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MEMBERS PRESENT

Hon. Goo Arlooktoo, Mr. Barnabas, Hon. Charles Dent, Mr. Evaloarjuk, Hon. Samuel Gargan, Mrs. Groenewegen, Mr. Henry, Hon. Stephen Kakfwi, Mr. Krutko, Mr. Miltenberger, Hon. Don Morin, Hon. Kelvin Ng, Mr. Ningark, Mr. O'Brien, Mr. Ootes, Mr. Picco, Mr. Rabesca, Mr. Roland, Mr. Steen, Hon. Manitoak Thompson

ITEM 1: PRAYER

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SPEAKER (Hon. Samuel Gargan):

Good Morning. Orders of the day. I am sorry, the chair does not recognize a quorum. The chair recognizes a quorum. Orders of the day, Minister's statement. Mr. Morin.

ITEM 2: MINISTER'S STATEMENTS

Minister's Statement 88-13(3): Ministers Absent from the House

HON. DON MORIN:

Thank you Mr. Speaker. I wish to advise members that the Honourable John Todd will be absent from the House today to attend a Ministers of Finance meeting in Ottawa.

As well, Mr. Speaker, the Honourable Jim Antoine will also be absent from the House today to attend a funeral.

Thank you.

MR. SPEAKER:

Thank you. Minister's statement, Mr. Dent.

Minister's Statement 89-13(3): World Teacher's Day

HON. CHARLES DENT:

Thank you Mr. Speaker. Good Morning.

Mr. Speaker, tomorrow is World Teacher's Day, a time to recognize the people at the heart of the educational system. This year's theme is "Teachers Make a Difference."

Travelling across the Northwest Territories, I have met with teachers in many communities. I have been impressed with their dedication and professionalism.

Teachers juggle demanding and challenging situations; shifting social values, advances in technology, changes in the family environment and educational reforms. In addition, they are on the front lines as we all try to work with fewer resources.

Despite these challenges, our teachers have not lost sight of the most important part of the education system - the students. Teachers see the inherent dignity of each child, and work to ensure that learning is meaningful for each and every one of their students.

In the Northwest Territories, teachers are very much a part of the community. They run winter carnivals, coach minor sports teams, plan drama festivals, concerts and other school celebrations. They raise money for student travel outside the Territories, organize countless school events and through it all, encourage students to become confident and contributing members of society.

Mr. Speaker, teachers are known for their tireless efforts to inspire, cajole, encourage, coach, support and cheer on their students. Their influence can be extraordinary. Their legacy lies in the young people who shape the next generation. Mr. Speaker, teachers do indeed make a difference.

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MR. SPEAKER:

Thank you, Mr. Dent. Minister's statement, Mr. Kakfwi.

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Minister's Statement 90-13(3): 1996 Energy and Mines Minister's Conference

HON. STEPHEN KAKFWI:

Mr. Speaker, between September 15 - 18, I had the privilege of hosting the 53rd annual Energy and Mines Ministers' conference in Yellowknife. This meeting brought together energy and mines Ministers from the provinces and territories, the federal Minister of Natural Resources and Energy and mining industry representatives. It provided an opportunity for governments and industry to discuss common issues and concerns.

At this year's meeting, the Geoscience Accord was signed. This accord provides the mechanisms to increase cooperation between federal and provincial/territorial government geoscience agencies and optimize the use of resources among all geological surveys organizations.

It is important to recognize the role that geological surveys have played and will continue to play in the economic development of the North. Our signing of the Geoscience Accord is an indication of our support for a cooperative and coordinated approach to geosciences and geological mapping here in the North.

At the energy Ministers' meetings, national industry association representatives made presentations on several topics including energy and the environment. Various representatives highlighted achievements under the Voluntary Challenge Program to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

For the first time at an Energy Ministers' conference, the renewable energy organizations were represented. The renewable energy industry offers a significant opportunity to reduce greenhouse gas emissions at reasonable costs and with substantial socio-economic benefits including regional employment.

At these meetings, industry expressed concern with the progress of regulatory efficiency across Canada. We agree with industry on the need to increase efficiency and believe that gaining full responsibility for mineral development in the North is the first step towards achieving this objective. Mining industry delegates fully supported devolution from the federal government.

I am pleased to see that many of you took the opportunity to meet with officials from other jurisdictions and with industry.

The meeting, I believe, was a success and many delegates expressed sincere appreciation for the hospitality that we extended and showed to them while they were guests here in Yellowknife.

Thank you.

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MR. SPEAKER:

Thank you, Mr. Kakfwi. Ministers' statements. Ministers' statements. Members' statements. Mr. Krutko.

Member's Statement on Funding for Tl'oondih Healing Society

MR. KRUTKO:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The Tl'oondih Healing Society has been in operation since June, 1995. And to date we have had about 250 clients participate in its family program which is unique to Canada and certainly the North. This is the first time in Canada that an aboriginal organization has taken on an independent approach to healing and established a program to respect the generation of abuse of alcohol and other substances and have led to the breakdown in the traditional native family unit and communities.

The Tl'oondih Healing Camp is a first class facility that is wholly owned by the Gwich'in Tribal Council and was built for a total of 2.1 million dollars and operated by aboriginal staff, fully trained in respect to its operations. The Government of the Northwest Territories has not contributed any money for the manpower in the design, development or construction of the camp or programs, which have boosted the economy and

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pride of the MacKenzie Delta region.

With unemployment in the MacKenzie Delta at over twice the average of the rest of Canada, Tl'oondih Healing Camp has been a valuable source of income and hope for many families. Funding for the treatment centre and funding to other treatment centres in the North West Territories is provided by the Department of Social Services.

In the last fiscal year, all treatment centres have received core funding except the Tl'oondih Healing Society. Mr. Speaker, I ask your consent to complete my statement.

MR. SPEAKER:

The Member is seeking unanimous consent to continue. The Member for MacKenzie Delta is seeking unanimous consent to conclude his statement. Do we have any nays? There are no nays. Just to remind the members that to run the clock out before you ask for unanimous consent. Mr. Krutko.

MR. KRUTKO:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Yet other facilities, like the one is Hay River, just a 30 bed facility, unlike the Tl'oondih Camp, which has not received core funding, the Hay River program has received \$1,024,540.00 in 1995 core funding and is only an 11 hour drive from Edmonton.

Northern Addiction Services manages a 20 bed facility outside of Dettah and receives \$1,108,139.00 to operate its facility. Delta House, an old 12 bed facility in Inuvik, has received \$672,000 to operate its program. Tl'oondih, a 30-bed facility, receives no core funding for its healing program.

Recently the GNWT has agreed to contribute \$300,000 to the Tl'oondih Healing Society, which is not core funding. I would like to state, this is not core funding. These funds were an advance against future clients that are admitted into the program. The cost of running the Tl'oondih Healing Camp and office were in excess of what we are receiving and we shall be running into a deficit this year. If we do not take an action now, because of financial restrictions, the camp shall be closed until January 1997. We shall be completing organizational review and study over the options or whether we are welcomed in the field of healing in the Northwest Territories by this government.

I will have a question for the Minister later on in regards to questions.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

MR. SPEAKER:

Thank you, Mr. Krutko. Member's statement, Mr. Steen.

Member's Statement on World Teacher's Day

MR. STEEN:

Thank you Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, today I would like to speak towards World Teacher's Day as well, I believe that we should give as much recognition as possible to the teachers that teach our children and are responsible for their education.

Mr. Speaker, in the small communities I have seen many times in the mornings, cold, blowing, sometimes you can not even see 30 feet and you see teachers walking to work. And I do not know if the public really

realizes the amount of work these teachers put in. They work evenings, Saturdays, Sundays, and I would hope that the government, when you negotiate the teacher's salaries and benefits, to take this into consideration. I would also call on this government and the rest of the members of this House to assure that teachers have sufficient housing in the small communities so that we can assure qualified teachers for our school system. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

MR. SPEAKER:

Thank you, Mr. Steen. Member's statement. Mr. Barnabas.

Member's Statement on Difficulties in Getting the Sealift into Grise Fiord

MR. BARNABAS:

Thank you Mr. Speaker. I have an emergency announcement to make regarding the sealift to Grise Fiord. There is a problem right now.

I am asking for support because the Minister of Transportation is absent right now, perhaps the

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Premier can assist me in this emergency situation regarding the sealift to Grise Fiord. The ship is currently in Pond Inlet, right now, but due to ice they are unable to make it to Grise Fiord.

Now what is going to happen to the sealift that is due to Grise Fiord, because they are unable to make it to Grise Fiord right now. What is going to be happening now with the load destined for Grise Fiord?

MR. SPEAKER:

Thank you. Member's statement, Mr. O'Brien.

Member's Statement on GNWT Deficit Recovery Plan

MR. O'BRIEN:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, since my statement in this House on Wednesday, October 2nd regarding this government's bleak financial state and a recovery plan, I have had many supportive calls from various residents in my constituency.

Mr. Speaker, my concern is over the path of our financial recovery and how it is working.

Mr. Speaker, we have listened attentively to debate in this House regarding the disappointment and frustration over capital projects being deleted such as the Arviat Health Centre and other much needed essential services and infrastructure.

Mr. Speaker, I wish to reiterate my deep concern over this government's deficit recovery program. Members have had the past number of months to listen and review with constituents, the impact of these cuts and also of potential future cuts.

Mr. Speaker, for example, the department's restructuring of departments such as Renewable Resources and Social Services is having a drastic impact on the communities of Arviat and Baker Lake. There is a real concern that our communities may be stepping back in time only to remain there with the loss of these jobs. Even the promises associated with division in 1999 will be difficult to overcome the damage this government will inflict with this drastic budget cutting exercises.

Mr. Speaker, in recent national news it was stated that the lifestyles of senior citizens in Canada are bordering on poverty. But here in the NWT, we are increasing their rent in government run facilities, in some cases, taking away fuel subsidies that will directly affect NWT residents who most need it.

Mr. Speaker there is more recent national news that the federal government is not in the sorry financial state that it said it was. With this in mind, I would suggest that we may very well be on the wrong track, a very critical mistake we cannot afford to make.

Mr. Speaker, is it time to reconsider the Deficit Elimination Act? Is it time to dissolve the BIP and replace it with full contract authority agreements to the hamlets and towns with strict conditions to protect and assist local contractors and businesses?

Mr Speaker, before we inflict any more pain and despair on the people of the NWT, I would once again strongly recommend that it is time this government to rethink its agenda, cutting and slashing.

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

MR. SPEAKER:

The Member for Kivallivik is seeking unanimous consent to conclude his statement. Do we have any nays? There are no nays. Conclude your statement Mr. O'Brien.

MR. O'BRIEN:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker before any more pain and despair on the people of the NWT, I once again strongly recommend that it is time for this government to re-think its agenda of cutting and slashing, in all areas, and focus on improving our health, education and housing programs before it is too late.

Mr. Speake,r I will close by saying that the people of the NWT deserve better and, if nothing else at least, for this government to take a second look to see if our cost-cutting agenda could do with some refocusing and fine tuning based on measurable criteria and public acceptance.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

-- Applause

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MR. SPEAKER:

Thank you, Mr. O'Brien. Member's statement, Mr. Henry.

Member's Statement on Future Job Markets in the Mining Industry

MR. HENRY:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, today I wish to address the issue of future job markets in the mining industry.

We have the responsibility to make sure northerners are ready and trained for jobs with the BHP mine and not give the company a choice to hire southern workers. Let's train northerners for those jobs. Rather than wanting hiring guarantees from industry, that we may not be able to live up to, we need to have northerners ready to take those jobs.

We can not afford to give BHP the choice. Let's ensure northerners take those jobs. Let us get trained, let us show BHP the merits of hiring northerners.

In this present job market, prospective employees cannot expect employers to come calling. Those looking for jobs have to become aggressive.

Governments should most definitely place strong demands on investors, such as BHP, to hire northerners. But governments should not stop there. They should be telling and assisting northerners to prepare for those jobs. Talk to the companies, find out what types of programs are needed and how the education system, in conjunction with the mining industry, respond to those needs.

Premier Morin has made comments on guaranteeing jobs to northerners but he must also recognize what the companies want for employee qualifications and assist prospective employees to present themselves accordingly. Employees must make the effort to get qualified if they want a job. Filling out an application is not enough.

Mr. Speaker prospective employees should keep going back, or phoning the personnel departments of these companies, thereby demonstrating that yes they want the jobs and are ready, willing and able to do their part.

Later this morning, I will be asking the Premier what his government is doing in this area, to ensure that we have a northern workforce available to take those jobs.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

MR. SPEAKER:

Thank you, Mr. Henry. Member's statement, Mr. Picco.

Member's Statement on Funding Reductions to CBC Radio and Television Services

MR. PICCO:

Good morning, Mr. Speaker. Recently the federal government announced more cuts and reductions to the CBC.

Mr. Speaker, the CBC radio and TV service is the only one available in many of our smaller communities. These services have help sustain and enrich the usage of native languages. Unlike southern jurisdictions where there are competing private radio and tv stations, thus any reduction to local programming by CBC would not be felt as hard. However in Nunavut and most of the western arctic, this is not the case. People rely on the CBC to provide the only outlet for local news, weather and native language programming.

Any reduction to these services would have a drastic effect on our people. The Inuit Broadcasting Corporation, has struggled, for the past few years, on less and less funding. Reductions to CBC native programming would compound the problem.

Many times we have said that our situation in the north, is unique. In the case of radio and television services, it is and can be dramatically demonstrated. CBC radio is a lifeline for the residents of Nunavut. We do not have the luxury of competing private stations. This government has to realize this and take it in account.

Mr. Speaker, I ask the Minister responsible and the Premier to lobby on behalf of the CBC Northern Service immediately and will question the Minister later today on this topic.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

MR. SPEAKER:

Thank you, Mr. Picco. Member's statement, Mr. Evaloarjuk.

Member's Statement on Tragic Accident Outside of Igloolik

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MR. EVALOARJUK:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I do not want to make statements on unhappy issues but we all know it is different in different situations and some have health problems.

First of all, during my members' statement yesterday, I indicated that 13 people passed away from my constituency since April of this year. I would like to make a correction of that number to 14. Andy Awa was a close relative of mine. He died of a heart attack. I would also like to extend my apologies and my condolences to the family of Andy Awa.

Now, I would like to clarify the circumstances of an accident on August 27th, concerning a two-year old child, which happened during a caribou hunting trip outside of Igloolik. The child burned by a heating stove and I feel that it is important to get the facts out in the open.

From the reports I received, those involved did everything they could to help this child receive medical aid, including the RCMP and the nurse. The

staff at the medical centre and George Qulaut stayed up the whole night, keeping in contact with one another. Two other men who were able to reach the victim, Dominique Angutimarik and John Nattaq, were in constant communication as well by CB radio.

However, the weather was out, making it impossible for the helicopter, which was already in Igloodik to fly out to the camp site. It was dark outside and when morning came, so did the fog. People question as to why the medevac did not deliver the victim immediately to the hospital in Iqaluit. The aircraft can only fuel up in Hall Beach and not in Igloodik, to return to Iqaluit. But even when the weather cleared up in Igloodik, the fog still remained in the other community.

While it is very sad for this to happen and we feel for the mother and the father, there is nothing more that could be done. There is no one to blame; all the people involved did what they could under the circumstances.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

MR. SPEAKER:

Thank you, Mr. Evaloarjuk. Member's statement, Mr. Miltenberger.

Member's Statement on Northern River Basin Study

MR. MILTENBERGER:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, this summer the report on the Northern River Basin Study was presented to the three parties to the work. The federal government, the Government of Alberta, and the Government of the Northwest Territories.

For four and a half years a scientific study included about 150 specific projects to collect information. This body of work provides a clear benchmark against which to measure the future condition of the Peace, Athabasca and Slave River Basins.

This report makes a number of recommendations. Some of them address areas which require immediate action, other are focused on insuring good planning and management to preserve and protect the rivers while supporting sustainable development.

Mr. Speaker, the report covers areas of concern to people of the north. Quality of fish and water, ecosystem health, pollution prevention, flow regulation and basin management.

Despite the release of this study, we are still hearing about development approvals in Alberta which are contrary to the recommendations and study findings. For example, another huge pulp mill is being planned on the Smokey-Wapiti Rivers. The very section of the watershed deemed most sensitive in this study.

I hope, Mr. Speaker, that we will soon see the response to the report presented in this House by the Minister of Resources, Wildlife and Economic Development which should include our support for the protection of the water basin and call for our study partners to support it by their actions.

I will be asking the Minister questions further to this today.

Thank you.

MR. SPEAKER:

Thank you, Mr. Miltenberger. Member's statement, Ms. Thompson.

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Member's Statement on World Teacher's Day

HON. MANITOK THOMPSON:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. We heard that tomorrow is Teacher's Recognition Day. When I heard this, I would like to thank the Minister of Education. I have been a teacher before, I know we work many hours in the evenings and in the mornings and teaching Inuktitut you do not just work with Inuktitut and we also deal with illustrations including changing graphics depicting trees to other things that are more appropriate to our landscape in the east. For aboriginal people this has been a tremendous effort and I would like to recognize their achievements as teachers as well as the people that come to our communities who were not aboriginal but have come into help us educate our children and to look after them in the schools. I would like to extend my gratitude and to recognize them.

Young children, when they enter school, is a joyous occurrence. And it is interesting to see how they progress throughout the school year. As you notice their developments it is a very joyous thing to observe.

Also it has been very satisfying to be a teacher and to see the efforts that the parents put into working with their children.

At this time, I would ask for an extension of my Member's statement.

MR. SPEAKER:

I want to apologize first of all. I guess we did not put the time on to see when your Member's statement would have been completed. But you could conclude your statement, Ms. Thompson.

HON. MANITOK THOMPSON:

Thank you all. Mr Speaker, as I was saying when teachers work closely with parents and when school is out for the season and summer break is upon us, it is interesting to listen to the parents expressing their gratitude over the local community radios and at this time I would like to thank the teachers coming on behalf of the parents who have worked hard to ensure our children get a proper education here in the NWT. We encourage children to stay in school and I would like to recognize the efforts of the teachers in the NWT. Thank you.

--- Applause

MR. SPEAKER:

Thank you, Ms. Thompson. Member's statement, Ms. Groenewegen.

Member's Statement on Senior's Fuel Subsidy Program

MRS. GROENEWEGEN:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Recently the Minister of Education, Culture and Employment announced that the rules that determine who is eligible for Senior's Fossil Fuel Subsidy Program have changed. Further, his announcement stated that in past the Senior's Fossil Fuel Program was available to all home owners who were older then 60 year of age and many people receiving the subsidy were working or had other substantial sources of income. I would be very interested in knowing how many of those senior had other substantial sources of income. No doubt there were isolated incidences of this, but this change is effecting 40 per cent of the seniors who are presently or had been receiving this subsidy and will save the GNWT approximately \$200,000. I have a big problem with the changes to this assistance to seniors living in their own homes. In Hay River, the only relief that seniors living independently in their own homes could rely on was assistance from the heating fuel subsidy and exemption from property taxes. Ironically, seniors

living in public housing regardless of income are not required to contribute anything towards the cost of their accommodation. The GNWT, through the change to this subsidy, has made it less attractive for seniors to stay in their own homes. Undoubtedly there are some who will not be adversely affected but I believe that there are a lot of seniors, particularly in Hay River and other communities living on fixed incomes that this change will create hardship for and may be the last straw forcing them to give up their homes.

Hay River seniors have been asking the GNWT to close the gap between those trying to live independently, receiving little support and those receiving care, accommodation in more costly, government funded facilities and infrastructure. There are some facts which the government should take into consideration before they get too excited about saving \$200,000. By the way, \$200,000 is about the cost of keeping two or three seniors in a publicly funded facility. Number 1, we want our seniors to stay in the North, we want to show our

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elders respect by treating them with as much care and consideration as possible, and I believe we are showing them respect by assisting them to live independently in their own homes. Every senior who is healthy enough and happy to be living in their home is saving this government the amount of money that it would cost to take care of them in a multi-level care or hospital extended care facility. From a purely monetary perspective, it would be prudent to offer a little support and save a lot. Decisions on reductions have to be taken into account with the bigger picture in mind. I would like to seek unanimous consent to conclude my statement.

SPEAKER (Hon. Samuel Gargan):

Member from Hay River seeking unanimous consent to conclude a statement. Do we have any nays? There are no nays, you have unanimous consent, Mrs. Groenewegen.

MRS. GROENEWEGEN:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. If we can not assist seniors to stay in their own homes we have to count the costs of the alternatives. And it has been suggested, in a letter that was sent out to all MLAs, from the Minister, that those who experience a hardship due to the high cost of living in their community can apply for



additional income support. Income support is a sophisticated name for welfare and there is a lot of very proud seniors that this threshold is getting too low for and I think that this is anything but showing respect to our seniors to suggest that they can go to the local social service Office, education office and apply for welfare. Thank you.

MR. SPEAKER:

Thank you, Mrs. Groenewegen. Member's statement, Mr Roland.

Member's Statement on Economic Hardships Being Experienced by the Town of Inuvik

MR. ROLAND:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Start off today sending greetings back home to my wife and children. Mr. Speaker, you heard in the statement yesterday from one of my fellow colleagues here about a concern of reductions in the community. Mr. Speaker, I remind other members here, that there has been another community in the Northwest Territories that has suffered many years through reductions. In the Mackenzie Delta/Inuvik area, we had the boom of the oil companies, and that dried up and left. We had the armed forces bases in Inuvik and they left. And now, Mr. Speaker, it feels like the Government of the Northwest Territories is trying to leave Inuvik. So I must say, remind others that there are other communities, and I would say and I believe, the people of Inuvik would agree that Inuvik to date has been one of the hardest hit communities in all of the Northwest Territories, and I would encourage members here that have potential development on their doorstep to secure the best they can for it, because we have experienced what was and what is not any more. So I just wanted to say to other members in this house that as we go through business plans, my commitment to Inuvik is to make sure we have a fair and equitable representation when it comes to the capital and O and M. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

-- Applause

MR. SPEAKER:

Thank you, Mr. Roland. Member's statement, Mr. Kakfwi.

Member's Statement on Usage of Traditional Aboriginal Place Names

HON. STEPHEN KAKFWI:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, recently a company by the name of BHP came from Australia and established a camp in traditional aboriginal territory. Originating from Australia they decided that the appropriate name for this camp should be Koala. Soon after, the company was informed by certain elders, that this camp that they had established was sitting on traditional Aboriginal territory and that they should know that there are traditional names for the lakes and places on the land. Mr. Speaker, BHP, God bless their little hearts, recently informed them that they will change the name of their camp shortly to a more traditional aboriginal name.

-- Applause

Mr. Speaker, recently when the president of the "Spirit of Yellowknife", the president that is supposedly a long-time northerner, was asked if he ever heard of a certain Dene legend, he was most abrupt and dispatched a proposed Dene name of great spiritual significance with the words "Never heard of it". My question is how long will he have to live here before he shows real interest in the culture, language and history of the Dene people,

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and how long will we have to wait for the "Spirit of YK" to show respect for the rich culture and history of the First Nations of the north. I further wonder how many eyes does the president of the "Spirit of YK" need before he can see what is around him, how many ears does he need, before he can hear. Thank you.

MR. SPEAKER:

Thank you, Mr. Kakfwi. Member's statement, Mr. Erasmus.

Member's Statement on The Need to Establish an NWT Mining Institute

MR. ERASMUS:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Yesterday, I spoke about diamond evaluating and sorting plant and the fact that we have all heard this government say they are going to be innovative and they are willing to spend money to create jobs. Mr. Speaker, today I am going to speak about the start-up of a mining institute in the North, which, of course, involves this government being innovative, creative and spending money. Mr. Speaker, every year the Northwest Territories loses at

least 150 jobs in the mining industry to the south, simply because our people are untrained to take the jobs of people leaving, turnover. We also understand that there is going to be approximately 600 permanent jobs created at the BHP mine and I would like to know what good are those jobs to us, if we do not have trained people to step into them. What good are those jobs if they go to southerners or newcomers to the North. We need a commitment from this government to spend real money on training, real money, Mr. Speaker, not piece-meal. Recently the Royal Commission came here to town, they confirmed that Aboriginal people are the least educated and the least trained people in Canada. They confirmed that aboriginal people, because of this also have the worst employment record in Canada. The Royal Commission says we need to turn our liabilities into assets. This means training people on social assistance, putting them to work instead of draining our coffers. What this needs, the Royal Commission says is a massive infusion of money, federally, territorially and provincially to training. Of course, this does not only mean Aboriginal people, we have a lot of other people out there who need training. The Mining Institute, Mr. Speaker, I seek unanimous consent to conclude my statement.

MR. SPEAKER:

The Member for Yellowknife North is seeking unanimous consent to conclude his statement. Do we have any nays?

There are no nays, Mr. Erasmus. You have unanimous consent.

MR. ERASMUS:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. A mining institute will provide formal training to people to work in the mines up north, including BHP, including all the other mines around here, Giant, Con, the other established mines and we also know that there are at least four other mines that are on the verge of opening. They all require people to work there. Could also prepare people for mining technology at the Universities and Colleges in the south. I propose that we would take long term northerners first in the mining institute, others, of course, it would be open to as well. People in the communities could go to wherever the mining institute is established. Obviously my preference is Yellowknife, but it could be Fort Smith, Hay River, Inuvik, Resolution. Cost factor of course, would have to be looked at.

As I mentioned, Mr. Speaker, yesterday, I had indicated and we had heard many times this government is willing to be innovative, and ready to spend money for jobs and I challenge this government to be innovative and to spend money and to found a mining institute in the Northwest Territories. Thank you.

MR. SPEAKER:

Thank you. Member's statement, Mr. Ootes.

Member's Statement on National Business Week

MR. OOTES:

Thank you Mr. Speaker. I would like to announce that Yellowknife will be celebrating National Business Week on October 21 - 25. It is a week-long event that will feature a variety of seminars here in the city, and I am sure other communities across the Territories may also be celebrating this week.

Small businesses employ several thousand people across the Northwest Territories and contribute thousands of dollars to the northern economy through employment and taxation. Businesses improve the standard of living for northerners and provide the services that we have all come to expect to be a part of our everyday modern life.

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Businesses support swim teams, ball clubs, hockey and ringette teams. Today, because of small business you can buy hardware, dishes, carpets, go to a movie theatre, a performing arts theatre, and I am speaking of course in Yellowknife; see northern entertainers like Susan Aglukark and the Gumboots. You can visit art galleries, you can read northern magazines - produced by northerners.

I spent 20 years as a small business person in the publishing industry. I am retired from that now but I must say that I pay a great deal of tribute to those business people that are out there. It takes a great deal of dedication, hard work, and investment of both personal time and usually a lot of capital. I would like to recognize those small business people across the Northwest Territories and thank them for the great contribution they are making to our northern economy, and I am sure that they will continue to be an important element of our vibrancy in the future. Thank you.

MR. SPEAKER:

Thank you Mr. Ootes. Member's statements. Are there any further members' statements? Returns to oral questions. Recognition of visitors in the gallery. Mr. Krutko.

#### ITEM 5: RECOGNITION OF VISITORS IN THE GALLERY

MR. KRUTKO:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would like to recognize a long time friend of mine who I skied many years with on the NWT ski team, who is now an employee of the Government of the Northwest Territories and also a well known carver, Angus Cockney, better know as Gus, who carved the carving that is above the Speaker's head. Nice to see you Angus.

MR. SPEAKER:

Welcome to the Assembly. Recognition of visitors to the gallery. Oral questions. Oral questions. Mr. O'Brien.

#### ITEM 6: ORAL QUESTIONS

Question 389-13(3): GNWT Deficit Recovery Plan

MR. O'BRIEN:

Thank you Mr. Speaker. My question is to the Premier. Mr. Speaker, in view of my Member's statement today, will the premier agree that he will indeed take a second look at our cost cutting agenda? Mr. Speaker, before the Premier addresses my question, I would like to also point out this fact, my home town of Arviat, with an exploding population of approximately 90 babies a year being born, this government stopped building social houses and has constructed only seven new access houses this year. Mr. Speaker this tells me we are not on the right track. Thank you.

MR. SPEAKER:

Thank you. Mr. Premier.

Return to Question 389-13(3): GNWT Deficit Recovery Plan

HON. DON MORIN:

Thank you Mr. Speaker. As the Member maybe aware with his background with the housing corporation that the federal government who has a responsibility, ultimate responsibility, for supplying

Aboriginal people with proper housing units three years ago, cut to this government approximately \$47,000,000, basically cut the rug from underneath our feet of supplying housing to northern people. Even though that the federal government had cut \$47,000,000 from capital projects in the Northwest Territories, specifically housing. We as a government never cut, as a matter of fact, we increased the dollars that we put into construction of social housing in the Northwest Territories, and today we are still building the same amount of units that we built three years ago. Approximately 340-400 units a year. So, I think we are on the right track of putting that we can afford into the right programs. For the Member's information as well, we fully realize that for every ten houses to twelve houses we can only build one, but we just do not have the dollars to put any more money into the housing program. Thank you.

MR. SPEAKER:

Thank you, Mr. Morin. Oral question, supplementary, Mr. O'Brien.

Supplementary To Question 389-13(3): GNWT Deficit Recovery Plan

MR. O'BRIEN:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker the Premier did not answer the jist of my question, and that was, will he agree to take a second look at the cost cutting measures that this government has put in place. Thank you.

MR. SPEAKER:

Mr. Morin.

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HON. DON MORIN:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. As I made very clear in my ministerial statement at the opening of this session, that we as a government are willing to relook and revisit the things that we put into place to make sure that we balance our budget before the next fiscal year. But also we agreed to do that with conjunction of the Members of this house, to talk about that in this house and to debate that issue, whether what we are

doing is right or wrong. I believe what we are doing is right. If we do not get our financial house in order, we will never see our way out to doing the proper things for people of the Northwest Territories unless we end up with a balanced budget. If we continue to go and spend and administer the way we are doing when we first came to office, all we will be doing is talking about how we pay down the interest rates in the future. Thank you.

MR. SPEAKER:

Oral question, supplementary, Mr. O'Brien.

Supplementary To Question 389-13(3): GNWT Deficit Recovery Plan

MR. O'BRIEN:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker. Is that a yes or a no?

MR. SPEAKER:

Mr. Morin.

Further Return To Question 389-13(3): GNWT Deficit Recovery Plan

HON. DON MORIN:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. As members have heard in this house in the last few days, is that when we agree to things we should stay the course, when we agree to things, once we have come to agreement, we should move ahead and follow out the plan. So the member can take it as a yes or no, but what I am saying is that we have set the course and we will stay the course, until we balance our budget. Thank you.

MR. SPEAKER:

Thank you. Oral questions, oral questions. Mr. Krutko.

Question 390-13(3): Negotiations With the TI'oondih Healing Society

MR. KRUTKO:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. My question is to the Minister of Social Services. I think he is probably missed me over the summer, he has not had a question from me all summer. The question is in regards to TI'oondih Healing Society which to date there was a motion passed and the committee of the whole which instructed the Minister and the executive

to start negotiations immediately with the Gwich'in Healing Society to bring them in line with other programs which are presently developed in the Northwest Territories and elsewhere. To date, nothing has been done, and also I would like to make him aware that there have been other initiatives that the Gwich'in Healing Society has taken to assist clients once they complete the program, which is an agreement that was signed this summer between the Human Resources Development Canada to develop an after care program to help individuals in acquiring skills and participation of labour market, and making the transition from welfare to become independent and basically develop personal growth and also find employment.

Yet to date this government has not helped out in any way, shape, or form, to assist us in trying to meet requirements to be able to compete against other institutions in the north who receive core funding. For us to deliver a program through our program and from what we are getting from the government works out to about \$75 per person with a cost to the tribal council of \$280 after the cost of building in the operation of the camp and other expenditures that come along with it. So you work out the average of cost at that, we are losing money.

So, my question to the Minister is, is that from the motion that was passes in committee of the whole, what has he done in regards to that motion and where will you go with it?

MR. SPEAKER:

Thank you. The Minister of Social Services, Mr. Ng.

Return to Question 390-13(3): Negotiations With the TI'oondih Healing Society

HON. KELVIN NG:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, I thank the honourable member for his lengthy question. I believe under a point of order that this question was posed two days ago to the Honourable Premier, and it was taken as notice at that time, and I will commit to getting back the

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information to the honourable Member as soon as possible. Thank you.

MR. SPEAKER:

Thank you. Oral question, supplementary, Mr. Krutko.

Supplementary To Question 390-13(3): Negotiations With the Tl'oondih Healing Society

MR. KRUTKO:

Yes, my question was is that there was a motion passed in committee of the whole, in regards to instructing the Minister of Health and Social Service and Executive Council to immediately enter into negotiations with the Tl'oondih Healing Society. To date, what has been done with it?

MR. SPEAKER:

Point of order, Mr. Ng.

HON. KELVIN NG:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, I just elaborated that this item was taken as notice two days ago by the Honourable Premier in response to the same question from the honourable Member. So I ask that we follow the rules of this house, that I will report back accordingly to that notice of motion. Thank you.

MR. SPEAKER:

Regarding your point of order, Mr. Ng. You do not have a point of order. The Premier has responded to the Member for MacKenzie Delta by saying that he will take it on notice. Mr. Minister, you did respond that it was taken by the Premier on notice, but you did not say that you were going to take it on notice either so, the question continues until you advise the house that you will take it. Oral questions, Mr. Krutko.

Supplementary To Question 390-13(3): Negotiations With the Tl'oondih Healing Society

MR. KRUTKO:

Question Mr. Speaker. Could you tell me, is the process of this government to refer people to southern institutions by doctors is still a regular practice of this government, and what is the cost of that to this government?

MR. SPEAKER:

Thank you. Mr. Ng.

Further Return To Question 390-13(3): Negotiations With the Tl'oondih Healing Society

HON. KELVIN NG:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I will take the question as notice. Thank you.

MR. SPEAKER:

The question is taken as notice. Oral questions, Mr. Steen.

Question 391-13(3): Loss of the RCMP Officer in Paulatuk

MR. STEEN:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, my question is directed to the Minister responsible for Justice, Mr. Ng. Mr. Speaker, early in September, the community of Paulatuk was advised they would be losing their RCMP officer. The community was very concerned with this, as they believed the reduction in crime in the community was directly related to the presence of the police officer and they were concerned that crime would start climbing once the officer's presence was no longer in the community. Therefore, the community sent a petition to the RCMP commanding officer requesting this decision be reconsidered. I would like to ask the Minister if he is aware of this situation and whether or not he will assure the community is kept informed as to the plans of the department with the removal of this officer. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

MR. SPEAKER:

The Minister of Justice, Mr. Ng.

Return to Question 391-13(3): Loss of RCMP Officer in Paulatuk

HON. KELVIN NG:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, I am aware of the situation. The RCMP are currently doing a minimum standards review of their detachments throughout the Northwest Territories to see whether or not the safety of their members, in single member and dual member detachments, may be compromised by the fact that they may be under staffed. We do not have the final results of that review. But I would to advise the honourable Member and all Members of this House that the allocation of police members, of RCMP members to communities is strictly an operational priority of the RCMP and within their mandate because of the fact that they have to take into consideration their operational requirements, particularly as it pertains to safety. So I will further check into the matter on the status of what the

policing of review is and get back to the Member.  
Thank you.

MR. SPEAKER:

Thank you. Oral questions supplementary. Mr. Steen.

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Supplementary To Question 391-13(3): Loss of the  
RCMP Officer in Paulatuk

MR. STEEN:

Mr. Chairman, I believe part of my question was to assure that the community was kept informed of the departments decision and possibly take part in the decision making. Thank you.

MR. SPEAKER:

Mr. Ng.

Further Return To Question 391-13(3): Loss of the  
RCMP Officer in Paulatuk

HON. KELVIN NG:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, I will certainly convey that information to the RCMP and make sure that they involve the community and apprise them of developments as they come about, Mr. Speaker. Thank you.

MR. SPEAKER:

Thank you. Oral questions. Mr. Ootes.

Question 392-13(3): Benefit Agreement Negotiations  
With BHP

MR. OOTES:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. My question is to the Premier. The subject of BHP is on the minds of many people here in Yellowknife and the Premier spoke on this the other day in response to some questions.

The federal government has stated that the company has sixty days in order to reach agreements with the Aboriginal groups and, apparently, the territorial government now also is looking at reaching agreement through a memorandum of understanding or some other legal agreement.

I wonder if the Premier, who stated the other day that negotiations were going well, that it was moving

forward very well, I wonder if he could update us today on those negotiations with BHP?

MR. SPEAKER:

Mr. Premier.

Return To Question 392-13(3): Benefit Agreement  
Negotiations With BHP

HON. DON MORIN:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Our staff informed us that negotiations are still ongoing with BHP, as well as, aboriginal organizations, Aboriginal First Nations, are negotiating with BHP, Treaty 11, Treaty 8, the North and South Slave Metis, as well, the Kitikmeot Inuit peoples and those negotiations are proceeding. My understanding is that they are going to need the time right until Monday and we still have issues outstanding but those negotiations are ongoing.

I would just like to say for the Member's information here, that we have people from the Department of Justice and RWED involved in those negotiations as well as, people from my office. Some that have worked as long as twenty-four hours a day and some two days straight without even changing clothes. So they are working very hard on behalf of northerners to make sure that northerners' interests are protected. We feel confident that it should come out positive in the end. Thank you.

MR. SPEAKER:

Thank you. Oral questions, Mr. Ootes,  
supplementary.

Supplementary To Question 392-13(3): Benefit  
Agreement Negotiations With BHP

MR. OOTES:

Yes, thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, perhaps I could pose another question, there are two levels of negotiation. One is with the aboriginal organizations and the other is with this government, could the Premier give us an indication if he is optimistic about the negotiations with this government and what the government is trying to achieve through either a memorandum of understanding or a legal agreement?

MR. SPEAKER:

Mr. Morin.

Further Return To Question 392-13(3): Benefit Agreement Negotiations With BHP

HON. DON MORIN:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Also the Department of Education is involved in those negotiations and I apologize to them for forgetting to mention them.

The way we have approached these negotiations and always have and what we have always said, is that we are in partnership with the aboriginal groups of the Northwest Territories. We are there to assist them, as well, as much as we can. Both negotiations, as far as I understand, are moving ahead and hopefully by Monday we should be able

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to report more specifically on this issue.

MR. SPEAKER:

Oral question, supplementary, Mr. Ootes.

Supplementary To Question 392-13(3): Benefit Agreement Negotiations With BHP

MR. OOTES:

Yes, I appreciate the Premier stating that Monday he will report further on this. As I mentioned it is a subject of great importance to the people of Yellowknife, I am sure of every community in this particular area, including Fort Smith and Hay River.

I wonder if the Premier could enlighten us a bit about the negotiations with respect to the aboriginal groups. If he is aware of whether that is proceeding very well or whether they are bogging down in that area?

MR. SPEAKER:

Mr. Morin.

Further Return To Question 392-13(3): Benefit Agreement Negotiations With BHP

HON. DON MORIN:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would never...I know how important this for Northerners to make sure that northerners do benefit from any development that happens within our country, so it is very important for all people of the Northwest Territories and it is setting new precedent for the Northwest Territories on how development will be happening.

As far as I understand from the information I have received from staff that the negotiations with the aboriginal organizations is moving ahead fairly well. I cannot stand here and talk for my chiefs because chiefs speak for themselves, so that is the perception of what the government sees. Thank you.

MR. SPEAKER:

Thank you. Oral questions, Mr. Picco.

Question 393-13(3): Concerns Regarding the Registration Process for Nurses

MR. PICCO:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, from my region we have major concerns with the process for registering nurses in the NWT. The current registration process is guided by the 75 Nursing Profession Act that does not allow as much flexibility as the association in the regions would like.

My question for the Minister of Health and Social Services is, can the Minister update this House on what measures his department is taking to rectify these concerns? Thank you.

MR. SPEAKER:

The Minister of Health and Social Services, Mr. Ng.

Return to Question 393-13(3): Concerns Regarding the Registration Process for Nurses

HON. KELVIN NG:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, I am not aware of these particular concerns at this time, I will check with the department and find out what they are and what progress is being made, if any, on this matter. Thank you.

MR. SPEAKER:

Oral questions, Mr. Miltenberger.

Question 394-13(3): Pulp Mill Development in Northern Alberta

MR. MILTENBERGER:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. My question is to the Minister for RWED, I believe is the acronym that has been used.

Could the Minister indicate the this House whether they are going to take a position on this new proposed major pulp development in northern Alberta, that is going to have significant downstream effects all the way to the Arctic circle? Thank you.

MR. SPEAKER:

The Minister of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources, Mr. Kakfwi.

Return to Question 394-13(3): Pulp Mill Development in Northern Alberta

HON. STEPHEN KAKFWI:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. For the information of Members I am the Minister for Resources, Wildlife and Economic Development.

In response to the Member's question, it was the recommendation of the Northern River Basin Study, that the board of that study, it recommended that governments respond to the

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recommendations before any further development takes place. The proposed site, at this time, of this new pulp mill is in an area that the board had specifically suggested be protected from any further development.

Having said that, I understand the Alberta government has indicated they will respond to the recommendations of the board prior to the project going into the environmental assessment hearings. At this time I understand the project has been approved by the Alberta government to conduct the company to do an environmental assessment study and for environmental hearings to proceed for the project to be considered by the government. And that the Alberta government has committed to responding to the study and it's recommendations prior to proceeding. Thank you.

MR. SPEAKER:

Thank you, oral question, supplementary Mr. Miltenberger.

Supplementary To Question 394-13(3): Pulp Mill Development in Northern Alberta

MR. MILTENBERGER:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. My concern is that the effect that this potential development will have all the way down to the Arctic circle and whether the Government of the Northwest Territories will be taking an active position on this or will we be standing passively by while Alberta does it's own internal hearings to decide on this mega-project, which is, I think, yet another one. I think there are already three or four major pulp mills spewing their effluent into the various rivers with various degrees of cleanliness.

I think it is something that concerns us all. It has been on the books for a number of years since we started way back in the early eighties, so I would like to know, is the Government of the Northwest Territories going to playing a role in this? Thank you.

MR. SPEAKER:

Mr. Kakfwi.

Further Return To Question 394-13(3): Pulp Mill Development in Northern Alberta

HON. STEPHEN KAKFWI:

Mr. Speaker, it is the interest on the part of this government to maintain a close working relationship with the Alberta government. They are an adjacent jurisdiction with many common interests and concerns that are shared particularly between the two respective Premiers, there is a good working relationship and we have had occasion to meet with the Minister of the Environment for Alberta. There will probably be some meetings requested to seek assurance that in fact the proposed mill, as it stands now, in using the mechanism proposed, will not affect water quality in the Northwest Territories. This is the preliminary assurance given to us however, we will consider seeking a meeting with the government of Alberta to get further assurance that this, in fact, will be the case. Thank you.

MR. SPEAKER:

Oral question, supplementary. Mr. Miltenberger.

Supplementary To Question 394-13(3): Pulp Mill Development in Northern Alberta

MR. MILTENBERGER:

Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Will the government, as well as getting those political assurances, be putting some technical people on the alert, I guess I could phrase it that way, so that they can, in fact, monitor



the technical development as well. Political assurances is one thing. How that actually translates down into actual implementation can often be dramatically different and there are a lot of very detailed things, other than water quality, fish habitat, ecosystems, river basin - environmental impacts are a whole range of issues.

So will the government, in fact, be tracking this process throughout and on all levels? Thank you.

MR. SPEAKER:

Mr. Kakfwi.

Further Return To Question 394-13(3): Pulp Mill Development in Northern Alberta

HON. STEPHEN KAKFWI:

Mr. Speaker, of course it is understood that we have to have response and commitment by the Alberta government to the sub-standive recommendations of the study that was given to us some months ago and that this will require the Alberta government to respond to specific concerns raised in the recommendations and it will be our responsibility to ensure that there is real commitment on the part of all parties to substantiate the concerns that have been expressed to date and the interests that have been expressed to date by all parties and governments

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to respect the integrity and the quality of the environment and to try, however possible to respond positively to those recommendations. Thank you.

MR. SPEAKER:

Thank you. Oral questions, Mr. Barnabas.

Question 395-13(3): Concerns Regarding the Sea Lift to Grise Fiord

MR. BARNABAS:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. As I indicated earlier, I wish to make an emergency statement and my question will be directed to the Premier since the Minister of Transportation is not here.

There is a serious emergency situation in Grise Fiord. The ice conditions are the worst in living memory. There is a stretch of 60 miles of heavy packed ice which has prevented the cargo ship, carrying goods

for the hamlet, the Housing Association and the Co-op from reaching the community.

This ship is currently in Pond Inlet and will be returning to Montreal as it cannot even try to return to Resolute Bay because of the bad ice there as well.

The Canadian Coast Guard ice-breakers have tried to assist, travelling from the Kitikmeot but the ice is now so bad that they cannot help and will have to return to their base in BC via the Panama Canal.

The plan is to return the goods to Montreal and attempt the following:

- 1) Use food mail via aircraft for goods that qualify.
- 2) Ship other goods by truck to Yellowknife and fly it to Resolute Bay and Grise Fiord, items that will fit in the plane.
- 3) Store all other good until next year.

Mr. Speaker, my question to the Premier is whether this government would have any emergency resources to assist in flying in goods to Grise Fiord as the Co-op is the only store in town and their only source of food, clothing, and dry goods?

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

MR. SPEAKER:

Mr. Premier.

Return to Question 395-13(3): Concerns Regarding the Sea Lift to Grise Fiord

HON. DON MORIN:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The role of transportation is to communicate with the Canadian Coast Guard. The Member has information that seems more information than I have on this issue in front of me today.

Let me assure the Member that I understand it is a serious issue and we as a government will do everything possible to make sure that our communities have adequate food levels and supplies in their communities to survive through the winter months.

We also have emergency measures that we can use and that is cost shared with the federal government.

So right now, people from the Department of Transportation as well people from Public Works as

well as people from MACA are working on the issue to make sure that community is adequately supplied for the year to come. Thank you.

MR. SPEAKER:

Next oral question. Supplementary, Mr. Barnabas.

MR. BARNABAS:

No.

MR. SPEAKER:

Oral question, Mr. Roland.

Question 396-13(3): Reorganization of the Inuvik Health Board

MR. ROLAND:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. My question will be directed to the Minister of Health and Social Services. Last year through the business plans we had discussed the re-organization of the health boards and I would like an update from the Minister as to what has happened with the board representatives in the downsizing from a number, I believe, was 16 in the Inuvik region to six. Thank you.

MR. SPEAKER:

The Minister of Health and Social Services, Mr. Ng.

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HON. KELVIN NG:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, the plan has been approved for the downsizing to the six board members for the Inuvik Health Board. But we are awaiting the finalization of names from some of the representative organizations that would make up the Inuvik Regional Health Board to finalize this matter, Mr. Speaker. Thank you.

MR. SPEAKER:

Oral question, supplementary, Mr. Roland.

Supplementary To Question 396-13(3):  
Reorganization of the Inuvik Health Board

MR. ROLAND:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Does the Minister have a timeline on when the final seats will be put forward, seeing that we are starting into fall and things tend to get busy. So is there a timeline to this? Thank you.

MR. SPEAKER:

Mr. Ng.

Further Return To Question 396-13(3):  
Reorganization of the Inuvik Health Board

HON. KELVIN NG:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, we have actively been requesting the names from the organizations that were supposed to put forward representatives to sit on the health board. I will once again have the departmental officials contact them to see if we can expedite this as quickly as possible because I share the same concern with the honourable member, we are getting into a busier season and we have to try to finalize and put closure to a lot of these issues. Thank you.

MR. SPEAKER:

Oral questions, supplementary, Mr. Roland.

Supplementary To Question 396-13(3):  
Reorganization of the Inuvik Health Board

MR. ROLAND:

Thank you Mr. Speaker. Further to the question of timeline, are there enough members on there to be functional at the present time?

MR. SPEAKER:

Mr. Ng

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Reorganization of the Inuvik Health Board

HON. KELVIN NG:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker the current board still acts in the capacity because the fact that the new structured has not been finalized because the appointments have not been put through the legal hurdles. So the existing board will still have jurisdiction. Thank you.

MR. SPEAKER:

Thank you. Oral questions, Mr. Steen.

Question 397-13(3): Provision of NTPC Support Services to Holman Island

MR. STEEN:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker my question is directed to the Honourable Mr. Dent, Minister responsible for the Power Corporation. Mr. Speaker, when I was in Cambridge Bay earlier this week at the regional conference, concern was expressed by the community of Holman Island that they had been advised that services in regards to NWT Power Corporation would no longer be out of Yellowknife but would be instead out of Inuvik. This was news to the community and they were wondering whether or not this was in fact the case? And I wonder if the Minister could look into this situation and perhaps respond to the community as to whether or not this would be the case in the future, that NTPC would be supplying services to Holman out of Inuvik instead of Yellowknife.

MR. SPEAKER:

The Minister of the NWT Power Corporation, Mr. Dent.

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HON. CHARLES DENT:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, I would be only too pleased to meet with the Member and outline the changes in regional responsibility in the Power Corp and the reasons for them. And I would be happy to follow up with a letter to the community offering an explanation and would certainly be interested in hearing their concerns if they have any after the explanation and making sure that we can address them. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

MR. SPEAKER:

Thank you. Oral questions, supplementary, Mr. Steen.

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Supplementary To Question 397-13(3): Provision of NTPC Support Services to Holman Island

MR. STEEN:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, would it be fair to say then that the decision was made to service

Holman Island from Inuvik rather than Yellowknife for future? Is that what the Minister is telling me?

MR. SPEAKER:

Mr. Dent.

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HON. CHARLES DENT:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, for administrative purposes some of the functions have been, as I understand it, moved to Inuvik right now. As I said I would be happy to provide the Member with details and to follow up with correspondence with the community to try and address any concerns they might have and ensure there is no change felt by the community. In fact we hope that this may lead to an improvement in communications between the regional staff and the field staff in the area. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

MR. SPEAKER:

Oral questions. Mr. Krutko.

Question 398-13(3): Contract Hiring of Laid-Off Employees

MR. KRUTKO:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. My question is to the Premier. It is in regards to the government layoffs, we are all aware of. I would like to know if it is a practice of this government, in regards to the layoffs, that government employees are laid off, given a severance package, and then hired back under a contract. Yet P1 and P2 employees, who have been laid off, are still waiting to be employed. Is that the practice of this House?

MR. SPEAKER:

Mr. Premier.

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HON. DON MORIN:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. No.

MR. SPEAKER:

Oral questions, supplementary, Mr. Krutko

Supplementary To Question 398-13(3): Contract Hiring of Laid-Off Employees

MR. KRUTKO:

Well that is a pretty straight answer but I do not think that is the fact. The question was has the Premier checked to see if this is the process that is presently being carried out within the different government departments. Plus I understand now how that is presently is practised within certain departments and that there is people who are Aboriginal employees that have not had the opportunity to get back into the workforce yet other individuals have been able to acquire work through a process of service contracts.

MR. SPEAKER:

Mr. Morin.

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HON. DON MORIN:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. If the Member could be specific, give me examples and I can ask the Minister of the FMB to look into the issue. But to do a broad sweep it is going to be a lot of work to do and I am just wondering if he give me some examples and I would be pleased to meet with the Member if he prefer it that way. Thank you.

MR. SPEAKER:

Oral question, supplementary, Mr. Krutko.

Supplementary To Question 398-13(3): Contract Hiring of Laid-Off Employees

MR. PICCO:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The department I am presently talking about is the Department of Health and Social Services.

MR. SPEAKER:

Mr. Morin.

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HON. DON MORIN:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would be pleased to arranged a meeting between the honourable Member

and the Minister responsible for that department as well as the Minister responsible for FMBS to talk about this issue because it is a personnel issue so normally they do not talk about those issues in public because it involves employees and names and such things like that. Thank you.

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MR. SPEAKER:

Oral question, final supplementary, Mr. Krutko.

Supplementary To Question 398-13(3): Contract Hiring of Laid-Off Employees

MR. KRUTKO:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. A final supplementary you said? I would like to have some information in regards to the number of layoffs and also if this is the fact, what numbers are we are talking about? How many people are there? The information should be made public to the Members in this House.

MR. SPEAKER:

Mr. Morin.

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HON. DON MORIN:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I will take that as notice and get the information from Mr. Todd. Thank you.

MR. SPEAKER:

The question was taken as notice. Oral questions, Mr. Picco.

Question 399-13(3): Funding Reductions to CBC Radio and Television

MR. PICCO:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, in my Members' statement I spoke about the cuts to the CBC. Can the Minister of Education and Culture tell this House, what measures will this government be taking to bring our concerns with the announced cuts and reductions to the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation to the federal government and to the Board of the CBC? Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

MR. SPEAKER:

The Minister Responsible for Education, Culture and Employment, Mr. Dent.

Return to Question 399-13(3): Funding Reductions to CBC Radio and Television

HON. CHARLES DENT:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, I have, in the past, written to the Minister responsible for Canadian Heritage to advise the Minister of the importance this government places on communications provided to Northerners by both the CBC and aboriginal broadcasters. I am awaiting a briefing on the impact on the latest round of cuts before following up, but the Member may be assured that we will take a look at what the results are for the Northern Broadcast Division of CBC and respond appropriately.

MR. SPEAKER:

Thank you. Oral questions, supplementary, Mr. Picco.

Supplementary To Question 399-13(3): Funding Reductions to CBC Radio and Television

MR. PICCO:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker I am very pleased that the Minister for Heritage for the federal government is Sheila Copps, who of course is very familiar with the North, having been in Iqaluit several times.

I wonder if the Minister could make public to this House or maybe by letter a copy of any correspondence that goes to the Minister of Heritage, because I am sure individual Members would also like to lobby on behalf of Canadian Broadcasting Corporation. It is a most important issue. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

MR. SPEAKER:

Mr. Dent.

Further Return To Question 399-13(3): Funding Reductions to CBC Radio and Television

HON. CHARLES DENT:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Certainly.

MR. SPEAKER:

Oral questions. Oral questions, Mrs. Groenewegen.

Question 400-13(3): Commitment to the Affirmative Action Policy

MRS. GROENEWEGEN:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. My question today is for the Honourable Premier. I received a couple of calls from constituents with regards to the recent announcements regarding at least three senior positions in this government and in a time when northerners are being laid off, I was wondering the Premier could re-confirm for the benefit of the public this government's commitment to the Affirmative Action Policy which is to give priority to aboriginal northerners and long-term northerners. In respect to that, I just want to refer back to a quote that was made when we came into this House, by the Premier, that

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being "We're not getting aboriginal people into management positions and we're not getting aboriginal people into positions that are filled by other people from the south and that is what we have to do." So I thought that I would like to give the Premier an opportunity to just elaborate on those recent announcements and the background to those. Thank you.

MR. SPEAKER:

Mr. Premier.

Return to Question 400-13(3): Commitment to the Affirmative Action Policy

HON. DON MORIN:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. We as a government are totally committed to the affirmative action policy that is in place by this government, I would like to make the Member from Hay River aware of that first off. When we go out recruiting, we look in the north first, we look at the people that are available. Some of the senior management positions in this government require very unique skills and we go through a process of looking for those people in the Northwest Territories. If we cannot find them in the Northwest Territories, now we go south. If we cannot find them in Canada then we will go any place else in the world to find them. But we will find the right people for the job, to make sure that all northerners have the benefit of having the right person in the job. Thank you.

MR. SPEAKER:

Oral questions supplementary, Mrs. Groenewegen.

Supplementary to Question 400-13(3): Commitment to the Affirmative Action Policy

MRS. GROENEWEGEN:

Thank you Mr. Speaker. In follow-up to that, there was also some concern raised over the government's policy with respect to direct appointment as opposed to advertising and going through that form of recruitment and it was in specific relation to, I believe, the Deputy Minister of Education and maybe the Premier could just clarify if that position followed a recruitment process that would see that position go to a public competition or that was a direct appointment, just for clarification. Thank you.

MR. SPEAKER:

Mr. Morin

Further Return To Question 400-13(3): Commitment to the Affirmative Action Policy

HON. DON MORIN:

Thank you Mr. Speaker. We did advertise in the NWT and then we did advertise nationally. Six candidates were interviewed for that position. We recruited the best candidate available and then you direct appoint him through Cabinet. That is how the process works. It is on my recommendation. Thank you.

MR. SPEAKER:

Oral questions. Mr. Picco

Question 401-13(3): Impact of Foster Care Rate Reduction

MR. PICCO:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, my question is for the Minister of Health and Social Services concerning the special foster care rates. There has been a concern with the reduction to special foster care rates for foster families. I am wondering what the impact of this reduction has been on foster families and maybe the Minister could update the house on exactly what has happened with the reduction in the special foster care rates.

MR. SPEAKER:

The Minister of Health and Social Services, Mr. Ng.

Return To Question 401-13(3): Impact of Foster Care Rate Reduction

HON. KELVIN NG:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, the issue was raised prior to the reductions coming into place. I had an opportunity to meet with some of the Foster Parents in the Yellowknife area who conveyed to me their concerns about the reductions that we were planning to put into place. I have made a commitment, our staff are working with the Foster Parent Association right now to analyze the reductions that are being proposed, to work with them to try to come out with an arrangement, hopefully, that will meet our needs as far as obtaining some reductions throughout the Foster Care payments that we expend and trying to meet their needs and not drastically impacting their rates so they can continue on providing this valuable service to us, Mr. Speaker.

MR. SPEAKER:

Oral questions supplementary. Mr. Picco

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Supplementary To Question 401-13(3): Impact of Foster Care Rate Reduction

MR. PICCO:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker the families that do take in children, especially special needs children under Foster Care is very important asset to this government, and to the people and to the communities of the Northwest Territories. Mr. Speaker, I understand that because of the reduction some families now have had second thoughts. Maybe the Minister could inform this House exactly what the status of the number of families now that have actually withdrawn their services since the reduction, if any, of the Foster Care rates and maybe an indication from the Minister what or how many intentions from these families about reducing or withdrawing their services because of the reduction. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

MR. SPEAKER:

Mr. Ng

Further Return To Question 401-13(3): Impact of Foster Care Rate Reduction

HON. KELVIN NG:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, I do not have the specifics right now on what families have withdrawn or are considering it, at this time. I mean we will have to measure that when it does come about or if it has I will certainly find out and advise the Member accordingly. Thank you.

MR. SPEAKER:

Oral question supplementary. Mr. Picco.

Supplementary To Question 401-13(3): Impact of Foster Care Rate Reduction

MR. PICCO:

I too, Mr. Speaker have received several letters concerning the reductions of special foster care rates, maybe the Minister could inform the House, what is the savings to this government by reducing the special foster care rates.

MR. SPEAKER:

Thank you, Mr. Ng.

Further Return To Question 401-13(3): Impact of Foster Care Rate Reduction

HON. KELVIN NG:

Sorry, Mr. Speaker, I missed the question on that one. If I could ask him to repeat it please?

MR. SPEAKER:

Mr. Picco, supplementary.

Supplementary To Question 401-13(3): Impact of Foster Care Rate Reduction

MR. PICCO:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker I would be very pleased to repeat my question. My question was to the Minister of Health and Social Services, what is the actual dollar value placed on reducing this special foster care rates to this government? What is the saving to this government by reducing said rates? Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

MR. SPEAKER:

Mr. Ng.

Further Return To Question 401-13(3): Impact of Foster Care Rate Reduction

HON. KELVIN NG:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, it was anticipated to generate savings in this area of approximately \$377,000. Thank you.

MR. SPEAKER:

Oral questions. Mrs. Groenewegen.

Question 402-13(3): First Nations Tribal Justice Institute

MRS. GROENEWEGEN:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I have a question for the Minister responsible for the Department of Justice. I was wondering if in light of the discussions we have heard about the cost and effectiveness and the ability to afford RCMP members in all communities, I was wondering if the Minister of Justice had heard of a training school which may serve as an alternative, called the First Nations Tribal Justice Institute in British Columbia?

MR. SPEAKER:

The Minister of Justice, Mr. Ng.

Return To Question 402-13(3): First Nations Tribal Justice Institute

HON. KELVIN NG:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, it was brought to my attention that there is this type of course available during the recent Standing Committee of discussions on interim activities, Mr. Speaker. Thank you.

MR. SPEAKER:

Oral questions supplementary. Mrs. Groenewegen.

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Supplementary To Question 402-13(3): First Nations Tribal Justice Institute

MRS. GROENEWEGEN:

I think there is an issue here in that there are a lot of young northerners who would be interested in getting involved in the area of policing that may not qualify or

may not be able to go through the process in participating in the RCMP training program, and it is unfortunate. A constituent of mine that wanted to attend this and get involved in policing who has lived in the North all his life was able to attend but was not able to receive any funding because this institution, although it is the only one in North American is not accredited or recognized by this government. So I was wondering, my second question is to the Minister of Justice, if he would work together with the Department of Education to see if we could include this institution as an accredited and recognized facility by this government?

MR. SPEAKER:

Mr. Ng.

Further Return To Question 402-13(3): First Nations Tribal Justice Institute

HON. KELVIN NG:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, I certainly would be willing to speak to the Minister responsible for Education Culture and Employment to discuss this possibility. Thank you.

MR. SPEAKER:

Oral questions. Oral questions. Mr. Erasmus

Question 403-13(3): Funding for Establishing a Mining Institute

MR. ERASMUS:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Just a quick question for the Premier. Mr. Speaker, as we all know the Minister's hands are tied in the education area. He does not seem as though he even has enough money to meet his current commitments, and I would also expect that mining companies should contribute financially to establish a mining institute as they should be benefitting eventually in getting a trained northern workforce to work in the mines. Mr. Speaker what I would like to know, is if the Cabinet is willing to look at allowing movement of dollars from other areas into Education, Culture and Employment so the appropriate Minister can establish a mining institute in partnership with the mining companies? Thank you.

MR. SPEAKER:

Mr. Premier

Return to Question 403-13(3): Funding for Establishing a Mining Institute

HON. DON MORIN:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. You know a cabinet is willing to look at moving money from one pot to another but we never do that without consulting our fellow Members of this House. So I would look at working with members of this Legislative Assembly on how to solve the problems we have in the Education Department. Thank you.

MR. SPEAKER:

Oral questions. You have supplementary Mr. Erasmus?

Supplementary To Question 403-13(3): Funding for Establishing a Mining Institute

MR. ERASMUS:

Sorry, Mr. Speaker, I couldn't hear the Premier's response due to the -- I don't know if we are allowed to say it -- heckling. Could the Premier say that again, please?

MR. SPEAKER:

Thank you. Mr. Morin.

Further Return To Question 403-13(3): Funding For Establishing a Mining Institute

HON. DON MORIN:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. In cooperation of good working relationship with all Members of this House, we will be reviewing very shortly our budgets, for the next year and in that process we will try to take into consideration the Member's concerns and we will work with all Members of this House to prioritize where we do spend our dollars. Thank you.

MR. SPEAKER:

Thank you. Oral questions. Written questions. Returns to written questions. Replies to opening address. Petitions. Petitions. Reports of standing and special committees. Reports of committees on the review of bills. Tabling of documents. Mr. Krutko.

ITEM 13: TABLING OF DOCUMENTS

MR. KRUTKO:



I would like to table a document, Tabled Document. 79-13(3), it is a letter to the

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Right Honourable Prime Minister of Canada Jean Chretien, in regards to core funding to Tl'ondih and also the inadequate funding to the Mackenzie Delta in regards to \$1,200 per person, which is a lot lower than everyone else.

MR. SPEAKER:

Thank you. Tabling of documents. Notices of motion. Mr O'Brien.

ITEM 14: NOTICES OF MOTIONS

Motion 16-13(3)

MR. O'BRIEN:

Thank you Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker I give notice that on Monday, October 7, 1996, I will move the following motion:

Now therefore I move, seconded by the honourable Member for Yellowknife North that the Executive Council be required to develop and adopt a policy prior to November 1, 1996 that ensures that any new capital project over \$250,000 not identified in the capital estimates for the fiscal year, except those necessary to address an emergency situation, not proceed without prior consultation with the affected Members and the appropriate Standing Committee.

And further that the policy include a process whereby appropriate consultation occur with the affected Member and Standing Committee on issues relating to the transfer and deferral of capital projects.

And further that the Executive Council provide to the Standing Committees, on a quarterly basis, any changes and adjustments to the capital appropriations in a fiscal year.

Thank you Mr. Speaker.

MR. SPEAKER:

Thank you. Notice of Motion, Mr. Ootes.

Motion 17-13(3)

MR. OOTES:

Thank you Mr. Speaker. I give notice that on Monday, October 7, 1996 I will move the following motion:

Now therefore I move, seconded by the Honourable Member for High Arctic that the Legislative Assembly express its support for the commitment by the Premier for the Executive Council not to proceed with the Recreation Centre Project in Fort Simpson not previously authorized in the Capital Estimates for 1996/97 and further support that this Project be submitted as part of the five year Capital Plan for consideration in the 1997/98 Business Plans.

MR. SPEAKER:

Thank you. Notice of Motion, Mr. Picco.

Motion 18-13(3)

MR. PICCO:

Thank you Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker I give notice that on Monday, October 7, 1996 I will move the following motion:

Now therefore I move, seconded by the Honourable Member for Yellowknife South that the Executive Council be censured for the manner in which they made major changes to the 1996/97 Capital Estimate approved by this Assembly without the prior involvement and support of the effected Members and Standing Committee.

Thank you Mr. Speaker.

MR. SPEAKER:

Thank you. Notices of Motion. Notices of Motion for First Reading of Bills. Mr. Ng.

ITEM 15: NOTICES OF MOTIONS FOR FIRST READING OF BILLS

Bill 18: An Act to Amend the Public Trustee Act

HON. KELVIN NG:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I give notice that on Monday, October 7, 1996 I will move that Bill 18, An Act to Amend the Public Trustee Act be read for the first time. Mr. Speaker.

MR. SPEAKER:

Thank you. Notices of motion for first reading of bills. Mr. Ng.

Bill 19, Electoral Boundaries Commissions Act

HON. KELVIN NG:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I give notice that on Monday, October 7, 1996 I will move that Bill 19, Electoral Boundaries Commissions Act be read for the first time. Thank you.

MR. SPEAKER:

Thank you. 15. Notices of motion for first reading of bills. 16. Motions. 17. First reading of bills. 18. Second reading of bills.

Consideration in committee of the whole of bills and other matters. Tabled Document 1-13(3), Tabled Document 68-13(3), Minister's Statement 82-13(3), Minister's Statement 86-13(3) with Ms.

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Groenewegen in the chair.

ITEM 19: CONSIDERATION IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

CHAIRPERSON (Mrs. Groenewegen):

Call Committee of the Whole to Order and I am getting lots of sign language here. The matters before Committee of the Whole today are Tabled Documents 1, 68, Minister's Statements 82 and 86. What is the pleasure of the committee? Mr.

MR. OOTES:

Madam Chair, I would suggest that we consider Table Document 68-13(3), Changes to the 1996/97 Capital Plan.

CHAIRPERSON (Mrs. Groenewegen):

Does the Committee agree ... agreed. Mr. Ootes.

MR. OOTES:

Madam Chair on behalf of the Ordinary Members Caucus we would like to recommend that item Tabled Document 68-13(3) entitled Changes to the 1996/97 Capital Plan be considered concluded in Committee of the Whole in light of the notices of motions made earlier today.

CHAIRPERSON (Mrs. Groenewegen):

Thank you Mr. Ootes. Does the Committee agree that Tabled Document 68-13(3) is concluded? Agreed. What is the wish of the Committee to go from here? Mr. Ootes.

MR. OOTES:

I would request that we report progress, Madam Chair.

CHAIRPERSON (Mrs. Groenewegen):

Would that be a motion, Mr. Ootes?

MR. OOTES:

I move that we report progress, Madam Chair.

CHAIRPERSON (Mrs. Groenewegen):

Thank you. Your motion is in order. All those in favour of Mr. Ootes' motion. Opposed. Motion is carried. For the record, Mr. Krutko is opposing the motion. I will rise and report progress. Thank you.

MR. SPEAKER:

The House will come back to order. Reports of Committee of the Whole. Ms. Groenewegen.

ITEM 20: REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MRS. GROENEWEGEN:

Thank you Mr. Speaker. Your Committee has been considering Tabled Document 68-13(3) and would like to report that Tabled Document 68-13(3) is concluded and Mr. Speaker I move that report of the Committee of the Whole be concurred with.

MR. SPEAKER:

Thank you. Seconded by Mr. Arlooktoo. The Motion is in order to the Motion. Question is being called. All those in favour. All those opposed. The Motion is carried. Third reading of Bills. Mr. Clerk, Orders of the Day.

ITEM 21: ORDERS OF THE DAY

CLERK OF THE HOUSE (Mr. Hamilton):

Mr. Speaker the meeting of the Management Services Board this afternoon at 12:15. Meetings for Monday at 9:00 am of the Ordinary Members Caucus, at 10:00 am of the Standing Committee on Government

Operations. Orders of the Day for Monday, October 7th.

1. Prayer
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17. First Reading of Bills
  - Bills 16, 18 and 19
18. Second Reading of Bills
19. Consideration of Committee of the Whole of Bills and Other Matters
  - Tabled Document 1, Ministers' Statements 82 and 86.
20. Report of Committee of Whole
21. Third Reading of Bills
22. Orders of the Day

MR. SPEAKER:

Thank you Mr. Clerk. This House stands adjourned to October 7, 1996 at 1:30 pm.

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