

RESPONSE TO PETITION

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EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

Petition tabled by Mr. Kevin O'Brien on March 27, 1996

Response by the Honourable Charles Dent
Minister of Education, Culture and Employment

<u>Distribution of Nunavut Arctic College Programs</u>

The Minister is grateful that northerners have registered support through this petition for the distribution of Nunavut Arctic College Programs between the three Nunavut regions. The decision to relocate these programs was based on extensive consultation with students, staff and community members in the three regions as well as a program relocation study.

The College is now carrying out the transfer with minimal impact on students and staff. Existing staff members are taking jobs in other capacities in Nunatta Campus and one staff member is resigning for personal reasons. Students currently enrolled in their programs are continuing the second year of their program at Nunatta Campus.

