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MR. DANIEL MCNEELY
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Oral Question 525-18(2): Sahtu Regional Wellness Council

This letter is in reference to the Oral Question you raised on February 7, 2017 regarding the development of a new Strategic Framework for the Sahtu.

As was stated in the House, the Northwest Territories Health and Social Services Authority (NTHSSA) was established on August 1, 2016 to help improve care and streamline delivery of healthcare services for every Northwest Territories resident. The Regional Wellness Council members and chairs were announced in June 2016 and appointed in August 2016. All Regional Wellness Council have, to this date, met and provided advice to the Leadership Council.

The current Strategic Plan was developed and presented to the new Territorial Leadership Council on December 6, 2016 for input and feedback. The NWT Health and Social Services System Territorial Plan will be tabled during the current session of the Legislative Assembly, and will be a guide for program and service delivery over the next 3 years for the NWT Health and Social Services system. As committed in the House, I will look forward to discussing a time with you where we can sit down to answer any questions on the development of the Strategic Plan.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Glen Abernethy'.

Glen Abernethy
Minister of Health and Social Services

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Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

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