



Statement

Premier expresses condolences for loss of Sergeant Janick Gilbert

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Premier Eva Aariak today released the following statement:

“It is with great sadness that I learn of the loss of Sgt. Janick Gilbert, a search and rescue technician with the Canadian Forces Base in Trenton, Ontario, who died yesterday while on a mission to save two hunters who were boating east of Igloolik.

Sgt. Gilbert displayed unwavering courage and the ultimate sacrifice in the call of duty. We are humbled by his bravery and forever grateful for his heroic actions.

The rescue mission outside of Igloolik was co-ordinated by the base in Trenton, Ontario and included crews from Canadian Forces bases in Gander, Newfoundland, Greenwood, Nova Scotia and Winnipeg, Manitoba.

Thank you to all of those who risk their lives on Search and Rescue missions in our vast territory with its extreme conditions.

On behalf of the Government of Nunavut, I would like to express my deepest sympathies to the family, friends and comrades of Sgt. Janick Gilbert.

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