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Members of the Legislative Assembly Baffin Region c/o Clerk of the Council Legislative Assembly YELLOWKNIFE, N.W.T.

BRADIC FUNDING CUTBACK:

As you are aware, the Executive Committee of the Baffin Regional Alcohol and Drug Information Committee (B.R.A.D.I.C.) has been in telephone contact with all Baffin MLA's to protest against the recent ADCC decision to severely cutback our 1985/86 budget submission.

We would like to outline our major concerns about this cutback:

- Division of the NWT and creation of Nunavut is imminent. ADCC funding for Eastern Arctic Regional Projects such as BRADIC should be maintained or exhanced to allow Baffin Region to continue to gain expertise and experience in running an Alcohol and Drug Educational Program prior to division.
- This year BRADIC was asked to priorize all funding submissions to ADCC from Baffin Region. In doing so, they attached the highest priority in the Region to the BRADIC budget submission. Since the Chairman of the three newly funded community projects (Lake Harbour, Broughton Island, Clyde River) are members of the BRADIC Executive, they understood very clearly that any funding to BRADIC could be to the detriment of their own community projects.
- 3. Serious doubts were expressed by the Executive Committee as to the viability of community projects without the co-ordination and development assistance provided by BRADIC. Since GNWT has no staff in this Region to provide assistance to communities the cutbacks to BRADIC budget, especially in travel funds, will severely impact on community projects.
- 4. In cutting BRADIC's budget, the ADCC indicated that they wanted to effect an amalgamation of BRADIC and Tuvvik. The Executive Committee feels that the Baffin should have been allowed to discuss and arrange such an amalgamation rather than having it forced by ADCC.



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5. The Executive Committee felt that the provision of additional counselling services through Tuvvik in Frobisher Bay would not assist the Region as a whole unless BRADIC was funded to allow co-ordination among the communities and the Frobisher Bay Tuvvik project.

For your information, BRADIC funding for this fiscal year is \$110,000.00. Next year, our budget has been reduced to \$50,000.00.

We urgently request your assistance in this matter. If the Legislative Assembly cannot provide ADCC with more funds then we ask that you intercede on our behalf to ask ADCC to reconsider their decision.

Sincerely,

Leslie Kooneeliusie Chairman for BRADIC

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