



GOVERNMENT OF
NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR

Department of
Health and Community Services

MEMORANDUM

TO: Jim Wolstenholme - CEO; Health Labrador Corporation
Patsy Foster - AED Client Services; Health Labrador Corporation
Delia Connell - Director(Addictions, Mental Health & Pastoral Care)
Tim Leduc - District Manager; Health & Community Services
Colleen Everitt - Social Worker; Health & Community Services
Elizabeth Nui - Community Service Worker; Health & Community Services
Mary Jane Nui - Community Service Worker; Health & Community Service
Insp. Bernie House - RCMP
Sgt. Brian Campbell - RCMP
Wally Anderson - MHA Torngat Mountains
Kathleen Benuen - Director; Innu Health Commission
Agathe Piwas - Mushuau Innu Band Council
Edward Piwas - Mushuau Innu Band Council
George Gregoire - Mushuau Innu Band Council
Sebastian Piwas - Mushuau Innu Band Council
Daniel Poker - Mushuau Innu Band Council
Mark Nui - Mushuau Innu Band Council; Committee Chair

FROM: Beverley Clarke - Assistant Deputy Minister; Health & Community Services
Kate Gray - Regional Manager; Health & Community Services

DATE: December 18, 1998

RE: **SAFETY PLAN FOR CHILDREN IN DAVIS INLET**

Recreation

1. The Band Council is arranging, through their Recreation Director, to have organized activities scheduled on a daily basis during the Christmas break for the children in the community. Included in these activities is the possibility of taking the children camping over the Christmas holidays. In addition, the RCMP have asked their officers to take their

skates into the community and engage in the recreational activities during their off hours.

It was also mentioned that one of the RCMP officers is a karate expert and he would be willing to work with the recreation director and the kids. The Band Council is also exploring the possibility of hiring an Assistant Recreation Director to help with the organization and implementation of recreation activities for children.

Security Measures

2. The RCMP will have 6 members stationed in Davis over the Christmas and New Years period. In addition there will be 3 tribal police available in the community and the Band Council has hired 24 hour security in hopes of curtailing the vandalism. The counsellors of the Health Commission and Health and Community Services will be on-call throughout the Christmas period and available to respond to emergencies after regular working hours.

Emergency/safety shelter

3. Both Agathe Piwas (Band council member) and Mark Nui (Band Council Chief), agreed that their homes could be used as emergency placements for short periods of time in the event that children had to be removed from their homes until a further assessment and potential options for the children's safety could be explored. The option of using the "LOG" house for the same purpose was also explored. The Health and Community Services(HCS) workers and the alcohol counsellors will meet to discuss the details. For example, HCS may be asked to provide lunches during the day, and the Band Council will have to decide if the house will be occupied and available outside of the regular work day.

Older children- out of control

4. It was agreed by those present that older children in the community(14-18 years) sometimes gather in groups and become aggressive towards the community members and the RCMP. This sometimes results in violence and other criminal activity. The RCMP explained they are often able to diffuse these situations by picking kids up and returning to their homes, but depending on the number of young people and the volatile nature of the situation this is not always feasible. It was agreed that in such situations:
 - the young people may have to be locked up for a short period of time;
 - the young people may have to be charged with an offence and then removed from the community
 - most likely to the group home in Sheshashiu;
 - or if any of the young people are assessed to be suicidal they will be removed from the community with the aid of the regional nurses and the medivac.

Adults out of control

5. There are some situations where parents in the community may become intoxicated in the company of other adults leaving their children unsupervised. In such situations it is sometimes difficult for the social worker/community service worker or the RCMP to intervene and assess the level of safety for the children. It was agreed that the first line of action would be to approach extended family to intervene. If this course of action failed to resolve the issues the Innu Peacekeepers would be available to help intervene. The Band Council agreed that if all previous actions were unsuccessful, they would be available to provide consultation and direction on how to proceed to ensure the safety of the children involved.

One-to-One Support (Buddy System)

6. In order to address some of the needs and concerns related specifically to youth who are sniffing in the community, the Band Council requested the use of one-to-one support workers for these youth who could act to divert the negative sniffing activities of the youth towards some of the healthier recreation activities in the community. This is a tool the Health and Community Services staff have used in the past with clients who sniff and have had some positive results. Health and Community Services agreed to explore this option with clients who are currently sniffing and are at high risk.

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What can we do for the children

- Ruled out the option of taking children out of the Community Center
- ① Taking children camping over the holidays
- ② Agathe - take children in her home - babysitting
 - Mark also take kids - have a small place.
- Encourage people not to drink
- George - Lee Director - willing to stay in Community Recreation for Children
- ③ Daniel - Ruled security
 - will deterred vandalism
- ④ RCMP - Have 6 mhrs in Jaws over Xmas & NY Eve
 - One of officers - Karate expert.
 - Have 3
- Young kids out in Evening - what can we do. - work w other agencies.
- Kate's concerns as well. the same.

How do we work together to resolve issues as they come up.

Cells - Not opposed to putting people in the cell so that if they have to.

⑤ Option of the ^{High} House - Mary Jane goes out - someone to take it. 10:55 rounds lunch.

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⑧ Kids - who may potentially be suicidal.
 Instances - quick referral out of the Community.
 If we do it together - then greater chance of
 success / problem gone.

⑨ Buddy, buddy system - older individual pair up
 w/ younger kid.
 Tool we have w/ Social Services - look / show we
 can use this

⑩ Out of Control Adults - w/ Young Children Involved.
 Where do we do.
 Is there someone we can call besides or in
 addition to RCMP.

Notify the relatives of the adults / parents -
 work w/ them.

Counsellors on Call w/ the Health Commission -
 Catherine - Counsellors have complained about having
 to act as Sivers - apprehending children.
 - Could adults fall to someone

- If other adults not available - can't
 get kids out - Use Tribal Police Keepers
 to intervene in these situations.

- Best Mbrs must be on call -
 for SS/RCMP to reach if unable to resolve
 situation - for further situation.



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Department of Health & Community Services
Community Health Branch

December 17, 1998

Mr. Mark Nui
Chief
Mushuau Innu Band Council
P.O. Box 107
Davis Inlet, Labrador
AOP 1A0

Dear Chief Nui:

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I look forward to discussions with you, the RCMP, and other Health and Community Services officials on that date. It is my hope that a coordinated plan can be in place prior to Christmas.

Yours truly,


BEVERLEY CLARKE
Assistant Deputy Minister
Health & Community Services

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cc: Hon. Joan Marie Aylward, Minister, Health & Community Services
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Regional Manager
Department of Health and Community Services
Goose Bay, LB

Inspector Bernie House
District Commander
RCMP
Goose Bay, LB

RE: HEALING COMMITTEE MEETING, DECEMBER 18

Thank you for confirming your attendance (or the attendance of representatives from your department/government) at the Healing Committee meeting scheduled for tomorrow, Friday December 18 at 1:00 PM at the RCMP detachment in Goose Bay.

The purpose of the meeting will be to bring all in attendance up to date regarding the meeting with provincial Ministers and federal officials which took place last Wednesday, December 9 in St. John's.

Since no federal officials are able to attend tomorrow's meeting, our main focus will be on the province's concerns regarding Davis Inlet as expressed by Minister Joan Marie Aylward at the meeting in St. John's. Specifically, we are very concerned about the children and about having emergency measures in place for the safety of the children in this community.

I look forward to seeing you all at our meeting tomorrow afternoon.

Yours sincerely,


for Chief Mark Nui

cc. Beverly Clarke, Assistant Deputy Minister
Department of Community Health



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Date: **December 17, 1998**

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Comments:

Attached is a draft letter from the Hon. Lyle Oberg, on behalf of all provinces and territories, to the Hon. Pierre Pettigrew on the Provincial/Territorial preferred option for the Phase II design of the National Child Benefit. Your officials were asked to provide input on an earlier draft and I am now sending it to you for your review and approval. Please provide any comments you may have on this letter by 10:00 a.m. Alberta Time, Friday December 18th. If we do not receive your comments we will assume that there are no changes required. We are hoping to have Dr. Oberg sign this off before he leaves for Christmas holidays on Friday.

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Maria David-Evana
Deputy Minister
Alberta Family and Social Services

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ALBERTA
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Office of the Minister

December 17, 1998

Honourable Pierre Pettigrew
Minister of Human Resources Development
Room 507, Confederation Building
House of Commons
Ottawa, Ontario
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Dear Mr. Pettigrew:

As the Provincial/Territorial Co-Chair of Ministers Responsible for Social Services, I am writing to share with you the provincial/territorial consensus on a preferred option for the Phase II design of National Child Benefit (NCB).

As you may recall, at our October meeting, Ministers asked our Deputy Ministers to confirm each jurisdiction's preference for the Phase II design of the NCB. On their November 30 conference call, Deputy Ministers reached consensus on option 2a as the preferred approach. This option allows some of the increased NCB benefit to flow to families with incomes beyond the current NCB threshold of \$25,921 up to a new ceiling of \$29,590, while still focusing most of the benefit increase on families in the lowest income band.

I understand that your former Deputy Minister, Mel Cappe, indicated option 2a is also the preferred federal approach and advised provinces and territories to plan their reinvestment strategies around option 2a. Mr. Cappe agreed to continue to update provincial/territorial Deputies on the federal progress, leading up to the 1999 federal budget. As the design will have a significant impact on provincial/territorial reinvestment initiatives, it will be important for provinces and territories to have confirmation of the details of the design option adopted by the federal government as soon as possible.

Finally, I would like to reaffirm our support for the full implementation of the NCB and the need for continuing future federal financial commitments to achieve this goal.

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We have made significant progress on the NCB initiative over the past year and a half and much of this success can be attributed to the mutually respectful partnership that has characterized the development of the NCB. As we proceed with further phases of the NCB, it will be important to ensure that we continue to build on this successful approach.

We look forward to continuing our work together on the implementation of Phase II of the National Child Benefit.

Yours truly,

Dr. Lyle Oberg
Provincial/Territorial Co-Chair,
F/P/T Ministers Responsible for Social Services

cc: Provincial/Territorial Ministers Responsible for Social Services



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Please see the attached.

Sincerely,

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**Gerry Byrne, MP****Humber-St. Barbe-Baie Verte****OTTAWA****December 16, 1998**

**The Honourable Joan Marie Aylward
Department of Health
Government of Newfoundland and Labrador
P.O. Box 8700
St. John's, Newfoundland
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Dear Minister Aylward:

Please find enclosed a letter and attachments that were sent to my Ottawa office and addressed to my attention by Joan Cranston of Norris Point, Newfoundland.

Ms. Cranston has written to me on behalf of Rellic Crocker's personal care home in Norris Point and the [REDACTED]

All relevant correspondence has been attached and I ask that you review it and reply directly to Ms. Cranston at the enclosed address so that these serious concerns may be addressed. Please do not hesitate to contact me if I can be of any assistance in providing you with further information on this matter.

Yours sincerely,

**Gerry Byrne, MP
Humber-St. Barbe-Baie Verte**

**cc: Joan Cranston
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**Gerry Byrne, MP****Humber-St. Barbe-Baie Verte****OTTAWA****December 14, 1998**

Joan Cranston
Bonne Bay Hospital
Citizen's Action Committee
General Delivery
Norris Point, Newfoundland
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Dear Ms. Cranston:

I am writing to you further your letter of November 27, 1998 which you faxed to my Ottawa office and addressed to my attention. I appreciate the time you have taken to write to me on the issue of Rellie Crocker's personal care home.

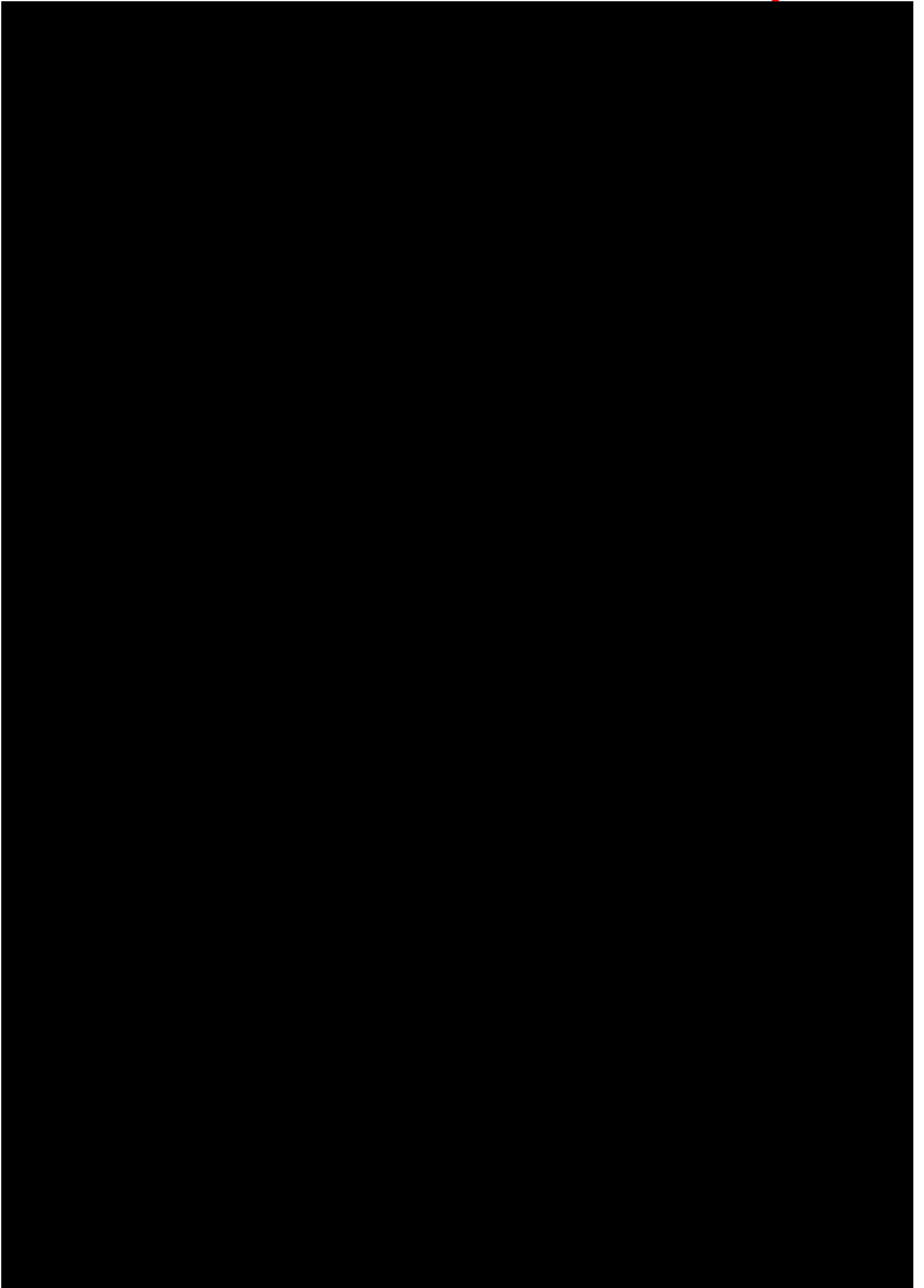
The issue of personal care, as you say, is an essential part of the continuum of care for seniors in Norris Point - I fully agree. I have read the attachments to your letter and I realise that you are aware that this matter is one of a provincial nature. Having said this, I do offer my support for Rellie Crocker's personal care home and I assure you that I too will be working to raise awareness within the Provincial Government of Newfoundland and Labrador.

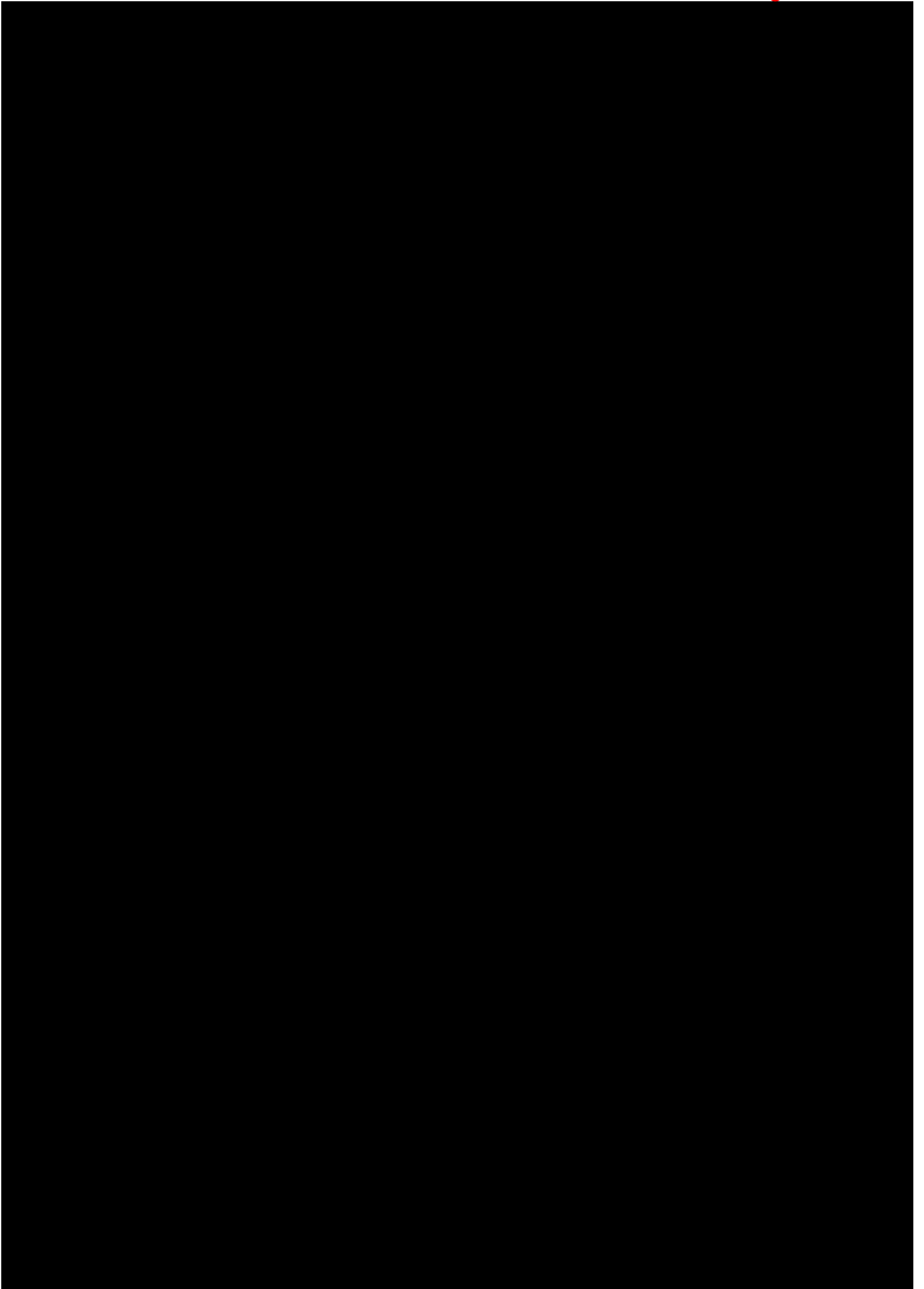
Please find enclosed a letter that I have written on your behalf to the Honourable Joan Marie Aylward in support of your initiative. I ask that you please do not hesitate to contact me if ever I can be of further assistance to you.

Yours sincerely,

Gerry Byrne, MP
Humber-St. Barbe-Baie Verte

cc: The Honourable Joan Marie Aylward





POLITICAL ACCORD**BETWEEN**

HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN IN RIGHT OF CANADA represented
herein by the Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development
and

THE MI'KMAQ AND MALISEET FIRST NATIONS CHIEFS
from the Provinces of New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and Newfoundland and Labrador

WHEREAS this initiative is intended to foster a partnership based on principles of mutual respect, trust, openness and understanding;

AND WHEREAS the Mi'kmaq and Maliseet First Nations, consistent with their views of their historical responsibilities and authorities, wish to exercise jurisdiction over social programs and services;

AND WHEREAS the Government of Canada recognizes the inherent right of self-government as an existing Aboriginal right under section 35(1) of the *Constitution Act, 1982*;

AND WHEREAS the Minister and the Mi'kmaq and Maliseet First Nations Chiefs share the goal of reorienting the welfare system away from passive income maintenance toward active measures;

AND WHEREAS the Mi'kmaq and Maliseet First Nations Chiefs, representing their membership, have been mandated by the Atlantic Policy Congress of First Nation Chiefs to continue to conduct further discussion, research, and analysis into Mi'kmaq/Maliseet self-governance in social services.

NOW THEREFORE the Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development and the Chiefs of the Mi'kmaq and Maliseet First Nations from the Provinces of New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and Newfoundland and Labrador hereby agree:

1. to direct, respectively, the staff of the Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development and of the Atlantic Policy Congress First Nation Chiefs to carry out the following work:
 - a. to consider the scope of the interests of the parties as well as those of the provincial governments concerning jurisdiction and governance over social programs and services in the context of an overall governance model;
 - b. to reform the on-reserve welfare system from passive to active case management, develop a new framework for Mi'kmaq and Maliseet social assistance and increase the capacity of Mi'kmaq and Maliseet First Nations to reduce welfare dependency and increase employability;
 - c. to address the following initiatives:
 - national child benefit reinvestment strategy by July 1, 1996;
 - elimination of social assistance,
 - youth initiatives;
 - social development administrators training; and
 - other initiatives that are mutually agreed upon;
 - d. to seek the participation, cooperation and commitment of other relevant federal departments and provinces in such discussions as required and mutually agreed upon.

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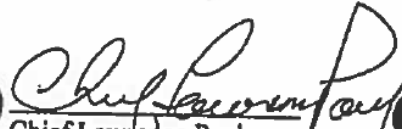
2. that proposals resulting from the partnership work requiring approval will be subject to a resolution by the Mi'kmaq and Maliseet First Nations Chiefs and the signed approval of the Atlantic Regional Director General, who will sign once appropriate government approvals have been obtained.
3. that this Protocol is not a treaty and does not create legal obligations on either party.
4. that this Protocol shall expire three years from the date of signing, but may be renewed, amended or terminated with the consent of the parties in writing.

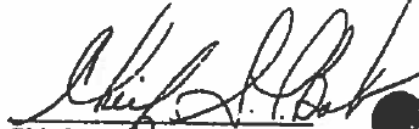
SIGNED this 27 day of March 1998, by the Mi'kmaq and Maliseet First Nations Chiefs, on behalf of their membership, and the Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development, on behalf of Canada, in the spirit of mutual respect and partnership.

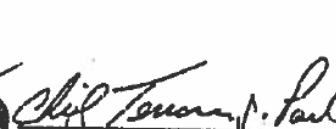
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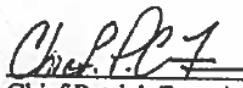

 Jane Stewart, P.C., M.P.
 Minister, Indian Affairs and Northern Development

SIGNED on behalf of the Mi'kmaq and Maliseet Bands in Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Newfoundland and Labrador this 27 day of March 1998.


 Chief Lawrence Paul
 Millbrook Band

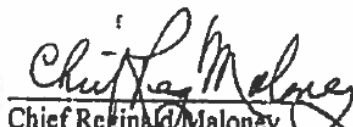

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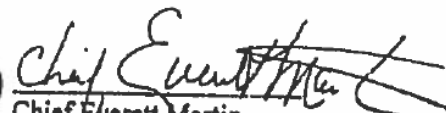

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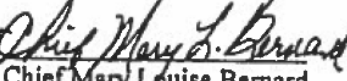

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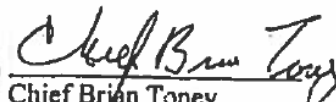

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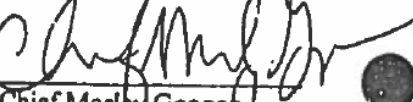

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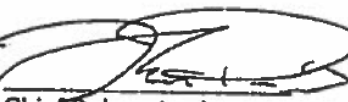

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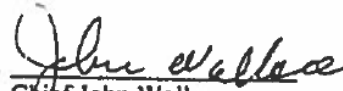

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Pabineau Band

Chief Shirley Clarke
Horton Band

Chief George Ginnish
Eel Ground Band

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Saint Mary's Band

Chief Albert Wilfred Deany
Pictou Landing Band

Chief Edwin Bernard
Tobique Band

Chief M'isel Joe
Miawpukek Band

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Chief Linda Jean-Simon
The Micmac Nation of Gaspeg

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**BONNE BAY HOSPITAL CITIZEN'S ACTION COMMITTEE
NORRIS POINT, NEWFOUNDLAND
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March 10, 1998

The Honourable Joan-Marie Alyward
Minister of Health
Confederation Building
St. John's, Newfoundland

Dear Ms. Alyward:

I writing to you today to invite you to come and meet with our committee to discuss several health care issues.

As I'm sure you are aware, our committee first wrote to you on June 18, 1997, requesting a meeting. In your reply of August 5, 1997, you stated that you felt our concerns could be answered in a meeting with Dr. Minnie Wasmeier and the two health care boards. We wrote to you again on October 29, 1997, requesting a meeting, and in your reply of November 13, 1997, you suggested that we contact your office to arrange a convenient time to meet. I have been in contact with your Executive Assistant, Ms. Mary Johnston, several times since then and we still have not managed to arrange a meeting. We are, of course, aware that your schedule is very busy; however, we have some serious concerns that need to be addressed and it is very important that we meet with you.

Our M.H.A., Mr. Chuck Furey, has met with us several times regarding these issues. He would also like to be present at the meeting, so hopefully a mutually convenient time can be found in the very near future. Mr. Furey suggested that a formal meeting could be followed by a social reception so that you could get to know the members of our committee on a more personal basis. Our committee has been active for more than two years, and we have strong dedicated representation from many sectors in the community. I am aware that you are interested in a "community development approach" to health care so I'm sure that you would enjoy meeting our committee.

The issues that we would like to discuss are out-lined below:

1. A New Facility in the Bonne Bay Area

Our hospital is the only remaining "cottage hospital" in the province. It was built before Confederation and has served the people of this area very well. However, it is not adequate to meet the health care needs of the future. Preliminary Planning money was allocated in the last

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provincial budget, but has not yet been released, pending the outcome of the Operational Review Report. When will this report be completed? We are aware that it takes anywhere from 3 to 5 years from planning to completion of construction for a hospital. We are desperately in need of a new facility as I'm sure you'll agree when you see the hospital for yourself. We need to start the planning process as soon as possible.

2. Rellie Crocker's Personal Care Home

We wrote to you in June, 1997, regarding the desperate need for a subsidy for this home. In your reply of August 5th you stated that the issue of a subsidy was being reviewed by a Provincial Continuing Care Advisory Committee and that the review would be completed by September. Mrs. Crocker's concerns still have not been addressed and she is having great difficulty in continuing to operate her home without adequate resources.

3. Medical Services in Cow Head, Parsons Pond, Daniel's Harbour

There are still two vacant positions in these clinics and people have been without regular medical care since June 1997. Some coverage is being provided through locums and by the physicians at Bonne Bay Hospital but it is not an adequate level of service and is severely straining the resources of the physicians in Bonne Bay.

4. The Need for Enhanced Rehabilitation, Mental Health and Home Care Services in this area.

We have one physiotherapist serving a population of 10,000 people in the Bonne Bay and Port Saunders areas.

Mental Health Services, especially for youth, are desperately needed. The mental health worker position with Community Health Western is presently vacant, minimum level of service (one or two days/month).

The only guidance counselor in this area, who provides services in Cow Head as well as Norris Point has to deal with such issues as attempted suicide, physical and sexual abuse and eating disorders.

As you can see, we have some serious issues which need to be discussed. Therefore, we are again requesting a meeting with you at your earliest convenience. Hopefully, we can work together to outline solutions to these problems.

Sincerely,

Joanie Cranston
Vice-Chairperson

P.S. One initiative of our Citizen's Action Committee has been to work towards establishing a "Community Health Foundation" to fund health care initiatives in the community as well as at Bonne Bay Hospital. A dynamic group of people is now working towards incorporation of the foundation. I'm sure you would enjoy meeting these people as well. Once incorporated ours will be the first community foundation in Newfoundland.

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BONNE BAY HOSPITAL CITIZENS' ACTION COMMITTEE
NORRIS POINT, NEWFOUNDLAND
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June 18, 1997

The Honourable Joan-Marie Alyward
Minister of Health
Confederation Building
St. John's, Newfoundland

Dear Ms. Alyward:

Congratulations on your recent appointment as Minister of Health. I'm sure that with your background in nursing, you will be able to offer a practical approach to many of the problems facing our health care system today.

The Bonne Bay Hospital Citizens' Action Committee was formed in January 1996 as a response to rumours that Bonne Bay Hospital would be closed as a cost-saving measure. We have since been informed that our hospital will not be closed, and that, once the operational review of the Western Region is completed, preliminary planning money will be available for designing a new health facility for this area. We have received a commitment from Mr. Furey that our committee will have input into planning and design of the new facility. We have met regularly over the past year and a half and have had extensive discussions regarding the health care needs of this area, so we feel that our input will be very valuable in ensuring that the new facility truly meets our needs.

Besides the issue of a new hospital, our committee has addressed other health care concerns in this area. One of these concerns is the future of Rellie Crocker's Personal Care Home. Crocker's Home was opened in 1990 as a response to the need for this type of care. The home has 20 beds, accommodating 50% Level I clients, and 50% Level II clients. Before Crocker's Home was opened, these types of clients were often cared for at Bonne Bay Hospital (at a cost to the Department of Health of \$90.32 per day or \$2800 per month) as there was no other place for them to go. Our committee feels that Crocker's Home is an essential part of the continuum of care for seniors in this area.

Mrs. Crocker is an active member of our committee and has asked our assistance in addressing her concerns about the future of the home. The home was opened late in 1990 after the moratorium on subsidized beds was imposed. The home is operating without a subsidy, yet

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she still has to meet the same licencing requirements as subsidized homes. Needless to say, Mrs. Crocker is having difficulty making ends meet and does not know how long she can continue to operate. In [REDACTED] at the home would have to be cared for elsewhere, probably at greater cost to the government.

We understand that the moratorium on subsidies was applied because, in some areas of the province, there was an over supply of beds and a high vacancy rate. This is certainly not the case in this area. There are no subsidized beds between Deer Lake and Roddickton. It is also obvious that the Department of Health recognizes the high cost of operating homes, as it increased the level of subsidies to those homes that qualified in November 1996 and again in March 1997. Our committee feels that Crockers' Homes provides a high-quality, essential service to our senior citizens and requires a subsidy to continue operating.

We would like to meet with you to discuss this issue at your earliest convenience. Other issues that could be discussed at the same meeting include: plans for the new Bonne Bay Hospital, and the need for enhanced rehabilitation, mental health and home care services in this area.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Joanie Cranston
Vice-Chairperson

cc: Chuck Furey, M.H.A.
Gerry Byrne, MP.
Rellie Crocker

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**Department of
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Office of the Minister**

September 4, 1998

Honourable Charles J. Furey
Minister of Mines and Energy
M.H.A. - St. Barbe South

Dear Colleague:

Thank you for providing me with a copy of recent correspondence you received from Bonne Bay Hospital Citizens' Action Committee outlining the situation faced by Rellie Crocker.

I have asked my staff to look into the circumstances carefully and report back to me at an early date. I will let you know the outcome of this review and can assure you we will do everything possible to address their needs in a responsible manner.

Sincerely,

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cc: Ms. Joan Cranston
Vice-Chairperson,
Bonne Bay Hospital Citizens' Action Committee

Mr. William MacKenzie
Ms. Rita Malone

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NorrisPoint, Nfld.

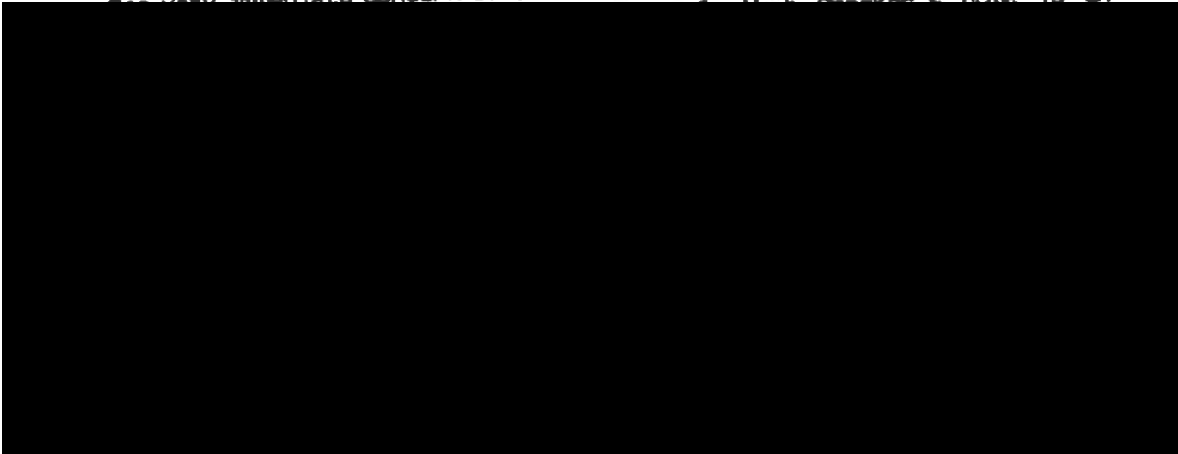
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The Honourable Joan-Marie Alyward
Minister of Health
Confederation Building
St. John's, Nfld.

Dear Ms. Alyward;

The Bonne Bay Hospital Citizens' Action Committee (BBHCAC) has written to you on three separate occasions (June 18/97, Oct. 29/97, and Mar. 10/98) requesting a meeting to discuss health care issues in our area. We are writing you again to invite you to meet with us to discuss issues which are of concern to us.

One very immediate concern of the BBHCAC is the future of Rellie Crocker's home is an



Our committee is aware that a Provincial Continuing Care Advisory Committee made recommendations in a report to government on ways to address the inequities in the health care system. Relief was promised in last springs' budget, but none has been forthcoming. When will your department take action on this important issue?

We trust that you appreciate the urgent nature of this situation and will take the time to address this matter. We look forward to hearing from you at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely:



Joan Cranston, Vice-Chairperson
For; The BBHCAC

cc: Hon. Chuck Furey, MHA, St. Barbe South
Hon. Oliver Langdon, Minister of Environment and Lands

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GOVERNMENT OF
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Office of the Minister

November 17, 1998

Ms. Joan Cranston
Vice-Chairperson
Bonne Bay Hospital Citizens Action Committee
Norrisville, NF

Dear Ms. Cranston:

Thank you for the copy of your letter to the Hon. Oliver Langdon concerning Crocker's Personal Care Home.

We have well over five hundred non-subsidized beds in this province and concerns have been expressed seeking a change in the subsidy system.

A paper has been completed by government following a review of various options associated with shifting the subsidy system from the bed to the client. These options are under consideration in concert with other long term care issues. We are therefore unable to take an action on the subsidy of one individual personal care home, such as Crocker's Personal Care Home, until we can address the concerns of the total non-subsidized industry.

I hope this information clarifies the current situation.

Sincerely yours

JOAN MARIE AYLWARD, M.H.A.
St. John's Centre
Minister of Health and Community Services

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Citizens ACTION Committee
NorrisPoint, Nfld.

Oct. 23, 1998

Hon. Oliver Langdon
Minister of Environment and Labour
Confederation Building
St. John's, Nfld.

Dear Mr. Langdon:

The Bonne Bay Hospital Citizens' Action Committee (BBHCAC) was formed in January 1996 and consists of citizens and council representatives from all the communities between Trout River in the south, to Belleburns in the north. Our original goal was to ensure that the Bonne Bay Hospital was maintained in a manner consistent with the health care needs of the residents in our area. Since then, our committee has evolved into an advocacy group mandated to address issues affecting the health and well being of our communities. It is in this manner that we are writing you today.

An issue of particular importance to us is the security of Rellie Crocker's Personal Care Home. Crocker's home has been operating since 1990, providing high quality Level 1 and Level 2 care to 20 of our senior citizens. Unlike similar operations, they have never received a government subsidy and have been finding it increasingly difficult to meet their financial obligations.

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This will effectively force the Crockers to close their doors, and the residents will have to be accommodated elsewhere, most likely at great expense to the government. We feel that this situation is totally unacceptable.

It is the opinion of the BBHCAC that immediate action must be taken to provide some form of financial relief to the Crockers so they can continue to provide the high quality of care our seniors deserve and need. As such, we feel that all concerned parties should meet as soon as possible to address this situation before any action is taken which would jeopardize the security of their residents.

We trust that you appreciate the urgent nature of this situation and will take the time to address this matter. We look forward to hearing from you at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely;

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Joan Olanston, Vice-Chairperson
For; The BBHCAC

cc: Hon. Chuck Furey, MHA, St. Barbe South
Hon. Joan-Marie Alyward, Minister of Health

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MEMO TO: Minister McLean
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FROM: Harold Marshall

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Attached for your use is a copy of a note prepared for the record on the meeting of December 9, 1998.

It is my understanding that Chief Mark Nui is attempting to schedule the meeting of the committee on December 18, 1998 in Goose Bay. John Berniquez is available for the meeting and will encourage the other members to be available (I have a suspicion that the Feds will attempt to push it to a later date).

If you have any questions please have your officials contact John Berniquez in my office.

HAROLD F. MARSHALL
Deputy Minister

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Copy: John Berniquez

PARTICIPANTS**FEDERAL AND PROVINCIAL MINISTERS MEETING
WITH DAVIS INLET BAND COUNCIL
TO CONSIDER THE MATTER OF DAVIS INLET**

Confederation Building, West Block
Executive Board Room
St. John's, Newfoundland
December 9, 1998
3:00 p.m.

DAVIS INLET BAND COUNCIL

- Chief Mark Nui
- George Gregoire
- Agatha Piwas
- Sebastian Piwas
- Daniel Poker
- Katie Rich
- David Nui
- Janis Pasteen
- Kathleen Benuen
- John Olthuis, Legal Council
- John Joy, Legal Council
- Gerry Kerr, Consultant

INNU NATION

- David Nuke, President
- Bart Jack, Self-government negotiator

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

- Bill Montour, Indian & Northern Affairs Canada
- Scott Serson, Indian & Northern Affairs Canada
- Paul Cochrane, Health Canada
- Gerry Steele, Health Canada

PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT

- Ernest McLean, Minister responsible for Labrador Affairs
- Chris Decker, Minister of Justice
- Joan Marie Aylward, Minister of Health
- Roger Grimes, Minister of Education
- Wally Andersen, MHA, Torngat District
- Harold Marshall, Deputy Minister, Lab. & Aboriginal Affairs
- Debbie Fry, Deputy Minister of Human Resources and Employment
- John Berniquez, Lab. & Aboriginal Affairs

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Speaking Notes

Federal-Provincial Ministers

December 9, 1998

- I WOULD LIKE TO THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY OF MEETING WITH YOU TODAY
- I APPRECIATE THE SUPPORT TODAY ALSO OF MY ELDERS AND OF THE INNU NATION REPRESENTED TODAY BY PRESIDENT DAVID NUKE
- TODAY WE ARE A TROUBLED COMMUNITY. THE PROBLEMS THAT HAVE PLAGUED OUR COMMUNITY FOR SO MANY YEARS CONTINUE TO ASSAULT OUR FAMILIES AND OUR CHILDREN
- WE COME TO YOU TODAY IN SEARCH OF PARTNERS. PARTNERS WHO WILL SUPPORT AND JOIN WITH US IN AN INNU LED STRATEGY TO DEAL WITH HEALING IN OUR COMMUNITY.
- I HAVE THINGS TO ASK OF YOU AND I WANT TO LEAVE HERE TODAY KNOWING THAT WE HAVE YOUR SUPPORT, YOUR PARTNERSHIP IN THE HEALING OF THE MUSHUAU INNU

- I WILL SPEAK OF EIGHT ELEMENTS THAT WE CONSIDER TO BE ABSOLUTELY ESSENTIAL FOR OUR HEALING. BUT THEY ARE NOT DISTINCT ELEMENTS - THEY ALL RELATE - THEY ARE ALL PIECES OF THE SAME HOLISTIC APPROACH
- YOUR GOVERNMENTS JOINED WITH US IN A RELOCATION AGREEMENT IN 1996. PERHAPS ALL OF US PUT TOO MUCH FAITH IN RELOCATION AS THE MAJOR COMPONENT OF OUR HEALING. IT IS IMPORTANT BUT IT IS ONLY ONE ELEMENT OF SEVERAL.
- TODAY I WILL ADDRESS OTHER ELEMENTS WHICH WE CONSIDER EQUALLY IMPORTANT.

1. INTEGRATED HEALING STRATEGY TEAM

Value from people on the ground.
Would this not be the Partnership on Healing Council already established

- WE SEEK YOUR SUPPORT IN PUTTING TOGETHER A TEAM OF SENIOR OFFICIALS AND INNU REPRESENTATIVES TO DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT AN INTEGRATED HOLISTIC HEALING STRATEGY
- THIS TEAM WOULD BE MANDATED TO PREPARE FOR THE APPROVAL OF THE THREE GOVERNMENTS, A HEALING STRATEGY
- IT WOULD BE LEAD BY A FULL TIME INNU COORDINATOR WHO WOULD BE SUPPORTED BY TWO ASSISTANTS. WE WILL REQUIRE FUNDING FOR THESE POSITIONS.

What do they have now - how does this fit?

- WE HAVE BEGUN THIS PROCESS. RECENTLY WE HELD A LEADERSHIP RETREAT AT BORDER BEACON AND THERE WE AGREED ON THE NEED FOR THIS TYPE OF AN APPROACH. WE HAVE A FOUNDATION ON WHICH TO BUILD
 - WE ENVISION THIS TEAM COORDINATING THE PARTNERS - INNU PARTNERS, GOVERNMENT PARTNERS AND VOLUNTEER PARTNERS
 - WE HAVE OFFERS FROM THE RED CROSS, FROM DOCTORS WITHOUT BORDERS AND CESO TO HELP. BUT AGAIN, WE BELIEVE THAT THEIR ASSISTANCE MUST BE INTEGRATED WITH AN OVERALL STRATEGIC APPROACH
2. ALCOHOL BAN - *Issue, legislative authority RCMP/Judice/Innu - (Order in Council, Liquor Act) Develop a plan*
- AS YOU KNOW OUR COMMUNITY RECENTLY APPROVED A BAN ON ALCOHOL AND SOLVENT ABUSE
 - OUR PROBLEM IS HOW DO WE IMPLEMENT AND ENFORCE THIS BAN
 - WE PROPOSE TO DEVELOP COMMUNITY BYLAWS WHICH WOULD BAN THE USE OF ALCOHOL, SOLVENTS AND DRUGS
 - WE WILL ESTABLISH A COMMUNITY CIRCLE TO DETERMINE APPROPRIATE RESOLUTIONS FOR INDIVIDUALS WHO DO NOT HONOUR THE BAN
- Dry Community vs. Ban. Community decisions.*

- WE WILL NEED THE COOPERATION OF THE RCMP AND OTHERS IN HELPING ENFORCE THE BAN - SEARCHES AT THE AIRPORT & RESTRICTION OF TAKEOUT SALES IN NAIN AND HOPEDALE FOR EXAMPLE

- WE ARE WILLING TO DO OUR PART BUT WE NEED YOUR PARTNERSHIP TO MAKE IT WORK

- ONE LAST VERY IMPORTANT POINT - WE ARE APPROACHING THIS AS A HEALTH ISSUE NOT A CRIMINAL ISSUE AND WE ASK THAT YOU KEEP THIS IN MIND AS WE WORK TOGETHER ON SOLUTIONS

3. CRISIS INTERVENTION TEAMS - *What services are currently in place Interagency Team.*

- WHEN THE BAN IS ENFORCED - IT WILL HEIGHTEN THE CRISIS THAT ALREADY EXISTS IN OUR COMMUNITY
- MANY PEOPLE ARE ADDICTED AND WILL REQUIRE MEDICAL ASSISTANCE WHEN THEY NO LONGER HAVE ACCESS TO ALCOHOL, DRUGS AND WHEN WE ENFORCE A SOLVENT BAN
- BOTH CHILDREN AND ADULTS WILL BE AFFECTED
- WE WILL NEED A TEAM - MEDICAL AND COUNSELING - TO BE IN PLACE, ON-SITE AND PREPARED TO DEAL WITH THIS CRISIS

4. FAMILY TREATMENT CENTRE

Health Canada Issue; Where??

- TODAY I WOULD LIKE YOUR COMMITMENT TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A FAMILY TREATMENT CENTRE FOR THE INNU OF LABRADOR
- I KNOW THAT MANY DETAILS WILL HAVE TO BE WORKED OUT INCLUDING LOCATION, FACILITY AND PROGRAMMING - BUT WE CAN WORK WITH YOUR OFFICIALS ON THOSE ISSUES
- BUT I NEED TO KNOW THAT YOU SUPPORT - JOINTLY - A FAMILY TREATMENT CENTER FOR THE INNU PEOPLE
- WE HAVE THE EXPERIENCE OF SENDING INDIVIDUALS AWAY TO DIFFERENT CULTURES - EVEN DIFFERENT INDIAN CULTURES - ONLY TO SEE THEM COME BACK TO THE SAME ENVIRONMENT AND FAMILY SITUATION - YOU KNOW WHAT HAPPENS. JUST LOOK AT OUR COMMUNITY TODAY.
- UNLESS WE TREAT INNU FAMILIES IN THEIR OWN LANGUAGE, IN THEIR OWN CULTURE THEY WILL NOT HEAL - THEY HAVE NOT HEALED
- A FAMILY TREATMENT CENTER IS A CORNERSTONE OF OUR INTEGRATED STRATEGY.

Borden Beacon has been purchased by the Innu.

5. OUTPOST *(Proposed by Indian Affairs)*.

- EVEN WITH YOUR APPROVAL TODAY FOR A FAMILY TREATMENT CENTRE IT WILL BE MANY MONTHS BEFORE THAT FACILITY WOULD BE OPERATIONAL
- WE NEED A SHORT TERM STRATEGY TO DEAL WITH FAMILIES IN CRISIS - AND WE HAVE A PROVEN SOLUTION TO PROPOSE
- INNU CONTINUE TO SPEND TIME IN THE COUNTRY EACH YEAR - A PROGRAM YOUR GOVERNMENTS CALL OUTPOST
- THIS PROGRAM NEEDS TO BE EXPANDED IN THE SHORT TERM TO ALLOW FAMILIES IN CRISIS THE OPPORTUNITY TO COME TOGETHER IN TRADITIONAL SETTINGS AND ACTIVITIES
- WE DO NOT HAVE THE SAME PROBLEMS IN THE COUNTRY THAT WE DO IN THE VILLAGES. THIS IS A VIABLE AND EFFECTIVE SHORT TERM STRATEGY FOR HELPING DEAL WITH FAMILY TREATMENT

6. RELOCATION

- RELOCATION WAS MEANT TO HAVE BENEFITS FOR THE INNU BEYOND SIMPLY PHYSICALLY RELOCATING OUR COMMUNITY
- WE WERE PROMISED EMPLOYMENT, BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES, COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION IN DESIGN - AND THESE THINGS ARE NOT HAPPENING THE WAY THE PROJECT IS BEING IMPLEMENTED

- WE MUST TOGETHER FIND OUT WHY AND MAKE CORRECTIONS BEFORE IT IS TOO LATE
- WE HAVE ONE OTHER MAJOR CONCERN REGARDING RELOCATION. SIMPLY PUT IT IS THIS. A COMMUNITY IS BEING BUILT WHICH WE CANNOT AFFORD TO LIVE IN
- EACH INNU FAMILY WILL BE REQUIRED TO SPEND \$1000 PER MONTH TO LIVE IN A HOUSE IN NATUASHISH - AND NO INNU CAN AFFORD TO DO SO
- HOW CAN WE MOVE TO HOUSES WE HAVE NO ABILITY TO PAY FOR? WE CAN'T

*Fed subsidy - 50,000/unit ; 80,000??
Limited to HREIS acceptants.*

7. EDUCATION /

- WE RECENTLY RECEIVED A LETTER FROM THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION INVITING US TO SIT ON A COMMITTEE TO FINALIZE DEVOLUTION OF CONTROL OF OUR SCHOOL TO A LOCAL COMMITTEE - *Ball is in their court - already working on this*
- WE WELCOME THIS DEVELOPMENT AND WOULD LIKE TO INDICATE NOW THAT WE ENVISION THIS PROCESS BEING CONCLUDED BY SEPTEMBER 1999
- WE WANT TO ENSURE THAT THE CURRICULUM REFLECTS OUR LANGUAGE AND OUR CUSTOMS AND THAT OUR ELDERS ARE INVOLVED IN A MEANINGFUL WAY IN THE SCHOOL PROGRAM

8. SOCIAL SERVICES

- WE BELIEVE THAT IT IS NOW TIME TO ADDRESS THE DEVOLUTION OF SOCIAL SERVICES INCLUDING CHILD AND FAMILY SERVICES
*What sort of process to work through these issues.
* Issue of Capacity Bldg.*
- THERE IS A COMMITMENT TO DEVOLUTION SIGNED BY BOTH GOVERNMENTS AND WE WOULD TODAY LIKE TO BEGIN A PROCESS THAT WILL LEAD TO DEVOLUTION OF THESE SERVICES TO LOCAL CONTROL
- WE ARE AWARE OF INNOVATIVE PROGRAMMING - SOME OF WHICH IS TAKING PLACE IN NEWFOUNDLAND AND SOME IN OTHER PARTS OF THE COUNTRY. WE BELIEVE WE CAN MORE EFFECTIVELY DELIVER THESE SERVICES WHILE AT THE SAME TIME MEETING PROVINCIAL LEGAL REQUIREMENTS
- LET ME CONCLUDE BY SAYING THAT WHAT I HAVE PROVIDED IN THESE COMMENTS IS AN OVERVIEW. IT IS NOT INTENDED TO BE A COMPREHENSIVE LIST BUT RATHER TO SHOW YOU THAT WE HAVE THE GENESIS OF A PLAN
- WE SEEK TODAY YOUR COMMITMENT TO WORK IN PARTNERSHIP WITH US TO ENHANCE THIS PLAN AND TO PUT IN PLACE FUNDING AND RESOURCES TO IMPLEMENT THESE SOLUTIONS
- THANK YOU



Sheshatshiu Innu Band Council

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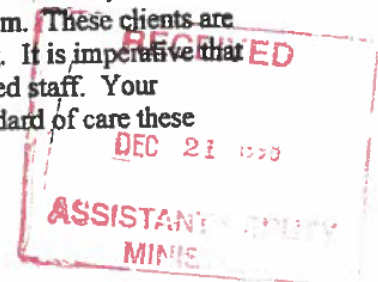
Kate Gray
Regional Manager
Health and Community Services
P.O. Box 638, Stn. 'B'
Happy Valley-Goose Bay
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Dear Ms. Gray,

The Sheshatshiu Innu Health Commission has been approached by Health and Community Service to subsidize the wages of respite and behavior aid workers. These employees are providing services to three clients living in Individual Living Arrangements in the community of Sheshatshiu.

Your department and in particular Mary Jane Nui deserve to be congratulated for the good work you have done. Your department has supported individuals with disabilities to live meaningful and independent lives here in the community of Sheshatshiu. One of these individuals was able to return to Sheshatshiu after living in the Waterford Hospital for several years. In order for these individuals to live in their home community your department has made significant financial contributions. Your staff has also given a great deal of their time and made personnel sacrifices to insure that these clients received excellent care. In fact, Mary Jane and her program have enjoyed Regional and National attention for your department's program in Sheshatshiu. Recently the Row Foundation recognized your program with an award. Just last week a delegation from Ray-Edzo in the N.W.T. visited our community to meet with Mary Jane and examine her program.

Unfortunately, there is concern that the Individual Living Arrangements are in danger of breaking down. Mary Jane has indicated that the salaries of several respite workers will be significantly reduced. She has indicated that staff effected by this decision will resign their positions on December 04, 1998. This concerns our agency since these clients are unable to represent themselves in this matter. In addition, these clients do not have family members that are able to represent them. These clients are doing well as a result of the services they are presently receiving. It is imperative that these clients continue to receive high quality services from trained staff. Your department needs to make every effort to maintain the high standard of care these



individuals have enjoyed over the last several years. If staff resign as a result of your departments decision to reduce their salary clients will suffer.

I have given H.C.S.'s request to subsidize respite and behavioral aid salaries serious consideration. The Sheshatshiu Innu Health Commission has a debt from last year and is running a deficit this year. I have recently had to lay off one of my staff in an effort to address our current deficit. At the present time it is impossible for the Health Commission to assume any more financial commitments for this fiscal year. I have met with Chief Paul Rich to see if there are any other programs that may be able to subsidize these salaries. Unfortunately, all of this year's funds have been committed.

I am hoping that you may be able to intervene in this situation and maintain the employee salaries at current levels. It is important that clients continue to receive good quality service.

Sincerely,



Edward Nuna
Executive Director

c.c. Chief Paul Rich
Hon. Joan Marie Alward
Mary Jane Nui
Tina House

(100,000)

Nov. 27/98

John & David re: Davis Inlet.

John - spoke w Joan.

Committee established - have Shango Bay, Labrador Committee.

Committee - Davis Inlet - Healing Committee

Labrador, Aboriginal Affairs - John

Indian Affairs - Bill Martin

Health Canada - Al Harmon - Co chair

Band Chief - Mark Nui - Co chair
(Kate & Jim)Do an assessment of programs & services, currently
in the community.
Are these services operating as they shouldBorder Beacon - They have purchased w Ted Jander
w/out Ted's knowledge.Each House - * 7 Pt Plan
80,000 - 100,000 Mortgage.
- Indian Affairs problem.
- Possibly from Housing authority.
- B could come fr. land claims.Border Beacon

- Fort Detox
- One on one counselling.
- Gds will be looking @ us to fund this.

Another Meeting - scheduled for Dec 10 - will be rescheduled.

- ① Meeting w/ Pro. Partners & HRE - Agnes, Delia, Calk
Rdmp - Domenic Broders, Jim, Patsy,
- ② Meeting w/ Jeds.
- ③ Meeting - Healing Committee.

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Joan Marie Alward
 To: Joan Dawe, Bev Clarke, & Marilyn McCormack Date: 98-11-25

From: Kate Gray Pages (including Cover): 6

Subject: Davis Inlet Fax #: 709-729-0121

Comments:

Here is an update from my conversation with Katie Rich yesterday evening. I discussed this with Marilyn M. last night. I am also including a briefing forwarded to me by the RCMP. If you would like to discuss further with me, I am in a meeting this morning with Health Labrador Corp. & can be reached at 896-7151. This afternoon I'm scheduled to be in Sheshatshui - 497-8555.

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Thanks,

Kate

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DAVIS INLET UPDATE: 98-11-25

- Katie Rich met with Naomi and Joseph Andrew yesterday afternoon. She indicated that she saw the children and [REDACTED] looking both healthy and happy. The house was warm.
- Katie discussed the situation with the parents. She feels that they have some legitimate concerns which have not been heard or addressed. Both parents indicated that they work, but do not make enough between them to support all the needs of the household. Once they have paid some of their bills and bought food, they do not have enough to provide adequate clothing for all of the children, particularly good winter clothing. There is also no money for child care.
- Naomi Andrew expressed concern about her father, Jerome Rich. He is living with them [REDACTED]. She also advised that they have difficulty obtaining wood at this time of year to keep the house warm. The family has been asking Band Council for a furnace to heat the house, but so far have not received one. Katie suggested that our department might want to look at providing this.
- I indicated to Katie that these were issues we could work with and explore. We have had extreme difficulty with [REDACTED] just trying to sit down to identify all of the issues of concern to both our agency and the family. We have been and are prepared to offer appropriate supports to the family, but we need them to work with us. They must let us in the door and be prepared to work on the safety of their children with us.
- Katie then indicated that the family have a significant problem with our social worker, [REDACTED]. They feel that she is disrespectful of them. [REDACTED] cited two issues that offend them about [REDACTED] - that she has entered their house many times without knocking and that when there has turned their television off without their permission. (It must be noted here that it is locally acceptable for the residents of Davis Inlet to enter each other's homes without knocking. However, it is not acceptable for [REDACTED] to do this.) Katie indicated that she has heard a number of complaints about Colleen since she came to the community earlier this year. However, Katie would not elaborate on this. She indicated that the family do not trust [REDACTED] and will not be prepared to work with her. However, they would work with any other social worker and with our Community Service Worker, Elizabeth Polue.
- Katie stated [REDACTED] and the community's that [REDACTED] reacted too quickly this week to Naomi and Joseph's situation. She should not have gone ahead with the intervention on such short notice and did not handle any of it very well. It is further Katie's opinion and the community's that our department should not be pushing to resolve the situation with [REDACTED] by removing the children. Katie indicated that she would be prepared to work with us and the family to address the protection concerns

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within the family. Right now the community will not support or cooperate with removing the children from this home.

- Katie further emphasized that our department's energies needed to focus on helping the entire community address the overall issues of alcoholism and bootlegging - that we do not serve the needs of the community and its children right now by zeroing in on one particular family. She insisted that our minister needs to meet with her and the leadership of Davis Inlet to hear their needs and priorities and to identify a course of action. She and the leadership of the community feel that not only our minister needs to be involved but also other provincial ministers as well as the federal government. The community would like to organize such a meeting with our minister's help in the very near future. Katie would appreciate another call from the minister regarding such a meeting. [REDACTED]

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INFO. Kate Gray

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MELVIE.....REFERENCE OUR TELE. CONVERSATIONattached is briefing report as it unfolded in days inlet yesterday surrounding [REDACTED].....not very positive as you are able to see.....thought that Kate should be privy to this as she is principle component in this exercise.....i don't feel that we have to elaborate on paul's submission, very disappointing, but this is the current reality of the community.

regards...brian

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The following is provided for information purposes and as an update on this matter.

As you are aware, on 98-11-17, a community meeting was held in Davis Inlet to discuss the immediate need to assist the Andrew family, due to the apparent neglect of the four children in that household. At the conclusion of this meeting it was decided that a committee from the community would be formed to conduct a "Community Intervention" with this family. The goal of this intervention was to get the children out to Sheshashik with other family members and to get the parents into treatment. This committee was to encompass persons from the DOSS, the Health Commission, the Band Council, Elders from the community, and [REDACTED]. This committee was to be organized and directed by Sandy Chastoux of Poundmakers. The urgency of this intervention was recognized.

On 98-11-22 @ 13:00 hrs. this committee was scheduled to meet at the DOSS office. We were invited to attend this meeting by Colleen Everett of DOSS as observers. Sandy Chastoux was present as committee chairman. Chastoux indicated that he was not aware of this committee until 98-11-20. Therefore, little organization had been done. There were only seven people show up at this meeting. There were the two poundmakers, the two Social Workers, the head of the Health Commission, one family member from Sheshashik and one elder. Chastoux indicated that the Chief had been invited but indicated that he was too busy to attend. Kathleen Benuean indicated that she had not asked many of the intended people to attend since they were highly intoxicated over the weekend. It was quickly decided that there was not enough community members present to conduct this intervention. Another meeting would be held @ 19:00 hrs. and all presently in attendance would attempt to get others involved. It was also agreed that the Peace Keepers would replace the

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RCMP at this meeting. It was felt that they better represented the community.

16:30 hrs. This second meeting was held at the DOSS. A total of 17 community members attended. This included the three Tribal Police Officers. [redacted] indicated that plans had now been made for the children in Sheshetahly and there was a charter plane waiting in Goose Bay to come here to [redacted]. The majority of those present opposed this removal of the kids. [redacted] insisted that the [redacted] be brought to the meeting. The meeting was paused and [redacted] went and retrieved [redacted]. When these two entered the meeting no one from the community would speak. Joseph only stayed for a minute and got up and left. At this point Naomi became verbally abusive and physically attacked [redacted]. [redacted] was physically restrained by the Peace Keepers. The meeting resumed and [redacted] again physically attacked [redacted]. Again the Peace keepers intervened. The town members then put their support behind the [redacted] family and it became evident that they were not going to permit any apprehension of the [redacted].

19:00 hrs. Spoke to [redacted] at her request and she related the details of this assault. She felt that [redacted] incited this problem and was clearly there to oppose this process. She does not wish to have Naomi Andrew charged at this time but has fear for her safety. [redacted] has threatened to attack her if she sees her in the community.

20:00 hrs. Spoke to the three Peace Keepers and asked them for their version of this event. They are clearly on the side of the Andrew family and cannot be counted on to render assistance to the DOSS in this matter. In fact they feel that [redacted] was the aggressor in this incident even though they acknowledge that [redacted] left her chair and went after [redacted].

08-11-24 @ 11:30 hrs. Met with Sandy Chalifoux on this issue. He confirms [redacted] account of these events. He went on to say that he does not see the point of this committee meeting again as the town will not permit any sort of apprehension of these kids. He indicated that he met with the chief this morning and the chief indicates that he feels sorry for [redacted]. The town seems to have come to the conclusion that this is an outside agency coming in to take kids that do not need taking.

The bottom line is that there is no community support for this apprehension by Social Services. If they proceed along these lines there will be great opposition from the town. The town is not willing, nor ready, to deal with this child protection issue.

I personally cannot see a way that these kids can receive the help they need without the support of the community. Another meeting is tentatively scheduled for 99-11-30 @ 10:00 hrs.

[redacted]
Paul A. Young, Sgt.
Davis Inlet Patrol

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Bev,

I've just been speaking with Melvie. She advised me that she had been speaking to you earlier & had informed you that a story had gone to the media re the apprehension in Davis Inlet. She has since checked the matter further and this is not the case.

There was a slight miscommunication between Melvie & the RCMP. The only information that has been released to the media has been that which the RCMP released regarding the ~~to~~ vandalism over the weekend.

Kate

P.S. I will try to connect with you tomorrow from Goose Bay. If you would like to speak to me this evening (after 8:30pm), my # is [REDACTED]

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- Inspector Bernie House of RCMP in Goose Bay indicates that Davis Inlet was quiet last night. ~~The~~ The RCMP were not called out on any emergencies through the night. Tonight is the last night before the Innu Nation elections scheduled for November 25, 1998. The weather is down in both Davis Inlet and Goose Bay today which may mean planes will not be able to fly into the community. This would also mean that more alcohol would not get into the community. If this is the case, police anticipate another quiet night.
- Health & Community Services currently has two staff in Davis Inlet, District Social Worker, Colleen Everitt and Community Service Worker, Elizabeth Pokue (pronounced poke-way). There are two other Community Service Worker positions in the Davis Inlet office. One is currently vacant, with interviews being held on Thursday, November 26, 1998. The other position was not funded at the time of the transfer from HRE.
- Health & Community Service staff were involved in a community intervention with a particular family yesterday afternoon. During a ~~at~~ meeting last week with Band Council, it was agreed that the community and its leadership needed to take the lead in

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- addressing with this family concerns over its use of alcohol and the resulting child protection concerns this created. HCS staff had attempted repeated interventions with this family, but had been unsuccessful in influencing the family's behaviour. The community leadership felt that it could influence the family and so charged ~~its~~ the staff of its Alcohol Program ~~to~~ with the task of organizing a community intervention involving elders, concerned extended family members, Alcohol Program staff, HCS staff, and local Peacekeeping Officers.
- Our HCS office paid for a family member from Sheshatshiu to fly to Davis Inlet for the Intervention. ~~By~~
 - By yesterday morning, the Alcohol Program had still not organized the intervention. Our Social Worker in Davis Inlet, organized a meeting of all the ~~players~~ participants yesterday afternoon. The meeting went well. Everyone expressed their serious concerns about the family & that the children should be removed and placed with relatives in Sheshatshiu. Participants planned the process of the intervention, that each ~~of~~ community members would in turn express their concerns directly to the family; possible reactions of the family were identified & ~~plans~~ action plans determined on how to deal with those reactions.

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- Intervention held in HCS office yesterday afternoon around 4:30pm. It failed. The Community Members did not take the lead. Instead they remained silent. When our social worker spoke ~~to~~ in an attempt to start the process she was physically attacked by [REDACTED]. It took three peacekeepers to pull the mother off our worker. A second attempt was made by our social worker to start the process, but still community members remained silent and the mother attacked our social worker again and was pulled off by the peacekeepers. The intervention ended at this point. All parties left. The mother has threatened to beat up our social worker in future.
- Our CSW, Elizabeth Pokue received a number of anonymous calls last night telling her to quit working with HCS [REDACTED]. Both [REDACTED] and Elizabeth are at work this morning. They had no calls through the night. They do report that some youth were gas sniffing through the night, but there were no reported incidents or referrals. Things appear quiet in the community this morning.
- Inspector Bernie House and Sgt. Brian Campbell ~~are~~ of the RCMP are meeting with Wally Anderson this morning.

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- The RCMP in Davis Inlet are trying to meet with Band Council to address concerns. Band Council is not happy that the RCMP reported the incidents of the weekend to the media. This issue is hampering ~~so~~ discussions.
- Our staff in Davis have been advised to back away from the particular case outlined above for their own protection. The Regional Manager and staff in Davis will be following up with Band Council regarding the failed intervention and lack of community support.

**Minutes
CEO's Meeting**

November 23 & 24, 1998

Present:

B. FitzGerald	J. Budgell
J. Peddle	C. Kinden
J. Wolstenholme	N. Ludlow
M. Wasmeier	

Regrets:

B. Clarke

1. The Approval of Minutes of October 8, 1998 Meeting

Deferred - minutes not available

2. Presentation re: Child, Youth & Family Services

3. Press Conference - Child, Youth & Family Services Act

4. Regional Managers/Regional CEO's Meeting

- very positive meeting
- recognition of need for ongoing liaison
- schedule of future meeting dates to be circulated by GS/BC
- special meeting December 14, 1998 - to review MOU's
- third Monday of every 2nd month

5. Model for Coordination of Services to Children & Youth:

Request for Bev Clarke to determine if Executive Summary of Western Region Evaluation Report be shared. (yes) ?

6. Issue re: Child Welfare Standards

Several Regions expressed concerns re: Quality Assurance/Risk Management Standards & Practices re: Child Welfare, in particular. Bev will ask Libby Crawford, Director of Child Welfare to provide information re: the Division's Standards Program. ✓

7. Information Sharing re: NCB Committee

This issue will be discussed with B. Clarke for follow up.

None

8. Provincial Telephone Directory for Programs

Western described difficulties consumers are having contacting us in different regions. Minnie will copy her telephone directory to other regions for review. She would like us to agree to a common directory of some sort.

9. Fluoride Mouth Rinse Program

This program is only in the Central Region. The benefits of the program was expressed. Bev will look into this and get back to us. ✓

10. Requests for Proposals - Home Support Program Review

Bev advised that an external review will occur. Components will include:

- what are the standards for the program?
- what are the gaps?
- what should be our policy directions?
- what funding formulas etc.?

More information will be provided as it becomes available.

11. Financial Update

Jim Strong, Director of Financial Services, Department of Health & Community Services attended the balance of the meeting.

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Issues discussed included;

- "level of activity issue"
- code 77, 93, 58 - open ended service
- "variable services" - breakdown by codes
- fixed services - breakdown by codes
- a list of codes was reviewed
- a fiscal arrangements memo was also discussed

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

BRENDA M. FITZGERALD

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Update on situation in [✓]Davis Inlet
Nov. 23, 1998

- The community is in the midst of another election, this time for the Innu nation. It has been the pattern that during such times the incidence of substance abuse and violence escalates in the community.

- The staff of Health and Community Services have been in contact with both the Band Council and the RCMP to assess the situation and more specifically the safety of the children in the community.

- Based on contact with the RCMP, there was a widely dispersed amount of damage done within the community, with several buildings and homes having their windows broken. The Fire Hall in particular was broken into and fire axes stolen which were then used to damage the exterior of some buildings. Graffiti was sprayed on the RCMP detachment building and the youth attempted to start a fire on the front steps of the RCMP building.

- The police are currently attempting to meet with the Band Council to determine what course of action they should take in conjunction with the community to address the situation. No arrests have yet been made.

- It is the RCMP's understanding that no adults were involved with the vandalism. The youth ranged in age from 7 to 18 years. It is the police's assessment that the instigators of the vandalism were those between the ages of 14 to 18.

- Staff from the Health and Community Services office in Davis Inlet are involved with the police and Band Council in trying to determine how best to deal with the situation. The issue of alcohol and solvent abuse is an ongoing concern for the community of Davis Inlet and requires a concerted community approach to find solutions.

- Already Band Council and the human service agencies in the community have been working together to address individual and family case concerns through the development of an interagency team approach that sees concerted intervention with families and individuals in crisis.

- In fact today there is an intervention going on in the community focusing on the alcohol abuse and related child protection concerns of one specific family. This intervention has been initiated and planned through Band Council and its Alcohol Program in conjunction with Health and Community Services, the RCMP, Elders from the community and concerned extended family members.

- Health and Community Services staff continue to monitor this situation in consultation with the RCMP and Band Council.