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**Iqaluit, Nunavut
Tuesday, October 18, 2016**

Members Present:

Mr. Tony Akoak, Ms. Pat Angnakak, Hon. Monica Ell-Kanayuk, Mr. Joe Enook, Mr. David Joanase, Mr. Pauloosie Keyootak, Hon. George Kuksuk, 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 13:30

Item 1: Opening Prayer

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

>>Prayer

Speaker's Statement

Speaker (interpretation): Good afternoon. I would like to welcome everyone back to the House. I am pleased to welcome everyone back to the House for the fall sitting of the Legislative Assembly. I also welcome my fellow Nunavummiut who are following our proceedings on television and radio.

(interpretation ends) I wish to take this opportunity to mark the recent passing of Mr. Bryan Pearson, whose memorial service was held yesterday.

Bryan Pearson was a former Member of the Council of the Northwest Territories, a former mayor of this community, and a

well-respected businessperson and community leader for over half a century.

I now wish to read the following message that I have received from the Commissioner of Nunavut:

Money Message

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 20, *Supplementary Appropriation (Operations and Maintenance) Act, No. 3, 2015-2016*;
- Bill 22, *Supplementary Appropriation (Capital) Act, No. 3, 2016-2017*;
- Bill 23, *Supplementary Appropriation (Operations and Maintenance) Act, No. 2, 2016-2017*; and
- Bill 24, *Appropriation (Capital) Act, 2017-2018*.

Sincerely, Hon. Nellie Kusugak, Order of Nunavut, Commissioner of Nunavut.

(interpretation) Going back to the orders of the day. Item 2. Ministers' Statements. (interpretation ends) Hon. Government House Leader, Mr. Quassa.

Item 2: Ministers' Statements

**Minister's Statement 147 – 4(3):
Minister Absent from the House**

Hon. Paul Quassa (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Thank you to my colleagues who are here. I wish a good day to the residents of my community of Igloolik.

Mr. Speaker, I wish to advise my colleagues that Minister George Hickey will be absent from the House today. The minister is attending the FPT Health Ministers' Meeting in Toronto, Ontario. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

**Minister's Statement 148 – 4(3):
Wildlife Damage Prevention and
Compensation Programs**

Hon. Joe Savikataaq: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I am glad to see everyone back here.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to inform the House that the department is continuing to support Nunavummiut through our wildlife damage prevention and wildlife compensation programs.

The Wildlife Damage Prevention Program provides opportunities for Nunavut residents and non-profit community groups to apply for funding in order to reduce the risk of wildlife damage to personal property. This funding can be used to help reinforce structures against wildlife or for preventative measures, such as bear-proof storage containers and electric fencing.

The purpose of the Wildlife Damage Compensation Program is to assist Nunavummiut who, despite all efforts to prevent damage, have experienced damage to their personal property caused by wildlife. Financial support can be obtained to help replace or fix things such as cabins or tents and other stuff that have been damaged by wildlife.

Members of my department will continue to promote these programs and provide financial support to Nunavummiut. Those who want to learn more about the program can contact their local conservation officer, who will be able to provide further details and assistance in applying for funding. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

>> *Applause*

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

**Minister's Statement 149 – 4(3):
Public Consultation on Proposed
Amendments to the Education Act**

Hon. Paul Quassa (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. As Members of the House may recall, over the spring and summer my department held public consultations across Nunavut with stakeholders to discuss proposed legislative amendments to the *Education Act*. These consultations allowed Nunavummiut to express their concerns and provide valuable comments on the proposed changes to the *Education Act*.

Mr. Speaker, following our duty to consult under the *Nunavut Land Claims Agreement*, officials from Nunavut Tunngavik and my department had

ongoing discussions regarding the proposed legislative amendments.

The Special Committee to Review the *Education Act* provided a specific timeline to my department, with the goal of introducing amendments to the *Education Act* within the mandate of this government.

My department held consultations from May 27, 2016 until September 2, 2016. Public meetings were held in Cambridge Bay, Rankin Inlet, Iqaluit, Pond Inlet, Arviat, Kugluktuk, Arctic Bay, Pangnirtung, and Niaqunnguut (Apex).

My department consulted with DEAs regionally and in two phases to allow for greater information exchange. Phase 1 meetings were held in June 2016 in Rankin Inlet, Cambridge Bay, and Iqaluit. Phase 2 meetings were held in August and September 2016 in Arviat, Kugluktuk, and Apex.

My department received written feedback on the amendments from 11 district education authorities, the coalition of district education authorities, the Office of the Languages Commissioner, the Commission scolaire francophone du Nunavut, and four written submissions from Nunavummiut.

Mr. Speaker, this fall we will release a report outlining the feedback we received during the consultations. This feedback will be carefully considered when drafting the proposed amendments.

Public consultation is an essential part of amending the *Education Act* and I wish to express my appreciation for all Nunavummiut who have contributed to

this very important discussion. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

>> *Applause*

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

Minister's Statement 150 – 4(3): 20th Anniversary of the Arctic Council

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

(interpretation ends) Mr. Speaker, I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate the Arctic Council on their 20th anniversary. The Arctic Council celebrated on Thursday, September 29 when Carleton University, Centre for International Governance Innovation and Global Affairs Canada hosted a celebration event in Ottawa.

The Arctic Council is a forum for Arctic states to discuss the balance between environmental protection and sustainable development in our region. The forum promotes cooperation, coordination, and interaction among the Arctic states and Arctic indigenous people on common arctic issues. Their detailed work to promote the environmental, social and economic aspects of sustainable development across the Arctic is invaluable.

Mr. Speaker, the Arctic Council includes ministers from Canada, Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway, the Russian Federation, Sweden, and the United

States. There are also six permanent participants from the Aleut International Association, Arctic Athabaskan Council, Inuit Circumpolar Council, Gwich'in Council International, Russian Association of Indigenous Peoples of the North, and the Saami Council. This is a powerful group representing the interests of our region.

Today the Government of Nunavut participates as part of the Canadian delegation to the Arctic Council. We must continue to enhance and expand territorial and federal collaborations on arctic foreign policy. This is essential to ensure continued success in the work of the Arctic Council. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

>> *Applause*

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

**Minister's Statement 151 – 4(3):
Blueprint for Action on Housing**

Hon. George Kuksuk (interpretation): Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. Good afternoon to my fellow Nunavummiut, residents of Whale Cove and Arviat. I'm happy to see my colleagues back in the House. I hope that we will be working collaboratively.

(interpretation ends) Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I am happy to be tabling the *Blueprint for Action on Housing*, which represents the GN's action plan to address Nunavut's severe housing crisis.

Together with the *GN Long-Term Comprehensive Housing and Homelessness Strategy and Framework*, the blueprint completes the three-part *Igluqatigiilauqta: Let's Build a Home Together* initiative.

Mr. Speaker, Nunavut's disheartening housing crisis continues to take its toll on our territory. It is limiting the health, mental well-being, and education of Nunavummiut. We have all been affected by the crisis in some way. Addressing this crisis is not something anyone here can take on alone. An issue this complex can only be overcome through true collaboration and working together.

Housing affects every GN department in some way. Just as a home does not stand alone, a home is part of a neighbourhood, a community, and the territory, housing as a priority is closely tied with all of the GN's priorities. The blueprint for action is an important step, not just for housing but for all of the GN. This action plan has set a new standard in government cooperation.

Developed through comprehensive engagement sessions with over 100 participants from all GN departments, the blueprint lays out 60 concrete actions to corroboratively address our housing crisis. Mr. Speaker, these actions are targeted at the serious issues limiting housing in Nunavut, including the high costs of housing and land development, a limited local workforce, and the lack of supportive and affordable housing options to meet the varied needs of Nunavummiut.

I am proud to say that the Nunavut Housing Corporation will be leading the

implementation of the *Blueprint for Action on Housing*, and a strong accountability framework has been established to ensure each action is followed through. The GN will be accountable to Nunavummiut for the actions set out in the blueprint and progress on each action will be reported to the Legislative Assembly through the tabling of an annual report on the status of housing.

Mr. Speaker, I look forward to regularly updating my colleagues and all Nunavummiut as we progress to improve the housing situation in Nunavut. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

>>Applause

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Members, ministers, and the (interpretation ends) Premier, (interpretation) I would like to inform you that our Member for Aivilik will be absent from the House today and tomorrow due to flight delays and cancellations.

Going back to the orders of the day. Members' Statements. Member for Quttiktuq, Mr. Isaac Shooyook.

Item 3: Members' Statements

Member's Statement 296 – 4(3): Successful Summer Hunting

Mr. Shooyook (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I am also very glad to see my colleagues in good health today and I am very grateful for the hospitality shown by my colleagues.

I rise today to express my pride in our community for the period between

spring and summer, where residents were quite successful in their hunting trips for the various species Inuit harvest in this season. I take delight and pride that this year was better than last year. The reason why I wish to share in my pride is the fact that our area hosts a large seal population that sustains us and that our narwhal quota was quickly filled as well as the filling of our local fall polar bear quota.

I would like to particularly single out the hunters of our community as they provide country food to Arctic Bay residents facing food insecurity, even to other residents by sharing their catches. This practice is essential to Inuit cultural practices in our community. I want to share with my colleagues the pride I feel in this fall session, as they provide nutritious food to our community voluntarily and I extend our immense appreciation for that. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

>>Applause

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

Member's Statement 297 – 4(3): Tribute to Bryan Pearson

Ms. Angnakak: *Qujannamiik*, Mr. Speaker. (interpretation) Good afternoon.

(interpretation ends) Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to a long-term Iqaluit resident, Mr. Bryan Pearson, who passed away last week after a battle with cancer. Bryan spent his final days here looking out over Frobisher Bay from his home on top of a hill near the Arctic

Winter Games Arena, the hill that the young snowmobilers call “Pearson’s Hill.”

Mr. Speaker, Bryan was a man of passion. He was never shy to express his opinion and very often in ways that only Bryan could get away with. In fact, as I stand here today knowing that Bryan also stood before me as an elected representative and that he delivered many impassioned statements on behalf of this community, this region, and the people of the north, I have to wonder if he was ever ruled out of order for using his typical colourful way of getting his message across.

Mr. Speaker, there isn’t enough time to list Bryan’s many achievements, projects, experiences, and ventures. Over more than half a century, as our community grew from being a small settlement into a town and finally a city, Bryan played many roles: pioneer, politician, entrepreneur, a lover of culture, master of many ceremonies, and gracious host to celebrities and royalty. Indeed, Bryan became an Iqaluit celebrity in his own right.

Mr. Speaker, Bryan was also a man of great compassion. He truly wanted to help better the lives of those around him. His support for the people of this community and others across the north will not be forgotten.

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

Speaker: The member is seeking unanimous consent to conclude her statement. Are there any nays? (interpretation) I didn’t hear any nays. Please proceed, Ms. Angnakak.

Ms. Angnakak: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Thank you to my colleagues.

Mr. Speaker, since Bryan’s passing on October 12, many have shared stories of how they knew him and I am sure there are many more stories yet to be told. The legacy of Mr. Bryan Pearson is certainly a rich and interesting one.

On a personal note, Mr. Pearson was someone that was always genuinely concerned about my parents; he often dropped by to deliver English newspapers or just to see how they were doing. He had that way of giving a personal touch to everyone.

Mr. Speaker, our community and our north would not be what it is today without Bryan Pearson’s immense contributions. I ask my colleagues to join me in honouring his memory. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

>> *Applause*

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

**Member’s Statement 298 – 4(3):
Portable High School in Cape
Dorset**

Mr. Joanasie (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Good afternoon, my colleagues. Furthermore, that was an inspiring statement, Ms. Angnakak, with anecdotal snippets of Mr. Pearson’s life. To all his friends, relatives, and acquaintances, you are in our thoughts during this sorrowful time.

Mr. Speaker, I rise today to share a story relating some good news. Nonetheless, it

was based on an unfortunate incident which all members are aware of. Last year the school in Cape Dorset burnt completely and it created hardships for those involved, with confusion reigning in the community about the next steps.

However, with the passing of a calendar year, new portable classrooms have been installed in Cape Dorset. The classrooms are for the high school students, but they are situated adjacent to the Sam Pudlat Elementary School. There are four portable classrooms for the higher grades and we foresee them being used in that capacity, but there is an office space specific for staff and teachers. This will fill a need there based on my experience, as there are ramifications when education is delayed.

Further, within the past school year our students had to do split shift schooling with the sole school remaining in the community, with elementary students in school for the morning and the higher grades in the afternoon that continued to the evenings. This was an ongoing issue with the students in our community, but now this practice will no longer be required where students have to split their schooling into shifts. Now they will continue in their studies as per past years where the grades were separate.

At this time I wish to take this opportunity to extend my appreciation to those involved, starting with the Department of Education, the Department of Community and Government Services, as well as the Cape Dorset District Education Authority, the parents, teachers, and especially the students for persevering through this difficult period. We have all passed this hurdle to this day.

Further, I wish the students success from this point forward and thank them for their dedication, and I hope they succeed in their classes. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

>> *Applause*

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

**Member's Statement 299 – 4(3):
Tribute to Joanasie Kooneeloosie**

Mr. Keyootak (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I rise today to commemorate a constituent. Although I loathe having to remind the family of his passing, I want to take this opportunity to acknowledge people who have forged a path for us younger generations who have now passed on.

This person I wish to commemorate is the reason why I am rising today. The late Joanasie Kooneeloosie left our community with his passing this spring. This man was quite adept in dealing with the modern world, although he could not speak in English.

He was a true entrepreneur, who knew how to run a business successfully, and he was a bastion of support for our community. He provided assistance to the community through various avenues, such as harvesting and survival techniques, as well as passing on his knowledge to his children and relatives.

He was an invaluable resource to the community, as he also ordered country foods for community events and feasts, and his assistance to the community was immeasurable as he was involved in many facets of the community. He

passed away this spring and the community really felt the loss of this man.

He was instrumental in helping to initiate many initiatives within our community, including the creation of our local co-operative movement, including the ACL formation back in the early days. Furthermore, when our community was transferring to a hamlet status, he was the very first mayor of the community.

This man provided much needed help and due to that reason, I wish to share with my colleagues this acknowledgment of his many accomplishments. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

>> *Applause*

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

**Member's Statement 300 – 4(3):
Tribute to Bryan “Salluq” Pearson**

Mr. Okalik (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker and my colleagues. I, too, wish to supplement what my colleague representing Niaqunnguut referenced in her statement about Salluq.

At the time I didn't know Mr. Pearson personally, but I heard people talking about the store owned by Salluq in Iqaluit. That is when I first heard about the Salluq store and I had no idea they were speaking about an actual person who had been nicknamed “Salluq” by Iqalummiut. That was my first recollection of the name Salluq prior to ever coming to Iqaluit.

Later on in my life, his name cropped up again as he was the first mayor of the community, but this was later on in his mayoral capacity where he spoke about ideas that were unique. Sometimes I concurred with his opinion and I didn't agree other times. Nonetheless, he was adamantly dedicated to increasing the community's governance and that is why he spoke ardently in that capacity. It was quite humorous sometimes to hear his opinions, but he also faced a lot of opposition for expressing them.

He used to pass along stories of his experiences once I got to know him and what his motives were for a particular project or idea. He once told me why the current Road to Nowhere got that name. At the time he was trying to push for a gravel pit with the hopes of the road to be extended just a bit farther. It would have reached the lake that could have accommodated a float plane base, which was one of his original ideas. It never came to fruition, but he recalled why that road was originally built and he had quite the foresight, which he said needed to be the foundation for a community. I was grateful he served in that capacity.

Additionally, when Mr. Pearson established the local theatre here in Iqaluit and one would call to listen to the films arriving via his unique recordings, oftentimes you would listen to his unusual take or reviews repeatedly as it was sometimes fabulously funny, as he would unexpectedly add unusual news items in his reviews. That kind of personal knowledge of the community and unique kind of recordings are sorely missed.

When Mr. Pearson was diagnosed with his illness and starting to suffer the

effects as his body was becoming ravaged, I went to visit him about a month ago where I had a very candid conversation with him. I expressed my appreciation for his ongoing dedication and commitment to the community and for being in the forefront of many initiatives in our community. He took the acknowledgement to heart and expressed his happiness in hearing that tidbit from me.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to ask for 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. Okalik.

Mr. Okalik (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker and my colleagues.

Further, in our conversation I referenced the news popping up throughout Canada. He was aware of my standing as a Liberal, and Mr. Pearson was an ardent Conservative. Nonetheless, I informed him that I really liked the surname Pearson he shared with the previous leader of the Liberals, who was the epitome of a Liberal and a leader in my opinion. He was taken aback, momentarily at a loss for words at that remark.

I was able to have good conversations with Mr. Pearson, without any partisan arguments, as we had a common goal of furthering Iqaluit to being what it could be. I took great satisfaction from our conversations as he never belittled me for having different beliefs and instead tried to provide advice in all avenues.

It is very obvious that Mr. Pearson will leave a large void for those of us who were blessed to have known him and indeed to all of us. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

>> *Applause*

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Members' Statements. Member for Tununig, Mr. Enook.

**Member's Statement 301 – 4(3):
Nutrition North Canada Program**

Mr. Enook (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Good afternoon to the residents of Pond Inlet and our fellow Nunavummiut.

Mr. Speaker, I rise today to speak about the Nutrition North Canada Program and to raise concerns about the public engagement meetings that are currently being held by its advisory board.

Mr. Speaker, as a number of my colleagues will recall, when the Nutrition North Canada Program was first introduced by the federal government five years ago, we invited the advisory board's former chairperson and departmental officials from the federal government to appear at a special televised meeting of the Full Caucus that was held in this Chamber. At that time my colleagues and I raised a number of important concerns and questions. That was half a decade ago, and these concerns and questions remain unresolved.

Mr. Speaker, the federal government has announced that the Nutrition North Canada Advisory Board is holding public engagement meetings in a number

of northern communities. One of these meetings was scheduled to take place in Pond Inlet late last month. However, I was extremely disappointed at what took place. Mr. Speaker, I found the way that the meeting was organized to be chaotic and undisciplined.

As the Member of the Legislative Assembly for Tununiq, I was prepared to address the advisory board in order to welcome its members to the community and to raise concerns for their consideration regarding the Nutrition North Canada Program.

Mr. Speaker, although there are no fewer than half a dozen members of the advisory board, not a single one of them attended the public meeting in Pond Inlet.

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

Speaker (interpretation): The member is seeking unanimous consent to conclude his statement. Are there any nays? I didn't hear any nays. Mr. Enook, please proceed.

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

Mr. Speaker, I found it outrageous and unacceptable that not one member of the advisory board attended the public meeting. That would be like a committee of the House of Commons or this legislature holding a public meeting but only sending consultants and staff. (interpretation ends) Mr. Speaker, quite frankly it calls into question the extent to which the federal government takes the work of the advisory board seriously.

Mr. Speaker, it is important for the advisory board itself to be accountable, and I am disappointed that it has not produced an annual report on its own activities since the 2011-12 time period, almost five years ago.

(interpretation) Mr. Speaker, as we all know, the cost of living in Nunavut is the highest in the country. To take Pond Inlet as an example, recent figures released by our territorial statistics bureau indicate that the cost of a food basket in Pond Inlet jumped by over 5 percent between 2015 and 2016.

In May of 2013 I worked with a number of colleagues who are here today to pass a formal motion that called on the Auditor General of Canada to undertake a performance audit of the Nutrition North Canada Program.

Mr. Speaker, the Auditor General's report contained a significant number of recommendations and concerns, including concerns regarding the extent to which the major retailers are actually passing on the full benefit of the federal subsidy to ordinary people in Pond Inlet and other Nunavut communities.

Mr. Speaker, our Premier has called the Nutrition North Canada Program "flawed and broken."

(interpretation ends) In April of 2016 Food Banks Canada released a study on the issue of food security in the North. This report stated, and I quote, "Nutrition North Canada is a simple subsidy for northern retailers, despite the complicated policies and explanations that have been attached to it. On its own, the subsidy is useful but insufficient to

drastically increase the affordability of food.”

Mr. Speaker, I urge the advisory board and the federal government to carefully consider such issues as the ability of residents to place individual food orders and the need to also address the affordability of essential non-food items, such as diapers and women’s health care products.

In the end it may conclude that although the former Food Mail Program was not perfect, it may have done a better job of achieving the key objective of making food and other essentials affordable for the tens of thousands of Inuit, First Nations, and other Canadians who live in remote regions and communities.

(interpretation) Mr. Speaker, I will be writing directly to the appropriate federal minister and other parliamentarians concerning what I have stated today. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Members’ Statements. Member for Gjoa Haven, Mr. Tony Akoak.

**Member’s Statement 302 – 4(3):
Congratulations to Sammy Kogvik
on the Discovery of HMS Terror**

Mr. Akoak: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Good afternoon, Gjoa Havenmiut.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I rise today to pay tribute to my constituent, Sammy Kogvik, for his key role in solving a mystery that endured for over a century.

Mr. Speaker, the recent discovery of the remains of HMS Terror, the second missing ship from the Franklin

Expedition, would not have been possible without Sammy’s deep knowledge of the area in which the search was taking place.

Mr. Speaker, as you and members will recall, I had the opportunity to pay tribute to another one of my constituents, Louie Kamookak, whose decades of study and knowledge of the Franklin Expedition were highlighted when the HMS Erebus was discovered.

Mr. Speaker, I recognize that there has been some recent controversy associated with the permitting process for the search, but I will leave that topic for another day.

Mr. Speaker, I ask all members to join me in congratulating Sammy Kogvik and Louie Kamookak on their history-making accomplishments. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

>> *Applause*

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

**Member’s Statement 303 – 4(3):
Happy Third Birthday to Child**

Mr. Qirngnuq (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I say “good day” to my fellow residents of Kugaaruk and the people of Taloyoak, my colleagues, our Premier, and cabinet. Good day to you all.

Mr. Speaker, I rise today to share my happiness today in attending the session with my colleagues. The reason for my happiness and for rising is to celebrate my adopted child’s birthday, who just

turned three today. I am celebrating his birthday today and wish him many more in the future.

All of us love our children and celebrate our children's accomplishments due to our affection for them. I adopted my child from my youngest child and he is also the youngest of his children, so I am taking this opportunity to celebrate and share with my colleagues this happy occasion.

I will rise for future announcements while I am attending this session at the Assembly. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

>>Applause

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

**Member's Statement 304 – 4(3):
Premiere of Maliglutit – Zacharias
Kunuk's Latest Film**

Hon. Paul Quassa (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I rise today also due to my feelings of pride in the accomplishment of my fellow resident of Igloolik. Last night we went to watch a showing of the movie *Maliglutit* at the theatre, which was produced in Igloolik by the renowned director, Zacharias Kunuk, who also filmed it.

Actually I can state today that we did attend the movie with my colleague, Ms. Ell-Kanayuk, but it was unfortunate that we weren't able to watch the ending as the film ran out. Nonetheless, it was good to see the actors in the movie, as they were all recognizable to me as they played their roles.

The subject is about a family's history with the film *Maliglutit*, apparently a result of Zacharias Kunuk's childhood memories of movie nights, much like I recall. Those of us from that generation recall watching westerns with cowboys and Indians. The storyline is similar to that type of movie category, but it is filmed entirely in Inuktitut.

The following people were involved in the making of the film: Benjamin Kunuk, Karen Ivalu, Jonah Qaunaq, Joey Sarpinak, Jocelyn Immaroitok, and Joseph Uttak. They are all Inuit from Igloolik and I recognized them all as I watched the film.

The person I mentioned earlier, Zacharias Kunuk, has made multitudes of films, including several movies. This includes the epic film he released, *Atanarjuat: The Fast Runner*, which was his first movie. This movie is his latest and it will be shown in Iqaluit at the theatre during this week.

Further, he uses an all Inuit cast and resource people when filming. For this film, his seamstresses were Susan Avinngaq and Atuat Akittirq. They sewed actual versions of traditional Inuit clothing as the film was portraying an Inuit family throughout it.

I am particularly proud of the fact that this showcases the breadth of Inuit abilities and capacity in every realm open to us. In cases such as this let's voice our pride in their achievements. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

>>Applause

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

Pangnirtung, Mr. Johnny Mike.

Member's Statement 305 – 4(3): The Beginning of High School Education in Pangnirtung

Hon. Johnny Mike (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Good afternoon, Nunavummiut and my fellow residents of Pangnirtung.

I rise today to make a statement about our local education system in Pangnirtung. Prior to my even considering running for this seat, I was heavily involved as the chairperson of the local district education authority. At that time when I first got involved, most Pangnirtung residents who wanted to pursue higher education past grade 10 had to travel outside the community. I believe this was the situation in every community since none of the communities had grades 10, 11, or 12 available.

At this time I just want to state that I have been personally impacted by a couple of visitors attending the gallery at this time, my dear friends, Chuck Tolley and his wife.

I want to make a statement regarding education in the community of Pangnirtung. It became quite strong due to the local Pangnirtung teachers, such as the two people I just mentioned. They were instrumental in enacting the groundwork towards getting grades 10, 11, and 12. As a result, Pangnirtung was the first community to receive funding for these grades and we had the first local graduates from this school taught locally and not by attending outside courses.

Further, the groundwork for cultural programs was laid for strength in both cultures of the local Inuit as well as the colonizers' culture. It was based on a strong foundation. As we worked through those days, I noticed that it resulted in educational precedents that were second to none in their excellence, at least in my opinion.

Due to these reasons, I wish to acknowledge our visitors here today, Mr. Chuck Tolley and his wife, and I am making this statement to clarify that and to showcase that some of his students are now sitting here in this legislature. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

>> *Applause*

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Members' Statements. Member for Kugluktuk, Mr. Peter Taptuna.

Member's Statement 306 – 4(3): Update on Events in Constituency

Hon. Peter Taptuna: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The start of the fall session always reminds me of opening season. It's probably because of the start of the hockey season. I thank God for the end of baseball season.

>> *Laughter*

Mr. Speaker, one of the most important roles as an MLA is to ensure that we keep in contact and meet with our constituents. In many constituencies this is done by hosting call-in programs on local radio. In some constituencies it's meeting regularly with the hamlet councils or having public meetings.

Mr. Speaker, this past summer when I was home in Kugluktuk meeting with friends, family, and of course my constituents, I also had an opportunity to speak with the mayor as well as several hamlet councillors.

One of the major highlights of the summer in Kugluktuk was hosting the Northern Games. Mr. Speaker, participants from across the Kitikmeot region as well as folks from other parts of Nunavut and the NWT attended. It was great to see that many young people and our elders come to Kugluktuk to participate and enjoy Kugluktuk's hospitality. I want to thank the organizers and our community for again demonstrating that Kugluktuk is a great host and that our culture and strength are found within our people.

As MLAs, we have very demanding jobs and at times stressful positions, but being able to spend time at home and working with our families, friends, and constituents always helps us remember that we're elected to serve and help our communities.

I want to take this opportunity to thank the community of Kugluktuk for their continued support and advice for me as their MLA. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

>>Applause

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Members' Statements. I have no more names on my list. Moving on. Item 4. (interpretation ends) Returns to Oral Questions. Mr. Clerk.

Item 4: Returns to Oral Questions*

Return to Oral Question 377 – 4(3): Grise Fiord Airport

Clerk (Mr. Quirke): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I wish to table Return to Oral Question 377 – 4(3), which was taken as notice during the spring 2016 sitting of the House. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Item 5. Recognition of Visitors in the Gallery. Member for Rankin Inlet South, Mr. Alexander Sammurток.

Item 5: Recognition of Visitors in the Gallery

Mr. Alexander Sammurток (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. (interpretation ends) I would like to recognize (interpretation) our fellow resident of Rankin Inlet, Dustin Fredlund. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

>>Applause

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Welcome to the gallery. Recognition of Visitors in the Gallery. Member for Rankin Inlet North and Chesterfield Inlet, Mr. Tom Sammurток.

Mr. Tom Sammurток (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Good day to the residents of Rankin Inlet and Chesterfield Inlet as well as Nunavummiut. Let's have a good day.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would like to recognize some individuals. It is now Nunavut, but when it was still the Northwest Territories, this individual was a teacher in many of the communities. I first met him in Baker Lake when he was a school principal. That was the first time that I met Chuck

*See Appendix for full text of Return to Oral Question 377 – 4(3).

and Muriel Tolley. (interpretation ends)
Welcome to the House. (interpretation)
As well, Dustin Fredlund, (interpretation ends) welcome. (interpretation) Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

>>Applause

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

Hon. Keith Peterson: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would like to recognize and welcome to our gallery Mr. Kevin Pollard of Newfoundland. He is sitting behind me in the gallery. Mr. Pollard is here in Iqaluit visiting his daughter, son in-law, and his two grandchildren.

Mr. Speaker, Mr. Pollard served as MLA for the riding of Baie Verte-Springdale in Newfoundland from 2008-2015 and in 2014 was appointed as parliamentary secretary to the Minister of Health and Community Services. I would like you all to join me in welcoming Mr. Pollard to the gallery. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

>>Applause

Speaker (interpretation): Welcome to the gallery. Recognition of Visitors in the Gallery. Member for Tununig, Mr. Joe Enook.

Mr. Enook (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would like to welcome Simon Merkosak and his wife, Jeeteeta Merkosak.

Mr. Speaker, if you would allow me, I am very proud of Simon Merkosak and his wife. Simon Merkosak is a contractor and a very hard-working man. He has

helped tremendously with the hamlet council and organizations. Also, Jeeteeta Merkosak was one of the first ones to set up the coalition of district education authorities. She was one of the founding members. I would like to welcome them to the gallery. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

>>Applause

Speaker (interpretation): Welcome to the gallery. Recognition of Visitors in the Gallery. Member for Iqaluit-Manirajak, Ms. Monica Ell-Kanayuk. I'm sorry. Member for Aggu, Mr. Paul Quassa.

Hon. Paul Quassa (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I thought you were going to say my name, but thank you.

I would also like to take this time to recognize my former classmate, Simon Merkosak. We used to have very long hair in those days. I would also like to recognize his wife.

Jim Bell is also in the gallery. We don't agree all the time when he's with the media, but I am very proud that he has been in the media business for many years here in Iqaluit and he makes sure that we are all informed of the events that are happening around here. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

>>Applause

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

Mr. Okalik (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. (interpretation ends) I

would like to recognize one of my old principals back in Pangnirtung when I was a troubled young man...

>> *Laughter*

...who was lost at the time. I had the misfortune of having Mr. Chuck Tolley as my principal. I still have regrets to this day of how badly I behaved during that time.

>> *Laughter*

Mr. Chuck Tolley and your wife, Muriel, I welcome you very much to our Assembly. I'll do whatever I can to make up for all the bad behaviour that I may have had during your time in my hometown of Pangnirtung. Welcome to the Assembly. (interpretation) Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

>> *Applause*

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. (interpretation ends) Welcome to the gallery. (interpretation) Recognition of Visitors in the Gallery. I have no more names on my list. I apologize. Member for Pangnirtung, Mr. Johnny Mike.

Hon. Johnny Mike (interpretation): I was one of the first ones, but I ended up being the last.

Again, I would like to take this opportunity to recognize a couple of individuals who have been in the education field for a long time, Mr. and Ms. Chuck Tolley. Welcome to the gallery.

I can recall a time when I was the chair of the DEA and we had a close working relationship. Mr. Chuck Tolley

especially worked very hard to make improvements in the education field.

There were also disciplinary actions taken on the students and again one of them publicly admitted where there was a need to take disciplinary action.

>> *Laughter*

Thank you. Welcome.

>> *Applause*

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. (interpretation ends) Welcome to the gallery. (interpretation) Recognition of Visitors in the Gallery. I have no more names on my list. Moving on. Item 6. Oral Questions. Member for Quttiktuq, Mr. Isaac Shooyook.

Item 6: Oral Questions

Question 393 – 4(3): Status of Nanisivik Naval Facility and Site Clean-up

Mr. Shooyook (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. My questions are for the Minister of Economic Development and Transportation.

When Arctic Bay's new airport was constructed a few years ago, there was no longer a need for the old airport at Nanisivik to remain open for commercial flights. However, concerns have been raised with me that the buildings at the old airport site at Nanisivik are deteriorating and pose a risk to people.

In addition, old fuel drums are present on the site and constituents have raised concerns about possible spills and

contamination of the creek that ultimately flows into the community's drinking water supply. Contamination might flow into the creek and once the snow thaws, there's drainage going from the old airport down to the water.

My question for the minister is this: which level of government is responsible for ensuring a complete clean-up of the Nanisivik airport site? Is it the municipal government, the territorial government, or the federal government? Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Hon. Monica Ell-Kanayuk (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I also thank the member for asking those questions about the old buildings. I believe you're asking about Nanisivik and not Arctic Bay. It is now under the federal government and they are still working on the environmental issues. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Mr. Shooyook (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. It is my understanding that the federal government's new naval facility at Nanisivik is scheduled to open in 2018. It is also my understanding that the federal Department of National Defence has informed the Government of Nunavut that it has no plans to use the old airport site as part of this naval facility.

Can the minister clarify what role her department has in working with the federal government on plans for the new naval facility at Nanisivik? Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Hon. Monica Ell-Kanayuk (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I also thank the member for his comments. With respect to aging infrastructure such as old airports, they require the Department of Environment to conduct an environmental screening and review of the lands to determine the feasibility of the usage.

At this time the Nanisivik Airport requires a comprehensive review to determine which is more feasible: demolition or relocation of the buildings. This is still under review at this time, so I cannot answer his question as to what the future usage would be. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Mr. Shooyook (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Will the minister commit to tabling in the Legislative Assembly a detailed update on the status of cleaning up the old airport site at Nanisivik? This area is quite hazardous and obviously requires immediate remediation since it can impact our drinking water via contamination, which would endanger our community. Does her department have any plans in the future, whether or not this is a priority

case? Since this is the mandate of her department, can the minister provide further clarification on this matter?

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Hon. Monica Ell-Kanayuk (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I also thank the member. The Minister of Environment is also listening, so I will speak to him to see what sort of priority it will be. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Question 394 – 4(3): Keeping Our Schools Safe

Mr. Joanasié (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I have a question for the Minister of Education.

Mr. Speaker, as the minister and my colleagues are aware, a number of schools across Nunavut have been destroyed by arson, the most recent casualty being the high school in Cape Dorset which burned down last year. Not only is our infrastructure very expensive to replace, but there is an even bigger cost to our children's future as their education is interrupted or delayed because of such tragedies.

Can the minister provide an update on what long-term measures are being put into place by his department to avoid having another school fire in Nunavut? Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Hon. Paul Quassa (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I also thank my colleague for being concerned about that, as we all have concerns in that regarding safety in our schools.

Within the Department of Education, in collaboration with the Safe Schools Anti-Violence Committee and the Nunavut Teachers Association, we meet twice a year to talk about school safety as the subject, especially related to improving safety within our schools, as my colleague mentioned. This group meets twice a year and they are working on a manual to be followed.

Their most recent meeting was in May 2016 to review the safety issues for all of our schools and they have completed a safety manual for the schools. This includes a list of action items that they also submitted to all of our schools. In English we have what are called (interpretation ends) *Crisis Response Guidelines for Nunavut Schools* and the Principals' Planning Manual 2015-16. (interpretation) They are explained in great detail in various documents.

The priority is the safety of our schools. If we recall, all schools were approved for security cameras and we are installing these in our schools. All schools will have these security cameras and indeed all of our schools, wherever they are, need to be protected from criminals and vandalism.

Further, to respond to parents' concerns, we are working to resolve them as a department. The parents also need (interpretation ends) parental

engagement (interpretation) as a means to involve them in the schools, as they are an important cog in developing their children's education and safety as a rule in our schools. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Mr. Joanasié (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Thank you to the minister. Mr. Speaker, last February the minister provided information on his department's Family Engagement program, which is aimed at "inspiring collaborative efforts between schools and teachers and communities to ensure students' well-being and academic success."

Can the minister clarify whether his department's Family Engagement program engages DEAs, parents, and the wider community in addressing such issues as school vandalism, threats, and other destructive behaviours? Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Hon. Paul Quassa (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Yes, indeed, I completely concur with my colleague on this matter of requiring more innovative ways to resolve this challenge.

The local DEAs have responsibilities that fill their work plate, as they are responsible for schools in their communities throughout our territory. For example, we have 25 communities, so we have 25 local DEAs. We wish to communicate with these organizations, especially when it is related to safety in our schools. We will also collaborate

with them on the proper management of our schools, as the DEAs are the agents in the community responsible for local management. Further, they are the liaison between the parents and the community and thereby need to communicate that locally.

I would advise our colleagues to also provide local news through radio announcements or shows related to our local schools to showcase the importance, which includes working with the local police, fire chiefs, and the like to ensure our local schools are safe. These are the types of different agencies we work with to ensure school safety and alternatives. This is also because our local schools are quite expensive pieces of infrastructure and locally very important. We will always keep that at the forefront. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Mr. Joanasié (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I recognize that education staff and local education authorities cannot tackle school safety issues alone. Can the minister confirm whether or not he has reached out to other entities, such as municipal law enforcement organizations, security companies, or his colleague in the Department of Community and Government Services, to address school security issues? 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. I totally agree with him. It is clear that we require further

communication efforts to engage these local groups within our communities at various levels and different mandates related to safety. I will ensure that I push for more communication on this front, Mr. Speaker. Thank you.

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

Question 395 – 4(3): Sealift Cargo Removal in Pond Inlet

Mr. Enook (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. My questions are for the Minister of Community and Government Services.

Earlier this year the department issued a request for tenders for a standing offer agreement to provide sealift cargo removal services for Pond Inlet. The deadline for companies to submit bids was July 22, 2016.

My first question is: for the record, can the minister confirm which company was the successful bidder? Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Hon. Joe Savikataaq: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Thank you for the question and an opportunity to clear the air on some miscommunication and some not-so-good happenings with the communication.

Mr. Speaker, the contract did go out for the sealift tender in Pond Inlet and that's to provide transportation from the shore

to the Government Services location. The contract was awarded to a company in Pond Inlet, Mr. Simon Merkosak, who is here.

There is only one person who was in charge of sealift in Nunavut and he got sick and was off work. It was just overlooked. I would like to apologize to Mr. Simon Merkosak for the non-communication. The contract was awarded to him, but the message was not passed on and I hope he accepts my apology. We will make sure it does not happen again. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Mr. Enook (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I also thank the minister, but I would like to get more information. For the record, can the minister confirm the actual date on which the companies that bid on the sealift cargo removal services contract received formal notification from his department about the results of the tender process? Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Hon. Joe Savikataaq: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I can't give the member the exact date of when the contract was first awarded but not communicated. It was before sealift and the proponent was advised after sealift. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Mr. Enook (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I apologize to you, Mr. Speaker, for calling you the Chairman.

Mr. Speaker, let me ask again for clarification. After the contract was awarded for sealift removal services... I know it's from the shoreline to the land and I'll just call it removal. Which company actually performed the work under this contract? Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Hon. Joe Savikataaq: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. As I stated earlier, there's only one person who is in charge of all the sealift for Nunavut and the fellow's name is John Paton and he was sick at the time. His communication just fell through the cracks. This is a two-year contract. The proponent had been advised but not until after sealift that the contract was awarded to him. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Question 396 – 4(3): Shortage of Student Support Assistants

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

Mr. Speaker, Nunavut's *Education Act* provides for inclusive education so that all students, regardless of their different challenges, can attend regular classes

with their peers and reach their individual educational goals with support. Often that support is provided by student support assistants, or SSAs.

Can the minister clarify how his department ensures that there are enough SSAs in Nunavut's schools to provide adequate support to those students who need it? Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. (interpretation ends) The Hon. Minister of Education, Mr. Paul Quassa.

Hon. Paul Quassa (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I also thank my colleague. This is indeed an extremely important subject. Anyone or any child can go to school, as that is their right irrespective of their status. This is very important to our department. Actually we completed RespectED. As a matter of fact, we have a new (interpretation ends) inclusive education (interpretation) program specific to meeting this need. There are several different programs now offered that are primarily based on this need.

We also created positions called student support assistants, as we agreed that this was a need related to (interpretation ends) inclusive education (interpretation) to provide this support. Now every school has these assistants available to provide support. All of our schools have these (interpretation ends) student support (interpretation) assistants to assist students requiring additional assistance. They are all filled and further, wherever our schools are, they all have this position due to its importance.

Related to this issue, as a matter of fact next week, I believe the school counsellors will be arriving into Iqaluit for a meeting. This will include training on providing alternatives and strategic planning. I will be making a presentation to the school counsellors, as they are an important link to the students. They will be meeting on these issues and I will be speaking with them there.

We try to have enough student support assistants in our schools because they should be available to those who need help. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Mr. Sammurtok: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This past May the minister tabled his department's external review of inclusive education in Nunavut. The report, called *Reaching and Teaching All Students*, contained a number of observations and recommendations relating to the role of SSAs, or student support assistants, under the department's current model of inclusive education. Can the minister clarify whether the number of SSAs allocated to individual schools will be re-evaluated as a result of the recommendations in this report? Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Hon. Paul Quassa (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I will be able to provide him a copy on exactly how many student support assistants are needed in our schools. As to what he referred to as SSAs, they're geared more towards school counselling. I can

provide the information on the exact number of SSAs to my colleague. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Mr. Sammurtok: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The Rankin Inlet DEA has noted a significant shortage of SSAs in the three schools in Rankin Inlet. There are a number of students who require one-on-one assistance from SSAs, which leaves no SSA to help other students who need support. Will the minister commit to looking into this issue and help those schools which require more student support staff to get additional SSA positions? Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Hon. Paul Quassa (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. With respect to my colleague's question, perhaps he can write me a letter requesting the information he's asking for so that we can look into it. As I stated earlier, all of our schools in Nunavut need those positions and I believe in that. As I also stated earlier, our school should be available to any child of school age, regardless of their status. I'll be looking forward to his letter for my consideration because this is important and all the schools should have those positions. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Question 397 – 4(3): Activities of the Energy Secretariat

Mr. Mikkungwak: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Hello to the people of Baker Lake and to the Nunavut people.

My questions are for the Minister of Economic Development and Transportation, who is responsible for the government's Energy Secretariat.

Over the past two years the Energy Secretariat has been offering free energy audits for homeowners in the communities of Rankin Inlet, Cambridge Bay, and Kugluktuk. I believe that the Kugluktuk audits are taking place this week. I applaud the minister for undertaking this valuable work, which many of my constituents would also like to participate in.

The most recent undertaking by the Nunavut Housing Corporation indicated that there are at least 120 private homeowners in the community of Baker Lake.

Will the minister commit to ensuring that energy audits are offered to homeowners in Baker Lake within the next 12 months? 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 my colleague for asking that good question. These audits on homeowners are about how they can use less energy. From October 11 to 19

QEC auditors were in Kugluktuk. After that they will be going to Arviat in February 2017. Right now I have not heard which community will be next after that, but I do know that all Nunavut residents depend on heating oil and we need to find out how to reduce our consumption of it. QEC wants to go to every community to determine how to make those energy savings. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Mr. Mikkungwak: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. During our recent spring sitting the minister tabled a comprehensive report on the activities of her department's Energy Secretariat during the 2015-16 fiscal year, which I have reviewed with care. This report states, and I quote, "...the information gathered from previous energy audits will be analyzed and may be used to study the feasibility of a targeted energy efficiency program."

Will the minister commit to tabling the results of the energy audits before the end of our current fall sitting? 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. With respect to his question, it is still being worked on. I can't say whether or not I can table it at this session. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Mr. Mikkungwak: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The minister's report on the activities of her department's Energy Secretariat also indicated that one of the issues that it has been working on is the topic of carbon pricing.

Earlier this month, the Prime Minister of Canada announced that the federal government will require all provinces and territories to introduce a price on carbon within the next two years or else the federal government will implement one for us.

Can the minister describe how her department's Energy Secretariat is involved in the Government of Nunavut's response to the federal decision on carbon pricing? 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. If you have an opportunity, you can ask the Minister of Environment because he's part of that group. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Question 398 – 4(3): Status of Agreement between the Government of Nunavut, the Royal Canadian Mounted Police “V” Division, and the Ottawa Police Service

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

As the minister is aware, an agreement has been in place for some time between the Government of Nunavut, the Royal Canadian Mounted Police's "V" Division, and the Ottawa Police Service. This agreement provides for the Ottawa Police Service to conduct what are supposed to be independent reviews of RCMP actions in circumstances where a police shooting, allegation of excessive force, or other serious incident occurs in Nunavut.

Mr. Speaker, it is important to keep in mind that these reviews are distinct and separate from the work that the territorial Office of the Chief Coroner undertakes when a death occurs in police custody.

Can the minister tell the House today when the current agreement between the GN, the RCMP, and the Ottawa Police is scheduled to be next reviewed? Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. (interpretation ends) The Hon. Minister of Justice, Mr. Keith Peterson.

Hon. Keith Peterson: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I can't give that information; I don't have that information. Mr. Speaker, I have talked to my officials. I understand that process. I understand there are some concerns about police

investigating police. I have asked the department to look at other options. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Mr. Okalik (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The tragic death in Ottawa of Annie Pootoogook has called into question the attitudes of the Ottawa Police Service towards Inuit and other indigenous Canadians given what we have learned about the investigation into racist comments made by at least one senior member of the force. Given this situation, it is obvious that the Ottawa Police Service can no longer be trusted to undertake independent and objective investigations into incidents that occur here in Nunavut. Why has the minister not said anything publicly about this serious situation? Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Minister of Justice, Mr. Peterson.

Hon. Keith Peterson: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I thank Mr. Okalik for the question. Mr. Speaker, like most of us here, we get our information from the media. I understand that there is a bit of an investigation going on. Of course Mr. Okalik knows that. In Nunavut he was the former Minister of Justice for many years. The Nunavut government has a 20-year policing agreement with a shared directional agreement with the RCMP that governs our operations here in Nunavut.

Again, as I indicated in my earlier comment, even prior to that incident in Ottawa, I was asking my officials to look at other jurisdictions to review what

process they have in place that we could possibly use here in Nunavut to look at incidents involving the RCMP and the public. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Mr. Okalik (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Most Canadian jurisdictions have established some form of civilian oversight body in respect to their police forces. A recent interview with the local commander of the RCMP's "V" Division suggests that this would be a decision for the territorial government to make. The minister just indicated that he would like to have this reviewed. Does the minister support the establishment of a civilian oversight body here in Nunavut, yes or no? Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Minister of Justice, Mr. Peterson.

Hon. Keith Peterson: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. As I have stated before, my officials are doing a jurisdictional review. I talked to a non-GN official about how it works in other jurisdictions. I'm not going to commit to anything. I want to do the proper research and due diligence. It's the proper way for governments to proceed. At some point I'll be able to make a decision, talk to my colleagues in cabinet, and move forward. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Question 399 – 4(3): Qikiqtarjuaq Port

Mr. Keyootak (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. My question is directed to the Minister of Economic Development and Transportation.

In February 2015 I asked some questions about the current small craft harbours plan for seven communities, including Qikiqtarjuaq and Clyde River.

The Department of Economic Development and Transportation's current business plan indicates that the Government of Nunavut had submitted a business case to the federal government under the Building Canada Fund for the construction of a new deepwater port in Qikiqtarjuaq. However, it has recently been reported in the news media that the request for funding under the Building Canada Fund has been denied by the federal government.

For the record, can the minister confirm whether or not the federal government denied the submission and, if so, can she clarify what specific reasons the federal government provided for its refusal to fund this much-needed infrastructure for my community? Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Hon. Monica Ell-Kanayuk (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I also thank the member for his question regarding the deepwater port in Qikiqtarjuaq. It would be of great benefit

to the community if they did get that port. They have contributed greatly to the economic development in that community. I will be discussing this further with the Executive Council. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Mr. Keyootak (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. As the minister is very much aware, Qikiqtarjuaq's economic future depends on our being able to fully participate in the northern fishing industry. A deepwater port is essential to this goal.

The Department of Economic Development and Transportation has been able to find hundreds of millions of dollars to spend on a beautiful new airport terminal building for Iqaluit. Why has the department not been able to fund a new port for Qikiqtarjuaq, which will help to bring jobs and reduce poverty in the community? Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Hon. Monica Ell-Kanayuk (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I also thank my colleague for that question. There are a number of different programs offered by the federal government. We will continue to make submissions for communities where we know there is potential for fisheries, just like the port in Pangnirtung was approved and fully funded by the Department of Fisheries and Oceans. We can also access this DFO program and

we will continue to make submissions to that funding program as many more communities can benefit economically. There are different pots of money that can be accessed through the federal government. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Mr. Keyootak (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Later today at the appropriate time I will be tabling the design concept for a new Qikiqtarjuaq port that the municipality has developed.

Will the minister commit to meeting with the municipality to explore ways to identify potential funding sources for a new deepwater port, yes or no? 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. Yes, I have looked at the design concept for the Qikiqtarjuaq port that you will be tabling. We are just waiting for an invitation from the hamlet. Once we receive that letter of invitation, I would be more than pleased to accept the invitation and bring my officials with me so that we can brainstorm together. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Question 400 – 4(3): Impact of Carbon Price on the North

Ms. Angnakak: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. My questions are for the Premier.

On October 3, 2016 the Prime Minister of Canada announced in the House of Commons that a carbon tax will be introduced across the country.

The Prime Minister stated, and I'm quoting here from the House of Commons *Hansard* that I read with care, "Provinces and territories will be able to have a choice in how they implement this pricing. They can put a direct price on carbon pollution, or they can adopt a cap-and-trade system...If neither a price nor a cap-and-trade system is in place by 2018, the Government of Canada would implement a price in that jurisdiction." Follow me?

Mr. Speaker, it's likely that it's not entirely clear to the public what kinds of carbon pricing mechanisms are being considered as part of the federal announcement, such as for example, a surcharge on gasoline, airline tickets, or a direct tax on income.

Can the minister clarify what kinds of carbon pricing mechanisms are under consideration? Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Hon. Premier of Nunavut, Mr. Taptuna.

Hon. Peter Taptuna: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I thank the member for that question. Mr. Speaker, in the spirit of cooperation and collaboration the announcement was made on October 3, before we even got a chance to discuss

our situation here, which was scheduled for December 8.

Mr. Speaker, we already have a high price in Nunavut. The cost of food and the cost of transportation are very high. As you know, Mr. Speaker, and as members are well aware, all our supplies come in from the other jurisdictions: Manitoba, Quebec, Ontario, and Alberta. All our supplies come in for any activity or infrastructure building that we do here, including our fuel. Once a carbon price is established in other jurisdictions, of course there's a cascading effect that our costs are going to increase.

At this time there are opportunities here. I'm really well pleased that other jurisdictions and other premiers have indicated the uniqueness of the north and so did the Prime Minister and the minister of environment. They're willing to discuss their options and exceptions for the north. At this point we do not know what they are until we have our discussions at the First Ministers' Meeting. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Ms. Angnakak: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. As the Premier indicated, the cost of living in Nunavut is the highest in the country and part of the reason for this is the cost of transporting goods to the north. This impacts our residents on everything, like you said, from the food to the price of pampers.

Can the minister indicate, once their meeting is done on December 8, how long it would take the government to really look at what the impacts of that

carbon tax will be on the residents of Nunavut and report back to the House on it? Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. (interpretation ends) Premier of Nunavut, Mr. Taptuna.

Hon. Peter Taptuna: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Again, greenhouse gas emissions in Nunavut are very minute compared to other countries. Our emissions amount to about 0.1 percent of our national emissions in Canada.

Mr. Speaker, it's a very small amount, but we're the most affected when it comes to climate change due to all the greenhouse gas emissions from other countries, such as China, India, Mexico, and the United States. Having 72 percent of our population living in public units, it's going to be very difficult to change that attitude as the government is the biggest customer for energy when it comes to power generation.

Mr. Speaker, at this point we're in discussions with other departments at this point to determine what the impacts are and what the overall cost of \$10 per tonne is going to mean to the average citizen, to our people of Nunavut. Not only that, we're looking forward into 2023, when the amount is going to be increased to \$50 a tonne.

We're paying very careful attention to this. I want to ensure that our departments are well aware of all the consequences before we establish a strategy moving forward with the federal government. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Ms. Angnakak: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Thank you to the Premier for his response. I think it's good to start having these kinds of discussions because it's important for everybody to understand, really, what the impacts are in Nunavut.

Mr. Speaker, when MLAs held televised hearings on the budget and business plan of the Qulliq Energy Corporation, the issue of our aging diesel power plant infrastructure received significant attention.

In its recent report on energy issues in the north, the Senate Committee on Energy, the Environment and Natural Resources pointed out 17 out of the 25 existing diesel facilities "are operating beyond their design parameters."

I believe that one way for the federal government to assist us and make an impact on reducing carbon pollution would be to provide the resources necessary to replace or upgrade our aging power plants with modern equipment. Can the Premier tell us if this is an issue he has been pushing with the Prime Minister? Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Hon. Peter Taptuna: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Absolutely, that's one of the issues that I have been communicating with our federal partners, including the Minister of Environment.

Mr. Speaker, the member is absolutely right that the 25 separate power generating stations within Nunavut are very small and very old. Mr. Speaker, with efficient engines to generate power, I'm sure that our greenhouse gas emissions are going to go down.

Overall, with the amount of greenhouse gas emissions that affect the north, not only Nunavut, the whole north, we're looking at other means of mitigating some of these difficulties that we're facing with climate change. As you know, in the north, there's permafrost thaw and some of our infrastructure is sinking. We know that throughout the north.

Not only that, we have initiated in the past where a department is going out mapping the permafrost zones. That will give us some indication of where not to build our infrastructure because, as you know, throughout the north where there are roads, the roads are sinking and other various infrastructure is sinking because of permafrost melt.

Mr. Speaker, we do need major assistance from our partner, the federal government, in modernizing our generating stations throughout Nunavut. Mr. Speaker, there are no connected grids within our territory. Every single community has a single generating plant.

Mr. Speaker, one of the things that happened two years ago in April was a plant burning down in Pangnirtung. We want to ensure that we have modernized equipment that's going to take care of the community and its people there, and not only that, decrease the use of fossil fuels with modern equipment. Thank

you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Oral Questions. Member for Netsilik, Mr. Emiliano Qirngnuq.

Question 401 – 4(3): Classroom Space in Kugaaruk

Mr. Qirngnuq (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would like to ask my question to the Minister of Education.

In Kugaaruk our students are increasing in number and I know the minister is aware of that fact. Last year our students were high in number and the department has those figures. To paraphrase it in English, what is the (interpretation ends) percentage (interpretation) of increasing numbers?

With respect to the increasing numbers of students in our school, I believe corrections were made in the 90's which were student increases at that time, but we were aware the numbers could increase. What would the minister's response be in looking at a future scenario in this regard? Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Hon. Paul Quassa (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I also thank my colleague for asking about that issue and it is a very good question. With respect to the students, as we all may be aware and as I continue to state, when a new school is to be built or if additions are forthcoming, deliberations begin on the numbers of students related to the capacity of the school. Currently it is set

at 85 percent capacity or higher. That is the threshold.

Mr. Speaker, in looking at the various figures related to the growth of Kugaaruk, it sits at 7.7 percent within 2015-16, so the community has experienced growth at least with respect to the overall population. We have noted the growth in population and we are aware of that as we conduct studies in all of our schools in the communities to determine the number of students enrolled and in which community. With respect to my colleague's constituency community of Kugaaruk, we are aware of the growth rate.

We are reviewing all the data from the schools to determine which schools sit at the 85 percentile or higher and that was the initial review. Now we are looking at those below or if we require more planning to determine when to build new schools or to build additions to existing schools. This type of data is continually being reviewed annually.

Perhaps I have responded properly to the member's question, as I stated earlier, yes, we are quite aware of the situation in all of our schools. We have 43 schools in Nunavut and we know the situation for each of them. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Mr. Qirngnuq (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. If I mistakenly referred to you as the Chairman earlier, I apologize.

Mr. Speaker, in discussing our thoughts about our local school, we want our

students to attend school. As parents, we don't want them to drop out and we also know our minister is quite vocal in keeping students in school, as that is their prerogative.

With respect to the timing of the announcement, when would the minister be able to report back on the wishes of the community to increase the size of their school to accommodate the students? Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. (interpretation ends) The Hon. Minister of Education, Mr. Paul Quassa.

Hon. Paul Quassa (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I also thank the member for requesting further information. During this school year the department has reviewed the figures to determine which schools are at capacity and we have reviewed the figures fully. Some communities also have dilapidated and antiquated schools.

Perhaps to use an analogy, let's say that the school capacity in Arctic Bay or Coral Harbour is sitting at 95 percent. In looking at other communities, such as Taloyoak, the school is close to that percentage and getting higher. We are aware of these schools.

With respect to Kugaaruk, it is obvious that those figures were included in our departmental review. They are still slightly below 85 percent. To reiterate, we conduct annual reviews of our schools. Perhaps my colleague's constituency community school requires further review. However, it is still sitting below 85 percent capacity. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Mr. Qirngnuq (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Yes, the minister was clear in his response on the criteria required for additions or new schools. What about the time frame for the work required or regarding the time period when the school would be eligible for an addition, if they reached the threshold? I hope I was understandable. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Hon. Paul Quassa (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Indeed, as per my earlier statement, once the school in Kugaaruk has hit the threshold, as they are currently sitting slightly below 85 percent, in our estimation perhaps next school year, if the numbers continue to increase as it seems obvious in our reviews, an additional review would commence. As an example, next year with the expectations of an increase in their student numbers and the capacity, if it hits the threshold and we need to really revisit the issue, we feel that the next school year would suffice.

To date, as per my earlier statements, the school is slightly below 85 percent. We try to really keep an eye on that threshold as new infrastructure, such as schools, is quite expensive and requires additional planning work. We generally try to follow those criteria. Yes, we can always revisit that issue in relation to the school being referred to. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. The time for question period has expired for the information of the members. Moving on. Item 7. Written Questions. (interpretation ends) Item 8. Returns to Written Questions. Mr. Clerk.

Item 8: Returns to Written Questions*

Return to Written Question 012 – 4(3): Medical and Duty Travel on Scheduled Airlines

Return to Written Question 013 – 4(3): Community Transportation Initiatives and Small Craft Harbours Programs

Return to Written Question 014 – 4(3): Enforcement of the Liquor Act

Return to Written Question 015 – 4(3): Government of Nunavut Expenditures on Overtime Pay

Clerk: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I wish to table Returns to Written Questions No. 12 – 4(3), 13 – 4(3), 14 – 4(3), and 15 – 4(3), all of which were asked during the spring 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. Mr. George Kuksuk.

Item 13: Tabling of Documents

Tabled Document 176 – 4(3): Response to the Standing Committee on the Review of the 2013-14 Annual Report of the Languages Commissioner of Nunavut and the 2012-13, 2013-14, and 2014-15 Annual Reports of the Inuit Uqausinginnik Taiguusiliuqtiit

Hon. George Kuksuk (interpretation): Thank you very much. (interpretation ends) Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I am pleased to table the Response to the Standing Committee on the Review of the 2013-14 Annual Report of the Languages Commissioner of Nunavut and the 2012-13, 2013-14, and 2014-15 Annual Reports of the Inuit Uqausinginnik Taiguusiliuqtiit. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. (interpretation ends) Item 13. Tabling of Documents. (interpretation) Member for Iqaluit-Niaqunngu, Pat Angnakak.

Tabled Document 177 – 4(3): Adopted Resolutions from the 2016 Annual General Meeting of the Nunavut Association of Municipalities

Ms. Angnakak: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I wish table copies of the resolutions that were adopted at the 2016 annual general meeting of the Nunavut Association of Municipalities. I am also pleased to take this opportunity to pay tribute to all of the hard-working mayors, councils, and senior administrative officers in our communities. I encourage all members to review these documents with care. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

*See Appendix for full text of Returns to Written Questions 12 – 4(3), 13 – 4(3), 14 – 4(3), and 15 – 4(3).

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Tabling of Documents. Member for Uqqummiut, Pauloosie Keyootak.

**Tabled Document 178 – 4(3):
Qikiqtarjuaq Port Design Concept**

Mr. Keyootak (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I wish to table the design concept for a new port facility for the community of Qikiqtarjuaq. I pay tribute to the Municipality of Qikiqtarjuaq for taking the initiative on this work, and I urge all members to review it with care. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Tabling of Documents. Member for Hudson Bay, Mr. Allan Rumbolt.

**Tabled Document 179 – 4(3):
Photographs of Waste Oil
Containers and Empty Drums in
Sanikiluaq**

Mr. Rumbolt: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, and good afternoon. Mr. Speaker, I wish to table a set of photographs of the waste oil containers and empty drums in Sanikiluaq. These photographs illustrate how waste oil and empty drums are currently being stored in my community.

Mr. Speaker, I will have questions for the appropriate minister at a later date on this issue. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. Tabling of Documents. Member for Tununig, Mr. Joe Enook.

**Tabled Document 180 – 4(3):
Photographs of Location for the
Installation of Mooring Bollards at
Pond Inlet Harbour**

Mr. Enook (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I wish to table a set of photographs of the location for the installation of mooring bollards at Pond Inlet's harbour. I encourage all members to review these items with care. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

**Tabled Document 181 – 4(3): 2015-16
Annual Report of the Information
and Privacy Commissioner of
Nunavut**

**Tabled Document 182 – 4(3): 2016
Annual Report of the Integrity
Commissioner of Nunavut**

(interpretation ends) Thank you, Members. I have two documents to table today. The first document is the 2015-16 *Annual Report of the Information and Privacy Commissioner of Nunavut*.

The second document is the 2016 *Annual Report of the Integrity Commissioner of Nunavut*.

(interpretation) Thank you.

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

Item 14: Notices of Motions

Motion 030 – 4(3): Extended Sitting Hours and Days – Notice

Mr. Mikkungwak: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I give notice that on Thursday, October 20, 2016, 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 fall 2016 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) Notices of Motions, Member for Iqaluit-Niaqunngu, Ms. Pat Angnakak.

Motion 031 – 4(3): Appointment of the Chief Electoral Officer – Notice

Ms. Angnakak: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I give notice that on Thursday, October 20, 2016, I will move the following motion:

NOW THEREFORE I MOVE, seconded by the Hon. Member for Cambridge Bay, that the Legislative Assembly recommends to the Commissioner of Nunavut that Mr. Dustin Fredlund of Rankin Inlet be appointed as chief electoral officer, effective this day.

Mr. Speaker, 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 24 – Appropriation (Capital) Act, 2017-2018 – Notice

Hon. Keith Peterson: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I give notice that on Wednesday, October 19, 2016, that Bill 24, *Appropriation (Capital) Act, 2017-2018*, be read for the first time. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Item 16: Motions

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

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

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Mr. Mikkungwak: Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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 fall 2016 sitting of the Legislative Assembly.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker: The motion is in order. To the motion.

An Hon. Member: Question.

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

Motions. Member for Iqaluit-Niaqunngu, Ms. Pat Angnakak.

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

Speaker: The member is seeking unanimous consent to deal with her motion today. Are there any nays? There are none. Please proceed, Ms. Angnakak.

Motion 031 – 4(3): Appointment of the Chief Electoral Officer

Ms. Angnakak: Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

WHEREAS subsection 188(1) of the *Nunavut Elections Act* provides that the chief electoral officer is appointed by the Commissioner of Nunavut on the recommendation of the Legislative Assembly to hold office during good behaviour for a term of seven years;

AND WHEREAS the Legislative Assembly's Management and Services Board has undertaken a merit-based selection process for this position;

AND WHEREAS the Legislative Assembly is prepared to recommend an appointment to this position;

NOW THEREFORE I MOVE, seconded by the Hon. Member for Cambridge Bay, that the Legislative Assembly recommends to the Commissioner of Nunavut that Mr. Dustin Fredlund of Rankin Inlet be appointed as chief electoral officer, effective this day.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

An Hon. Member: Question.

Speaker: Ms. Angnakak.

Ms. Angnakak: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I am very pleased to speak to the motion before us today.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to begin by first taking this opportunity to pay public tribute to Ms. Sandy Kusugak, who recently retired after 15 years of dedicated service as Nunavut's chief electoral officer.

Mr. Speaker, as you will recall, I had the responsibility of working with you and our colleagues on the Management and Services Board in the selection process for our new chief electoral officer.

Mr. Speaker, for the benefit of Nunavummiut who are following our proceedings today, I wish to take a few moments to introduce Mr. Fredlund, who has joined us today in the visitors' gallery.

Mr. Fredlund is a third-generation resident of Nunavut who was raised in Rankin Inlet. He is a graduate of both Aurora College and Lethbridge Community College. He is a past participant in the Jane Glassco Arctic Fellowship Program and was a recipient of the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade's Circumpolar World Fellowship.

Mr. Fredlund has previously held a number of senior positions in the Government of Nunavut, including the position of director of economic development for the Department of Economic Development and Transportation's Kitikmeot regional office in Kugluktuk. He was appointed as assistant chief electoral officer last year.

Mr. Fredlund has extensive community experience and involvement, having served as a deputy chief coroner for Nunavut, the chairperson of the Social Assistance Appeal Board, an elected member of the Kugluktuk hamlet council, and a firearms safety instructor. He is very well qualified.

Mr. Fredlund is a proud husband and father whose family recently welcomed a new baby.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in welcoming Mr. Fredlund to the gallery and I will conclude by noting that I look forward to unanimous support for the motion before us today. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

>> *Applause*

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. (interpretation ends) To the motion. All

those in favour. (interpretation) Thank you. (interpretation ends) Opposed. The motion is carried.

Item 17. First Reading of Bills. Item 18. Second Reading of Bills. Item 19. Consideration in Committee of the Whole of Bills and Other Matters. Member for Hudson Bay, Mr. Allan Rumbolt.

Motion 032 – 4(3): Adjournment for the Day

Mr. Rumbolt: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Sorry for the confusion.

Pursuant to Rule 46, I move, seconded by the Hon. Member for Aggu, that the House adjourn for the day. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker: The motion is in order and is not subject to debate. All those in favour. (interpretation) Thank you. (interpretation ends) Opposed. The motion is carried and we will proceed to Item 22 on the order paper.

Item 22. *Orders of the Day*. Mr. Clerk.

Item 22: Orders of the Day

Clerk: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. A reminder for meetings for tomorrow, at nine o'clock in the morning, there's a meeting of the Standing Committee on Government Estimates and Operations in the Nanuq Boardroom, followed at ten o'clock, a meeting of the Management and Services Board in the Tuktu Boardroom.

Orders of the Day for October 19:

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 Matters
13. Tabling of Documents
14. Notices of Motions
15. Notices of Motions for First Reading of Bills
16. Motions
17. First Reading of Bills
 - Bill 24
18. Second Reading of Bills
19. Consideration in Committee of the Whole of Bills and Other Matters
20. Report of the Committee of the Whole
21. Third Reading of Bills
22. Orders of the Day

Speaker (interpretation): Thank you. (interpretation ends) This House stands adjourned until Wednesday, October 19, at 1:30 p.m.

(interpretation) Sergeant-at-Arms.

>>*House adjourned at 15:46*

Thank you.

Appendix – October 18, 2016



Return to Oral Question

Asked by: MLA Shooyook
Asked of: Hon. Monica Ell-Kanayuk
Number: 377-4 (3)
Date: June 8, 2016
Subject: Grise Fiord Airport

Question:

During periods of strong winds, pilots loathe landing in Grise Fiord due to the rough air currents, and passengers are scared to land there as well.

I have asked the minister previously about Grise Fiord and the airplane schedules and whether improvements could be considered. Past responses from the minister indicate that your officials and the airline companies would conduct a review.

Has the department completed this review and whether improvements can be made, either in the number of weekly trips or scheduled days within the week? Can the minister provide some clarification on this matter?

Answer:

The scheduling of flights to and from Grise Fiord is determined by the air carrier, Kenn Borek and not the GN.

The issue at Grise Fiord is that the pilots are encountering unknown wind shear. Kenn Borek Air has a policy that they won't land at the

airport unless the winds are 10 knots or less. However, even when the winds at surface level are 10 knots or less, the winds aloft may be much stronger and when an aircraft descending encounters a sudden change in wind speed (called a wind shear), a sudden dangerous loss in altitude can result.

Our officials raised the concerns of unpredictable winds and the possibility of wind shear incidents at the Grise Fiord airport to NavCanada at the most recent Northern Air Transport Association (NATA) meetings held in Whitehorse in May, 2016.

NavCanada is responsible for providing the necessary weather and navigational aids at all Canadian airports.

A letter is being prepared for furtherance to NavCanada formally requesting: 1) NavCanada look into the addition of another anemometer at a high elevation near the airport. This device monitors wind speed and would help pilots to determine if conditions were safe for landing; 2) NavCanada to provide a wind shear detection device that would alert pilots to severe wind conditions which could result in a wind shear incident.



Return to Written Question

Asked by: Simeon Mikkungwak, MLA Baker Lake

Asked of: Hon. Monica Ell-Kanayuk, Minister of Health

Number: 12-4(3)

Date: June 8, 2016

Subject: Medical and Duty Travel on Scheduled Airlines

- 1. Broken down by airline, how much did the Government of Nunavut spend on medical travel on scheduled airlines during the 2015-2016 fiscal year under its standing offer agreements entered into pursuant to *Request for Proposals 2011-22?***

Airline	Total
CALM AIR	\$18,208,542.65
CANADIAN NORTH	\$14,002,140.75
FIRST AIR	\$18,348,906.96
KENN BOREK UNAALIK AVIATIO	\$100,759.10
STANTON TERRITORIAL HEALTH	\$8,989.73
Total	\$50,669,339.19

- 2. Broken down by airline, how much did the Government of Nunavut spend on duty travel on scheduled airlines during the 2015-2016 fiscal year under its standing offer agreements entered into pursuant to *Request for Proposals 2011-22?***

The Government of Nunavut utilizes corporate credit cards to book travel which is coded back to individual divisions for budgeting purposes. Due to this, we are unable to provide airline breakdowns for travel spending. The 2015-2016 airline-related duty travel spending total was \$58,808,351.07.

- 3. What specific amendments, changes or modifications have been made to the Government of Nunavut's standing offer agreements and/or**

contracts for medical and duty travel on scheduled airlines as a consequence of any and all codeshare agreements entered into by Calm Air, Canadian North, First Air and Keewatin Air Limited?

There have been no amendments, changes or modifications made due to codeshare agreements. We continue to work with the airlines through regular meetings to ensure medical and duty travel needs are met.

4. When do the Government of Nunavut's current standing offer agreements entered into pursuant to *Request for Proposals 2011-22* expire?

All Standing Offer of Agreements with Keewatin Air, Canadian North and First Air will be expiring on August 31, 2017.

5. What is the timeline for the Government of Nunavut to issue a new Request for Proposal and/or Requests for Proposals for medical travel, duty travel and cargo shipments on scheduled airlines?

The Department of Health is actively engaged with Procurement under the Department of Community & Government Services to determine next steps for contract renewals.

6. To what extent will the Government of Nunavut's new NNI Policy, which comes into effect on April 1, 2017, apply to contracts for medical travel, duty travel and cargo shipments on scheduled airlines?

The new NNI Policy will be applied to any future RFP issued, on or after April 1, 2017, by Procurement on behalf of the Department of Health.



**Hon. George Hickes
Minister of Health**

**Cc: Clerk of the Legislative Assembly
Colleen Stockley, Deputy Minister**



Return to Written Question

Asked by: Tony Akoak, MLA for Gjoa Haven

Asked of: Hon. Monica Eil-Kanayuk, MLA

Minister of Economic Development and Transportation

Number: RTWQ -13-4 (3)

Date: June 28, 2016

Subject: Community Transportation Initiatives and Small Craft Harbours Programs

Expressing the information in a comparable format to that which was provided in Return to Written Question 9-4(2), what were the Department of Economic Development and Transportation's activities and expenditures under its Community Transportation Initiatives Program and Small Craft Harbours Program during the 2015-2016 fiscal year?

Question: 1

Broken down by community and project, what were the Department of Economic Development and Transportation's actual expenditures under its Community Transportation Initiatives Program and Small Craft Harbours Program during the 2015-2016 fiscal year?

Answer:

See Table A (Community Transportation Initiative)

And Table B (Small Craft Harbours Program)

**Table A- Contribution Agreements (Expenditures)
Community Transportation Initiatives Program
Fiscal Year 2015-16**

<u>Community and Project</u>	<u>Expenditure</u>
Arctic Bay – Victor Bay to Nuna Access Road	\$80,000
Arviat - Dionne Lake Access Road	\$125,000
Cambridge Bay – Road to Ovayok Territorial Park	\$55,000
Chesterfield Inlet – Josephine River Project	\$80,000
Clyde River – To Cape Christian Road	\$50,000
Coral Harbour – Kupaaq Hill to York Bay Rd.	\$225,000
Gjoa Haven – Swan Lake River Bridge	\$194,000
Hall Beach - Fisherman's Lake to Hall Lake	\$24,000
Igloolik – Maintenance Igloolik Point Road	\$40,000
Kimmirut – Upgrade Road to Reversing Falls	\$0
Kugluktuk – Road to Bloody Falls I	\$0
Pangnirtung – Continuation of Kuulik Trail	\$70,000
Pond Inlet - Salmon River Access Trail Project	\$50,000
Qikiqtarjuaq – First Mountain Road Upgrade/Dewline Lake	\$60,000
Rankin Inlet - Access Road to Diane River	\$75,000
Repulse Bay – Access Road repairs	\$50,000
Sanikiluaq – Pullalik Bridge	\$48,000
Taloyoak – Netsilik Access Road	\$25,000
Whale Cove – Access Road to Wilson River	\$70,000
Total Contribution Agreements (Expenditures)	\$1,321,000

Contributions totaling \$1,480k were sent to Municipalities for signature. Two communities returned funds due to problems associated with the acquisition of proper resources to proceed with their projects. One community spent less than what was requested.

**Table B- Contribution Agreements (Expenditures)
Small Craft Harbours Program
Fiscal Year 2015-16**

<u>Community and Project</u>	<u>Expenditure</u>
Arviat – Upgrade to Community Dock	\$65,000
Cambridge Bay – Floating Dock Installation	\$135,000
Gjoa Haven – Repair to Breakwater Facilities	\$25,000
Igloodik – Sealift Landing & Breakwater Maintenance	\$17,000
Kimmirut – Upgrade to Community Dock	\$0
Kugaaruk – Dredging and Harbour repairs	\$32,000
Kugluktuk – Docking Area Upgrade	\$50,000
Kugluktuk – Staging Area and Road repairs	\$10,000
Kugluktuk – Repairs to Floating Dock and Area	\$10,000
Pangnirtung – Shoreline Cleanup	\$15,000
Rankin Inlet – Purchase and Install Dock Crane	\$24,000
Repulse Bay – Upgrade Beach Landing Areas	\$39,000
Sanikiluaq – Breakwater Extension	\$0
Whale Cove – Boat Launch Sites	\$40,000
Whale Cove – Access Road to Floating Docks	\$40,000
Total Contribution Agreements (Expenditures)	\$502,000

Contributions totaling \$565k were sent to Municipalities for signature. Two communities returned funds due to problems associated with the acquisition of proper resources to proceed with their projects.

Question: 2

How many applications for funding under the Community Transportation Initiative Program and Small Craft Harbours Program were received by the department in the 2015-2016 fiscal year?

Answer:

Under the Community Transportation Initiative Program, twenty two (22) applications were received from nineteen (19) different communities.

Under the Small Craft Harbours Program, sixteen (16) applications were received from thirteen (13) different communities.

Question: 3

How many applications for funding under the Community Transportation Initiative Program and Small Craft Harbours Program were approved by the department in the 2015-2016 fiscal year?

Answer:

Twenty(20) applications were approved for funding under the Community Transportation Initiative Program.

Fourteen(14) applications were approved for funding under the Small Craft Harbours Program.

Question: 4

How many applications for funding under the Community Transportation Initiative Program and Small Craft Harbours Program were rejected by the department in the 2015-2016 fiscal year?

Answer:

Two projects were rejected under the Community Transportation Initiative Program.

Two projects were rejected under the Small Craft Harbours Program.

Question: 5

What application and reporting requirements are in place with respect to funding received by municipal governments and other entities under the department's Community Transportation Initiative Program and Small Craft Harbours Program?

Answer:

Each spring before the new fiscal year begins a call letter is sent to all communities outlining the guidelines for application under the Community Transportation Initiative Program and Small Craft Harbours Program. The letter provides a date by which all proposals are to be submitted to the Department of Economic Development and Transportation (EDT) and specifies the information that should be included in each proposal.

The requests under this program include both access road and marine/ small craft harbour related projects.

Once determination has been made as to which projects will be approved and the amount of the approval, each community is sent a Contribution Agreement which must be approved by an authorized representative of the Municipality and returned to EDT.

Upon EDT approval of the Contribution Agreement, the Municipality is provided with an initial payment of 80% of the requested amount of the Contribution Agreement.

The remaining 20% is provided upon completion of the project and upon submission the Municipality's financial statements and a complete project accounting which shows how the funding was used.



RETURN TO WRITTEN QUESTION

Asked by: Alex Sammurtok, MLA for Rankin Inlet South

Asked of: Hon. Keith Peterson, Minister of Justice

Number: 014-4(3)

Date: June 15, 2016

Subject: Enforcement of the Liquor Act

1. Broken down by community and category of offence, how many charges were laid for alleged contraventions of the Liquor Act during the 2014-15 and 2015-16 fiscal years?

There are two general categories of “contraventions” under Nunavut’s *Liquor Act*:

- (1) **Offences leading to territorial charges laid by the RCMP, which are then heard by the Nunavut Court of Justice.**

The number of charges laid by the RCMP for *Liquor Act* contraventions – broken down by community and category of offence – for 2014-15 and 2015-16 are attached at Appendix A and Appendix B, respectively.

- (2) **Liquor licensing infractions noted by the Government of Nunavut Liquor Enforcement, which are then heard by the Nunavut Liquor Licensing Board.**

For liquor licensing infractions, only the Liquor Licensing Board can impose conditions (e.g. licence suspensions) and issue fines. Liquor Enforcement does not have this authority. Three (3) cases went to the Board during the requested time, one (1) in 2014-2015 and two (2) in 2015-2016, all for infractions in Iqaluit.

In many cases where an infraction is identified by Liquor Enforcement, it will work closely with the establishment to resolve the issue collaboratively incorporating

the Inuit Qaujimajatuqangit principle of *Aajiiqatigiiniq* (decision making through discussion and consensus) without requiring a hearing before the Board. Liquor Enforcement and the establishment will try to find solutions to ensure compliance going forward (e.g. requiring staff to take training on responsible liquor service). If the matter cannot be resolved in this way then it will be sent to the Board for official consideration and decision. In 2014-2015 there were nineteen (19) noted infractions that were resolved directly with the licensee without the need for a Board hearing, while in 2015-16 there were fourteen (14) such cases.

2. With respect to the charges referred to in question No. 1, what was the ultimate disposition of each matter, including the amount of any fines that were imposed?

For the disposition of offences charged under the *Liquor Act* in 2014-15 and 2015-16, see attached Appendix A and Appendix B, respectively.

The Liquor Licensing Board disposed of the three (3) liquor licensing matters that occurred in 2014-15 and 2015-16 as follows:

- **One (1) case from 2014-15 – the Board imposed a fine of \$12,000 plus a suspension of operations for four consecutive Fridays.**
- **Two (2) cases from 2015-16 – In the first case, the Board imposed a fine of \$4,000 plus a one (1) day licence suspension. In the second, the Board imposed a four (4) day licence suspension.**

3. With respect to fines imposed during the 2014-15 and 2015-16 fiscal years for contraventions of the Liquor Act, what is the total amount of money received to date from offenders?

The following amounts were paid into the Nunavut Court of Justice for fines imposed under the *Liquor Act*:

- **\$11,767.50 in 2014-15, and**
- **\$12,505.00 in 2015-16.**

4. As of June 1, 2016, how many individuals are currently incarcerated in territorial correctional facilities as a consequence of sentences imposed for contraventions of the Liquor Act?

None.

5. As of June 1, 2016, how many matters involving alleged contraventions of the Liquor Act are awaiting consideration before the Nunavut Court of Justice?

As of June 1, 2016, there were nineteen (19) cases of *Liquor Act* charges awaiting a court date or disposition in the Nunavut Court of Justice.

Also as of June 1, 2016, there were two (2) matters awaiting consideration by the Nunavut Liquor Licensing Board.

Appendix A

Liquor Act Charges Laid, Fiscal Year 2014-2015

Detachment	Unlawful possession	Possession under 19 years of Age	Knowingly supplying liquor to minor	Unlawful sale of liquor	Disposition
Arviat	2				- Withdrawn by Crown - Voluntary Penalty Option \$230
Baker Lake			1		- Ticket, \$575
Cambridge Bay		1			- Ticket, person deceased
Clyde River	1				- Ticket \$500
Coral Harbour	2				- Voluntary Penalty Option \$230 - Withdrawn by Crown
Gjoa Haven	1				- Voluntary Penalty Option \$115
Hall Beach	1				- Ticket, \$575
Igloolik	2				- Ticket, \$50 - Ticket, \$50
Iqaluit	2		2		- Ticket, dismissed in Court - Ticket, Stay of proceedings - Ticket, Stay of proceedings - Sentenced to 3 days of jail
Kugaaruk	4			1	- Voluntary Penalty Option \$230 - Sentenced to \$5000 fine - Voluntary Penalty Option \$230 - Voluntary Penalty Option \$230 - Voluntary Penalty Option \$172.50
Pond Inlet			1		- Sentenced to 10 days in jail
Rankin Inlet	1				- Voluntary Penalty Option \$230
Naujaat	1				- Voluntary Penalty Option \$230
Taloyoak				1	- Still pending
Whale Cove	1				- Voluntary Penalty Option \$230
Total (25)	18	1	4	2	

Notes:

- For communities not listed, no *Liquor Act* charges were laid in the fiscal year.
- As per the RCMP, there are times when Liquor Act charges could be applied but a more serious criminal offence also takes place as a result of the intoxication, which are not reflected in these figures. In those cases the more serious criminal charges are the focus and only those charges go to PPSC for prosecution.

Appendix B

Liquor Act Charges Laid, Fiscal Year 2015-2016

Detachment	Unlawful possession	Possession under 19 years of Age	Knowingly supplying liquor to minor	Unlawful sale of liquor	Disposition
Arviat	3				- Voluntary Penalty Option \$230 - Voluntary Penalty Option \$230 - Pending Court
Baker Lake				2	- Sentenced to 3 days in jail - Community Services
Clyde River			1	1	- Fine \$500 - Fine \$575
Coral Harbour	5				- Pending Court - Pending Court - Pending Court - Pending Court - Voluntary Penalty Option \$575
Iqaluit				1	- Fine \$1000
Kugaaruk	4			1	- Voluntary Penalty Option \$230 - Pending Court - Voluntary Penalty Option \$230 - Withdrawn by Crown - Pending Court
Kugluktuk	2			2	- Fine \$1500 - Fine \$1500 - Withdrawn by Crown - Withdrawn by Crown
Pangnirtung	1			1	- Pending Court - Pending Court
Pond Inlet			1		- Fine \$575
Naujaat	3				- Pending Court - Voluntary Penalty Option \$230 - Voluntary Penalty Option \$230
Total (28)	18		2	8	

Notes:

- For communities not listed, no *Liquor Act* charges were laid in the fiscal year.
- As per the RCMP, there are times when Liquor Act charges could be applied but a more serious criminal offence also takes place as a result of the intoxication, which are not reflected in these figures. In those cases the more serious criminal charges are the focus and only those charges go to PPSC for prosecution.



RETURN TO WRITTEN QUESTION

Asked by: Pat Angnakak, MLA for Iqaluit- Niaqunnguu

Asked of: Hon. Keith Peterson, Minister of Finance

Number: 015-4(3)

Date: June 15, 2016

Subject: Government of Nunavut Expenditure on Overtime Pay

Question:

Expressing the information in a comparable format to the which was provided in Returns to Written Question 11-3 (3) and 7-4(2), what were the Government of Nunavut's expenditures on overtime pay for indeterminate, term, casual, and relief employees during 2014-15 and 2015-16 fiscal years for each of its departments, crown agencies, and territorial corporations?

Response:

Attached are tables illustrating overtime expenditures paid for permanent and casual employees during the 2014-15 and 2015-16 fiscal years for each department and public agency. This format mirrors that of the 11-3(3) and 7-4(2) Returns to Written Question provided by the Department of Finance in 2012 and 2014. The Government of Nunavut's financial system records compensation and benefits into two categories: permanent salaries, which include both indeterminate and term employees; and casual wages, which includes casual and relief employees. Overtime information has been provided for these two categories. Our financial reporting tools are unable to provide a more detailed breakdown.

GN Overtime:

	Executive & Intergov. Affairs	Finance	Justice	Culture & Heritage	Education	Health	Environment
April 1st, 2014 - March 31 2015							
Casual	\$3,150.05	\$57,095.63	\$1,012,256.45	\$11,878.62	\$5,332.19	\$5,499,397.31	\$69,828.20
Permanent	\$42,287.69	\$180,121.75	\$2,000,625.25	\$44,040.31	\$154,699.49	\$6,264,587.49	\$262,984.41
Total	\$45,437.74	\$237,217.38	\$3,012,881.70	\$55,918.93	\$160,031.68	\$11,763,984.80	\$332,812.61
April 1st, 2015 - March 31 2016							
Casual	\$6,450.36	\$30,362.19	\$956,791.35	\$4,064.52	\$8,270.96	\$5,784,369.90	\$65,641.40
Permanent	\$53,971.10	\$177,229.35	\$2,079,371.87	\$77,144.67	\$123,829.69	\$6,189,589.05	\$278,345.97
Total	\$60,421.46	\$207,591.54	\$3,036,163.22	\$81,209.19	\$132,100.65	\$11,973,958.95	\$343,987.37

	Comm and Government Services	Economic Development and Transportation	Family Services	Petroleum Products Division	NBCC	Nunavut Arctic College	Nunavut Housing Corporation
April 1st, 2014 - March 31 2015							
Casual	\$328,821.10	\$46,295.30	\$404,823.61	\$92,984.92	\$0.00	\$82,913.31	\$28,658.89
Permanent	\$1,163,831.11	\$131,898.42	\$847,584.70	\$189,921.65	\$19,854.22	\$344,148.71	\$273,699.56
Total	\$1,492,652.21	\$178,193.72	\$1,252,408.31	\$282,906.57	\$19,854.22	\$427,062.02	\$302,358.45
April 1st, 2015 - March 31 2016							
Casual	\$468,897.03	\$50,530.48	\$390,928.41	\$64,981.23	\$3,768.18	\$110,290.45	\$14,552.46
Permanent	\$1,214,728.47	\$130,981.30	\$937,796.02	\$274,009.54	\$40,959.25	\$439,491.13	\$328,914.52
Total	\$1,683,625.50	\$181,511.78	\$1,328,724.43	\$338,990.77	\$44,727.43	\$549,781.58	\$343,466.98

	Legal Services Board	Liquor Licensing Board	Liquor Commission	Labour Standards Board	IUT	Status of Women Council	Human Rights Tribunal	QEC	Grand Total for all Depts., Boards & Agencies
April 1st, 2014 - March 31 2015									
Casual	\$0.00	\$92.52	\$2,426.28	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$339.38	389.258.00	\$7,646,293.76
Permanent	\$85,777.50	\$0.00	\$7,018.90	\$0.00	\$4,798.94	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,243,517.00	\$16,261,397.10
Total	\$85,777.50	\$92.52	\$9,445.18	\$0.00	\$4,798.94	\$0.00	\$339.38	\$4,243,517.00	\$23,907,690.86
April 1st, 2015 - March 31 2016									
Casual	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$270.90	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$689,884.00	\$8,650,053.82
Permanent	\$110,524.25	\$0.00	\$8,695.51	\$0.00	\$6,141.45	\$0.00	\$1,238.61	\$4,828,389.00	\$17,301,350.75
Total	\$110,524.25	\$0.00	\$8,966.41	\$0.00	\$6,141.45	\$0.00	\$1,238.61	\$5,518,273.00	\$25,951,404.57