

News Release

Government of Nunavut Receives Qanukkanniq GN Report Card

Iqaluit, Nunavut (October 1, 2009) – Premier Eva Aariak was today presented with the *Qanukkanniq GN Report Card*, a comprehensive review of Government of Nunavut (GN) programs and operations.

"We asked and Nunavut responded. I want to start by thanking everyone who participated in the Report Card – you have clearly outlined the issues that are important to you, and shown you care deeply about finding the solutions. This work will help us build on our successes, as well as target areas for improvement as we move ahead with our mandate, *Tamapta/CL^cC: Building our future together*," said Premier Aariak.

The government hired North Sky Consulting Group (NSC) in May to conduct the research and public consultation to learn the strengths and weaknesses of GN programs and operations. More than 2,100 Nunavummiut from all 25 communities participated directly in surveys, meetings, and interviews, while many more listened to phone-in shows on radio.

The *GN Report Card* uses a narrative approach to reflect what was heard and includes 93 recommendations for addressing the concerns raised. As well as the Report Card, NSC is providing the government with *What We Heard* (a 57-page long summary of comments), a report on the consultation process itself and the raw data collected (with identifying information removed to maintain confidentiality of participants).

The next step in the process is for each department to look at the issues and suggested recommendations specific to them. In October, the full caucus will meet to complete an Action Plan in response to the issues and recommendations made in the Report Card.

"Although the Report Card is complete, we hope the dialogue between Nunavummiut and Government has just begun," said Premier Aariak. "Our Government is committed to listening to and addressing the needs of our constituents. Please never hesitate to contact your elected officials should you have any issues you wish to raise. In return, we are committed to communicating our progress to you each step of the way."

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