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MSSS AUTHORIZES NRBHSS TO BUILD NORTHERN QUÉBEC MODULE (MNQ) FACILITY IN DORVAL

Kuujuuaq, July 9, 2015, –The Nunavik Regional Board of Health and Social Services (NRBHSS) is pleased to announce that on June 29, 2015, the MSSS gave authorization to proceed with an awarding of a contract to lease space required for the relocation project concerning the MNQ, to the firm 9218874 Canada, Inc. (Place 695 Orly) in Dorval. This means the end of the *MNQ*'s presence in the YMCA's Y Residence, located at 4039 Tupper Street in Westmount.

The yet to be built, four story structure will be equipped with a cafeteria, administrative sector, and 91 bedrooms furnished with 143 beds. "The new facility will be located in Dorval on Orly Avenue which is situated on the West Island of Montreal." stated Larry Watt, Department Director of Out-of-Region Services. "We have anticipated this permanent move for several years and are extremely grateful that the Ministry has finally approved this project." he added.

The NRBHSS and its partners have succeeded in their search to identify a permanent location for the *MNQ* in Montréal. After a failed attempt to acquire an existing building, the YMCA's Y Residence was a temporary short- and medium-term installation. The objective remains to offer a permanent location to Inuit that require travel to Montréal for specialized healthcare not available in Nunavik.

The mission of the Northern Quebec Module is to offer medical appointment services as well as lodging, social support, transportation and interpreting services. Liaison nurses are also available to Nunavik JBNQA beneficiaries during their medical consultations and hospitalizations in the Montreal area. Users from Nunavik travel to Montreal to receive services that are not available in Nunavik. The Northern Quebec Module offers a healthy and secure environment.

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