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Statement

Recovery of two missing youth in Nunavut

August 7, 2025
Iqaluit, Nunavut

Nunavut's Minister of Community Services, David Akeeagok, today released the following statement:

"I want to express my deepest condolences to the families, friends and communities mourning the loss of two young Nunavummiut, whose remains were recently recovered. These losses are deeply felt across the territory. While no words can take away the pain, I hope that this recovery brings some comfort and allows space for healing.

I want to sincerely thank the community search and rescue teams, local volunteers, the RCMP, JRCC Trenton, and all those who came together to support the search and recovery efforts. Your dedication and compassion during these very difficult times made a difference – not only in helping bring these youth home, but in showing care and respect for the families and communities who have carried this grief.

We are reminded of the strength that exists in our communities when we come together in the face of loss. Our government will continue to work alongside our partners to strengthen search and recovery efforts, and to support Nunavummiut during times of grief and healing."

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