



# Native Women's Association of the N.W.T.

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November 17, 1993

The Honourable Stephen Kakfwi  
Minister of Justice  
Government of the N.W.T.  
P.O. Box 1320  
Yellowknife, N.W.T. X1A 2L9

Dear Mr. Kakfwi,

The violence is destroying many families in the N.W.T. Not only women and children, but all members of the families and communities are suffering from family violence.

On October 27, 1993 I spoke to the Chairman of the Special Committee on Health and Social Services, Charles Dent. I strongly recommended, and he agreed, to be more direct and challenge all political leaders to Zero Tolerance towards violence.

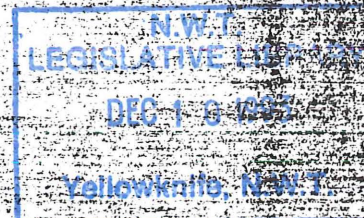
I spoke to my Member of Legislative Assembly, Mr. Fred Koe, November 16, 1993 who is also a member of the Special Committee on Health and Social Services. He and his fellow Committee members are in a process of presenting their Final Report at this Legislative Assembly session. Mr. Koe assured me that the issue of Zero Tolerance would be stated in the Final Report and that he would support the declaration of Zero Tolerance.

On behalf of the members and the Board of Directors of the Native Women's Association of the N.W.T., I assure you that you have our full support in this most important declaration to restore our family and cultural values.

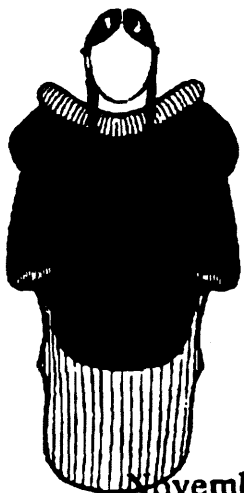
Sincerely,

Bertha Allen  
President

c.c. Chairman, Special Committee on Health and Social Services  
Honourable Nellie Cournoyea  
Status of Women  
Pauktuutit  
Board of Directors







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# PAUKTUUTIT

*Inuit Women's Association*

(613) 238-3977

November 15, 1993

Stephen Kakfwi  
 Minister of Justice  
 Government of the Northwest Territories  
 Yellowknife, NWT

Dear Minister:

I am writing to express my appreciation for including Pauktuutit in your consultation dealing with the Territorial Government's proposal to develop a strategy to address violence in families in the NWT.

In our meeting, I expressed some concern about the Victim Impact Statement Program being proposed by your department. At the time, I requested that your department consider funding a workshop organized by Pauktuutit to review the program with the Status of Women, NWT Native Women and the (non-government) Victims Advocacy and Services groups throughout Nunavut (Iqaluit, Pangnirtung, Pond Inlet, Rankin Inlet) and the Western Arctic.

It is our understanding that there is a great interest in getting a Program implemented as soon as possible. While we see the importance of having a Program in place, we also see the importance in having an effective and meaningful program in place. With this mind, we would like to request funds to conduct a consultation for those groups outside of Yellowknife who will not have had access to your officials to discuss this program.

We would like to request that Pauktuutit be provided with the necessary funding to allow for a two day meeting in which Pauktuutit, the Rankin Inlet Victims Services Volunteer program, coordinated by Kate Simpson, and the Ikajuqtit in Iqaluit could meet to review the program and provide a comprehensive overview. In this consultation, we can discuss your program in its draft form and

present you with the concerns and recommendations for changes to the draft from the number of groups. Such a consultation will provide for a full and informed discussion about the program and allow for effective and meaningful consultation. At the end of such a workshop, we could then present our findings to your officials and yourself. We would be prepared to do host this, if you are prepared to cover the costs of such a consultation.

In closing, I look forward to your response at your earliest convenience.

Yours truly,



Martha Flaherty  
President

cc. Lawrence Norbert, Victims Coordinator  
Gwen Lamont, Ikajuqtit  
Kate Simpson, Rankin Inlet Victim Services Program

# Women's Resource Centre

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P.O. Box 276, Hay River NWT X0E 0R0

December 2, 1993

The Honourable Stephen Kakfwi  
Minister of Justice  
Government of the N.W.T.  
P. O. Box 1320  
Yellowknife, N.W.T.  
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Dear Mr. Kakfwi:

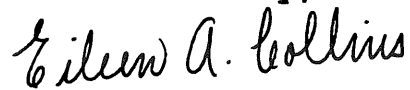
Members of the Legislative Assembly are some of the highest profile and influential role models in our northern community.

The Hay River Women's Resource Centre is dedicated to stopping family violence. We provide a shelter and counselling for battered women and their children as well as counselling services for batterers. In addition, we run a series of educational programs which are remedial but which also help to raise the public's awareness of the extent of the problem.

We wholeheartedly support your efforts to encourage the members of the Legislative Assembly to make a stand against violence. We believe a declaration of zero tolerance for violence by our MLA's is the only acceptable standard.

On behalf of the Board of Directors of the Women's Resource Centre, I am,

Yours sincerely,



Eileen A. Collins  
Chairperson



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November 16, 1993

The Honorable Stephen Kakfwi  
Minister of Justice  
Government of the NWT  
Box 1320  
Yellowknife, NWT  
X1A 2L9

Dear Mr. Kakfwi:

We understand that it is your intention to put forward a Declaration of Zero Tolerance of Violence for Members of the Legislative Assembly during the upcoming session of the Assembly. The YWCA wholeheartedly supports this initiative.

As you are aware, violence in the NWT affects every one of us and has reached epidemic proportions. Society has, for too long, tolerated violent behaviour and it is up to every one of us to work towards ending violence in our homes and in our communities.

The first step towards achieving this is to publicly state our intention to no longer tolerate violence and to follow our statement with action. If members of the Legislative Assembly support this declaration then they must also decide what action they will take if one of their members is convicted of a violent act. It would be our suggestion that such a member be made to resign as it is vital that our leaders be positive role models for the people they represent. Allowing a member who has been convicted of a violent offense to continue to represent his/her constituents does not support zero tolerance of violence.

People look to their leaders to model acceptable behaviour and we believe that, if adopted, such a declaration would be a positive beginning to eventually achieving a violence free society.

Sincerely,

*Zoe Raemer*  
for: Zoe Raemer  
President

*Sharon Sawchuk*  
Sharon Sawchuk  
Chief Executive Officer



## N.W.T. ASSOCIATION OF MUNICIPALITIES

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November 18, 1993

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The Honourable Stephen Kakfwi  
Minister of Justice  
Government of the Northwest Territories  
P.O. Box 1320  
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**FAXED**  
18 Nov. '93

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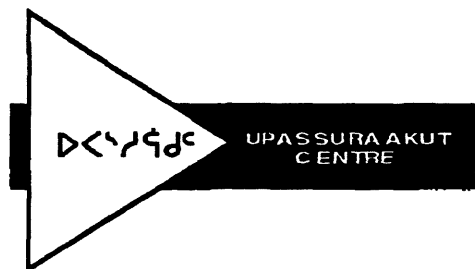
I understand that during the current session of the Legislative Assembly you intend to put forward a Declaration of Zero Tolerance of Violence for members of the Legislative Assembly.

On behalf of the membership of the Northwest Territories Association of Municipalities I would like to express our strong support for such a declaration. Political leaders in the NWT can set an example and play a significant role in reducing the epidemic level of violence in our northern communities by publicly committing themselves to a violence-free lifestyle.

This type of public commitment is, I feel, overdue, and should include an assurance that members of the Legislature who are convicted of a violent offense will resign.

Yours truly,

(Ms.) P.A. McMahon  
President, NWTAM and  
Mayor of Yellowknife



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November 17, 1993

The Honorable Stephen Kakfwi,  
Minister of Justice,  
GNWT,  
Box 1320,  
Yellowknife, NWT, X1A 2L9

Dear Mr. Kakfwi:

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We wholeheartedly support your endeavour to encourage the members of the Legislative Assembly to take a stand on violence. We believe that a declaration of Zero Tolerance for Violence by our MLA's is long overdue.

Leaders must set an example by committing themselves to a violence-free lifestyle. Members who are convicted of a violent offense should resign.

We would also like to thank you for having the vision and the courage to take the stand you are taking.

Sincerely,

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Peter West  
Coordinator

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November 12, 1993

The Honorable Stephen Kakfwi  
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Government of the NWT  
Box 1320  
Yellowknife, NWT  
X1A 2L9

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Sincerely,

HAY RIVER ALCOHOL & DRUG SOCIETY  
SUITE 408 MacKENZIE PLACE  
HAY RIVER, N.W.T. X0E 0R0

*Linda Wilson*  
*& Staff*





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November 22, 1993

The Honorable Stephen Kakfwi  
Minister of Justice  
Government of the Northwest Territories  
P.O. Box 1320  
Yellowknife, NT  
X1A 2L9

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Sincerely,

Carole Lambert  
Alcohol/Drug Coordinator  
The Tree of Peace Friendship Centre A/D Programme

CL/plc

*The Senate*

*Mr. Bob Sanderson - Chairperson  
Ms. Irene LeMouel - Vice Chairperson  
Ms. Hilda Camirand - Secretary/Treasurer  
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# NWT FAMILY SERVICES

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November 15, 1993

The Honourable Stephen Kakfwi  
Minister of Justice  
Government of the NWT  
Box 1320  
Yellowknife, NT X1A 2L9

Dear Mr. Minister:

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We wholeheartedly support your endeavour to encourage the members of the Legislative Assembly to take a stand on violence. We believe that a declaration of Zero Tolerance for Violence by our MLA's is long overdue.

Leaders must set an example by committing themselves to a violence-free lifestyle. Members who are convicted of a violent offense should resign pending successful completion of a mandated treatment program for abuse. As part of the role modelling, we recommend a peer (Assembly), and community assessment as part of the reinstatement process.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Schoeck  
Executive Director

JS/sam

# Dene Community Council

Fort Good Hope, N.W.T.  
XOE 0H0

Phone: 598-2231, 2232 or 2233

November 18, 1993

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Minister of Justice  
Government of the N.W.T.  
Box 1320  
Yellowknife, NT  
X1A 2L9

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Sincerely,

*Sharon Piret*

*FOR*  
Robert Kelly  
Alcohol & Drug Coordinator

THE *Northwest Territories*



**TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION**

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November 24, 1993

The Honourable Stephen Kakfwi  
Minister of Justice  
Government of the NWT  
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Yellowknife, NT  
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<b>Minister KAKFWI</b>	
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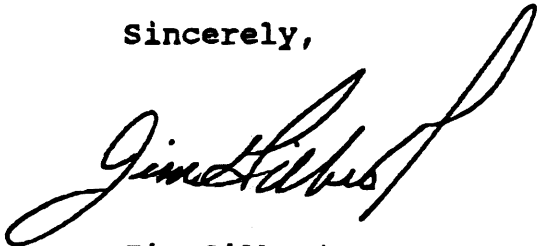
Our teachers are subjected daily to verbal abuse, threats, intimidation and, in all too many instances, physical assault. *Teachers in Canada: Their Work and Quality of Life*, an extensive research paper released by the Canadian Teachers' Federation in July of 1992, indicated that 22% of teachers living and working in the NWT outside of Yellowknife "worry about being physically injured by some students in this school". The figure for Yellowknife was 11%. Clearly, a significant number of our teachers fear being assaulted as a result of discharging their responsibilities as teachers.

Alarming as these statistics are, they lead us to the next question which is, if this many teachers live in fear of assault, how many students go to school, or conversely stay home, daily and are unable to learn because they live in fear of verbal abuse, threats, intimidation and physical harm from their fellow students. Unfortunately, there has been, to the best of my knowledge, no research in the NWT relating to the above mentioned and other aspects of violence as it relates to children. I am shocked by the amount of aggressive and inappropriate student behaviour that I observe while visiting schools across the NWT. Teachers are telling me that the growth of violent and abusive behaviour by students is a serious concern and is affecting learning in the classroom. I have no doubt that a large percentage of our children no longer feel safe and secure in our schools and that their ability to learn is affected by their fears.

The NWTTA wholeheartedly supports your endeavour to encourage the members of the Legislative Assembly to take a stand on violence. We believe that a declaration of Zero Tolerance for Violence and the active promotion of the concept by our MLA's is long overdue.

Leaders must set an example by committing themselves to a violence-free lifestyle. Members who are convicted of a violent offense should resign.

Sincerely,

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Jim Gilbert  
President

JG/lg

cc: The Honourable Richard Nerysoo  
All MLA's  
Central Executive  
Regional Presidents  
Local Receiving Officers  
Status of Women Council of the NWT





# UNCLE GABE'S FRIENDSHIP CENTRE

November 12, 1993

The Honorable Stephen Kakfwi  
Minister of Justice  
Government of the NWT  
Box 1320  
Yellowknife, NWT  
X1A 2L9

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Sincerely,



# Dene Community Council

Fort Good Hope, N.W.T.  
XOE 0H0

Phone: 598-2231, 2232 or 2233

November 25, 1993

The Honorable Stephen Kakfwi  
Minister of Justice  
Government of the N.W.T.  
Box 1320  
Yellowknife, NT  
X1A 2L9

Dear Mr. Kakfwi;

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Sincerely,



Isidore Manuel  
Chief



# NORTHERN ADDICTION SERVICES

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November 29, 1993

The Honourable Stephen Kakfwi  
Minister of Justice  
Government of the Northwest Territories  
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Yellowknife, NT X1A 2L9

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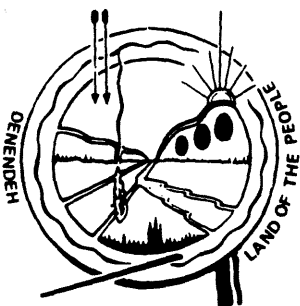
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Sincerely,

Robin Dupuis  
Executive Director



**DENE NATION**  
**DENENDEH NATIONAL OFFICE**

P.O. Box 2338  
Yellowknife, N.W.T.  
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November 30, 1993

Honourable Stephen Kakfwi  
Minister of Justice  
Government of the NWT  
P.O. Box 1320  
YELLOWKNIFE, NT X1A 2L9

Dear Mr. Kakfwi,

Violence in the NWT is at epidemic proportions. It is a cancer which poisons all our communities and affects every one of us.

We support your endeavour to encourage the members of the Legislative Assembly to take a positive stand on violence. We believe that a declaration of Zero Tolerance for Violence by MLA's is long overdue.

Leaders must set an example by committing themselves to a violence-free lifestyle. Members who are convicted of a violent offence should resign.

Sincerely,

Bill Erasmus  
Dene National Chief

cc. Status of Women

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**NORTHWEST TERRITORIES**

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November 30, 1993

Honourable Stephen Kakfwi  
Minister of Justice  
Government of the N.W.T.  
Box 1320  
YELLOWKNIFE NT X1A 2L9

Dear Honourable Minister;

We would like very much to reiterate and support the position taken by the Status of Women Council of the N.W.T. in an effort to ensure that legislation is passed declaring a zero tolerance for violence in the Northwest Territories.

We support the assertion that violence in the N.W.T. is of epidemic proportions. It is a cancer which poisons all our communities and affects every one of us.

We wholeheartedly support your endeavour to encourage the members of the Legislative Assembly to take a public stand against violence in any form. We believe a declaration of zero tolerance for violence by our government is long overdue.

Leaders must set an example by committing themselves to a violence-free lifestyle. Members who are convicted of a violent offence should be prepared to resign their seat of trust.

Sincerely,

Gary Bohnet  
President  
Metis Nation-Northwest Territories

c.c. Rita Arey, President, Status of Women Council of the N.W.T.





# TOWN OF FORT SMITH

Post Office Box 147, Northwest Territories, X0E 0P0  
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November 16, 1993

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Sincerely,

Dennis Bevington  
Mayor

Recycle for the future.  
Kitwām ki tāpāta niyak.  
Recyclons pour l'avenir.  
Yunedé, k'ék'ère ʔasí t'áurudhí.

November 12, 1993

The Honorable Stephen Kakfwi  
Minister of Justice  
Government of the NWT  
Box 1320  
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Sincerely,

Jennifer Smith

Jennifer Smith  
Program Coordinator  
Family Counselling Centre  
Yellowknife, NWT. P.O. Box 1915

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<b>Minister KAKFWI</b>	
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Sincerely,

*J. Hubert W. Jossie*  
*Magen W. Andrea*

*FFLIARO Health Center.*

<b>Minister KAKFWI</b>	
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Sincerely,

*Dale Palliser*  
 Alcohol & Drug Programs Co-ordinator  
 Box 85, Rae-Edzo N.W.T.

November 12, 1993

The Honorable Stephen Kakfwi  
Minister of Justice  
Government of the NWT  
Box 1320  
Yellowknife, NWT  
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Fax 873 - 0169  
Dear Mr. Kakfwi,

Health Centre  
Fort Resolution  
NWT XOE OND.

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Sincerely,

Carl Beaulieu W.

*Janifer Allen*

Levi Beaulieu, Clerk/Interpreter

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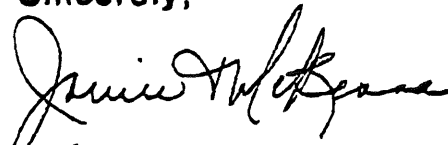
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Sincerely,

  
 JANICE MCKENNA

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*Kathy Buckel*  
 KATHY BUCKEL

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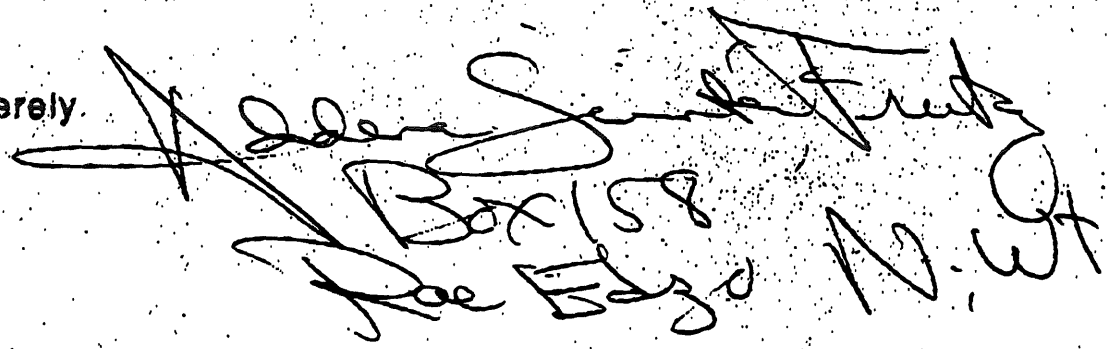
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Rae Edzo  
 N.W.T.

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*Terril Thacker*  
 Alcohol/Drug Counsellor  
 Rae-Edzo Counselling Services  
 Box 85, Rae-Edzo, NWT.



# NORTHERN ADDICTION SERVICES

BOX 1072, YELLOWKNIFE, N.W.T.  
X1A 2N8

November 29, 1993

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Nicole MacIntosh  
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FRIENDSHIP CENTRE  
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*Wrigley Detox Band*

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Shele Kevok  
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Jarvis Binder - Nanisivik, N.W.T.  
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*Quilley*

*Mary Kopak*

*Repulse Bay Health Centre*

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Hay River, NT  
XOE 0R0*



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*Rebecca RN Ft McPherson NWT  
Wheal. Dental Therapist Ft. McPherson, NT.*

*Dianne Koe*

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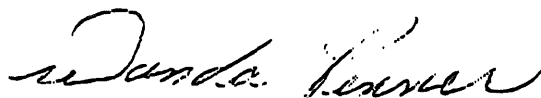
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*NWT Council for Disabled Persons*

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*XOE - OPO*

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*L. Babstone*

*[Signature]*

*Q. Desnick  
B. M. Dumas*

*Clifton*

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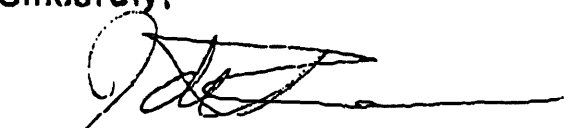
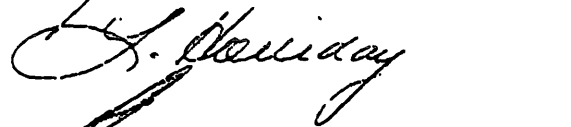
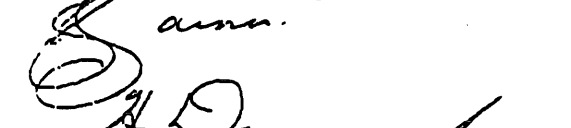
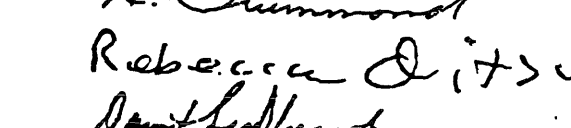
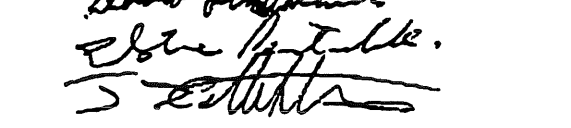
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J. Gunn  
  
A. Drummond  
Rebecca Oitsualik  
David [unclear]  
Steve [unclear]  


A. KATSAK  
  
CTR  
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*Chyot*  
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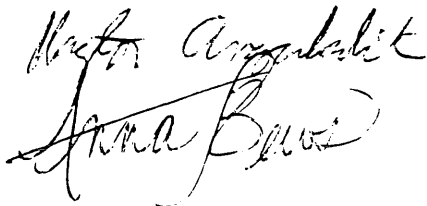
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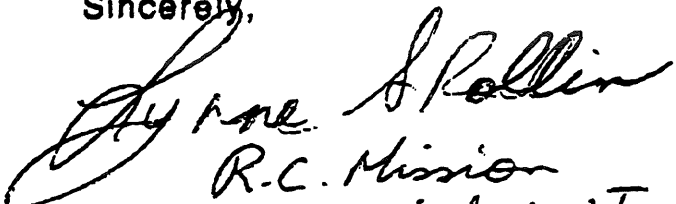
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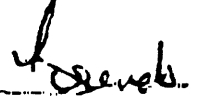
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NOVEMBER 17, 1993.

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