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JOINT STATEMENT – UPDATE ON THE SITUATION AT TUSAAJIAPIK ELDERS HOME IN KUUJJUAQ

Dear Nunavimmiut, partners and colleagues,

The Nunavik Regional Board of Health and Social Services (NRBHSS) and the Ungava Tulattavik Health Center (UTHC) would like to provide an update on the situation at Tusaajiapik, the elders' home in Kuujjuaq.

After a thorough assessment of the situation and with resident safety as the foremost priority, a tripartite agreement has been signed between the NRBHSS, Santé Québec and Centre d'hébergement et de soins de longue durée (CHSLD) Argyle inc. to support the relocation of Tusaajiapik residents. Transfers have begun and will continue until all residents have been safely relocated.

The agreement aims to provide for a safe, caring and culturally sensitive living environment, including occasional access to traditional food and the support of three Inuit workers. The safety, dignity and well-being of residents remain at the heart of the transition, along with continuity and quality of care and services. Once all residents have been relocated, Tusaajiapik will close.

At the same time, a preliminary study is underway to assess the feasibility and scope of work required to bring the building up to current standards for a potential conversion into a CHSLD. This process will lead to costs estimate, with results expected during the winter.



The NRBHSS and UTHC remain committed to supporting residents, their families and staff throughout this transition. The safety, respect, dignity and quality of life of our elders will continue to guide every decision we make.

Sincerely,

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