahuit	23-Jun-16	31-Aug-16	10,074	9,756	318		
					30,914	30,016	899	-	Total

D. The Honourable George Kuksuk, MLA, 6 Home Trips

Purpose	Travellers	Location	Trip Dates		Total Cost	Airfare(\$)	Accom(\$)	Other (\$)	Notes
Home Travel	Min Kuksuk	Iqahuit-Arviat	17-Mar-16		1,366	1,366			
Home Travel	Min Kuksuk	Iqahuit-Rankin-Iqahuit	12-Apr-16	16-Apr-16	2,562	2,562			
Home Travel	Min Kuksuk	Iqahuit-Arviat	24-Apr-16		2,162	1,920	241		Overnight stay in Rankin
Home Travel	Min Kuksuk	Iqahuit-Whale Cove	09-Jun-16		1,408	1,166	241		
Home Travel	Min Kuksuk	Iqahuit - Arviat	30-Jun-16		1,412	1,412			
Home Travel	Min Kuksuk	Iqahuit-Arviat	14-Jul-16		1,412	1,412			
Home Travel	Min Kuksuk	Iqahuit-Arviat	04-Aug-16		1,366	1,366			
Home Travel	Min Kuksuk	Iqahuit-Arviat-Iqahuit	02-Sep-16	09-Sep-16	2,824	2,824			
Home Travel	Min Kuksuk	Arviat -Iqahuit	10-Oct-16		1,383	1,383			
					15,894	15,411	483	15,894	Total

E. The Honourable Johnny Mike, MLA , 19 Home Trips

Purpose	Travellers	Location	Trip Dates		Total Cost	Airfare(\$)	Accom(\$)	Other (\$)	Notes
Home Travel	P Mike	Pangnirtung-Iqahuit-Pangnirtung	03-Mar-16	14-Mar-16	589	589			
Home Travel	P Mike	Iqahuit- Pangnirtung-Iqahuit	01-Apr-16	01-May-16	589	589			
Home Travel	Min. Mike	Iqahuit- Pangnirtung-Iqahuit	04-Apr-16	07-Apr-16	589	589			
Home Travel	P Mike	Iqahuit- Pangnirtung-Iqahuit	05-May-16	19-May-16	589	589			
Home Travel	Min Mike	Iqahuit- Pangnirtung-Iqahuit	5-May-16	11-May-16	589	589			
Home Travel	Min Mike	Iqahuit- Pangnirtung-Iqahuit	24-May-16	26-May-16	589	589			
Home Travel	P Mike	Iqahuit- Pangnirtung-Iqahuit	24-May-16	25-Jun-16	589	589			
Home Travel	Min Mike	Iqahuit- Pangnirtung-Iqahuit	24-May-16	26-May-16	589	589			
Home Travel	L Mike	Iqahuit- Pangnirtung-Iqahuit	24-Jun-16	27-Jun-16	589	589			
Home Travel	Min. Mike	Iqahuit- Pangnirtung-Iqahuit	27-Jun-16	8-Jul-16	589	589			
Home Travel	L Mike	Iqahuit- Pangnirtung-Iqahuit	4-Jul-16	5-Jul-16	589	589			
Home Travel	Min Mike	Iqahuit- Pangnirtung-Iqahuit	11-Jul-16	15-Jul-16	589	589			
Home Travel	Min. Mike	Iqahuit- Pangnirtung-Iqahuit	26-Jul-16	15-Aug-16	589	589			
Home Travel	L Mike	Iqahuit- Pangnirtung-Iqahuit	3-Aug-16	18-Aug-16	589	589			
Home Travel	Min Mike/ L Mike	Iqahuit- Pangnirtung-Iqahuit	25-Aug-16	7-Sep-16	1,178	1,178			
Home Travel	L Mike	Iqahuit- Pangnirtung-Iqahuit	13-Sep-16	19-Sep-16	596	596			
Home Travel	P Mike	Pangnirtung-Iqahuit-Pangnirtung	23-Sep-16	3-Oct-16	596	596			
Home Travel	Min. Mike	Iqahuit- Pangnirtung-Iqahuit	3-Oct-16	7-Oct-16	596	596			
					11,214	11,214	-	-	Total

F. The Honourable Keith Peterson, MLA, 3 Home Trips

Purpose	Travellers	Location	Trip Dates		Total Cost	Airfare(\$)	Accom(\$)	Other (\$)	Notes
Home Travel	Min. Peterson/S Peterson	Iqahuit-Cambridge Bay	24-Apr-16		3,365	2,918	221	226	Overnight in YKN
Home Travel	S Peterson	Camb Bay-Iqahuit	23-May-16		1,459	1,459			
Home Travel	S Peterson	Iqahuit-Camb Bay	09-Jun-16		1,459	1,459			
Home Travel	S Peterson	Iqahuit-Cambridge Bay	26-Sep-16		1,808	1,477	158	173	Overnight in YKN
Home Travel	S Peterson	Cambridge Bay-Iqahuit	23-Oct-16		1,787	1,477	158	152	Overnight in YKN
					9,877	8,790	537	550	Total

G. The Honourable Paul Quassa, MLA, 13 Home Trips

Purpose	Travellers	Location	Trip Dates		Total Cost	Airfare(\$)	Accom(\$)	Other (\$)	Notes
Home Travel	Min Quassa/E Quassa/S Quassa/A Quassa	Iqahuit-Igloolik-Iqahuit	24-Mar-16	27-Mar-16	6,570	6,570			
Home Travel	Min Quassa	Iqahuit-Igloolik-Iqahuit	12-Apr-16	14-Apr-16	1,643	1,643			
Home Travel	E Quassa/B Quassa/C Quassa	Iqahuit-Igloolik-Iqahuit	20-May-16	24-May-16	4,928	4,928			
Home Travel	Min Quassa/S Quassa/E Quassa/C Quassa	Iqahuit-Igloolik-Iqahuit	15-Jul-16	24-Jul-16	6,017	6,017			
Home Travel	Min Quassa	Iqahuit-Igloolik-Iqahuit	09-Aug-16	13-Aug-16	1,643	1,643			
					20,799	20,799	-	-	Total

H. The Honourable Joe Savikataaq, MLA, 6 Home Trips

Purpose	Travellers	Location	Trip Dates		Total Cost	Airfare(\$)	Accom(\$)	Other (\$)	Notes
Home Travel	Susan Savikataaq	Iqahuit-Arviat-Iqahuit	08-Mar-16	10-Apr-16	2,904	2,904			
Home Travel	Susan Savikataaq	Arviat-Iqahuit	07-Apr-16		4,861	4,861			Southern Route due to Weather
Home Travel	Susan Savikataaq	Arviat-Iqahuit	05-May-16		1,800	1,800			
Home Travel	Min. Savikataaq/ Susan Savikataaq	Iqahuit-Arviat-Iqahuit	19-May-16	24-May-16	4,738	4,738			
Home Travel	Susan Savikataaq	Iqahuit-Arviat	30-Jun-16		1,613	1,613			
			05-Jul-16	04-Jul-16					
Home Travel	Susan Savikataaq	Arviat-Iqahuit	05-Sep-16		1,468	1,468			
Home Travel	Susan Savikataaq	Rankin to Arviat	26-Sep-16		504	504			
					17,887	17,887	-	-	Totals



RETURN TO WRITTEN QUESTION

Asked by: Paul Okalik, MLA for Iqaluit-Sinaa
Asked of: Hon. Keith Peterson, Minister of Finance
Number: WQ 18-4(3)
Date: November 25, 2016
Subject: Public Service

Question 1:

As of November 8, 2016, broken down by department, territorial corporation and Crown agency, how many indeterminate employees of the Nunavut public service had been on approved sick leave for 11-20 consecutive working days?

Response:	Department, Territorial Corporation and Crown Agency	Number of Employees
	Executive & Intergov. Affairs	0
	Finance	3
	Justice (inc. Human Rights Tribunal)	2
	Culture & Heritage (inc. IUT)	4
	Education	8
	Health	5
	Environment	1
	Community and Government Services	1
	Economic Development and Transportation	3
	Family Services	0
	Nunavut Arctic College	1
	NBCC	0
	Nunavut Housing Corporation	2
	QEC	2

*Not centrally tracked, information provided by individual departments.

Question 2:

As of November 8, 2016, broken down by department, territorial corporation and Crown agency, how many indeterminate employees of the Nunavut public service had been on approved sick leave for 21-50 consecutive working days?

Response:	Department, Territorial Corporation and Crown Agency	Number of Employees
	Executive & Intergov. Affairs	0
	Finance	2
	Justice (inc. Human Rights Tribunal)	4
	Culture & Heritage (inc. IUT)	4
	Education	7
	Health	3
	Environment	1
	Community and Government Services	2
	Economic Development and Transportation	3
	Family Services	0
	Nunavut Arctic College	4
	NBCC	0
	Nunavut Housing Corporation	1
	QEC	1

*Not centrally tracked, information provided by individual departments.

Question 3:

As of November 8, 2016, broken down by department, territorial corporation and Crown agency, how many indeterminate employees of the Nunavut public service had been on approved sick leave for 51 or more consecutive working days?

Response:	Department, Territorial Corporation and Crown Agency	Number of Employees
	Executive & Intergov. Affairs	0
	Finance	2
	Justice (inc. Human Rights Tribunal)	7
	Culture & Heritage (inc. IUT)	1
	Education	5
	Health	2
	Environment	1
	Community and Government Services	1
	Economic Development and Transportation	3
	Family Services	0
	Nunavut Arctic College	0
	NBCC	0
	Nunavut Housing Corporation	0
	QEC	0

*Not centrally tracked, information provided by individual departments.

Question 4:

As of November 8, 2016, broken down by department, territorial corporation and Crown agency, how many indeterminate employees of the Nunavut public service were receiving disability benefits within the meaning of Section 1605 (“Disability Insurance”) of the Government of Nunavut’s Human Resources Manual?

Response:

Department, Territorial Corporation and Crown Agency	Number of Employees
Executive & Intergov. Affairs	0
Finance	2
Justice (inc. Human Rights Tribunal)	10
Culture & Heritage (inc. IUT)	1
Education	7
Health	6
Environment	1
Community and Government Services	2
Economic Development and Transportation	1
Family Services	4
Nunavut Arctic College	1
NBCC	0
Nunavut Housing Corporation	0
QEC	1

Question 5:

As of November 8, 2016, broken down by department, territorial corporation and Crown agency, how many term employees of the Nunavut public service had been on approved sick leave for 11-20 consecutive working days?

Response:

Department, Territorial Corporation and Crown Agency	Number of Employees
Executive & Intergov. Affairs	0
Finance	0
Justice (inc. Human Rights Tribunal)	0
Culture & Heritage (inc. IUT)	0
Education	1
Health	0
Environment	0
Community and Government Services	0
Economic Development and Transportation	0
Family Services	0
Nunavut Arctic College	0
NBCC	0
Nunavut Housing Corporation	0
QEC	0

*Not centrally tracked, information provided by individual departments.

Question 6:

As of November 8, 2016, broken down by department, territorial corporation and Crown agency, how many term employees of the Nunavut public service had been on approved sick leave for 21-50 consecutive working days?

Response:	Department, Territorial Corporation and Crown Agency	Number of Employees
	Executive & Intergov. Affairs	0
	Finance	1
	Justice (inc. Human Rights Tribunal)	0
	Culture & Heritage (inc. IUT)	0
	Education	3
	Health	0
	Environment	0
	Community and Government Services	0
	Economic Development and Transportation	0
	Family Services	0
	Nunavut Arctic College	0
	NBCC	0
	Nunavut Housing Corporation	0
	QEC	0

*Not centrally tracked, information provided by individual departments.

Question 7:

As of November 8, 2016, broken down by department, territorial corporation and Crown agency, how many term employees of the Nunavut public service had been on approved sick leave for 51 or more consecutive working days?

Response:	Department, Territorial Corporation and Crown Agency	Number of Employees
	Executive & Intergov. Affairs	0
	Finance	0
	Justice (inc. Human Rights Tribunal)	0
	Culture & Heritage (inc. IUT)	0
	Education	0
	Health	0
	Environment	0
	Community and Government Services	0
	Economic Development and Transportation	0
	Family Services	0
	Nunavut Arctic College	0
	NBCC	0
	Nunavut Housing Corporation	0
	QEC	0

*Not centrally tracked, information provided by individual departments.

Question 8:

As of November 8, 2016, broken down by department, territorial corporation and Crown agency, how many term employees of the Nunavut public service were receiving disability benefits within the meaning of Section 1605 (“Disability Insurance”) of the Government of Nunavut’s Human Resources Manual?

Response:

Department, Territorial Corporation and Crown Agency	Number of Employees
Executive & Intergov. Affairs	0
Finance	1
Justice (inc. Human Rights Tribunal)	0
Culture & Heritage (inc. IUT)	0
Education	0
Health	0
Environment	0
Community and Government Services	0
Economic Development and Transportation	0
Family Services	0
Nunavut Arctic College	0
NBCC	0
Nunavut Housing Corporation	0
QEC	0

Question 9:

As of November 8, 2016, broken down by department, territorial corporation and Crown agency, how many investigations were underway within the meaning of Section 1010 (“Harassment-Free Workplace”) of the Government of Nunavut’s Human Resources Manual?

Response:

Department, Territorial Corporation and Crown Agency	Number of Employees
Executive & Intergov. Affairs	0
Finance	1
Justice (inc. Human Rights Tribunal)	0
Culture & Heritage (inc. IUT)	0
Education	0
Health	2
Environment	0
Community and Government Services	0
Economic Development and Transportation	0
Family Services	1
Nunavut Arctic College	0
NBCC	0
Nunavut Housing Corporation	0
QEC	0

Question 10:

As of November 8, 2016, broken down by department, territorial corporation and Crown agency, how many investigations into allegations of wrongdoing were underway within the meaning of section 41 of the Public Service Act?

Response:

Department, Territorial Corporation and Crown Agency	Number of Employees
Executive & Intergov. Affairs	0
Finance	0
Justice (inc. Human Rights Tribunal)	0
Culture & Heritage (inc. IUT)	0
Education	0
Health	1
Environment	0
Community and Government Services	0
Economic Development and Transportation	0
Family Services	0
Nunavut Arctic College	0
NBCC	0
Nunavut Housing Corporation	0
QEC	0



Return to Written Question

Asked by: Pauloosie Keyootak, MLA for Uqqummiut
Asked of: Hon. Monica Eil-Kanayuk, MLA
Minister of Economic Development and Transportation
Number: RTWQ -019-4 (3)
Date: November 8, 2016
Subject: Marine Infrastructure

Question: 1

With respect to the “business case” for the “Qikiqtarjuaq [marine] facility” that is referenced on page 201 of the Department of Economic Development and Transportation’s 2016-19 business plan,

a. On what date was the business case completed?

Answer:

July 7, 2014

b. On what date was the business case submitted by the Government of Nunavut to Infrastructure Canada for consideration under the New Building Canada Fund’s Provincial-Territorial Infrastructure Component-National and regional Projects program?

Answer:

The Port of Qikiqtarjuaq project was one of nineteen infrastructure projects considered by the GN’s Interdepartmental

Committee on Capital Planning in December 2014. The project was not selected by the Committee and as such was not put forward for consideration under the New Building Canada Fund (NBCF).

- c. On what date did Infrastructure Canada formally communicate its decision respecting the submission?

Answer:

The Port of Qikiqtarjuaq project was not put forward for consideration under the New Building Canada Fund.

- d. What specific rationale did Infrastructure Canada provide for its formal decision to approve or reject the submission?

Answer:

The Port of Qikiqtarjuaq project was not put forward for consideration under the New Building Canada Fund.

Question: 2

With respect to the “business case” for the “Iqaluit [marine] facility” that is referenced on page 202 of the Department of Economic Development and Transportation’s 2016-19 business plan,

- a. On what date was the business case completed?

Answer:

As part of the federal review process the business case was amended multiple times. The final business case was accepted and forwarded to Canada on March 28, 2015.

- b. On what date was the business case submitted by the Government of Nunavut to Infrastructure Canada for consideration under the New Building Canada Fund’s Provincial-Territorial Infrastructure Component-National and Regional Projects program?

Answer:

March 28, 2015.

c. On what date did Infrastructure Canada formally communicate its decision respecting the submission?

Answer:

The Approval-in-Principle letter was sent to Nunavut on July 31, 2015

The approval in principle letter, which authorizes expenditures, is an important but not pivotal part of the approval process.

The umbrella contribution agreement is anticipated to be signed in early 2017.

d. What specific rationale did Infrastructure Canada provide for its formal decision to approve or reject the submission?

Answer:

No specific rationale was provided.

Question: 3

With respect to the “business case” for the “Pond Inlet [marine] facility” that is referenced on page 202 of the Department of Economic Development and Transportation’s 2016-19 business plan,

a. On what date was the business case completed?

Answer:

As part of the federal review process the business case was amended multiple times. The final business case was accepted and forwarded to Canada on September 24, 2015.

b. On what date was the business case submitted by the Government of Nunavut to Infrastructure Canada for consideration under the New Building Canada Fund's Provincial-Territorial Infrastructure Component-National and Regional Projects program?

Answer:

September 24, 2015

c. On what date did Infrastructure Canada formally communicate its decision respecting the submission?

Answer:

The Approval in Principle letter was sent to Nunavut on March 9, 2016.

The approval in principle letter, which authorizes expenditures, is an important but not pivotal part of the approval process.

The umbrella contribution agreement is anticipated to be signed in early 2017.

d. What specific rationale did Infrastructure Canada provide for its formal decision to approve or reject the submission?

Answer:

No specific rationale was provided.



Return to Written Question

Asked by: David Joanasie, MLA
South Baffin

Asked of: Hon. Peter Taptuna, MLA
Minister of Executive and Intergovernmental Affairs

Number: RTWQ 20-4(3)

Date: November 8, 2016

Subject: Inuit Employment Initiatives

Question:

1. As of November 8, 2016, broken down by Government of Nunavut department, territorial corporation and Crown agency, how many individuals have completed internship programs that have been organized by the Sivumuaqatigiit branch of the Department of Executive and Intergovernmental Affairs?
2. As of November 8, 2016, broken down by Government of Nunavut department, territorial corporation and Crown agency, how many positions have been filled with indeterminate and/or term employees as a result of restricted job competitions that were open only to beneficiaries of the *Nunavut Land Claims Agreement* within the meaning of Section 518 of the Government of Nunavut's *Human Resources Manual*?
3. As of November 8, 2016, broken down by Government of Nunavut department, territorial corporation and Crown agency, how many positions which are currently filled on an indeterminate and/or term basis by non-beneficiary employees have had formal succession plans developed that are designed to promote the filling of positions by beneficiaries of the *Nunavut Land Claims Agreement*?

Response:

1. Appendix 1 indicates the number of individuals that have completed the Sivuliqtiksat Internship Program, delivered by the Sivumuaqatigiit branch of the Department of Executive and Intergovernmental Affairs. Please refer to attached appendix.
2. Appendix 2 provides the number of positions that have been filled with either indeterminate or term employees as a result of restricted job competitions that were open only to beneficiaries of the *Nunavut Land Claims Agreement* within the meaning of Section 518 of the Government of Nunavut's *Human Resources Manual*.
3. Below are the number of positions by department, corporation and or agency that are currently filled by non-beneficiary employees in either an indeterminate or term basis that have formal succession plans developed that are designed to promote the filling of positions by beneficiaries of the *Nunavut Land Claims Agreement*:

Department, Corporation, Agency	Number of Positions
Community and Government Services	2
Culture and Heritage	2
Economic Development and Transportation	3
Environment	1
Executive and Intergovernmental Affairs	1
Family Services	2
Health	1
Justice	1
Nunavut Arctic College	2
Representative for Children and Youth	1

SIVULIQTIKSAT PROGRAM GRADUATES

Fiscal Year	Department	Positions	Graduates
2016-2017	CGS	Maintenance Coordinator, North Baffin – CGS	1
2015-2016	EDT, CGS, Justice and NAC	Transportation Programs Officer – EDT Records Analyst – CGS Manager, Translations – JUS Sr. Trades Access Instructor – NAC	4
2014-2015	CGS	Manager, Sport Development - CGS	1
2012-2013	Justice, CGS and FIN (HR)	Executive Director, Nunavut Human Rights – JUS Lands Administrator – CGS Employee Relations Consultant – FIN (HR)	3
2011-2012	CGS, HSS	Records Analyst – CGS Director Health Programs – HSS	2
2010-2011	Justice and EDT	Director, Corporate Services – JUS Manager, Transportation and Planning – EDT Community Mining Advisor – EDT Manager, Community Economic Development – EDT	4
2009-2010	Justice and HSS	Manager, Maintenance Enforcement – JUS Budget Planner/Analyst – JUS Executive Director, Kivalliq Region – HSS	3
2008-2009	EIA and Justice	Cabinet Registrar – EIA Director, Communications – EIA Manager, Business Planning and Support, Court Services – JUS	3
2007-2008	-		0
2006-2007	-		0
2005-2006	Justice, Education, EIA and EDT	Manager, Financial Services – JUS Coordinator, Language of Instruction – EDU Claims Implementation Manager – EIA Director, Motor Vehicles – EDT Director, Nunavut Airports – EDT	5
2004-2005	CGS, HSS and Education	Assistant Regional Director – CGS Manager, Health Protection – HSS Director, Career and Early Childhood – EDU	3
Total			29

SIVULIQTIKSAT PROGRAM GRADUATES

By Department

Department	#of Graduates
CGS	6
NAC	1
EDT	6
JUS	7
FIN (HR)	1
HSS	3
EDU	2
EIA	3
Total	29

Department	Active Competitions	Successful Competitions	Cancelled Competitions	Unsuccessful Competitions
EIA	1	1		
Finance		2		
Justice	3	1		
CH	1			
Education	13			
Health	3		1	2
NHC	2	2		
Environment	3			
CGS	2	1		
EDT		1	1	
Family Services	6	2		
Total	34	10	2	2

*Competitions restricted to Nunavut Inuit only



Return to Written Question

Asked by: Pat Angnakak, MLA
Iqaluit-Niaqunnguu

Asked of: Hon. Joe Savikataaq, MLA
Minister of Community and Government Services

Number: 21-4(3)

Date: November 22, 2016

Subject: *Western Canada Lottery Act*

Question:

1. Within the meaning of section 4 of the *Western Canada Lottery Act*, what were the profits accruing to the Government of Nunavut for the following fiscal years:
- | | | |
|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| 2015-2016 | 2013-2014 | 2011-2012 |
| 2014-2015 | 2012-2013 | |

Response:

The table below illustrates the WCL profits accrued by the Government of Nunavut during the period of 2011-15 and the GN's total investment in Sport and Recreation during the same period.

Table 1-GN Lottery Revenues and Sport and Recreation Actuals 2011-2015

Operating Year	Total Sales-Nunavut Lotteries	Total Revenues to GN	GN Expenditures Sport and Recreation (Actuals)
2015-16	\$2,988,013	\$627,013	\$6,615,713.46
2014-15	\$1,930,361	\$650,000**	\$5,421,505.94
2013-14	\$2,412,314	0*	\$7,012,585.09
2012-13	\$2,311,553	\$625,458	\$5,483,795.89
2011-12	\$1,628,985	\$700,196	\$6,084,630.17

*No funds were transferred to GN in 2013-14. The GN received these revenues in 2014-15.

**Total lottery sales in 2014-15 were lower than the preceding years leading to reduced revenues. (Two of the three terminals were out of service during this period)

2. Within the meaning of section 4 of the *Western Canada Lottery Act*, how were the profits accruing to the Government of Nunavut specifically used for the purpose of promoting sport and recreational opportunities for Nunavummiut for the following fiscal years:

2015-2016	2013-2014	2011-2012
2014-2015	2012-2013	

Response:

The table below illustrates the GN's investment into sport and recreation during the period of 2011-2015.

Table 2-Sport and Recreation Division Budget 2011-2015

Fiscal Year	Grants and Contributions		Compensation and Benefits		Other Expenses*	
	Budgets	Actuals	Budgets	Actuals	Budget	Actuals
2015-16	\$3,934,000	\$3,640,739.72	\$1,533,000	\$1,367,257.63	\$1,654,000	\$1,607,716.11
2014-15	\$4,134,000	\$3,845,182.67	\$1,233,000	\$1,015,078.62	\$860,000	\$561,244.65
2013-14	\$3,934,000	\$3,692,964.61	\$1,297,000	\$1,311,417.88	\$1,910,000	\$2,008,202.60
2012-13	\$4,264,000	\$3,864,320.98	\$1,237,000	\$1,281,321.81	\$410,000	\$338,153.10
2011-12**	\$3,959,000	\$3,661,859.19	\$1,113,000	\$952,192.75	\$1,630,000	\$1,470,578.23

*Other Expenses included materials/supplies and travel/transportation costs associated with the Team Nunavut-Major Games Program.

** Based on Culture and Heritage Free Balance reports.