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VIENS COMMISSION TESTIMONY

Kuujjuaq, November 23, 2018 – Minnie Grey, Executive Director of the Nunavik Regional Board of Health and Social Services (NRBHSS), testified on November 21, 2018 at the Public Inquiry Commission on relations between Indigenous Peoples and certain public services in Québec (CERP), in Kuujjuaq.

Minnie Grey and her team presented the work done on suicide prevention, prevention of Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD), and ongoing efforts to enable cultural adaptation of the Youth Protection Act. Files with various government partners on the application of PL 21, the need for improvement of Inuit working conditions and the urgent changes needed for payment of host families for children in foster care in Nunavik, were also mentioned.

It is important for the NRBHSS to underline the extent of the work underway to promote equitable access for Nunavimmiut to health and social services.

On this occasion, the NRBHSS submitted a brief stating its vision of the development of health and social services in Nunavik. This memorandum proposes recommendations to the Commission in order to remove the obstacles encountered in the transformation of the network. This brief is available on the NRBHSS website.

The Nunavik Regional Board of Health and Social Services is a public agency created in 1978 under the James Bay and Northern Quebec Agreement*. It is responsible for nearly the entire Quebec territory located north of the 55th parallel in terms of the provision of health and social services for the inhabitants of the 14 communities.*

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