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Honorable Peter Ernerk,  
M.L.A. - Aivilik  
Legislative Assembly,  
Yellowknife, N.W.T.

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*Oct 18/88*  
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Dear Mr. Ernerk,

As our representative in the legislative assembly, I thought I would bring to your attention some important matters. The cost of hunting equipment as well as all of the other things we have to buy is extremely high, including gas for ski-doo's and honda's and boats, not only these but also bullets for rifles, also we have to pay very high price for hunting rifles.

Often it is poorly made and doesn't last very long. For many Inuit, honda's, ski-doo's and canoes are necessary if we are to hunt and to feed our relatives. We do not use them for fun!!! We use them so our families can survive. Many of us cannot afford the cost of food in our stores.

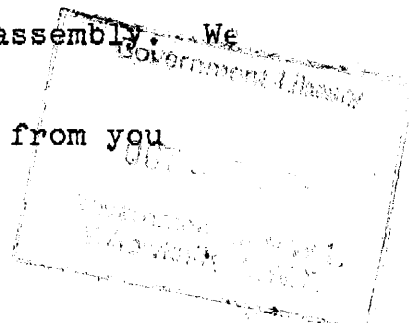
Last year we bought a ski-doo from a local store. It didn't even last four months, yet we still had to make up the payments for it. There was no guarantee on it. Our rights as consumers were not protected as they would be if we were southerners. In order to repair it we paid as much in parts as it cost to buy the machine in the first place. Though we have no way of knowing for sure, it seems that we inuit are paying more than people for the equipment we need to hunt with. Because we have limited incomes to support our families, it is hard for us to make ends meet with the high cost of food, clothing, and hunting materials.

On top of this, we've recently got news that our rents will soon increase to three times what it is now. For ourselves we are presently living in a Northern Rental at \$150.00 per month rent. And these houses are the oldest units and are not in very good shape. And we always hear that they (Housing Corporation) say that they cannot do any repairs because these Northern Rentals will be written off in five years.

Will you bring these matters up in the legislative assembly. We would appreciate any help you can give us.

In the mean time I/we will be waiting for an answer from you and others.

Yours truly,



YOUR TRULY,

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Minister for Housing Corporation.

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