

In Attendance:

Madam Speaker, Ruth Flowers
President, William Andersen III
First Minister, Anthony Andersen
Minister of Lands and Resources and the Status of Women, Zippie Nochasak
Minister of Education, Health and Social Development, Ben Ponniuk
Deputy Minister of Finance and Human Resources, Wyman Jacque
Deputy Minister of Lands and Resources, Doug Blake
Deputy Minister of Education, Tim McNeill
Deputy Minister of Health and Social Development, Michelle Kinney
Deputy Minister of Nunatsiavut Affairs, Toby Andersen
Secretary to the Executive Council, Chesley Andersen
Speaker for Hopedale, Ruth Flowers
Deputy Speaker for North West River, Mina Campbell-Hibbs
Honorable Member for Nain – Julius Merkuratsuk
Honorable Member for Hopedale – Patty Pottle
Honorable Member for Postville - Jamie Jacque, Eric Lane, Silpa Edmunds
Honorable Member for Makkovik – Antone Nochasak, Christine Nochasak
Honorable Member for Rigolet – Richard Rich, Tony Wolfrey, Linda Palliser

CALL TO ORDER: 9:15 a.m.

Mrs. Flowers: I now call the meeting of the Nunatsiavut Transitional Assembly to order. I would like to ask our Member from Nain, Julius Merkuratsuk to do the opening prayer please.

Mr. Merkuratsuk: Good morning everybody. Opening Prayer.

Announcements from the Chair

Mrs. Flowers: Announcements from the chair: There are two agenda items that we need to change. After number 10, Appointment of Finance Minister will be number 11 the swearing in of Speaker. Number 12 will be statements from Ministers. Number 13 will be questioning period, number 14 Continuing Orders and number 15 Adjournment. Continue on with our agenda, Bill to Amend the Civil Service Act the chair recognizes the acting Minister of Finance, Anthony Andersen.

Bill to Amend the Civil Service Act

Mr. A. Andersen: Thank you Madam Speaker. The amendments that we are proposing today many of the are are simply corrections, errors and omissions and typographical and technical nature and are straightforward that our people picked up on. In addition to that there are six items that perhaps are more important. Madame Speaker can announce that, errors and omissions and amendments that include the use of seniority in the event of lay offs such as that required by section 28 authorizes the delegation of certain power to functions currently as side to ministry and Deputy Ministers under sections 12, 24 and 29.

Allow the government to hold single competitions to fill new positions or vacancies by removing the requirement for internal advertisements 17 and 18 before opening competitions to the public and replacing the public for internal advertisements with a single open competition in which preferential consideration will be given to current members of the civil service who are qualified. Authorize the Executive Council to determine that notice must be given by the employee in the employees in the employees division who wishes to resign.

A single notice appeared which is currently prescribed as sub checked sub section 26 (2) the act. Verify the power to enact regulations under section 37 includes the power to enact regulations with respect to overtime and clarify that the employees manual provided for in section 3 makes assists of a consult to both act and the regulations. So, these are these are are things that people in are people that picked up on and is to ensure a smoother easier I guess interpretation of the act. Madam Speaker.

Approval of Community Corporation for North West River

Mrs. Flowers: Thank-you. Are there any questions? If not, moving on to the next agenda item. Approval of Community Corporations for North West River. The chair recognizes the President of the Nunatsiavut, William Andersen.

Mr. W. Andersen: (speaks Inuktitut) Thank you Madam Speaker. The issue of the North West River Inuit Community Corporation has been on the table for a long time. I now ask the Nunatsiavut Government to pass and approve this resolution. Thank you Madam Speaker.

Mrs. Flowers: Are there any questions? The chair recognizes the member from North West River, Mina Campbell-Hibbs.

Mrs. Campbell-Hibbs: Thank-you Madam Speaker, I don't really have a question but I'd like to make a comment. Am, we've been working on this since before the Labrador Inuit Constitution was ratified or approved before 1999 and I would like to ask the Assembly to approve of the Corporation for North West River. I'd also like to thank the people beneficiaries from North West River and outside of North West River that might have helped out in any way to help us get to this day here today because it's been a long time and I'd just like to say that even though we work and live closely to Happy Valley Goose Bay I don't think that we would have a strong presence North West River in this assembly if we had a person from Happy Valley Goose Bay representing us same as I don't think I would not be a very good representative for Happy Valley Goose Bay. I feel that once this corporation has approved by the Assembly that we will have a voice of our own within the Assembly and again I'd like to ask the Assembly to approve it and again thank

everybody that might have helped out in any way to assist us to get to today. Thank you Madam Speaker.

Mrs. Flowers: Any further questions or comments? The chair recognizes the member from Nain, Julius Merkuratsuk.

Mr. Merkuratsuk: (speaks Inuktitut) Thank you Madam Speaker. I will repeat what William said earlier, we have been working a long time on this issue, for the North West River and Happy Valley-Goose Bay corporations far apart, it was always hard to figure out how those corporations could be structured. At this time during this Assembly meeting, I myself will go along with the passing of this resolution. Madam Speaker I would like to say that in the land claim are from Rigolet to Nain and, and also North West River and Happy Valley-Goose Bay, if the Nunatsiavut Government is going to represent its members evenly, we are to treat our members to the best of our ability and like President Andersen said he would like for the Assembly to approve of the Inuit Corporations for those two communities, so I think we have to help each other out and approve the resolutions and Mina Campbell-Hibbs said earlier, she has been waiting for this for a long time. I am not only trying to represent the community of Nain, so in saying that I agree with the passing of this resolution. Thank you Madam Speaker.

Resolution to Accept Amendments to the ULM Corporation Act

Mrs. Flowers: Any further questions? Comments? Okay, if there are no further questions or comments. Announcement from the chair, the amendment to the Civil Service Act has been approved by the Assembly. Also, the approval for the by laws for the community of North West River Corporation has also been approved. Moving on to our agenda, Resolution to accept Amendments to the Upper Lake Melville Corporation Act. The chair recognizes the President, William Andersen.

Mr. W. Andersen: (speaks Inuktitut) Thank you Madam Speaker. When our organization got our land claim settlement in December 1st of 2005, we were determined to come up with Inuit Community Corporation for the Upper Lake Melville Areas. We now have that in place and also there is now a Community Corporations for

North West River. The Upper Lake Melville group put in place a name for their Corporation, the name will change from Upper Lake Melville Corporation to “NunaKatiget Inuit Community Corporation”. I would ask that this also be passed by motion. They will be named like I said earlier, NunaKatiget Inuit Community Corporation. Zippie Nochasak, Ben Ponnuik and Stanley Oliver same up with the name in a public meeting. If that resolution was passed, Madam Speaker, it would be greatly appreciated. Thank you Madam Speaker.

Mrs. Flowers: The resolution that was just asked passed by the President I'd like to ask for a seconder please. Secoded by member from Rigolet Richard Rich. Questions on this motion? All in favor of this resolution to accept the amendment to the Upper Lake Melville Corporation Act?

Assembly: Aye!

Amendments to the Labrador Inuit Land Claims Agreement

Mrs. Flowers: Approved. Number 7 agenda item, Amendments to the Labrador Inuit Land Claims Agreement. The chair recognizes the First Minister, Anthony Andersen.

Mr. A. Andersen: Thank you Madam Speaker. The amendments we are, I am proposing this morning, are technical, again technical and of a technical nature and they are very simple changes to the agreement we need to do to for the some of the appendices of the agreement. And they include, I think of the ten numbers one to ten that you have in front of you can be summed up in perhaps four I can highlight for you four things for instance the French version, there needs to be an amendment to the French version so that it can refer to the French version of the plan Torngat National, Torngat Mountains National Park reserve that has been filed in the registry of town lands in St. John's.

As well, when the negotiations were being done from Hopedale, there was a very small map being used that when that map would come up it shows that they only have I think half an airstrip it just shows up as an island. Okay, so and in Postville there is some, again there was a map that was being used that was enlarged there

was some overlap of our new sub division and the very first part of there is appendices A (3) part 2 appendices and again are amendments to the agreement sort of but security wise in the appendices. Madam Speaker.

Mrs. Flowers: Do we have a seconder for this amendment? Secoded by member from Postville, Silpa Edmunds. Any questions? All in favor?

Assembly: Aye!

Approval of the Nunatsiavut Governments' GST Act

Mrs. Flowers: Approved. Number 8 on the agenda item, Approval of the Nunatsiavut Government's GST Act. The chair recognizes the President, William Andersen.

Mr. W. Andersen: (speaks Inuktitut) Thank you Madam Chairperson, that will now the regulations for the Nunatsiavut Government here at Nunatsiavut and Nunatsiavut communities GST payments were always taken by the Federal Government, that has to go back to the Nunatsiavut Government. This will also allow the President of Nunatsiavut to meet and agree with the Federal Government that what is paid through taxes to GST including in the Nunatsiavut region, so Madam Speaker, whatever regulation that is created has to go through three readings, I would appreciate it if this was passed through without going through a second reading. Madam Speaker, I am asking the general Assembly to pass this resolution without being read through three readings. Thank you Madam Speaker.

Mrs. Flowers: Do we have any questions on the approval of the Nunatsiavut Government's GST Act? The chair recognizes the member from Hopedale, Patty Pottle.

Mrs. Pottle: Thank you Madam Speaker. Just clarification on the GST's GST goods and services tax that the Federal Government now collects the 6% and if it is what is it is that the Federal Government will turn over the full portion of the 6% to the Nunatsiavut and another question is if this happens will individuals within

the Land Claims area still be entitled to a rebate quarterly from the Federal Government.

Mrs. Flowers: The chair recognizes the President William Andersen.

Mr. W. Andersen: (speaks Inuktitut) Thank you Madam Speaker. Thanks also to the member for Hopedale, whoever pays for GST this will not change. If you pay taxes, it will be returned to you but at times what we pay for GST not returned, Nunatsiavut Government will now look after that. Thank you.

Mrs. Flowers: Any further questions? I would like to ask the Assembly to wave the second meeting; the Approval of the Nunatsiavut Government's GST Act. Do we have approval?

Assembly: Aye!

Drug and Alcohol Hearings

Mrs. Flowers: Approved. Continuing on, number 9 agenda item; the chair recognizes the President of Nunatsiavut William Andersen to speak on the drug and alcohol hearings.

Mr. W. Andersen: (speaks Inuktitut) Thank you Madam Chairperson. I believe since April of this year, the Executive Council sat together in St. John's, NFLD, they looked through what the Nunatsiavut Governments first priorities were. One of the first things that came up was the drug and alcohol consumption in all our North Coast communities. What we came up with Madam Speaker, was that we would go to our North Coast communities and Upper Lake Melville region and hold hearing on those two problematic issues. In May, we began in Rigolet and northward to Nain, we finished up in June in Upper Lake Melville. We heard a lot of concerns in regards to drinking and how that could be resolved and the real concern we had was that a lot of our young people, Madam Speaker, was there is a lot of suicides happening, given that their parents seem to be neglecting them. So, Madam Speaker after all the hearings, it is now obvious that we as a Government have to do something even though we know that it is not going to be easy, already there are family break-ups due to heavy drinking. Madam

Speaker, we did not expect good turn outs for our hearings but every community we went to, there were real good turnouts. In Nain, Madam Speaker, we had only approximately 7 presentations. There were over 20 presentations. Madam Speaker, we will now have to come up with solutions as a government to make regulations in regards to drug and alcohol problems. If we don't come up with something now, our agreement will not be of much use because if we don't come up with something there will no be much future for our younger generations. I have heard from the people that we have to meet with representatives from liquor corporations and also talk with airlines that has freight for the Coast, especially liquor. I wanted to hear from the people first before I went ahead with something. We are considering if we can let the airlines stop taking in booze to Nunatsiavut Communities that is just beginning. In the fall of the year, we hope to have regulations in place, when the regulations are in place, government will follow them carefully. So if the Assembly at this table agree, I would like to sit down with Innu Mikun and try and stop them from having booze for freight to our communities and, Madam Speaker, mostly in our communities of Hopedale and Nain. Our Nunatsiavut members orders booze and sell them without no license. We have heard that they sell flasks for \$40.00 and the RCMP can't do anything. The RCMP can only do something when they catch someone red handed, Madam Speaker, we need regulations now for the betterment of our people. We know who the people are that boot-leg; we have to stop that in our communities. So, Madam Speaker the hearings that we held were at some point very hard and very emotional, it was also good because we heard some real good suggestions. Thank you Madam Speaker.

Mrs. Flowers: Thank you. Do we have any questions or comments? The chair recognizes the member from Nain, Julius Merkuratsuk.

Mr. Merkuratsuk: (speaks Inuktitut) Yes, thank you Madam Speaker, the President is talking about the issue of drugs and alcohol and also a better life for our people. What he was just saying goes right to the heart, today we are always scared that something will happen, our young people can now talk back to us, so in other words we were a lot better off in our younger days. We try and take care of our young

people, if we try to discipline them and tell them what to do, they can just get back at us. Our President of the Nunatsiavut Government is saying what is exactly correct, we can't go saying to someone else what to do, so within the Nunatsiavut Government we have to create regulations that is applicable to everyone, only and only if we help we help each other out will that come into being. Only one person including the President can't do it, we have to pitch in so we as elected officials, lets do something to make it go forward. In the past we had community elders that could take care of things and handle them professionally, if a certain person done something wrong, community elders made sure that person didn't do anything else and he or she never done it again. Today, our young people don't listen anymore, seems like there is too much AngajukKât, we don't know who to turn to anymore. We now as a Nunatsiavut Government is trying to do something please let that happen. Like here in Hopedale, we said that the Inuktitut Language has to be maintained and kept, that also has to go ahead. Today I'm listening to our President speak only in Inuktitut, that is something that is very satisfying for me, so if we don't help each other out, we could just go down. Even today, Innu Mikun and even Air Labrador is flying in booze for our people, even at a very high price. I wish somehow that could stop.

Mrs. Flowers: The chair recognizes the First Minister, Anthony Andersen.

Mr. A. Andersen: Thank you Madam Speaker. I would first of all stand here and commend the President on his or initiating I guess if that's not very good at big words initiating this process, these hearings. The President is to be commended. I think it took courage and brought true leadership for those for those hearings that journey that we went on. I will tell you that for me it was one of the most emotional rights that I've had in my life into the communities. I'll tell you that nothing not there was not one person not one group not one community where we heard that things are okay as they are. Every presentation, every submission that we heard, Madam Speaker, because they were calling for help requiring change. But we did hear as well all our communities and we'll perhaps identify a couple of them as being desperate but there was a lot of hope expressed.

We are under, we are under a lot of pressure and there is no backing away from this. There is no backing away if we never found to go though this process and not do anything then. We might as well forget about this government, this land claims and go home and just let Ottawa and St. John's do everything for us. The communities have high expectations, the youth have high expectations the elders have high expectations and we absolutely have to do something and I want to stand and express my support for the President and leadership, true leadership for what we are doing. My main intention for arriving was just to outline for you at the end of July our people will have a first draft of the information that we receive from the communities. It will be first reviewed by the panels, at that time we will have our opportunity to make corrections to their work and add what we felt at that time. Again, we will distribute to all members of this house the information and as well to our appropriate staff or department such as the Department of Health certain they have input in that. Following that, and when you have input it will be the President has told the communities that we will return and tell them what we heard so that they could have the opportunity to express whether or not what, what they heard. The feedback was worse than it was afterward, okay?

After we have done that the President has said that we will then begin to draft some changes and as well the President has already said on a number of occasions not only today that some of the things that we can do doesn't require legislation from this house and the President is with our support is already working on some of those things. But it is it is such an important task that we have that I hope that you know everyone of you will join myself in supporting the President to ensure that this very important work gets done. Thank you Madam Speaker.

Mrs. Flowers: The chair recognizes the member from Postville Silpa Edmunds.

Mrs. Edmunds: (speaks Inuktitut) Thank you Madam Speaker. This issue of alcohol has been a problem for our young people, for a very long time, Madam Speaker, I support what is trying to be done. A lot of people in our communities are no longer with us. Over the last 30 years or so I have tried very hard to solve this issue to try and

help my fellow people. Thank you Madam Speaker.

Mrs. Flowers: Do we have any further questions or comments? The chair recognizes the Minister of Social and Economic Development, Ben Ponniuk.

Mr. Ponniuk: Thank you Madam Speaker. I would just like to first of all let go what the other two speakers said in regards to our President taking the initiative to get this thing on the go. The first thing I'd like to say Doug is the biggest thing that came out of me was in every community the most common thing was that they saw how serious, they said they saw how serious that we must be about this whole alcohol drug abuse, suicides for all the elected officials to go around to the communities and bring this out in the open. Like we said before its, some people are gonna be hurt, for the lack of a better word. But as, to get this done right it's gotta be brought out, there's no hold backs anywhere.

There has to be a lot of community involvement, elders, leaders. Not only elders and leaders in the communities the youth were very, very vocal and when I say youth I don't just mean the teenage youth. We had a community where there was kids that were 9 years old that came out to the meeting as a group and at that age when they notice something going on I, it is time to it is time to get it, to do something about it. One thing that another thing like she said that stands out is one of the ladies stressed to have a healthy community, we need healthy leaders. To have a sober community, we have to have sober leaders. And this sort of, this sort of hits the hits the nail on the head. I'm sure with everybody's support, around the table, not just, not just leaders but everybody in the community we all pull together I'm sure that this healing process will eventually will eventually work and and I said before it's its people like us that's gonna have to take the bull by the horns and run with it and again I'm I'm pretty confident in the group that we've got here and the other community leaders that this will become a reality. Thank you Madam Speaker.

Mrs. Flowers: The chair recognizes the Minister of Lands and Resources, Zippie Nochasak.

Mrs. Nochasak: (speaks Inuktitut) Thank you Chairperson, our President is talking only in Inuktitut and that is very good for me as well, I am now even writing it down in Inuktitut. I wrote only in English at one time. We now have to come up with a better life for ourselves and our people. Thank you Madam Speaker.

Mrs. Flowers: The chair recognizes the member from Rigolet, Richard Rich.

Mr. Rich: Yeah, thank you Madam Speaker and I would congratulate the President and and the staff for coming to my community and all communities doing this and because you heard what all the people from my community had to say and I think now we've got our own government we've gotta start laying out our own laws and rules and regulations because we've been too long waiting for the province and the Federal Government to do something for us and I think like Mr. First Minister said you should have a report back by the end of July. The people that's calling me at at home announcing my time about the report and what time you're going to hear from them that's all. That's the step in the right direction and I'll work with yous and I'll get people to work with yous to do whatever we can to help the people in my community, thank you.

Appointment of the Finance Minister

Mrs. Flowers: Thank-you. Any further questions or comments? I'd like to thank you all for your comments on this item. Now moving to the next agenda item; Appointment of the Finance Minister and the swearing in of the Speaker. I ask the President of Nunatsiavut to come forward.

Mr. W. Andersen: Just before the Swearing in as new Minister of Finance, I nominated Ruth Flowers from Hopedale to accept the position as Minister of Finance as our former Minister, Gary Baikie, has stepped down and the the former Speaker Ruth Flowers has accepted the challenge to take on the Minister responsibility for Finance and in that regard the First Minister has given agreement to appoint Ruth Flowers as Minister of Finance and in that with that I would now like you to raise your right hand. In the presence of everyone assembled here...

Mrs. Flowers: In the presence of everyone assembled here;

Mr. W. Andersen: and in full realization of the high calling;

Mrs. Flowers: and in full realization of the high calling;

Mr. W. Andersen: I assume as member, as a member;

Mrs. Flowers: I assume as a member;

Mr. W. Andersen: of the Nunatsiavut Assembly;

Mrs. Flowers: of the Nunatsiavut Assembly;

Mr. W. Andersen: and that powers entrusted to me are for;

Mrs. Flowers: and that powers entrusted to me are for;

Mr. W. Andersen: the benefit of all Labrador Inuit;

Mrs. Flowers: of all Labrador Inuit;

Mr. W. Andersen: I Ruth Flowers;

Mrs. Flowers: I Ruth Flowers;

Mr. W. Andersen: swear;

Mrs. Flowers: swear;

Mr. W. Andersen: that I will be faithful to the Inuit;

Mrs. Flowers: that I will be faithful to the Inuit;

Mr. W. Andersen: and to Nunatsiavut and will obey;

Mrs. Flowers: and to Nunatsiavut and will obey;

Mr. W. Andersen: respect and uphold the Labrador Inuit Constitution

Mrs. Flowers: respect and uphold the Labrador Inuit Constitution;

Mr. W. Andersen: and all Inuit laws;

Mrs. Flowers: and all Inuit laws;

Mr. W. Andersen: and I solemnly promise to fulfill my responsibilities;

Mrs. Flowers: and I solemnly promise to fulfill my responsibilities;

Mr. W. Andersen: as leader and to perform my functions;

Mrs. Flowers: as leader and to perform my functions;

Mr. W. Andersen: as a member of the Nunatsiavut Assembly;

Mrs. Flowers: as a member of the Nunatsiavut Assembly;

Mr. W. Andersen: to the best of my ability;

Mrs. Flowers: to the best of my ability;

Mr. W. Andersen: so help me God;

Mrs. Flowers: so help me God;

Swearing in of Speaker

Mr. W. Andersen: Congratulations. I'd like to call on the member from North West River to come forward, Mina Campbell-Hibbs. And again before the swearing in process when our Minister of Finance stepped down, Mina Campbell-Hibbs was Deputy Speaker at the time and we asked her if she would consider becoming the Speaker for the Transitional

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Assembly and thankfully Mina has accepted that challenge and with the blessing of our Transitional Assembly I now would like for Mina to take the oath. In the presence of the members of the Nunatsiavut Assembly...

Mrs. Campbell-Hibbs: In the presence of the members of the Nunatsiavut Assembly;

Mr. W. Andersen: and in full realization of the responsibilities;

Mrs. Campbell-Hibbs: and in full realization of the responsibilities;

Mr. W. Andersen: that have been entrusted to me;

Mrs. Campbell-Hibbs: that have been entrusted to me;

Mr. W. Andersen: by the members of the Nunatsiavut Assembly;

Mrs. Campbell-Hibbs: by the members of the Nunatsiavut Assembly;

Mr. W. Andersen: I Mina Campbell-Hibbs;

Mrs. Campbell-Hibbs: I Mina Campbell-Hibbs;

Mr. W. Andersen: swear;

Mrs. Campbell-Hibbs: swear;

Mr. W. Andersen: that I will obey;

Mrs. Campbell-Hibbs: that I will obey;

Mr. W. Andersen: observe;

Mrs. Campbell-Hibbs: observed;

Mr. W. Andersen: uphold and maintain the rights and privileges;

Mrs. Campbell-Hibbs: uphold and maintain the rights and the privileges;

Mr. W. Andersen: of the Nunatsiavut Assembly;

Mrs. Campbell-Hibbs: of the Nunatsiavut Assembly;

Mr. W. Andersen: and the standing orders and procedures;

Mrs. Campbell-Hibbs: and the standing orders and procedures;

Mr. W. Andersen: of the Nunatsiavut Assembly;

Mrs. Campbell-Hibbs: of the Nunatsiavut Assembly;

Mr. W. Andersen: and I solemnly and sincerely promise;

Mrs. Campbell-Hibbs: and I solemnly and sincerely promise;

Mr. W. Andersen: to represent and speak;

Mrs. Campbell-Hibbs: to represent and speak;

Mr. W. Andersen: for the Nunatsiavut Assembly;

Mrs. Campbell-Hibbs: for the Nunatsiavut Assembly;

Mr. W. Andersen: with integrity and honor;

Mrs. Campbell-Hibbs: with integrity and honor;

Mr. W. Andersen: to preside over the business of the Nunatsiavut Assembly;

Mrs. Campbell-Hibbs: to preside over the business and procedures of the Assembly;

Mr. W. Andersen: and enforce the rules and procedures of the Assembly;

Mrs. Campbell-Hibbs: and enforce the rules and procedures of the Assembly;

Mr. W. Andersen: with independence;

Mrs. Campbell-Hibbs: with independence;

Mr. W. Andersen: fairness;

Mrs. Campbell-Hibbs: fairness;

Mr. W. Andersen: impartiality;

Mrs. Campbell-Hibbs: impartiality;

Mr. W. Andersen: patience and understanding;

Mrs. Campbell-Hibbs: patience and understanding;

Mr. W. Andersen: and to promote the efficient operation;

Mrs. Campbell-Hibbs: and to promote the efficient operation;

Mr. W. Andersen: of the Nunatsiavut Assembly;

Mrs. Campbell-Hibbs: of the Nunatsiavut Assembly;

Mr. W. Andersen: and prevent obstruction or frustration;

Mrs. Campbell-Hibbs: and prevent the obstruction or frustration of the Assembly;

Mr. W. Andersen: in the conduct of its business;

Mrs. Campbell-Hibbs: in the conduct of its business;

Mr. W. Andersen: so help me God.

Mrs. Campbell-Hibbs: so help me God.

Mr. W. Andersen: Congratulations Mina.

Mrs. Campbell-Hibbs: Thank-you. I will call a 15 minute recess.

Statements from Ministers

Mrs. Mina Campbell-Hibbs: Moving on to the next agenda item, Statements from Ministers. The floor recognizes the Minister of Finance Ruth Flowers.

Mrs. Flowers: Thank you Madam Speaker. I'd just like to comment that it has been my pleasure to have served as first Speaker of the Transitional Government. I'd like to wish you well on your turn as Speaker. Thank you Madam Speaker.

Mrs. Campbell-Hibbs: Thank you. Any further statements from Ministers? The chair recognizes the Minister of Education, Health and Social Development, Ben Ponniuk.

Mr. Ponniuk: Thank you Madam Speaker, first of all congratulations on your position. I'm sure you will do a good job, you had a good start. For saying we will have a 15 minute break, I think we all liked that one. Anyway Mina, congratulations and good luck. Well since our last legislative meeting a few things on the go, a change here and there first the change in the management of the Nunatsiavut Development Corporation there's a change in the General Manager and the Financial Manager positions. The General Managers' position as been filled by Mike Voisey and hopefully in the very near future there will be a Financial Manager in place. I'm sure Wyman and his team will keep us updated on that one. As well heard there was a problem with the gas in Rigolet. It's been temporarily resolved I think it's safe to say it now between the Rigolet Town Council and the Nunatsiavut Government they got things pretty well straightened out and I think right now there is talk talks are underway with Woodwards to been a lot of return hopefully affirm a solution to the problem. I think its just a matter of time before before that's done. We've got a Nunatsiavut Tourism Steering Committee in place or already clear roughly 6 weeks ago I

guess. There in process of developing a strategic plan for the Torngat National Park and well not only a park but all of Nunatsiavut. We already had an expedition ship in Nain in the summer. My reports I think went really well with that so that's a sign of things to come it's a good sign of things to come I would say. A lot of the Health side of things of came up at the last one was it a couple questions or whatever. Dr. Carneal is now providing mental services within Nunatsiavut, I believe he traveled to every community but Postville. It's gonna be obviously a while to get caught up with everything where he was late starting in a couple of communities that was late getting the equipment into the communities but from what I hear the response from the communities of what he is doing so far is very, very positive. In Makkovik there is an office building or Department of Health and Social Development is now in progress and the anticipated completion date is April of 2007. That's yet another, another good sign of things to come.

We had a or while we are having trouble with our transportation system in St. John's were with the members leaving coastal communities plus Goose Bay of course, that's being resolved or it is resolved this is being run by our own, our own people and we got some positive feedback on that also. The last thing here I could tell you is that there is a Healing Our Spirit Conference in Edmonton. It's a week long international conference for aboriginal people all around the world and we got 3 individuals that's gonna be doing a presentation out there. Three of about, how many Michelle?

Ms. Kinney: Three hundred

Mr. Ponniuk: About three hundred presentations and that's how that's how big this conference is and for us to have representation there I think it speaks volumes. We're hoping they will that they will come back with some new program ideas and while just anything that will help us in our in strengthening our communities. That's a little report from the last one we had and as you can see we are keeping busy. With these things that I just mentioned plus our day to day activities and we're going in a positive direction. Thank you Madam Speaker.

Mrs. Campbell-Hibbs: The chair recognizes the Minister of Lands and Resources and the Status of Women, Zippie Nochasak.

Mrs. Nochasak: Nakkumek Mr. Miss. Chair, congratulations. A historic day for us having a woman for a Minister of Finance and another woman as a Speaker so applause. I have a whole bunch of reports here for the Assembly from lands and natural resource department. I could be here all day reading it to you but I'm going to touch a few issues and I'll get these copies made for you if you wanna have a copy to see what's happening in lands and natural resource department and status of women but I would like to touch a couple issues contamination and uranium. The R.C.M.P. site clean up schedule to begin late August. The contaminated soil will be treated in vile piles and disposed of in the land fill. Sourcing clean has been a challenge. This will be similar issue to address for the former school site and possibly the new sub division. If we find it necessary to excavate we are looking into the possibility of sourcing clean fair of here in Hopedale area and would like any suggestions from the Assembly if there are any.

On the sub sub division site we will be putting out a call for proposals for a risk based assessment of the contamination in the sub division. This will include geophysical survey that was previously recommended. The risk based assessment will tell us more about the size of the contaminated area and in the excess of the contamination and will help us to decide what to do with the area for example, stabilize it or excavate it. Former school site, a plan for the treatment of the contaminated soil at the former school site must be performed. Ship out of community versus treat in or near Hopedale. So far, there seems to be no suitable areas for land farming the soil near Hopedale. We will closely watch the progress used for the R.C.M.P. site soil in order to determine whether the large volume larger volume of soil from this site might be treated in the same way.

Another issue to address is finding clean fill for excavated areas and on the uranium policy we are preparing a presentation on impact of uranium, mining on water sheds and fish habitats. It would be brought to every Nunatsiavut community and the Upper Lake Melville area for consultation. With the communities on mining uranium on Inuit lands, this will take place in early September and a report from the input from the communities will

be prepared for the Executive Council with the goal of developing a policy on uranium mining for Nunatsiavut. We will also be seeking guidance from the Nunatsiavut Government who are nearly finished developing their own uranium policy and we also hired a part time environmental monitor, Gloria Jacque has been hired for the Aurora Energy Resources work taking place outside Postville. This is a trainee position intended to increase the number of beneficiaries who are trained in environmental fill or Aurora Energy is covering the cost of the salary for this position. Thank you Madam Chair.

Mrs. Campbell-Hibbs: Chair recognizes First Minister, Anthony Andersen.

Mr. A. Andersen: Thank you Madam Chair. A couple of the things that we have found to mention have been colored by Minister of Health and Education and the Lands and Resources just to update members on infrastructure the Minister of Health mentioned there is a building going into Makkovik to accommodate the Department of Health staff in that community and the building has being built in such a way that it leaves room for expansion so that in a year or two, we could build on to accommodate the rest of the Nunatsiavut staff as well in year three or year four another section can be built on so that we can have our the Department of Health can have a day care so the building is being designed in such a way. Our commitment still is to build in Hopedale the the legislature House of Assembly and we want to ensure that it's Minister has reported that the soil that all proper testing is done and I can assure you that we have we are already looking at some at some designs and that we'll will be building this community can be proud when all it's members can meet there.

In Nain, with the infrastructure committee has accepted a proposal from an engineering company and they will they will very soon begin work on soil tests at the site in Nain check for buried fuel tanks soil bearing what type of structure would be suitable for that particular piece of land and if things go well then maybe there can even be some use the words preliminary foundation work done before the end of this year. The schedule that my department has put forward to the other ministers is that we would hope that the health people can be in their building some time possibly before Christmas or

shortly after this year. For the administrative center in Nain possibly by the Winter of 08 which is just over a year from a year from now.

For Hopedale we have not gone so far as to say when we can expect to have that house ready for us to use. There are there have been some staff changes and because we have a new Minister of Finance and in my role as Acting Minister that I was for 24 hours I would like to just mention that new hires we are very pleased. I could tell you that I don't know where all that finance stuff is I thought it was all in front we are very pleased to have back from Western Arctic who was on a went away for a few months and is back and Frank Andersen is the new director of IT and certainly Frank is no stranger to any of us and we are fortunate I think and we're glad that he got homesick and now that he is back and is director of IT and myself am looking forward to working with him he has done a lot he had done some work before he left on the picture I.D.'s. I'll tell you that that at the assembly in Inuvik there is a there is a limit to our patience and that we expect that if the ITK are going to involve the government of Canada on a national ID that we want to see real progress and we wanna perhaps wait until some time this fall. If they haven't if they haven't moved forward then we'll have to start to introduce regional ID's and even before Frank left for the Western Arctic he had done a lot of that work so you know if things don't work out at the ITK then we should be ready to roll within a within a few weeks on on picture ID's. There was brought to the Executive Council requests or expressed communities that expressed the need for community banking services.

Yesterday at the Executive Council meeting we directed the finance department to meet with banks and explore how this best be achieved. I know that you'll this is not the first request we've had from communities but I have to say that the finance people are going to move it up so that we can get back to you perhaps sooner rather than later on how we might best achieve community banking services and to assure you that we are going to work very hard to meet the needs of community banking. The minister responsible for economic development spoke about Rigolet and I want to say that I was involved last year and to the members of Rigolet your patience I want to thank you for your patience and that your willingness to work with our people in resolving this issue and as the Minister said we are our our share holders at the

LIHC have made it a priority and they are looking after the long term effects and hopefully by this fall that will no longer be an issue. Again, thank you for your patience and and your working with our staff. There is a a I'll raise this perhaps the President if he is going to speak later he may mention it as well.

We have as you know before this hits us a house Executive Council meetings and half of you or most of you are sitting around for a day or so waiting we want to tighten that up we've had some suggestions from the Deputy Minister responsible for HR. He's also known as the a lot of things he's the Deputy Minister of Finance as well but a suggestion that the Executive Council meetings could be could be moved to community to community so that all communities could get a chance to meet the ministers and the President has suggested that during that time Executive Council meetings that we could have some kind of open house in the evening so that the public would have a opportunity to ask questions of Ministers and we would also be able to have our Deputy Ministers and other staff there so that the public could have a real opportunity to ask throw snowballs at them or their elected officials as well as the higher level people that are working for them and I think that that's a good a good suggestion. I'm sure that the other Ministers will agree that we'll soon have to introduce that of course the house itself is committed to meeting in Hopedale. That's all I could put on one piece of paper Madame Speaker and before again let me congratulate you on the appointment of Speaker and to the new Minister of Finance I was only there as Acting Minister for 24 hours you have your work cut out for you. You have some good people in that department. Congratulations to you, thank you Madam Speaker.

Mrs. Campbell-Hibbs: Chair recognizes the Minister of Lands and Resources and Status of Women, Zippie Nochasak.

Mrs. Nochasak: Thank you Madam Chair, I would like to add on for the record that we have reports from the department of Lands and Natural Resources and Status of Women for our assembly the Hopedale contaminated sites funding the clean up and Canada Newfoundland Labrador offshore petroleum board and mineral exploration and standards for Labrador Inuit lands. Also exploration monitor and Arctic Net, land use plan, resource protocol for Nunatsiavut, Parks IBA, VBNC IBA, Land Registry, Status of

Women issues we advertised for a conference coordinator for 10-12 weeks because we're not going to find anyone to volunteer to organize that meeting and I think the deadline has ended now and we're planning to have this Nunatsiavut women's group meeting in Nain middle of October after the elections. We didn't want to meet in the summer cause people goes on holidays and we didn't want to interfere around the elections cause some of these women may want to run and I just wanted to let you know that we're having a conference in Nain middle of October and also I attended Inuit circumpolar ITK in Inuit circumpolar conference in Barrow, Alaska with delegation from Canada, Alaska, Greenland and Russia and I didn't know there was Inuit in Russia and there just like us. Nunatsiavut Government was mentioned from everyone of these countries in ICC and they all congratulated and applauded us. So there should be a report ready in 2 weeks and I'm gonna send a copy to every assembly member for your information and thank you Madam Chair.

Mrs. Campbell-Hibbs: Chair recognized President of Nunatsiavut, William Andersen III.

Mr. W. Andersen: (speaks Inuktitut) Thank you Chairperson, I will give you a brief report. In regards to Nunatsiavut Government, on June 27th, 28th and 29th, we met with First Nations Aboriginal Peoples who have settled their land claims negotiations. We discussed what problems they faced with the Federal and Provincial governments in order to get their agreement. There were over four hundred people in the conference discussing what they went through in negotiations, even though we just recently finished our land claims negotiations, we have not yet some up with problem areas, we can notice already, Madam Speaker, the Federal and Provincial governments seem to forget that we are now a government, so we have to keep informing of that. While we were finishing up in Ottawa, we considered telling the other aboriginal groups who has their settlement in place, that we as an aboriginal group would have more power if we helped each other out. So we have another conference set up for December, we will have representation from Labrador, all the way to the Circumpolar regions, we have to help each other out. Also, like the First Minister said earlier, we the Executive Council would like to meet on a monthly basis, I want people to understand that as of now the

Executive Council will meet in a different community, so that community residents will have an opportunity to ask Ministers and Deputy Ministers questions if they so wish, and I can assure you Madam Speaker, that we have a lot of work ahead of us till the end of September and I will get another update for you at a later date on how we are progressing and in closing I would like to congratulate Ruth Flowers on becoming the Minister of Finance, also congratulations to our new Speaker of the House, we will help you in any way we can. Thank you Madam Speaker.

Questioning Period

Mrs. Campbell-Hibbs: Mina: Any further statements from Ministers? I now open the floor for questions from members. I recognize member from Nain, Julius Merkuratsuk.

Mr. Merkuratsuk: (speaks Inuktitut) Thank you Madam Speaker. I just would like to add on to what President of Nunatsiavut mentioned. It seems like we only have our meetings in Nain and Hopedale, are we talking about going to member communities to have meetings, we have representation from Rigolet to Nain also from Lake Melville region, that is the question I have for the President Madam Speaker.

Mrs. Campbell-Hibbs: The chair recognizes the President of Nunatsiavut, William Andersen III.

Mr. W. Andersen: (speaks Inuktitut) Thank you Madam Speaker. I would like to be understood that we as an Executive will have our Assembly in Nain and Hopedale, that is a regulation we have to follow because it's in our agreement but the Executive Council Ministers and Deputy Ministers will meet on a monthly basis or bi-monthly. I am asking that we go to different communities to have meetings, Rigolet, Hopedale, or Nain or in the Upper Lake Melville region. Our members then can ask questions to Ministers or Deputy Ministers on how things are progressing. Thank you Madam Speaker.

Mrs. Campbell-Hibbs: Any further questions from members? The chair recognized the member from Rigolet, Tony Wolfrey.

Mr. Wolfrey: Thank you Madam Speaker. There was a paper passed out earlier from Rigolet. I heard talk today from our President and other Ministers that we got to start listening to our people. Our people is the ones that elected us. Our people in our communities want to give us these seats and the people of my community in Rigolet has asked that we do a feasibility study for a road from Rigolet to North West River and I think we got enough support in our community that we as Nunatsiavut Government should should give them the support that they need. I would like to ask they assembly could they give us a letter of support for a feasibility study for a road. Thank you.

Mrs. Campbell-Hibbs: The chair recognizes the President of Nunatsiavut, William Andersen III.

Mr. W. Andersen: (speaks Inuktitut) Thank you Madam Speaker. I would like to move that this topic be raised into the next meeting of the Council. We have a letter from the residents of Rigolet asking for support to have a road built from Rigolet to North West River. Madam Speaker the Executive Council had a meeting last evening the issue was discussed. I will have more on this later on Madam Speaker.

Mrs. Campbell-Hibbs: The chair recognizes the member from Rigolet, Richard Rich.

Mr. Rich: Thank you Madam Speaker and congratulations on your new job. Our rights here today, you know we're talking about the problems, drugs and alcohol in the communities and the community of Rigolet there's very, very little work. For years I've been speaking up for fishery and as we all know we lost our salmon fishery and now our community of Rigolet to this day there is more salmon took out in the last to trout fish from here to across the hall from when we had our 16 fishermen in full swing. But some of the people have asked me today Madame Speaker, last and work on starting now and going on through to get a little commercial fishery 3 or 4 fishermen because the salmon is plentiful. Even our older people we got left, they never seen it in their time, especially now. You could be out to your trout net, they're jumping all over you they're swimming along it's unbelievable and also these last 2 years in Rigolet, the char has come back, our trout fishery has come back. Ten of us got trout licenses but

from June 20th until the end of July our commercial licenses got took from us and you know there is some big problems could be solved and now I think we got our government I think I'd like to see something on this issue from whoever takes government to work on for not only our area but anywhere where there's fish because there is no one this day and age gonna tell me there's no salmon and just talking to a few boys who goes down to the River or rod fishermen or whatever you might call it. We've never seen the likes from the biggest to the smallest. So, this is one thing that I was asked from my communities stand to bring forward. Thank you.

Mrs. Campbell-Hibbs: The chair recognizes First Minister, Anthony Andersen.

Mr. A. Andersen: Thank you Madam Speaker and I welcome comments I welcome the Minister of Resources. I wanna say that I don't think the request made by the members of Rigolet is reasonable. Please don't be mislead by my statement here. That I agree that there should be a commercial salmon fishery. I think that your request is fair and I will work with the Minister of Lands and Resources and the people in her department as well as my own Deputy Minister who is very involved for a number of years in fishery issues that if you look at that possibility and we will weigh everything and again let me say that I am not in a position, I am not a scientist and I'm not a fisherman so I can't stand here and say that there should be or there is evidence that supports the idea of a fishery but I do hear what you are saying. Others have said in Rigolet the likes of which we've seen is never been seen before and your father would all respect to your father he has he has said some things after about his lifetime he has not seen so many salmon so there is something to that and I don't think that it is unreasonable that the request that you made to the Nunatsiavut Government to the Department of Resources to look to have discussion with DFO among other fishermen to see if there is if there is a possibility. So, I my intention would be that I would follow it up with the Minister responsible and at the next assembly we could report back to you and as we progress we can keep you fully informed.

Mrs. Campbell-Hibbs: The chair recognizes the Minister of Lands and Resources and Status of Women, Zippie Nochasak.

Mrs. Nochasak: Thank you First Minister and cabinet member for Rigolet, my friend Richard. I'm glad to hear First Minister speak that and our department will work closely with the First Minister we will pursue the matter regarding the Rigolet concern on commercial salmon fishery. Thank you Madam Chair.

Mrs. Campbell-Hibbs: The chair recognizes the President of Nunatsiavut, William Andersen III.

Mr. W. Andersen: (speaks Inuktitut) Thank you Madam Speaker. I would like the Honorable Member from Rigolet to know yesterday the Executive Council met, we were informed that representatives of DFO will visit Nunatsiavut communities would attend those meetings. The representatives will be in Rigolet at the end of August. Thank you Madam Speaker.

Mrs. Campbell-Hibbs: The chair recognizes the member from Hopedale, Clara Winters.

Mrs. Winters: Thank you Madam Speaker and congratulations. I have a question for the Minister of Lands and Resources on the contamination that was found in the sub division of those 10 homes. Could you tell me what the status on that is please?

Mrs. Campbell-Hibbs: The chair recognizes the Minister for Lands and Resources and the Status of Women, Zippie Nochasak.

Mrs. Nochasak: Thank you cabinet member for Hopedale, my friend Clara. As I said this morning the reports we had regarding the contaminated sites on RCMP and the sub division and the former school site I will get that information for you and I should have it by the end of the day to give it to you. Thank you Madam Chair.

Mrs. Campbell-Hibbs: We'd heard the questions from members. The chair recognizes member from Rigolet, Richard Rich.

Mr. Rich: Thank you Madam Speaker and I guess this would go to Minister of fisheries. As you know after our sealing meeting last year in Rigolet were well alive but we couldn't do much seal hunting this past spring and summer because of the gas problem and the young seals didn't proper come out the bay. From my point of view work down on the council or here at the house or anywhere we're looking for a building to have ready for next year or hope we get something to work at our seals. The one we do now is owned used as black Torngat Fisheries and is quite small and I sat on the sealing committee and you know if we could get a building we probably could go up on that LIDC road toward Malligâk or probably go down around the community but at least we have a building to properly work at the seal fishery because we got power right to Malligâk now as everyone knows and these are some of the things the seal fishery people asked me to bring to you. Thank you.

Mrs. Campbell-Hibbs: The chair recognizes the Minister of Lands, Resources and Status of Women, Zippie Nochasak.

Mrs. Nochasak: Thank you Madam Chair and thank you cabinet Minister, Minister member for Rigolet. I will work on this issue with my Deputy Minister and we will have it on our agenda for our department. Thank you Madame Chair.

Mrs. Campbell-Hibbs: Any further questions for members? Minister recognizes the chair recognizes the Minister of Education, Health and Social Development, Ben Ponniuk.

Mr. Ponniuk: Thank you Madam Chair, I forgot the economic development part which I was gonna mention here in regards to the Rigolet delegate's questions you mentioned the salmon fishery and seal fishery that's a part of the part of the economic development and I was speaking with the Deputy Minister Mr. McNeill we are also looking at some things to try to get this thing type of thing on the go so in consultation with the other departments we will definitely come up with some type of plan or something that would help in you know. Thank you Madam Speaker.

Mrs. Campbell-Hibbs: Mina: The chair recognizes the member from Hopedale, Patty Pottle.

Mrs. Pottle: Thank you Madam Speaker. This is for Minister Ponniuk the employees down at the stone plant here in Hopedale are told that they will be off work 3 months earlier than normal is there any reason for this. Have you found a buyer for this stone?

Mrs. Campbell-Hibbs: The chair recognizes the Minister of Education, Health and Social Development, Ben Ponniuk.

Mr. Ponniuk: Thank you honorable member from Hopedale before they even opened up this spring there was some cut backs not only there but in a few of the mines that was on the go. This was just one of the one of the operations that was cut back. With good reasons other than you mentioned you know, stone or there was a few things other than that. I don't think there was a shortage of stone. On fisheries or stone plant any other details than that I wouldn't be able to answer right now I would consult with my Deputy Minister or with the board. So if I can if I can I will get some answers and have them for you. Thank you Madam.

Mrs. Campbell-Hibbs: Any further questions? The chair recognizes the President of Nunatsiavut, William Andersen III.

Mr. W. Andersen: (speaks Inuktitut) Madam Speaker, before our sitting comes to a close, I have two topics that has to be reported. The first is a petition from Rigolet, signed by all most of the residents, the residents are asking to have fuel at times. What I am tabling now before I finish is that, to members at the table, Madam Speaker, the shortage of fuel at Rigolet in the past is pretty well solved, Madam Speaker. Last spring, when Woodward's Oil requested to bring fuel to Voisey's Bay, we approached them and said we would agree to their request as long as the community of Rigolet was not short on fuel. We were informed yesterday that Woodward's would go to Rigolet to fill up all the tanks in September or late September and also the group will make sure that the community of Rigolet will have enough gasoline for the entire year. Our work place has worked on this issue and we

are going ahead and also, Madam Speaker, we have a resident of Rigolet, Georgina Allen, of the Town Council of Rigolet is in need of support from the Nunatsiavut Government to get a road from Rigolet to North West River. Yesterday, we as an Executive Council discussed this. The Nunatsiavut Government would have no problem in helping out the community as long as we know what the purpose of the road is for. We need more information, Madam Speaker, as to what the road will be used for and what the actual cost would be and what it will cost to keep the road open all winter long. That is information what the Nunatsiavut Government would want if we're going to support the request. Thank you Madam Speaker.

Mrs. Campbell-Hibbs: The chair recognizes the member from Hopedale, Patty Pottle.

Mrs. Pottle: Thank you Madam Speaker, just a couple notes from earlier this morning, we went through a couple of bills and it was the first time I've seen a bill to that knowledge and was just wondering for suggestion or if they're if they're could be like a breaking period before we sit in the assembly to go over the bills and actually passing them and if we could be educated on the bills beforehand its just a suggestion or comment of mine. Another question I had was on the congratulations on the Corporation for North West River and Sheshatshiu but I was just wondering a couple questions on it are you ready to go for the fall like will the Corporation be in place for October and what happens if the numbers dropped below 199 before the 4 year term is up, what happens in that case?

Mrs. Campbell-Hibbs: The chair recognizes the First Minister, Anthony Andersen.

Mr. A. Andersen: Well Madam Speaker, thank you very much. I will address you had a number of questions there. The first question was do members receive briefing periods on the bills to be passed and in the future when it happens we will inform the council in this case though they were minor things, titles, little technical things. Thank you Madame Speaker.

Mrs. Campbell-Hibbs: The chair recognizes the President of Nunatsiavut, William Andersen III.

Mr. W. Andersen: (speaks Inuktitut) Thank you Madam Speaker. In regards to the North West Inuit Community Corporation it is now obvious that fall elections will be in place. If the numbers should drop from 199 we would have to research that possibility. If the numbers dropped from 199, we would have no problem. Thank you Madam Speaker.

Mrs. Campbell-Hibbs: The chair recognizes the President of Nunatsiavut, William Andersen III.

Mr. W. Andersen: (speaks Inuktitut) Thank you Madam Speaker. What the Honorable Member from Hopedale mentioned, Patty Pottle, in regards to the Bills that were mentioned that was the first time that I myself had seen that Bill just yesterday. Sometime in the near future, we will be able to look through the Bills before they are passed. From now on Madam Speaker, our agenda items will have to be finished 10 days prior to the sittings so that all of the items can be reviewed by Members. Sometimes our staff are hurried, so I'm asking that our agenda items are to be done even a week prior to our meetings. Thank you Madam Speaker.

Mrs. Campbell-Hibbs: Is there any further business? With no further business, I will now adjourn this meeting of the Nunatsiavut Transitional Assembly.

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