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The Honourable Goo Arlooktoo
Minister of Public Works and Services
Government of the Northwest Territories
c/o The Legislative Assembly of the Northwest Territories
PO Box 1320
Yellowknife, NT
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Re: The Proposed "Architects Act" for the Northwest Territories

Dear Mr. Arlooktoo;

We are very pleased to learn that the people and Architects of the Northwest Territories will soon have legislation regulating the profession of architecture in the Northwest Territories. All of the ten Provincial Associations of Architecture support this bill whole-heartedly and look forward to future cooperation with our colleagues in the North. As you are aware this new legislation will help to ensure the protection of the public interest by setting standards for admission to the profession, standards for architectural practice, as well as regulations concerning conduct and discipline for architects.

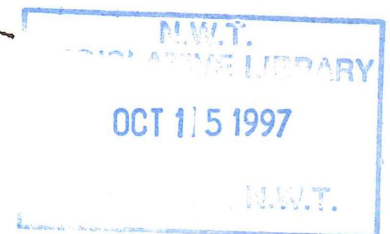
We look forward to the day when the Northwest Territories Association of Architects will be able to join us in our existing Reciprocity Agreement which sets Common Admission Standards across Canada and establishes certain Reciprocating Rights and Obligations.

We wish to congratulate you, your government and the Architects of the Northwest Territories on this great step forward.

Yours sincerely,

COMMITTEE OF CANADIAN ARCHITECTURAL COUNCILS

David Simpson
David Simpson, MAA, FRAIC
Chair



LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR THE ARCHITECTS ACT OF NORTHWEST TERRITORIES.

Dated at Montréal this 23rd day of June
Daté à _____ ce _____ jour de _____, 1997

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Northwest Territories Architectural Society

Members of
The Legislative Assembly
PO Box 1320 Yellowknife, NT
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October 1st 1997

Re, The Architect's Act

Dear Member,

Approximately \$150,000,000.00 worth of building construction takes place in the NWT every year, yet the NWT does not have an Act in place to legislate the practice of Architecture. We required an Act immediately, without one, the Public is at risk of injury. As a Government, it is incumbent upon you to ensure the health and safety of the Public is maintained. Legislation to create a self regulated Architects Association would ensure that those individuals undertaking the design of buildings covered under the Act, are qualified to do so.

The NWT Architectural Society has drafted an Act and has circulated it to the allied design professionals, the NWT Construction Association and the Committee of Canadian Architectural Councils for comment. The comments have been received and we have a package ready to submit to the Department of Justice for final drafting. In short, we have done all the ground work. Now it is up to you to see that this Act makes it to the house for passage, the well being of your constituents depends on it.

You may ask yourself, why do we need an Act immediately?
Because:

- i) The new objective based National Building Code scheduled to be introduced in 2001 will put greater responsibility into the hands of "Architects " Without an Architects Act, the NWT has no "Architects" (Design professionals qualified to make crucial decisions on the interpretation and implementation of the building code)

- ii) It has taken the NWT Architectural Society more than 10 years and three Governments to get to this stage of legislative development. If the Territories split prior to the passage of an Architects' Act, both Territories will be without legislation to regulate the practice of Architecture. This will be detrimental to the North especially in light of the building boom that is expected in the new Territory.
- iii) Architects are the only one of the profession dealing with health and safety that are not sanctioned by an Act in the NWT Legislature to practice.

As previously mentioned, the NWT Architectural Society has done the ground work, we will be self funded, all we require is your support. Please contact me, should you require background or clarification on any of the issues I have raised

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R. Wayne Guy', written over a horizontal line.

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