

2. *The February 27 and 28, 2023 dates originally proposed by the Board for the Audit Workshop be preserved for parties (including the Board and the impacted communities) to meet in Iqaluit to review and discuss draft Terms of Reference for the establishment of the Project Monitor.*

The Board considers this request to be reasonable, and recognizes the importance of establishing the Project Monitor as outlined by the Minister as a priority. Accordingly, as requested by CIRNAC, the QIA and Baffinland, the Board will be **deferring the Audit workshop to a later date, but is preserving the February 27-28, 2023 dates for a meeting focused on the discussion of the development of the Project Monitor and monitoring priorities for the Mary River Mine Project as modified.** The meeting on February 27-28, 2023 will be led by CIRNAC and further information regarding the timing, logistics and agenda details will be provided by CIRNAC. The NIRB's staff will attend the upcoming meeting, and the Board will provide details regarding the rescheduling of the Audit Workshop in due course.

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Sincerely,



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