



# **Statement**

## Commissioner Elias and Premier Aariak welcome the Earl and Countess of Wessex to Nunavut

September 12, 2012 – 20:50 p.m. Iqaluit, NU

Commissioner Edna Elias and Premier Eva Aariak today released the following statement:

"On behalf of the Government of Nunavut, we are very pleased to welcome Their Royal Highnesses Prince Edward, The Earl of Wessex and his wife, Sophie, Countess of Wessex on their first visit to Nunavut.

Iqalummiut are invited to meet Their Royal Highnesses at a community feast in honour of their visit to Nunavut at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, September 13, at the Anglican Parish Hall.

Please join us and together let us give Their Royal Highnesses a taste of the Inuit traditions, values and warm hospitality that make Nunavut such a memorable place to visit."

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See attached media advisory, previously released, for further information.

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# **Media Advisory**

### **Royals Visit to Nunavut**

Their Royal Highnesses Prince Edward, The Earl of Wessex and his wife, Sophie, Countess of Wessex will be visiting Nunavut from September 12 – 14 and a number of public and private events and meetings are taking place. Please note the following events at which the media are welcome to attend.

Each media outlet is required to provide a list of individuals from their organization that will be attending each media-only event as they are invitation only.

The Royal Family can be photographed at the following events but please note that they do not answer questions from reporters nor do they sign autographs:

### Wednesday, September 12, 2012

20:50	Arrival in Iqaluit Airport - RCMP Hangar	ECW	Media Only
Thursday, September 13, 2012			
13:00	Tour/Presentation/tea St. Jude's Cathedral	ECW	Media Only
17:30	Commissioner's Community Reception Nunatta Sunakkutaangiit Museum	ECW	Media Only
18:30	Premier's Community Feast St. Jude's Parish Hall	ECW	Public
Friday, September 14, 2012			
09:30	Tour of Arctic College – Nursing Program Arctic College	CW	Media Only

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ECW = Earl and Countess of Wessex CW = Countess of Wessex

#### **Protocol Notes:**

When addressing the Earl and Countess of Wessex, please use Your Royal Highness on the first occasion, after that, Sir or Ma'am is appropriate.

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