ORDER INCREASING THE LIMIT ON PERSONAL SPENDING BY CANDIDATES FOR ELECTION IN THE CANADIAN CONSTITUENCY IN THE 2014 NUNATSIAVUT ORDINARY GENERAL ELECTION

WHEREAS subsection 5(2) of the Nunatsiavut Elections Act provides that

During an election, if the Nunatsiavut Electoral Officer has reasonable grounds to believe that, because of a mistake, miscalculation, emergency or unusual or unforeseen circumstance, a provision is unfair, unreasonable or unworkable, the Nunatsiavut Electoral Officer may extend the time for doing an act, increase the number of election officials or polling stations, or otherwise adapt a provision of this Act so as to better achieve its intent;

AND WHEREAS clause 178(1)(b) of the Nunatsiavut Elections Act provides that

a candidate at an election in the Canadian constituency may spend up to 1,500 out of his or her own funds for a campaign;

AND WHEREAS the cost of stamps purchased in bulk for mailing a first-class letter within Canada went up from 63 cents to 85 cents on March 31, 2014;

AND WHEREAS the Nunatsiavut Electoral Officer is satisfied that communication by mail is an important means by which candidates for election in the Canadian Constituency may communicate with voters in the Canadian Constituency in the 2014 Nunatsiavut Ordinary General Election;

AND WHEREAS the Nunatsiavut Electoral Officer is satisfied that the increased cost of mailing a first-class letter within Canada is a significant unforeseen circumstance that may increase the campaign costs of candidates for election in the Canadian Constituency and may, in combination with the limits on campaign financing under the *Nunatsiavut Elections Act*, unreasonably limit the ability of candidates for election in the Canadian Constituency to communicate with voters in the 2014 Nunatsiavut Ordinary General Election;

AND WHEREAS the Nunatsiavut Electoral Officer is satisfied that in the circumstances the intent of the *Nunatsiavut Elections Act* will be better served by permitting candidates for election in the Canadian Constituency to spend an additional amount of up to 22 cents per voter in the Canadian Constituency in the 2014 Nunatsiavut Ordinary General Election;

NOW THEREFORE the Nunatsiavut Electoral Officer acting on the request of two candidates in the election for the Canadian Constituency and with the advice of the Nunatsiavut President is pleased to issue the following Order:



Short Title

1. This Order may be cited as the Canadian Constituency Personal Spending Order, 2014.

Authority

2. This Order is made under subsections 5(2) and 5(9) of the *Nunatsiavut Elections Act*.

Interpretation

3. Unless the context otherwise requires, terms used in these regulations have the same meaning as in the *Nunatsiavut Elections Act*.

Increase of Personal Spending Limit for Candidates in the Canadian Constituency

4. The personal spending limit for candidates in the Canadian Constituency under clause 178(1)(b) of the *Nunatsiavut Elections Act* is hereby increased to \$1,950 for the 2014 Nunatsiavut Ordinary General Election.

Effective Date

5. This Order shall be deemed for all purposes to have come into effect on 14 April 2014.

SIGNED:

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Vunatsiavut Electoral Officer

DATE:

14 April 2014

