

## Hall Beach Hunters' and Trappers' Association

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Marjorie Kaviq Kaluraq  
Chairperson  
Nunavut Impact Review Board

**RE: RESPONSE TO Comment on Motions from the Hamlet of Clyde River and the Mitimatalik Hunters and Trappers Organization, received on December 17, 2020 related to the Resumption of the Public Hearing for the Mary River “Phase 2 Development Proposal”**

The Sanirajak Hunters and Trappers Association is submitting its support for the Hamlet of Clyde River and the Mittimatalik Pond Inlet Hunters and Trappers Organization to have the NIRB Public Hearing be postponed until at least the end of March 2021. The following are our positions on the motions as submitted by both parties.

Party	Motion Title	Ikajutit Response
Hamlet of Clyde River	Postponement of the Public Hearing	Sanirajak HTA supports the hamlets request for an order seeking the postponement of the Public Hearing until at least March 2021.
Mittimatalik Hunters and Trappers Organization	Public Hearing Community Roundtable	Sanirajak HTA supports the MHTOs request seeking an order to amend the agenda to include presentations by intervenors.
Mittimatalik Hunters and Trappers Organization	Adjournment of the Public Hearing	<p>Sanirajak HTA supports the MHTOs request seeking an order to adjourn the proceedings, based on the completion of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>a. The widespread availability and administration of a COVID-19 vaccine in Nunavut;</i></li> <li><i>b. The lifting of travel restrictions, including the requirement for a 14-day isolation for Nunavut and non-Nunavut residents participating in the hearing; and</i></li> <li><i>c. The lifting of restrictions for gatherings so that the hearing may proceed in a manner that allows for full and meaningful participation by Inuit rights holders, including:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>i. A minimum of 100 persons allowed in the hearing rooms at Pond Inlet and Iqaluit;</i></li> <li><i>ii. An open hearing such that persons can attend without: concern of being turned away at the door; being prevented from attending due to lack of pre-registration; or being prevented from</i></li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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Sanirajak HTA submits that the Pond Inlet community members should be in Iqaluit, Nunavut for the Public Hearing and Roundtable. It is important that we as impacted community members are able to engage with each other during this process.

In addition to our support for these motions, Sanirajak HTA is in the process of setting Inuit Qaujimajatuqangit standards. These standards will be our measure to assess whether Inuit Qaujimajatuqangit has been used. Our questions on how Inuit Qaujimajatuqangit has been used continue to go unanswered. Sanirajak HTA submits that there must be a shift in accountability when Inuit Qaujimajatuqangit is discussed. Sanirajak HTA Hunters and Trappers Association and other HTOs are in the best place to determine whether Inuit Qaujimajatuqangit is being used on our lands.

Cc: Hamlet Councils of Impacted Communities  
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