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Iqaluit, Nunavut**Thursday, October 23, 2014****Members Present:**

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

>>*House commenced at 13:30***Item 1: Opening Prayer**

Speaker (Hon. George Qulaut): *Tuksiarnikkut*, I ask that Mr. Taptuna lead us in prayer.

>>*Prayer*

Speaker (interpretation): Good afternoon. Welcome to the House, members, ministers, and Nunavummiut. Going to Item 2 in the *Orders of the Day*. Ministers' Statements. (interpretation ends) Hon. Premier Taptuna.

Item 2: Ministers' Statements**Minister's Statement 051 – 4(2):
Devolution Moving Forward**

Hon. Peter Taptuna: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Good afternoon, colleagues and Nunavummiut. Mr. Speaker, October 3, 2014 was a historic day for Nunavut. *Namminiqsurniq*, or striving for a greater economy for our territory in what we call devolution, has taken a major step

forward and is consistent with the objectives set out in our mandate, *Sivumut Abluqta*.

The Hon. Bernard Valcourt, Minister of Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development, announced the appointment of a chief federal negotiator on Nunavut's devolution process.

Mr. Speaker, at the same time, I had the privilege to unveil Nunavut's devolution negotiation team. Mr. Simon Awa will serve as chief negotiator, with Mr. Bob Carson and Mr. Alex Buchan as deputy negotiators.

Nunavut is the last territory to begin negotiations on devolution and this announcement was an important step forward in moving ahead with that process.

Mr. Speaker, the transfer of jurisdictional responsibility is a crucial component as part of the government's mandate to help realize the territory's long-term development for Nunavummiut.

I look forward to engaging in the devolution process with the Government of Canada and Nunavut Tunngavik Incorporated to move forward in outlining an agreement in principle that will pave the way for developing final agreements in the devolution negotiation process. I am also encouraged by Canada's commitment to achieving an agreement in principle within one year.

Mr. Speaker, I look forward to the working relationship and moving forward on Nunavut's future. This is truly *Sivumut Abluqta*. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

>>Applause

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. (interpretation ends) Ministers' Statements. Hon. Member Mr. Quassa.

**Minister's Statement 052 – 4(2):
Student Support Assistant
Certification Program**

Hon. Paul Quassa (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I send my greetings to my fellow Igloolik residents.

Mr. Speaker, today, I would like to report on the development of a valuable training program for student support assistants in Nunavut schools. The training program has been finalized. We will collaborate with Nunavut Arctic College to deliver the four courses and the one practicum that make up this certificate program in 2015 and 2016.

(interpretation ends) Mr. Speaker, this certificate program will help achieve one of the goals of *Qalattuq: The 10-Year Educator Training Strategy 2006-2016* and meet the mandate of *Sivumut Abuqta* to "continue to invest in the education and development of all current and potential public servants."

(interpretation ends) This training program helps us act on the recommendation from the Auditor General of Canada to provide instruction and assessment training to student support assistants.

(interpretation ends) Mr. Speaker, in this training program, student support assistants will learn about Inclusive Education in Nunavut (Course 1), Supporting Literacy and Numeracy Strategies in Nunavut Schools (Course

2), Child Development (Course 3), and Responsive Intervention (Course 4).

In February 2015, the first two courses will be delivered face to face by long-term, experienced Nunavut educators in Rankin Inlet. A community level reflective practicum will be completed in schools in October/November 2015. (interpretation) We anticipate that over 45 student support assistants will complete the certificate program by the end of February 2016.

Mr. Speaker, our education system is moving forward to meet the needs of our students. This certificate program will give our student support assistants the knowledge and skills they need to integrate *Inuit Qaujimagatuqangit* as they work to support our students. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

>>Applause

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Ministers' Statements. (interpretation ends) Hon. Member Mr. Okalik.

**Minister's Statement 053 – 4(2):
Youth Committee Recognition**

Hon. Paul Okalik (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I stand today to acknowledge youth committees across Nunavut. There are many challenges for youth in Nunavut and our young people rise to the challenge by forming committees to help address those challenges.

While youth committee members make sacrifices to their lifestyle by committing their time and energy to their work, they are also learning to plan for their future and getting involved in solutions for

their communities. Youth committees frequently hold games nights, gym and sports events, skate nights or teen skate dances, and organize numerous outdoor events in summer and winter. Youth have delivered ice to elders in Igloodik, held kids dog team races in Rankin Inlet, and have taken standard First Aid courses in Kimmirut, to name just a few.

Mr. Speaker, this week, youth from the Qikiqtaaluk region are here in Iqaluit as a part of the Qikiqtaaluk Youth Committee. They are here to develop a new youth strategy with the Government of Nunavut. Join me in thanking these individuals for their time, effort, and dedication to a better Nunavut. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

>> *Applause*

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Ministers' Statements. (interpretation ends) Hon. Minister Quassa.

Minister's Statement 054 – 4(2): Inuit Language and Culture Centre of Excellence

Hon. Paul Quassa (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. (interpretation ends) Over the years, the college has invested considerable energy and resources to develop, incorporate, and strengthen Inuit language and culture components across its programs in keeping with its mission and principles. As a result, the college possesses a solid base of expertise in the area of Inuit language and cultural education.

(interpretation) Mr. Speaker, this expertise and assets and resources associated with it are somewhat dispersed within the college. In

consultation with senior personnel and executive within the college and with other stakeholders, I am pleased to inform my fellow members of a new business case discussion paper which supports and provides a clear direction for the development of a final business case and implementation plan for the establishment of the Inuit Language and Culture Centre of Excellence (ILCCE) at Nunavut Arctic College.

(interpretation ends) Mr. Speaker, the vision for the centre of excellence is for it to take a leadership role and contribute to the preservation, maintenance, and growth of Inuit language and cultural knowledge and expression through the education and training of Nunavummiut; the collection, development, and publication of traditional and new knowledge; and a commitment to excellence in the quality and standards of Inuit language and cultural education.

(interpretation) Mr. Speaker, the Inuit Language and Culture Centre of Excellence is a creative, cost-effective, and achievable way to enable the college to realize its potential and to become a world leader in the area of Inuit language and cultural studies. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

>> *Applause*

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Ministers' Statements. I don't have any more names on my list. Members' Statements. Member for Gjoa Haven, Tony Akoak.

Item 3: Members' Statements

**Member's Statement 123 – 4(2):
Franklin Expedition Ship Found**

Mr. Akoak: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. (interpretation) I say “hello” to the people of Gjoa Haven, members, and the people of Nunavut. (interpretation ends) Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I rise today to speak about the recent discovery of one of the two lost ships from the Franklin Expedition.

Mr. Speaker, this summer, I had the pleasure of joining my colleagues from the Kitikmeot, Minister Peterson, Minister Ugyuk, and Premier Taptuna, on the Canadian Coast Guard Ship Sir Wilfred Laurier. This is one of the vessels that were part of the 2014 Victoria Strait Expedition in search of the lost Franklin ships. We had the pleasure of congratulating the team on their successful efforts.

Mr. Speaker, as members will recall, Louis Kamookak, one of my constituents, played a very important role in the discoveries. A Gjoa Haven historian, Mr. Kamookak worked closely with the federal and territorial governments towards this discovery. For over 30 years, Mr. Kamookak collected information from our elders and ancestors, memories of contact, survival, and death. For example, his own great-grandmother had discovered one of the many artefacts of the Franklin Expedition, a silver butter knife. Mr. Speaker, I am sure that all members will agree that Inuit knowledge and oral history was vital to this discovery.

Mr. Speaker, as MLA for Gjoa Haven, I am pleased to take this opportunity to recognize this historic moment. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

>> *Applause*

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

**Member's Statement 124 – 4(2): Need
for More Suicide Prevention**

Mr. Joanasie (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I rise today to recall the recent suicide of a child and to send my condolences to the affected families and community of Cape Dorset, as the child was only an 11-year-old boy. I feel for the mother, grandparents, siblings, friends, and his classmates.

Mr. Speaker, it is extremely painful to be left behind by a person committing suicide, and this is the reason why I rise today to speak out against it and to try to stem the tide. I believe that we are all capable of overcoming our challenges, fears, relationship issues, and other life problems.

Mr. Speaker, I believe that Nunavummiut must make time to deal with the issues of suicide together. I cannot combat this issue alone. Mr. Speaker, I need the help of Nunavummiut. I need the help of everyone, from parents, community leaders, and the government. We all have a role to play to combat suicide.

Mr. Speaker, I believe that by working together and caring more for each other, we will assist people who are in great need of a lifeline. Additionally, we need to align resources that strengthen problem-solving skills and coping mechanisms for those at risk and empower them to face their problems.

Mr. Speaker, I seek unanimous consent to conclude my statement. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. (interpretation ends) The member is seeking unanimous consent to conclude his statement. Are there any nays? There are none. Please proceed, Mr. Joanasié.

Mr. Joanasié (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I also thank my colleagues.

Mr. Speaker, we must make time to learn more and understand the reasons and impacts of suicide so that we, as a collective, can address this issue.

Mr. Speaker, instead of observing a moment of silence, as we have been too silent for too long, I would like to hear some noise here in the House today to show your support for me and I hope we can all take time in our lives to help end suicide. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

>> *Applause*

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

**Member's Statement 125 – 4(2):
Recent Home Fire in Arctic Bay**

Mr. Shooyook (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I say "good day" to Nunavummiut. I will be speaking directly without any written materials for the benefit of my colleagues. I am unable to read the small print since the printout uses a small font.

I believe my colleagues are aware of an incident a couple of weeks ago in our

community of Arctic Bay, specifically a house fire. Yesterday, during our meeting, we also received unexpected news that no one wanted to hear. Even though it happened in a faraway place, it pained our hearts to hear about this incident and it was also quite worrisome.

Much like yesterday, in the early evening, I was informed by a child that there was a house on fire. When I glanced out, I saw flames flickering from the building. It was disconcerting knowing the family as they have small children, but luckily none of them were home when the fire started.

Apparently, there had been two small children in the house who went into the empty house and started playing with fire. Perhaps there were combustible materials close by that caught on fire or they may have had a lighter. Fortunately, they were able to exit the house before the flames could burn them. This was the only saving grace in this incident.

I wish to commend our local firefighters who worked extremely hard to fight the fire in the house. They were able to extinguish the fire before the house totally burned down. The gratifying thing in this situation is that no one was hurt. However, they're in emotional distress due to losing their home and there is no alternative housing available. They also lost everything in the house.

Prior to the house burning to the ground, the firefighters were able to put out the fire and we are proud of their capabilities as firefighters. I also wish to extend our gratitude to Nunavummiut who heard about the fire and provided support from all over Nunavut.

There is still an opportunity to provide assistance if anyone wishes to provide more donations, as they lost everything. If people want to provide assistance, they can do so. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Members' Statements. Member for Baker Lake, Mr. Mikkungwak.

**Member's Statement 126 – 4(2):
Addressing Poverty**

Mr. Mikkungwak (interpretation): Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. I rise today to talk about an issue, but my statement would only be understandable to the residents of Baker Lake if I speak in my dialect. Therefore, I will continue my statement in English in order to have everyone understand. Due to the various dialects spoken here in the Legislative Assembly, it is sometimes difficult to understand other members. To ensure everyone comprehends the statement, I will conduct my statement in English today.

(interpretation ends) Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and commend the people across the territory of Nunavut. These people I recognize today are the volunteers, some of which are on media and some of which are not recognized on media.

Although all of these volunteers put forth tireless efforts, these volunteers that I'm referring to focus on operating soup kitchens or food banks on a monthly or weekly basis across the territory. These volunteers operate by donations, by private sector or organizations, and on the same token, they also put a lot of their voluntary time on fundraising events. As we all know,

these volunteers put in a lot of time and effort so that the needy people could have something to bite on that particular month or that particular week, whatever the time that is put forth by the volunteers.

Mr. Speaker and all of my colleagues, we all know this invigorates some of the lives of Nunavutmiut by all the volunteers across the territory. My questions later on today will reflect this statement. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

>> *Applause*

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. (interpretation ends) Members' Statements. Member for Arviat South, Mr. Savikataaq.

**Member's Statement 127 – 4(2):
Western Hudson Bay Polar Bear
Management**

Mr. Savikataaq (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I am going to talk about something that is a big concern to the people of Arviat: too many polar bears!

(interpretation ends) Mr. Speaker, the issue of polar bear management in my community of Arviat has been a longstanding concern for its residents. In previous years, it was normal to expect polar bears to wander into the community during the fall season. However, this past summer, polar bears were seen in the community as early as July and their numbers are only increasing.

Mr. Speaker, Arviat is currently on heightened alert for polar bears in town. The hamlet has recently decided to hold

Halloween festivities in the community hall to discourage children from walking outside in mass numbers.

Mr. Speaker, it is unreasonable to expect the residents of Arviat to spend months at end in their houses and afraid for the safety of their lives and property.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to emphasize that the hunting of a polar bear is very resourceful and therefore an important practice in my community. In a territory where food security and employment are a daily struggle for many households, harvesting a polar bear can provide a significant amount of meat, fur, and income to a hunter's family.

Mr. Speaker, Inuit do not take pride in having to kill a problem polar bear. I hope that a solution can be determined to ensure that hunters are given the opportunity to decide the circumstances under which they harvest a polar bear, meaning, when a polar bear is killed in defence, it is not by the hunter's choice; it is a necessity. I further hope that this solution allows the harvest to occur in an environmentally sustainable manner.

Mr. Speaker, it goes without question that the government's polar bear management plan and the Nunavut Wildlife Management Board's upcoming hearing must address the issue of polar bear management to prevent the need for defence kills. One way to do this is to increase the total allowable harvest of polar bears.

I will be asking questions on this issue at the appropriate time. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Member's Statement 128 – 4(2): Safe Arrival of Sons by Boat to Pangnirtung

Hon. Johnny Mike (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Thank you to the people of Pangnirtung who are watching the proceedings. I send my greetings to them and to other people from Pangnirtung who are in the hospital in Ottawa.

I would like to tell you something that I am very happy about. It's coming from me as an MLA. This past Sunday, my sons Norman Okalik Mike and Ethan Paul Makittuq Mike and my grandson, Nate, left Iqaluit by boat last Sunday to head towards Pangnirtung at night. They arrived there last night. I am very happy about that.

We know that boating is a lot more difficult in the fall when there are more high winds and fewer periods of calm. Even though we're in that time of year, they were able to get to Pangnirtung right away. This route has been used by our ancestors and due to that, I am also proud of my sons for their interest in pursuing hunting, even though they are young men. Due to their interest and ability, they enjoy hunting. I know for a fact that many young people also love to go hunting to the areas they enjoy.

I can also make a similar statement like my colleagues about polar bears and want to relay their experiences in this area that has an abundance of polar bears. They were hunting walrus at that

time and when they started butchering the walrus, a polar bear arrived, causing them to kill the bear in self-defence. Shortly after killing the bear, another polar bear arrived and this bear took away their walrus and the bear that had just been killed. It started cannibalizing the dead bear. These types of incidents happen all the time that we experience up here.

I just wanted to clarify what happened during their hunt and also to express my pride in my sons. I also wish to convey my pride in other young men who are passionate about hunting wherever they may be in Nunavut for continuing our traditional hunting practices. They are utilizing our forefathers' knowledge and traditional practices and as long as they continue to do so, the Inuit language and culture will stay alive. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

>>Applause

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Members' Statements. I have no more names on my list. (interpretation ends) Item 4. Returns to Oral Questions. Item 5. (interpretation) Recognition of Visitors in the Gallery. (interpretation ends) Premier Taptuna.

Item 5: Recognition of Visitors in the Gallery

Hon. Peter Taptuna: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I have done this twice in a row, so I am quite pleased, recognizing folks in the Gallery.

Mr. Speaker, I want to recognize our chief negotiator, Mr. Simon Awa, and our deputy negotiators for Nunavut, Alex Buchan and Robert Carson, also,

Brian Dominique, chief federal negotiator for Canada, and Mr. Speaker, I may not pronounce this correctly, Harmit Bajaj, deputy chief negotiator for Canada, Colin Ground, second deputy chief negotiator for Canada, and Udloriak Hanson, chief negotiator for Nunavut Tunngavik Incorporated. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

>>Applause

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Recognition of Visitors in the Gallery. Mr. Okalik.

Hon. Paul Okalik (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Earlier, I spoke about the youth who are in town to attend to meetings. I would like to recognize the delegates.

First of all, Daniel Novalinga, who is from Sanikiluaq, please rise; Joshua Kalluk from Resolute Bay; Lila Onalik from Kimmirut; Celia Aglak from Pond Inlet; Jerry Laisa from Pangnirtung; and Rebecca Kilabuk from Iqaluit, who is the assistant. Thank you. Welcome to the Gallery.

>>Applause

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Welcome to the Gallery. Recognition of Visitors in the Gallery. Mr. Quassa.

Hon. Paul Quassa (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I, too, would like my colleagues to join me in recognizing visitors in the Gallery. They are current board of governors for Nunavut Arctic College and represent Nunavummiut.

They are: Martha Main, who is currently the acting chairperson from the Kivalliq region; Donna Smith, who is also from Kivalliq; Elizabeth Ryan from the Baffin region; Alison Coman, who is the student representative; as well as Jason Carpenter, who is the staff representative on the board. They are here in the Gallery. Please give them a hand. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

>>Applause

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Welcome to the Gallery. Recognition of Visitors in the Gallery. Mr. Mike.

Hon. Johnny Mike (interpretation): Thank you. From Pangnirtung, I would like to recognize Jerry Laisa. He has a lot of duties in the community of Pangnirtung as well as outside of the community.

>>Applause

Speaker (interpretation): Welcome to the Gallery. Thank you. (interpretation ends) Recognition of Visitors in the Gallery. Mr. Hickes.

Mr. Hickes: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I frequently do get constituents in this, but Mr. Solomon Ryan, who is the brother of Elizabeth Ryan, I would like to recognize as a constituent as well as Mr. Mark Thompson, who is part of the devolution negotiation team.

I would like to make special recognition of somebody who has recently moved away from Iqaluit and now, although he's back here only for a day, I would like to welcome my brother Bradley Hickes to the Chamber.

>>Applause

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Recognition of Visitors in the Gallery. Ms. Ell.

Hon. Monica Ell (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. In recognition of youth who have already been recognized, my son's great friend, Solomon Ryan, is also a hockey teammate to my son and I would like to welcome him to the Gallery. As well, Rebecca Kilabuk, who was already recognized, I welcome you. As well, my neighbour and constituent is also here, Peter Ma. I will recognize three former co-workers from Nunavut Tunngavik who were recognized already, my colleague's brother, Brad Hickes, welcome, Alastair Campbell and Uloriak Hanson. Welcome to the Gallery. There is also a young person from Arctic Bay, Cherita Kalluk. Welcome to the Gallery.

>>Applause

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Welcome to the Gallery. Recognition of Visitors in the Gallery. Ms. Angnakak

Ms. Angnakak: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. (interpretation) I would like to welcome my two nephews, Russell Akeeagok and Pauloosie Akeeagok. Thank you.

>>Applause

Speaker (interpretation): I would like to welcome each and every visitor to the Gallery. Recognition of Visitors in the Gallery. I have no names on my list, but I do want to acknowledge individuals from my constituency, Ms. Joanna

Quassa and Terry Uyarak. Welcome to the Gallery.

>>*Applause*

Speaker's Statement

(interpretation ends) Thank you, members. Before proceeding to Oral Questions, I wish to take this opportunity to remind all members that the Rules of the Legislative Assembly contain detailed guidelines concerning the use of electronic devices during sittings of the House and meetings of its committees and caucuses.

These guidelines provide that smart phones, BlackBerrys, and other electronic devices may not be used during Oral Questions for the purpose of sending text messages or other forms of communication. This is to allow all members to give their full attention to our proceedings.

I would note that these rules also apply to me as your Speaker, and I apologize for having not muted my own device during yesterday's proceedings.

>>*Laughter*

An Hon. Member: Shame, shame!

Speaker (interpretation): I thank all members for their cooperation.

We will move on. (interpretation ends) Item 6. (interpretation) Oral Questions. Mr. Akoak.

Item 6: Oral Questions

Question 195 – 4(2): Blood Tests

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

Mr. Speaker, as the minister is aware, Gjoa Haven is a remote community without a specialized lab to do medical testing. Medical samples such as blood samples have to be sent out. Sometimes a delay in flights, a lack of medical staff, or a misinterpreted test result can lead to a medical client not receiving medical services in a timely manner.

Over a month ago, I sent a communication to the Minister of Health asking for some clarification on the process to be followed when a medical client requires repeat blood tests so that they can get the appropriate medical treatment. I hope that the minister has had enough time to look into this issue and is now able provide some answers.

Can the minister clarify what process is followed when, for reasons beyond their control, a medical client's blood test results need to be repeated? Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. (interpretation ends) Minister of Health, Hon. Ms. Ell.

Hon. Monica Ell (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I also thank my colleague for asking questions on this matter. Yes, I recall the previous question.

With respect to blood tests in the Kivalliq region, if I were to call it regionally segregated communities where communities in the different

regions are visited, the sampling process is continually reviewed for improvements. This applies to many other matters requiring review and this is one of them. We look at how the work can be processed more quickly and we also look at how the community can be serviced better to ensure we offer the best services to all communities. This is usually brought up.

Currently, in the Kivalliq region, there is a review of the blood test protocols and they can be sent to Cambridge Bay or Kugluktuk. Perhaps if I state the rest in English, it will be clearer.

(interpretation ends) The Kitikmeot regional laboratory is currently processing core specimens for Cambridge Bay and Kugluktuk. The three remaining communities will be sending their specimens to Cambridge Bay by mid-September. We are increasing lab capacity in the Kitikmeot regional laboratory and are improving results processing time and reducing reliance on out-of-territory lab services. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Mr. Akoak: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I think the minister saw my other two questions somewhere.

>> *Laughter*

She answered my questions. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

>> *Laughter*

>> *Applause*

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

Question 196 – 4(2): Poverty Reduction

Mr. Mikkungwak: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I sure hope I don't get the same answer as my colleague.

Mr. Speaker, my questions will be for the Minister of Family Services, as I had asked questions yesterday regarding poverty reduction.

Today, as I indicated in my Member's Statement, there are a lot of organizations and volunteers across the territory that volunteer a lot of their time to ensure that food banks and whatnot operate.

Mr. Speaker, my question will be to the Minister of Family Services today.

2014-15 approved \$2,179,000 for poverty reduction. My question to the minister today is: would the government consider using some of the money allocated towards addressing poverty in Nunavut to be given as grants or contributions to help support community efforts to directly address the needs of Nunavut residents who struggle every day to have enough to eat? Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. (interpretation ends) Minister of Family Services, Hon. Ms. Ugyuk.

Hon. Jeannie Ugyuk (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I thank my colleague for that question. The subsidy is provided to the food banks in

communities that have them. Next month, while we are still sitting, they will be having a meeting to review these issues.

However, during our spring sitting in Rankin Inlet, this topic was concurred with. Under the *Inunnguiniq* program, parenting courses were offered to teach parents to take proper care of their children. This was agreed to at the meeting. The funds have not been allocated with a specific theme in mind, but it will be decided after the next meeting where a five-year plan will be developed. That is all I can respond with. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Mr. Mikkungwak: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I believe that my question was not answered in any way, shape, or form, so I guess my question here now would be a follow-up to this \$2,179,000. As there have been studies and meetings that have been ongoing in the five-year Makimaniq Plan, how much of this money has been used to date? Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. (interpretation ends) Minister of Family Services, Hon. Ms. Ugyuk.

Hon. Jeannie Ugyuk (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I'm sorry. Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I called you the Chairman and I apologize for that.

My colleague is asking how much money has been used to date. I don't have that answer as the process is ongoing through the Poverty Reduction

Strategy. Income Support provides funding for purchasing groceries, including a clothing allowance.

However, with respect to the Makimaniq program and how we can provide further support to our communities to reduce poverty, this was a subject of study by our government on reducing poverty. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Mr. Mikkungwak: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. My questions are, out of the \$2,179,000, all of that money that was approved in the last fiscal year and which is being used to date, some of which I understand is used by income support assistance.

Seeing that we have a lot of volunteers across the territory who put their tireless efforts so that they could have a food bank operating, whether it be by donations or contributions by private sector or private organizations, my question here today is: out of that \$2,179,000, if that money is still going to be utilized for studies and further meetings, will the status quo remain for volunteers to receive ongoing donations from the private sector to operate these food banks or soup kitchens across the territory? Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. (interpretation ends) Minister of Family Services, Hon. Member Ms. Ugyuk.

Hon. Jeannie Ugyuk (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would also like to thank my colleague for asking questions in regard to the \$2,179,000,

but I cannot provide a concrete response today because this funding is used for various programs, such as for cost analysis of groceries through the Nunavut Bureau of Statistics, and it's also used for nutrition programs. The Makimaniq program is also included in there. This funding was expended for many various programs. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. (interpretation ends) Oral Questions. (interpretation) Member for Arviat South, Mr. Savikataaq.

Question 197 – 4(2): Western Hudson Bay Polar Bear Management

Mr. Savikataaq: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would like to direct my questions to the Minister of Environment.

On October 10, the Nunavut Wildlife Management Board issued a news release stating that it will be holding public hearings in December to discuss the new total allowable harvest of the western Hudson Bay polar bear population. The board also indicated that it will be accepting submissions on this issue until November 12, 2014.

Arviat has previously had to use all of its polar bear tags for defence of life and property kills. These types of kills prevent hunters and wildlife management from making important decisions regarding the harvest of polar bears.

Will the minister commit to providing a submission to the Nunavut Wildlife Management Board for an increase in the western Hudson Bay's total

allowable harvest, the quota, to address the current situation of polar bear management in Arviat? There are just too many bears around Arviat right now. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Hon. Johnny Mike (interpretation): Thank you. I would also like to thank my colleague for asking questions in regard to this issue. The Nunavut Wildlife Management Board has been working diligently on polar bear issues. In addition, the HTOs and wildlife agencies have been working on the polar bear issue for quite some time.

The management of the western Hudson Bay polar bear population is also done by the Province of Manitoba. This is a joint management. The polar bear management is set up whereby we jointly manage with the Province of Manitoba, the Department of Environment, and NTL.

The Nunavut government will hold a hearing and will be providing submissions at that time. At that time, we will have a better idea of what kind of submission we will be providing to the polar bear management hearing and I am sure that the polar bear quota will be discussed at that time. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Mr. Savikataaq: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. On March 18, 2014, I had asked the minister a number of questions

regarding the management of the western Hudson Bay polar bear population. At that time, the minister stated that his department's position was "to have a total allowable harvest of 45 bears" from the southern Hudson Bay subpopulation, which has roughly the same number of bears as western Hudson Bay, but he did not indicate his position on the western Hudson Bay's population.

As the minister is aware, the current total allowable harvest of 24 for the western Hudson Bay may change after the upcoming meetings of the Nunavut Wildlife Management Board.

Can the minister indicate what his department's position is on the total allowable harvest for the western Hudson Bay polar bear population? Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Hon. Johnny Mike (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would like to thank the member for that question. As long as we don't change the polar bear management plan for Nunavut, the quota for polar bear, while we are doing the review and prior to the polar bear management hearing, I cannot give you detailed information on that because the decision is still pending.

If the polar bear management plan is adhered to or if they understand it, they would develop an enhanced community. Some communities are managing their polar bear management plan, even though they live in an overly populated area. As long as the Nunavut polar bear

management plan does not change, it will stay status quo until the hearing is over.

I know that in Arviat, the people with polar bear deterrents are helping to keep people safe, which I am very happy to say. However, I cannot tell you for the western Hudson Bay polar bear management plan because of the way it is. I cannot tell you whether we can reduce or increase the quota for polar bear, Mr. Speaker. Thank you.

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

Mr. Savikataaq: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. In the 2014-17 Business Plan of the Department of Environment, the department indicated that one of its priorities for the 2014-15 fiscal year was to "Finalize and begin [the] implementation [of] a polar bear management plan for Nunavut." Can the minister indicate if this management plan has been finalized and, if so, what specific actions has his department taken to implement this plan to date? Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Hon. Johnny Mike (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Yes, there is a Nunavut polar bear management plan. The member was asking about the finalized legislation and the beginning of implementation within the new fiscal year. In January, we want to submit a document to the Nunavut Wildlife Management Board on this issue on the new polar bear management system. It is

currently being worked on in trying to complete the document and that is what I can divulge at this time. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Oral Questions. Member for Aivilik, Mr. Mapsalak.

Question 198 – 4(2): Laboratory Service Contracts

Mr. Mapsalak (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would like to direct my question to the Minister of Health, which is the same line of questioning as my colleague from Gjoa Haven.

(interpretation ends) Mr. Speaker, Nunavut communities are small and the ability to deliver specialized services is limited. In order to protect our health, we need to contract specialized services, such as laboratory services, to test blood samples from medical tests or to test food samples to make sure that certain country foods are safe to eat.

Contracts for these types of services were established for many years and the system worked well. Samples would be tested efficiently and results would come back in a timely manner, but this has changed. Can the minister explain why her department changed the contract for laboratory services so that the blood samples and other medical samples from my constituency are no longer sent directly to Manitoba, but are now sent all the way to Ontario? Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. (interpretation ends) Minister of Health, Hon. Minister Ms. Ell.

Hon. Monica Ell (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. (interpretation ends) The increasing capacity in the Kitikmeot regional laboratory will improve results processing time and reduce dependency on the out-of-territory lab services, but at the present time, samples that cannot be processed in the region are being shipped to the lab in Ottawa from the Kitikmeot via Yellowknife and Iqaluit currently. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Mr. Mapsalak (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The question I asked was on behalf of one of my constituents in the Kivalliq region. They stated that changes happened when the contract for shipping samples was reviewed in relation to blood samples for testing. Why aren't these samples being sent to Manitoba? Why are these samples being sent out to Ontario now? Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. (interpretation ends) Minister of Health, Hon. Minister Ms. Ell.

Hon. Monica Ell (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The past practice of shipping samples from here, from the Kitikmeot to Ottawa, used to go through Edmonton. With respect to Winnipeg, I don't have any background information on it and how much was used for that. I apologize for my lack of information, but I will have it researched so that I can respond at a later date.

At this current time, what we have been informed of is if there are continual delays in sending samples, the departmental headquarters here in Iqaluit

is also reviewing the system to see if blood sampling tests can be done internally. They want to start dealing with this issue. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Mr. Mapsalak (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Due to my small stature, my view is sometimes blocked and I can't see you.

Mr. Speaker, part of my earlier question related to meat that requires testing for diseases and our past practice was to have it sent to Rankin Inlet from our region. Practically, by the next day, the results would be sent back. As an example, walrus can suffer from trichinosis and they had to be tested for this and other parasitic diseases. When we sent out samples for testing, we usually got the results the very next day.

With the closure of the laboratory in Rankin Inlet, we had to send our samples to Fort Chimo or Kuujjuaq in Northern Quebec. With that change, we don't hear about the results for quite a long period. Is there any way we can reopen the laboratory to have the testing done in Rankin Inlet? Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. (interpretation ends) Minister of Health, Hon. Minister Ms. Ell.

Hon. Monica Ell (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. In my earlier response, I wasn't referring to meat testing and I want the audience to understand that point. I was talking about human blood samples only. I don't have any information on the issue the

member just asked about. Perhaps the member can redirect his question to the Minister of Environment. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Oral Questions. Member for Sanikiluaq, Mr. Rumbolt.

Question 199 – 4(2): Southern Hudson Bay Polar Bear Management

Mr. Rumbolt: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Good afternoon to the people of Sanikiluaq. Earlier, my colleague rose to ask questions concerning increasing quotas, but I'm going to ask questions to the Minister of Environment concerning the reduction of quotas.

Mr. Speaker, earlier this month, Environment Canada announced that a new agreement had been reached concerning the management and conservation of the southern Hudson Bay polar bear subpopulation.

Sanikiluaq's hunters and trappers organization was represented at the recent meeting which reached this agreement, as was the Government of Nunavut's Department of Environment, as well as NTI and a number of other stakeholders.

Mr. Speaker, the boundaries of this population include areas of Ontario and Quebec. Although the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources was represented at the meeting, the Government of Quebec was not present.

Can the minister confirm whether or not the Government of Quebec has endorsed the new agreement and have they indicated how the agreement will be

enforced in the Quebec region? Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Hon. Johnny Mike (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Yes, this was a difficult issue to deal with. Most definitely, in dealing with expediting the issue of quotas in southern Hudson Bay, I mentioned that it was difficult. It was difficult to deal with representatives of Makivik and Ontario, and we worked with NTI officials. I'm sure that it was a source of discouragement to people who are working to resolve issues like this.

In Nunavut, the Canadian government and the world wildlife groups have always seen the Government of Nunavut as the most compliant in terms of setting up of quotas and so on. However, governments outside of Nunavut don't necessarily work in that manner.

There was a change in the quota system in southern Hudson Bay. The number of quota was decreased in that region. In some ways, we were happy that we were able to have compliance. However, to others, it was a source of unhappiness.

I know that in regard to the Government of Quebec, the Canadian government, and me as the minister for the GN, by discussion, we want to search for ways in which the Government of Quebec can participate. In my case, I am the newest minister in dealing with this compared to the others who are veterans. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Mr. Rumbolt: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. From what I gather from his answer, I don't think the Quebec government has endorsed this agreement.

Moving on, the new agreement has resulted in Sanikiluaq's annual polar bear take being reduced from 25 to 20. As the minister is aware, his department's fur price program purchases pelts directly from hunters and is a significant source of income for the community and my constituents.

Mr. Speaker, when a moratorium on harvesting polar bears in the McClintock Channel was announced in 2001, the government announced the creation of a "special economic initiative fund that will allow the three effected communities to develop and implement the economic strategies that would lessen the expected loss of income and work arising from the moratorium."

Can the minister indicate what actions his department will be taking to help Sanikiluaq's hunters and the community's HTO to address the loss of income that will result from the reduction in the southern Hudson Bay quota? Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Hon. Johnny Mike (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. (interpretation ends) On issues like in southern Hudson Bay, we had a conservation issue. There was no economic issue on that one. Therefore, this government cannot compensate for a reasonable conservation issue. (interpretation) It is for this reason that this compensation

cannot be because of the need to conserve the polar bear population in that region. Therefore, the policy that we have adopted in that area is that way because of that. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Mr. Rumbolt: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The announcement of the new southern Hudson Bay polar bear management agreement indicated that it will take effect in November of 2014 and will continue to November of 2016, at which point it will be reviewed. Can the minister describe what support will be provided to assist Sanikiluaq's HTO in meeting its implementation and monitoring commitments under this new agreement? Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Hon. Johnny Mike (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. In relation to his question as to how they could be assisted for the loss of extra quota, these things are not new. In this fiscal year, there are two things that will be instituted next month as part of the agreement because the Government of Nunavut said that the same system that is used across Nunavut in terms of setting quotas of polar bears will now be instituted in that region. We are reviewing to see how they could be done in relation to Sanikiluaq.

I could only say the same thing now. If people don't just kill polar bears out of season, then their quotas could remain the same. If they happen to kill off their quota for any reason, then their numbers

would decrease. That's all I could tell him. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Oral Questions. Member for Iqaluit-Niaqunngu, Ms. Angnakak.

Question 200 – 4(2): When Foster Children Become Adults

Ms. Angnakak: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would like to direct my question to the Minister of Family Services.

Mr. Speaker, as we are all well aware, far too many of Nunavut's children end up in foster care. In some cases, children are in foster care for so long that they reach the age of 19 while they are still in care. Some of these children have no idea how to begin living as independent adults while others still have challenges as a result of their turbulent childhoods.

Can the minister clearly explain what kinds of resources and supports are available to foster families to assist them in helping their foster children take the next steps into adulthood? Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. (interpretation ends) Minister of Family Services, Hon. Minister Ms. Ugyuk.

Hon. Jeannie Ugyuk (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Thank you to my colleague for asking that question. Before I respond to that, I say "good day" to people in my community. I sometimes forget to do that.

Also, one of my colleagues and I were recognizing the new foster parents and my colleague was there. There were

interested prospective foster parents that were present, so we are very glad about that. The foster parents welcome strange children into their homes.

Mr. Speaker, in regard to Bill 51, it is a new bill and it has been changed recently and being implemented by the Department of Family Services. It means that the foster children up to the age of 16 years old can be taken care of. If they need further care at that point, they can sign an agreement for extended care up to six more years. That is how I can respond to that. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Ms. Angnakak: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I thank the member for her answer. I was probably looking more for a list of resources and support, but I'm going to go on to my next question.

Mr. Speaker, it seems that there is great potential for clients of Family Services to fall through the cracks when they go from being a child and ward of the state to becoming an adult. Can the minister clarify what steps her department takes to ensure that clients are helped through this transition? Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. (interpretation ends) Minister of Family Services, Hon. Minister Ms. Ugyuk

Hon. Jeannie Ugyuk (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I thank my colleague for asking that question. With respect to social services provided to the children under foster care and under the age of 20, they can make an (interpretation ends) extended service

agreement (interpretation) while under foster care. Under such agreements, the youth would receive assistance where required and be provided with housing until such time as they're able to live independently. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Ms. Angnakak: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I thank the minister for her answer. I am glad that she made reference to the extended agreements because my next question is that in May of 2013, the *Child and Family Services Act* was amended to provide for support agreements for youth up to age 26. Can the minister clarify how section 6 of the Act, which states that "the Director may enter into an agreement with a third party for the provision of services to a youth" and that this agreement "may be extended...until he or she attains the age of 26" is applied to foster families in Nunavut? Thank you, Mr. Speaker

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. (interpretation ends) Minister of Family Services, Hon. Minister Ms. Ugyuk.

Hon. Jeannie Ugyuk (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I also thank my colleague for requesting clarification on this program. It is a new program my colleague asked about in her third question and she wanted to understand the meaning behind it. I can't respond at this current time. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Question 201 – 4(2): ASIST Training

Mr. Joanasie (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would like to direct my questions to the Minister of Health.

Mr. Speaker, we recently heard that the Department of Family Services staff, namely, community social service workers, are not required to take Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training (ASIST) as part of their mandatory training that they need to be certified as social workers.

As I understand it, the Minister of Health's department is the lead on providing ASIST training wherever needed. Can the minister tell us which occupations across all of the government departments currently take the ASIST training? Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. (interpretation ends) Minister of Health, Hon. Minister Ms. Ell.

Hon. Monica Ell (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I also thank you for raising that issue in your question. To clarify the matter, the Department of Health has the mandate to deal with (interpretation ends) suicide prevention and action strategy. (interpretation) The strategy has eight parts and we discussed them this past July. It was extended for another year to March 2015. This is currently under review and this is one of the items being reviewed.

The action plan my colleague asked about is called the ASIST program offered through Nunavut Arctic College and they run the program. We do provide funding assistance and we also negotiate with them on the amounts, but

if the member wants more details, he would have to ask the person who has that information. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Mr. Joanasie (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I will check into the plan that she was talking about. However, I would like to ask the minister if she can tell us how many government staff currently hold certificates in ASIST. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. (interpretation ends) Minister of Health, Hon. Minister Ms. Ell.

Hon. Monica Ell: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The ASIST training is done through Nunavut Arctic College. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Mr. Joanasie (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Does the minister not know? Is that why she's responding to me that way? I'll move on to another question.

Can the minister tell us what steps are being taken to ensure that government service providers, who deal with members of the public who may be at risk of suicide, are equipped with the necessary training for suicide prevention and intervention? Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. (interpretation ends) Minister of Health, Hon. Minister Ms. Ell.

Hon. Monica Ell (interpretation): Indeed, Mr. Speaker, this isn't part of my portfolio and I have no information about the programs that are offered by Nunavut Arctic College, and I regret that I cannot provide a response.

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

Question 202 – 4(2): Medical Travel Policy for Escorts

Mr. Sammurtok (interpretation): Good day, fellow residents of Rankin Inlet. (interpretation ends) Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would like to direct my question to the Minister of Health.

Mr. Speaker, I appreciate that the Department of Health's Medical Travel Policy was changed just over a year ago and it may take some time to evaluate the effectiveness of the new policy. However, I have been advised of more than one situation where a medical client travelled with an escort to the south and after their treatment, the client was booked to come home, but no booking was made for the escort. There seems to be some confusion as to which office will ensure that escorts' return travel is taken care of.

Can the minister clarify what process is generally followed to ensure that escorts are booked to travel home at the same time that the medical client they are escorting is booked to travel home? Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. (interpretation ends) Minister of Health, Hon. Minister Ms. Ell.

Hon. Monica Ell (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I also thank my colleague. This is the first I have heard about a client and escort not travelling together related to medical travel. I will ask my officials to look into this carefully, as the policy states that they are to travel together once the patient completes their medical treatment. The escort is supposed to travel with the client and that is the usual practice.

Sometimes escorts are changed, especially if an escort has spent a long period and a relief escort is identified. That is part of our practice. It can also occur if the patient no longer requires an escort and they can be sent home if the escort is no longer required or if the patient has recovered sufficiently. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Mr. Sammurtok: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. (interpretation) She responded to part of the question, (interpretation ends) but I'm going to go forward.

Mr. Speaker, I understand that mistakes can happen. However, when the same mistake happens to more than one client, it seems that there is a bigger problem. Can the minister provide a clear explanation of what communication process medical clients and their escorts should follow when there are problems with their travel? Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. (interpretation ends) Minister of Health, Hon. Minister Ms. Ell.

Hon. Monica Ell (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I thank my colleague as well. When medical travel patients anywhere in Nunavut are having their travel set up, they are provided with a sheet of paper that includes phone numbers to call if they require assistance. It also includes information where they can submit their complaints. We do provide information if the patient wishes to speak to the (interpretation ends) Patient Relations Office. (interpretation) Anyone can call this office to submit their complaints or if they want more information. That is how this system has been set up. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Mr. Sammurtok (interpretation): Yes, this process was used for submitting the (interpretation ends) complaint form.

I am confident that it is not only residents from the community of Rankin Inlet who are experiencing problems with the medical client travel policy. Will the minister commit to looking into this issue and reporting back to the House on her findings? Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. (interpretation ends) Minister of Health, Hon. Minister Ms. Ell.

Hon. Monica Ell: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I thank the member for that question. Mr. Speaker, I did commit to

reviewing the Medical Travel Policy in this House several times. It had become in effect on June 27, 2013. We are almost completed, as we promised that we would do it by the fall of 2014. It should be completed by the end of the year and we should have results in the beginning of the new year. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Question 203 – 4(2): Fire Prevention Strategy for Nunavut

Mr. Hickes: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I had some other questions prepared for today, but in light of my colleague Mr. Shooyook's Member's Statement today in the tabling of the annual report from the Office of the Fire Marshal, I thought I would bump it up in the elevation process. I have a question for the Minister responsible for Community and Government Services.

Mr. Speaker, in the annual report from the Office of the Fire Marshal, it talks about a program, and I'm quoting from it, "a program to provide fire departments with funding to assist them with the delivery of fire prevention programs in the respective communities has been developed and will be rolled out early in 2014." What is the status of that program? Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Hon. Tom Sammurtok: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. We have provided some

information to the local fire departments throughout Nunavut and we have asked them to either have a local training event or go to the schools and talk to the students on fire safety. That's what our local fire departments are doing at this time. (interpretation) Thank you.

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

Mr. Hickes: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I noted with some interest that there have been over \$4 million in losses to infrastructure across Nunavut in the year 2013. The minister responsible just stated that there are some programs being developed for community presentation with schools or community events.

I just wanted to maybe get some further clarification on what type of educational programs are going to be provided in all communities across Nunavut to educate not just youth in our schools and not just in our schools but younger youth and adults. There's a very big mix of the causes of a lot of these fires across the territory. Maybe the minister could give me a little bit more detail on some of the educational programming that's going to be involved. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Hon. Tom Sammurtok: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. One of the ways that we're planning to do this, and we are doing it in some communities already, is that we partner up with the local housing associations so that they too can assist us

in providing fire safety information to the tenants. Thank you.

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

Mr. Hickes: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. In the report, I noticed with very serious interest that there were 14 injuries or deaths listed in the report, 2 injuries being very serious and including 1 death. As my colleague, Mr. Shooyook mentioned earlier, two very small children were responsible for starting a fire in his community and thank goodness they got out.

Mr. Speaker, I do appreciate the information that the minister is providing on some the programs that are going to be rolled out at the community level, but I think what I'm looking for is more information and more public involvement from the Office of the Fire Marshal on a Nunavut-wide campaign to educate all Nunavummiut in all of our communities.

I would like a commitment on the minister's part to further programming, not just leaving it up to the responsibility of the individual communities, but to have a Nunavut-wide campaign strategy. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Hon. Tom Sammurtok (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. (interpretation ends) I'm not sure whether the member is aware. However, over the last several months, we've had firefighter training events here in Iqaluit. In my Minister's

Statement earlier, I spoke about the firefighters also taking part in a competition nationally.

What we have asked firefighters who have come in for training, and there will be further training events taking place, is when they go back into their communities, is that they meet with local organizations and people in town to pass on the skills that they have learned with respect to fire prevention. Thank you.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Oral Questions. Member from Aivilik, Mr. Mapsalak.

Question 204 – 4(2): Laboratory Service Contracts

Mr. Mapsalak (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I wish to first apologize for directing my questions to the wrong minister. That was my mistake.

I would like to direct my question to the Minister of Environment. This is with respect to my earlier question about certain sample testing for animals harvested by our hunters. An example I could use is walrus meat, including other marine mammals in Nunavut where the meat is tested for parasites or diseases.

The past practice was to send the meat to Rankin Inlet for testing. However, the laboratory was closed and shut down. Can the minister provide a response as to what the reasons were for closing that laboratory in Rankin Inlet? Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Hon. Johnny Mike (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I also thank my colleague for raising that issue. These are marine mammals under the federal government. The walrus testing laboratory closure is something I can ask the Department of Fisheries and Oceans about to find out the reasons for that office being closed in Rankin Inlet. Any marine species requiring testing are usually undertaken by the Department of Fisheries and Oceans. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Mr. Mapsalak (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Can the minister commit to trying to get that laboratory returned to Rankin Inlet? It is obvious that the office is still located in the community where the laboratory was used in Rankin Inlet. Will the minister be attempting to have the laboratory returned to the community? Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Hon. Johnny Mike (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I will have to do research on that, as this is the first time I have heard of the laboratory being removed from Rankin Inlet, but I will get information from my staff members and find out as to what reason it has been removed from Rankin Inlet. Thank you.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Oral Questions. Member for Iqaluit-Niaqunngu, Ms. Angnakak.

Question 205 – 4(2): Departmental Grants and Contributions Spending

Ms. Angnakak (interpretation): Thank you. (interpretation ends) Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I got in just in time.

My questions are for the Minister of Economic Development and Transportation.

As the minister is aware, his department provides annual funding to the Nunavut Economic Developers Association (NEDA). NEDA is an “advocacy group for economic developers,” which undertakes such initiatives as training community economic development officers.

The amount of funding that the GN currently provides to NEDA is \$225,000. I am confident that the minister will agree that it is important that the Members of the Legislative Assembly have the opportunity to see how this funding is actually being spent.

Will the minister commit to tabling in the Legislative Assembly NEDA’s most recent annual report and financial statements before the end of our fall sitting? Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. (interpretation ends) Minister of Economic Development and Transportation, Hon. Minister Mr. Kuksuk.

Hon. George Kuksuk: Thank you, *Uqaqtitsijii*. (interpretation) Thank you very much. Mr. Speaker, what I can tell the member is that if the information is readily available, I can commit to

providing that information prior to the end of the fiscal year. (interpretation ends) I would be very glad to share it in the House. Thank you.

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

Ms. Angnakak: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Thank you for that commitment. The Commissioner of Nunavut’s Throne Speech that opened the current session of the Legislative Assembly stated that the government “must ensure funds provided to organizations, communities, and individuals adhere to better accountability practices that achieve the outcomes this government expects from its investment.”

The Department of ED&T’s current budget includes over \$21 million in grants and contributions. Can the minister indicate how his department is working to ensure that it gets value for money from the funding that it provides to such organizations as NEDA? Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. (interpretation ends) Minister of Economic Development and Transportation, Hon. Minister Mr. Kuksuk.

Hon. George Kuksuk (interpretation): Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. As I have made a statement at the beginning of the fiscal year under our department, the programs as stated by the member, we have provided the information on different types of programs we offer, what needs to be feasibly changed, what is a difficult situation, and we have

commented on the programs that are working under our department. Following the statements that I have made, if programs are not efficiently operating, then we would need to make changes and what needs to be removed from the program because of a lack of operations. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Ms. Angnakak: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I thank the member for his comment, but I think, from what he says, it indicates to me that perhaps, they don't have a system in place to ensure that the funds are actually being spent where they should be. I look forward to you tabling the most current annual report of NEDA before this current sitting is completed.

My last question, as I noted earlier, the Department of ED&T is currently providing \$225,000 per year to NEDA in annual funding. Is the minister aware of how much of this funding is being used to deliver programs to community economic development officers and how much of this funding is being used for administrative and overhead costs? Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. (interpretation ends) Minister of Economic Development and Transportation, Hon. Minister Mr. Kuksuk.

Hon. George Kuksuk (interpretation): Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. I totally understand the gist of the member's question and her question regarding which funds are used for

which area, and whether it is for operational issues or for other administrative costs or for delivering our departmental programs.

Mr. Speaker, what I can tell the member is although I don't have the exact figures in front of me, I will be able to provide that information at a later date once all of the pertinent information has been gathered. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. (interpretation ends) Members will note that the time for question period has expired and we will proceed to Item 7. Item 7. Written Questions. Item 8. Returns to Written Questions. 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. Item 14. Notices of Motions. Item 15. Notices of Motions for First Reading of Bills. Item 16. Motions. Item 17. First Reading of Bills. Member for Iqaluit-Niaqunngu, Ms. Angnakak.

Item 17: First Reading of Bills

Bill 10 – An Act to Provide for an Assistant Chief Electoral Officer – First Reading

Ms. Angnakak: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I move, seconded by the hon. member from Cambridge Bay, that Bill 10, *An Act to Provide for an Assistant Chief Electoral Officer*, 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. Opposed. The

motion is carried. Bill 10 has had first reading.

First Reading of Bills. Hon. Minister of Finance, Mr. Peterson.

**Bill 04 – Supplementary
Appropriation (Operations &
Maintenance) Act, No. 4, 2013-
2014 – First Reading**

Hon. Keith Peterson: Mr. Speaker, I move, seconded by the Hon. Member for Pangnirtung, that Bill 4, *Supplementary Appropriation (Operations and Maintenance) Act, No. 4, 2013-2014*, 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. Opposed. The motion is carried and Bill 4 has received first reading.

First Reading of Bills. Hon. Minister of Finance, Mr. Peterson.

**Bill 05 – Write-off of Assets Act, 2013-
2014 – First Reading**

Hon. Keith Peterson: Mr. Speaker, I move, seconded by the Hon. Member for Pangnirtung, that Bill 5, *Write-off of Assets Act, 2013-2014*, be read for the first time. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker: The motion is in order. All those in favour. Opposed. The motion is carried and Bill 5 has received first reading.

First Reading of Bills. Hon. Minister of Finance, Mr. Peterson.

**Bill 06 – Supplementary
Appropriation (Capital) Act, No.
2, 2014-2015 – First Reading**

Hon. Keith Peterson: Mr. Speaker, I move, seconded by the Hon. Member for Pangnirtung, that Bill 6, *Supplementary Appropriation (Capital) Act, No. 2, 2014-2015*, be read for the first time. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker: The motion is in order. All those in favour. Opposed. The motion is carried and Bill 6 has received first reading.

First Reading of Bills. Hon. Minister of Finance, Mr. Peterson.

**Bill 07 – Supplementary
Appropriation (Operations &
Maintenance) Act, No. 1, 2014-
2015 – First Reading**

Hon. Keith Peterson: Mr. Speaker, I move, seconded by the Hon. Member for Pangnirtung, that Bill 7, *Supplementary Appropriation (Operations and Maintenance) Act, No. 1, 2014-2015*, 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. Opposed. The motion is carried and Bill 7 has received first reading.

First Reading of Bills. Hon. Minister of Finance, Mr. Peterson.

**Bill 09 – Supplementary
Appropriation (Capital) Act, No.
5, 2013-2014 – First Reading**

Hon. Keith Peterson: Mr. Speaker, I move, seconded by the Hon. Member for Pangnirtung, that Bill 9, *Supplementary Appropriation (Capital) Act, No. 5, 2013-2014*, 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. Opposed. The motion is carried and Bill 9 has received first reading.

First Reading of Bills. Item 18. Second Reading of Bills. (interpretation) Member for Iqaluit-Niaqunngu, Ms. Angnakak.

Item 18: Second Reading of Bills

Ms. Angnakak: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Pursuant to Rule 62(2), I request the consent of this House to waive the one-day notice requirement to allow for the second reading of Bill 10, *An Act to Provide for an Assistant Chief Electoral Officer*. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. (interpretation ends) The member is seeking consent to waive the 24-hour waiting period so that Bill 10 can be read today for the second time. Do members agree?

Some Members: Agreed.

Speaker: There is agreement. Please proceed.

Bill 10 – An Act to Provide for an Assistant Chief Electoral Officer – Second Reading

Ms. Angnakak: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I move, seconded by the Hon. Member of Cambridge Bay, that Bill 10, *An Act to Provide for an Assistant Chief Electoral Officer*, be read for the third time...second time. Excuse me. Thank you, Mr. Chairman...or Mr. Speaker.

>>*Laughter*

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. (interpretation ends) The motion is in order. To the principle of the bill. All those in favour. Opposed. The motion is carried and Bill 10, as it is a House Bill, is referred to the Committee of the Whole.

Item 19. Consideration in Committee of the Whole [of Bills] and Other Matters. Bill 8 and Bill 10 with Mr. Enook in the Chair.

Before we proceed to the Committee of the Whole, we will take a 20-minute break.

I ask all members to proceed to the Members' Lounge for a brief meeting.

(interpretation) Sergeant-at-Arms.

>>*House recessed at 15:24 and Committee resumed at 15:43*

Item 19: Consideration in Committee of the Whole of Bills and Other Matters

Chairman (Mr. Enook)(interpretation): Good afternoon, my colleagues. Good afternoon, Nunavummiut who are listening on the radio and watching the televised proceedings. Welcome to your Committee of the Whole. In Committee of the Whole, we have the following

item to deal with: Bills 8 and 10. What is the wish of the committee? Mr. Rumbolt.

Mr. Rumbolt: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. We wish to commence with the review of Bill 10 and once completed, we will report progress for the day. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

Chairman (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Rumbolt. Does the committee agree that we first deal with and only deal with Bill 10 today?

Some Members: Agreed.

Bill 10 – An Act to Provide for an Assistant Chief Electoral Officer – Consideration in Committee

Chairman (interpretation): Thank you. I would like to welcome Speaker Qulaut to the witness table. As we proceed, do you have any witnesses that you would like to bring to the table? Speaker Qulaut.

Speaker (interpretation): Yes, I have witnesses that I would like to bring to the table.

Chairman (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Does the committee agree to bring in the witnesses?

Some Members: Agreed.

Chairman (interpretation): Thank you. Sergeant-at-Arms, please escort the witnesses in.

Thank you, Sergeant-at-Arms. Speaker Qulaut, for the record, please introduce your witnesses. Speaker Qulaut.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. I thank you for welcoming me to the witness table. To my right is Sandy Kusugak, (interpretation ends) Chief Electoral Officer, and to my left is Mr. Patrick Orr, Legal Counsel. (interpretation) Those are my witnesses.

Chairman (interpretation): Thank you, Speaker Qulaut. Welcome to the House, Ms. Kusugak and Mr. Orr. We can now proceed with our review and I would firstly like to give you an opportunity to make your opening comments, Mr. Speaker. Speaker Qulaut, you now have the floor.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. (interpretation ends) I am pleased to have the opportunity to appear today before the Committee of the Whole on the occasion of its consideration of Bill 10, *An Act to Provide for an Assistant Chief Electoral Officer*.

The proposed legislation that is before the House today will serve to strengthen Elections Nunavut's operational capacity. As members will recall, Bill 1, *An Act to Provide for a Fixed Election Date*, was considered and passed by the Legislative Assembly earlier this year. Although the next territorial general election will not be held until October of 2017, Elections Nunavut has a significant number of ongoing responsibilities, including:

- Administering by-elections to the Legislative Assembly in the event of a vacancy arising in the Legislative Assembly. It should be noted that a total of seven by-elections were held during the first, second, and third legislatures to fill vacancies in the House.

- Administering local option votes held under the *Liquor Act*. It should be noted that approximately 30 local option votes have been held in Nunavut under the *Liquor Act* since April 1, 1999.
- Administering plebiscites held under the new *Plebiscites Act*, which came into force on January 1, 2014. In February of 2014, Full Caucus announced that a territory-wide plebiscite concerning the alienation of municipal lands will be held in 2016.
- Providing ongoing support and cooperation to other entities administering elections in Nunavut; and
- Undertaking ongoing initiatives related to election readiness and voter education.

Mr. Chairman, that concludes my opening comments. I look forward to responding to any comments or questions that my colleagues may have. (interpretation) Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

Chairman (interpretation): Thank you, Speaker Qulaut. Are there any general comments on the opening comments? If there are no general comments, please refer to Bill 10 in your white legislation binder.

I'm sure everyone now has a copy of Bill 10. There are no general comments. We will now do the clause-by-clause review of the bill. Let me read it. Bill 10, *An Act to Provide for an Assistant Chief Electoral Officer*. Clause 1. Do you agree?

Some Members: Agreed.

Chairman (interpretation): Thank you. Turn the page. Clause 2. Do you agree?

Some Members: Agreed.

Chairman (interpretation): Thank you. Do members agree to Bill 10 as a whole?

Some Members: Agreed.

Chairman (interpretation): Thank you. Members, pursuant to Rule 62(2), does the committee agree that Bill 10 can now immediately be placed on the orders of the day for third reading?

Some Members: Agreed.

Chairman (interpretation): Thank you. Speaker Qulaut, we have completed the review. If you have any closing remarks, please proceed. Speaker Qulaut.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. I would like to thank my officials and each and every one of you for not asking questions. Thank you, everyone, for passing this bill.

Chairman (interpretation): Thank you, Speaker Qulaut. As we proceed, Sergeant-at-Arms, if you can escort the officials out.

Thank you, Sergeant-at-Arms. At this time, I would like to recognize Mr. Rumbolt.

Mr. Rumbolt: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I would like to make a motion to report progress at this time. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

Chairman (interpretation): Thank you. There is a motion on the floor to report progress and the motion is not debatable. All those in favour of the motion. Thank you. Opposed. Thank you. I will now rise to report progress to the Speaker.

Speaker: Item 20. Report of the Committee of the Whole. Mr. Enook.

Item 20: Report of the Committee of the Whole

Mr. Enook (interpretation): Mr. Speaker, your committee has been considering Bill 10 and would like to report that Bill 10 is immediately ready for third reading. Also, Mr. Speaker, I move that the Report of the Committee of the Whole be concurred with. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. (interpretation ends) The motion is in order. All those in favour. (interpretation) I'm sorry. (interpretation ends) Is there a seconder?

>> *Laughter*

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

Item 21. Third Reading of Bills. (interpretation) Member for Iqaluit-Niaqunngu, Ms. Angnakak.

Item 21: Third Reading of Bills

Bill 10 – An Act to Provide for an Assistant Chief Electoral Officer – Third Reading

Ms. Angnakak (interpretation): I'll finally say it properly.

(interpretation ends) Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I move, seconded by the Hon. Member of Cambridge Bay, that Bill 10, *An Act to Provide for an Assistant Chief Electoral Officer*, be read for the third 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. None. The motion is carried and Bill 10 is ready for assent.

Orders of the Day. Mr. Clerk.

Item 22: Orders of the Day

Clerk (Mr. Quirke): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. There's a meeting of the Full Caucus in the Nanuq Boardroom at 4:15 this afternoon.

Orders of the Day for October 24:

1. Prayer
2. Ministers' Statements
3. Members' Statements
4. Returns to Oral Questions
5. Recognition of Visitors in the Gallery
6. Oral Questions
7. Written Questions
8. Returns to Written Questions
9. Replies to Opening Address
10. Petitions
11. Responses to Petitions

12. Reports of Standing and Special
Committees on Bills and Other
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 - Bill 4
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 - Bill 7
 - Bill 9
19. Consideration in Committee of
the Whole of Bills and Other
Matters
 - Bill 8
20. Report of the Committee of the
Whole
21. Third Reading of Bills
22. Orders of the Day

Thank you.

Speaker: This House stands adjourned
until Friday, October 24, at 9:00 a.m.

(interpretation) Sergeant-at-Arms.

>>*House adjourned at 15:59*

