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Chairperson  
Nunavut Impact Review Board

**Post Community Roundtables – Phase 2 Baffinland Application**

Having attended the Rountable, I would like to commend you, the board and staff of NIRB for organizing the sessions in challenging times.

The Ikajutit Arctic Bay Hunters and Trappers Organizations (HTO) is submitting, for the record and follow-up to the Nunavut Impact Review Board community round-tables held last week. We are aware of the submission to the NIRB registry by a council member of the Hamlet of Arctic Bay and ask that this letter be permanently connected to it. The Ikajutit Arctic Bay HTO feel that all impacted communities need more information and evidence before making a decision likely to touch every fabric of our life and livelihood should the Baffinland Phase 2 Application be approved.

This letter also builds upon the September 09, 2020, letter written by the 5 North Baffin communities. You will recall that the letter addressed concerns regarding infrastructure, environmental, and social issues and concerns that should be addressed before there are further roundtables or hearings considering Baffinland's application.

This letter repeats positions and concerns expressed in letters by communities with regards to the question of procedural fairness, time-frames, lack of resources and support, and increased flexibility to ensure meaningful community engagement and participation. These logistical concerns have placed unfair burden on HTOs, in turn, unfair benefit to Baffinland.

Again, we are of the position that:

1. The Ikajutit Hunters and Trappers Organization of Arctic Bay needs and urges additional time to review and determine the impacts of the "Inuit Certainty Agreement" between Baffinland and the Qikiqtani Inuit Association;
2. We were not provided the opportunity to provide input, let alone, review the Inuit Certainty Agreement until after it was signed between the two parties;
3. The HTO needs time to discuss and agree upon what base-line data needs to be researched to start to collect and compare observations by harvesters since Baffinland started its operations and before expansion to Phase 2 for effective monitoring led by HTOs;
4. The HTO needs to assess the implementation of Inuit Qaujimajatuqangit after we have received reports from Baffinland Iron Mines;
5. The Inuit Impact Benefit Agreement between QIA and Baffinland, was ignored. The IIBA says HTOs have to be fully consulted, engaged, and participate in the Mary River Project, however, this did not happen when the two parties signed the Inuit Certainty Agreement.

The HTO is in support of our fellow-impacted communities and, more specifically Mittimatalingmiut, who are already feeling significant impacts to their livelihoods. We need assurances our concerns will be heard, addressed, and respected going forward.

Signed,



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Chair

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