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ለጔ⊲ናር∆ሮውጭ ÞLኖናው ላጭወ∩ቦጔЈ ⊲ጋና∩ር▷ው∿ቦና Δው∆ና የዕ⊳ት∟ውጋናዕ∿ቦና ላෑ∟ጋ የዕ⊳ት∖ና∩ኒ∟ሲር የዕ⊳ት∟ው∿ቦና Tammaqtailinahuarniriit anngutighat atuqhugit Inuit qaujimajatuqangillu ilihimaniillu ilitquhiannin Conserving wildlife through the application of Inuit Qaujimajatuqangit and scientific knowledge

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ተርፈነው ነጋቱ ሳ ተወቅርቱ የወነርያው ሳሌሀርጥት የ

�� ᡤᡝᠰᡳ 14, 2016 ላෑ᠘ Ĺ‹ʔ 29, 2017, ውሬቃና ÞĿᡧċጢኦናላና bՈĿኦኄቦና (ÞĿᡧċጢኦናላና Þঙ�ኔቴቴና bՈĿጵና) ለሬኦፕሬ ጋኒናበናላህበው ኦ��ኒና የዖጭċኌቴና ÞĿᡧċጢጵና bՈĿኦኄቦና ለጎጋቦና Ľነ፟ቅን ጋናላናኦ፝ ሲቴ ውኔቴኞ ልፐላቃሪፐሬናቴት ኦ��ኒና ሲናበቂና ላኄኒሲሎሽና ላቴጔ Γዖቦላናውላናሽና በፐኄቦና (የዖጭċናጳላቴር) ላቴጔ አውናንትር ላኄኒሲሎሽና ላቴጔ Γዖቦላናውላናሽና bጋንኦናቴስበሶኄቦና ሲናበቂቀ ላኄኒሲሎሽና ላቴጔ Γዖቦላናውላናሽና በፐኄቦና ጋናላናንጋና የተመቀ ላኄኒኒናጋኄቴት (10) ሲልነው ልፐላቃሪፐውናው ፟ኒጐኒና አቴውንበኦና ልኬኒው ሲልነውት, ላቴጔ አውናንትር ላኄኒሲሎሽና ላቴጔ Γዖቦላናውላናሽና bጋንኦናቴበስጐኒቦና ጋናላናንጋና በአኒውቱ (4) ላኄኒሲኒራንሮው ሲልነውቸው ላፐላቃሪፐውናው ላቴኒሷዮውቱ (2) ላናኒኒነራንሮት ሲልነው ይላነው ልፐላቃሪፐውናውት ኒጐኒና ልናጋላናጋጭልቱር ለርናቴንጋቴት. ርኬትና ጋናላናኦሽት ላጋናርኦህኒት ኒው 2016/2017 ላኄኒሲኒራና የዖጭċጏቱር ኦኒላርሊኒራና አብኒኒአንባና ኦናቴናኒሲና ልኒኒላር ላይነር ላጋላርኦኒስር ጋርነርኦነት ጋናላናኦስት ላኄቦርኦውኄዮት ርኬትና ጋናላናኦስት ላቴኒሷ ሁልኒትና አልነው ላይነር ላጋንርኦህት ላይነር ላጋንርኦህት ሲና ልነው አልነው አልነው አልነው ለርሎዕለና ላጋልኄላንነትር ላጋንርኦህት ሲነጋና.

ĎLላሮሊትናላላና bLሬρናጋና ጋናረናውበσቱ CΔbσ ĊቴdჂჼጔበቱ bጜህፈናጋቱሪና Þናbሬውበቱሪና bበLσናΓቱ Þペσ Δ΄ላሊሮ 20, 1017 (INT003-2017) ላቴጔ ላኄቦናጋበቱ Þፅσኄし Λናፅትዎኄትዖበσቱ:

성፣ρ፡ር⊳ቃጭ ΔĹቴ ÞLላሮሲኦ፣ላላና ላኄቦኄጋቦቴ, Lሮንጋቦና ጋግሁልÞላና ለጔላናር∆ሮσናዧ, Þdσኄሁ ሲናበペቴ ላህሲሎስና ላዜጔ Γዖቦላ፣ውላናስና በΓኄቦር ጋናላናኦበኄሁው ቴኮሮውቴ (10) ላህኒትጋቴውቴ ሲውኔቴቴ ላΓላቴሪቨውናውቴ Lግሪና ኒቴውንቦቴሪ ላይኄሁው ሲውኔዮሮውቴ ላጋንደትጋቦና Lው 2016/2017 ላህሲራቸዉና, CLቴሲ Lሮናላላኄጋጭ Þdፚኄሁ 'ሲውኔቴት ላቅሬናላውናዧና በበጭቴና ጋየላይቴሪበሶህስና ላቅሬርኦውኄዮቴውና ኒቴውንበኦና Δ ይኄሁው ሲውል' ላዩጔን ርቴዕሲው ለርቴቴንና ላላኦትርጎንና ለታናኒውና ላዩዮላይህስና.

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ላዛጔ Γየቦላ፣σላ፣ሰና bጋንትነቴበሶኁዮውና (ኦልሀኄሀ 2). ላኁቦ፣ጋቦና ሮቴላላ ጋናረናኦሰና, የዖምርናላላም ጋታኦቴሁና $L\sigma$ \ቴታዖበኦና ልሆነው ሲውልና ላΓረንሲላ፣σላ፣ጋና ኦፆኄሀ ነዕሮነጋ በአሆነጋ (14) (13 ላኒህነነጋልና ሲውልቱ ላሀጋ ላርኦረቱ ላ፣ሲነጋቱ ሲውም), ላዛጔ አውናታቱ ለኦናኒና Lግሀና ልናጋላ፣ጋጭልቱ ሲውነው ላΓረንሲላነጋስቱ ኦፆኄሀ ላዊበና (20) (9 ላኒህሲነጋልና ሲውልና ላዛኒጋ ለጐሀረና ላናሲነጋልና ሲውልና).

ارحلاه.

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David Shahad

⊅σδι<u>Ε</u> ΣΓΥ⊂ΨλιΥΟς ΡυΓΥνιις

∖ነፅርና: ጋሲቴነ ቦ犬ኑ, ጋዖן ליוויץ בעלישי אסבילשין, וער שב שנד-ארתימיני אפחרתיי;

LA Har, פשכתא, המרה שב שנה-מכתים הר אליני מפחכת אי;

عن۵% ما*ناع*د المناهمان ۱۲۰۵ مال ۱۲۰

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▷ΔͿኄሀ 1: 'የዖኈር' ͻϧϹ ¡ኦፒላር ሊነሪ ያስኒንበኄ Δρላንጋቦና ውናበራኑ ላኒነው ላኒነው ላኒ

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| ΔLΔL° α٬Πペ• ላህα/•)፦ኢትď ን•ፖናቴLC α°ΔሁԿĊb°ԺʔLΦበ• αলኦďĹΎ°Ժ° Cペ٩ ኣԺʔበኦ° ΔL¾Ժ; |
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CΔbσ 2015/2016-Γ΄ α°Δι/°αρ/Γ΄-J, α'Π® ÞL⊀'σব®/Ν' α°Διρδν/L⊀ 18-σ» αΔισφ ΔLΔσδισφ 11 Φυλ΄-Διρδυ Φιμω 7 Φια΄-Διρδυν. Θυσ 6-σ» ἡνος σαμς 2015/2016-Γ οπ΄-Δια Δια Κισφ 11 Φυλ΄-Διρδυν Φιμω 7 Φια΄-Διρδυν. Θυσ ἡνος σαμς 2015/2016-Γ οπ΄-Δια Φια Κισφ Επίσου Επίσου



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6 December 2016

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∖σናታኄՐ▷ና ላኄኒሲለቴጋሮሲትኄቦና Ľኄሲቴሪና 4−σቴ ላኄነበσቴ 2−σቴሷ ላኄሲσቴ ሲኄሷሁኣኄቴቴ>ና, Ċቴdላሷ ሲቴĽቴጏበቴ ለሃ▷ላኒፈኖቴ ላጋኄσላኄሷσ.

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2013/2014–ህበጎጋ, ኣσናታንፑኦና ላህዺሥጋሮሊትንቦና ላЈ/ረው%>ና 2-σቴ ላህሰሴσቴ ሲቴውሶርኦቶሲቴንጎኖቴ $1-\Gamma^{5}$ ላሴርቴ, ርልLልቴኖናርውና ኦውቴ/ቦላቴበናበጎጋቡ ቴበጎጋቦና ቴቴ/ናቭቴሲኖሊትኦላሪቴ 4-σና (3-σቴ ላህበσቴ, $1-\Gamma^{5}$ ላሴርቴ) 7-ኦሮቴኒብቴ (5-σቴ ላህበσቴ, 2-σቴ ላሴርቴ). 4-σቴ ላህበσቴ 2-σቴጋ ላሴርσቴ ሲቴውኦጋቴርኦቴጋኤ. $1-\Gamma^{5}$ ላህተና ሲቴውኦርኦቶሲቴንቦት ለአንስረዜናቴጋልቴሊርኦቴንኤቴ.



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April 22nd, 2017

Honourable Joe Savikataaq Minister of Environment Government of Nunavut

Dear Minister Savikataaq,

Re: Polar bear credit requests from Hall Beach Hunters and Trappers Association and Nattivak (Qikiqtarjuaq) Hunters and Trappers Organization

On December 14th, 2016 and on March 29th, 2017, the Nunavut Wildlife Management Board (NWMB or Board) received communications from the Qikiqtaaluk Wildlife Board regarding two requests for polar bear credits from Nattivak Hunters and Trappers Organization (Qikiqtarjuaq) and Hall Beach Hunters and Trappers Association. Nattivak Hunters and Trappers Organization requested ten male polar bear credits from the Baffin Bay polar bear subpopulation, and Hall Beach Hunters and Trappers Association requested four male polar bear credits and two female polar bear credits from the Gulf of Boothia subpopulation. Both requests were for use in the 2016/2017 harvest season. The Qikiqtaaluk Wildlife Board has indicated its support for approving both of the requests and the Government of Nunavut – Department of Environment has confirmed that the credits are available for use.

The NWMB considered the requests during its Internal In-camera teleconference on April 20th, 2017 (INT003-2017) and passed the following resolutions:

RESOLVED that the NWMB approve, in accordance with the principles of conservation, the Nattivak Hunters and Trappers Organization's request for ten (10) male polar bear credits from the Baffin Bay polar bear subpopulation for use during the 2016/2017 harvest season, which is compliant with the 'Polar Bear Management Memorandum of Understanding for the Management of the Baffin Bay Polar Bear Population' and its associated flexible quota system.

RESOLVED that the NWMB approve, in accordance with the principles of conservation, the Hall Beach Hunters and Trappers Association's request for four (4) male and two (2) female polar bear credits from the Gulf of Boothia polar bear subpopulation for use during the 2016/2017 harvest season, which is compliant with the 'Polar Bear Management Memorandum of Understanding for the Management of the Gulf of Boothia Polar Bear Population' and its associated flexible quota system.

In making this decision, the NWMB considered the credit records for both communities from the subpopulations in question. The Government of Nunavut – Department of Environment has confirmed that there are 51.9 male polar bear credits available from the Baffin Bay subpopulation for Nattivak Hunters and Trappers Organization, and there are four male and

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two female polar bear credits available from the Gulf of Boothia subpopulation for Hall Beach Hunters and Trappers Association (Appendix 2). By approving these requests, the Qikiqtarjuaq allocation of Baffin Bay polar bears will increase to fourteen (thirteen male polar bears and one female polar bear), and the Hall Beach quota of Gulf of Boothia polar bears will increase to twelve (nine male polar bears and three female polar bears).

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the NWMB.

Sincerely,

Daniel Shewchuk

David Shaland

Acting Chairperson of the

Nunavut Wildlife Management Board

c.c. Drikus Gissing, Director of Wildlife Management, Government of Nunavut-Department of Environment;

Mike Harte, Polar Bear Harvest Technician, Government of Nunavut-Department of Environment:

James Qillaq, Chair, Qikiqtaaluk Wildlife Board;

Nattivak Hunters and Trappers Organization; and

Hall Beach Hunters and Trappers Association.

Appendix 1. Qikiqtaaluk Wildlife Board motion supporting Nattivak Hunters and Trappers Organization's request for polar bear credits.

Appendix 2. Letter from Qikiqtaaluk Wildlife Board to Nunavut Wildlife Management Board.

Appendix 3. Letters from Government of Nunavut – Department of Environment to Qikiqtaaluk Wildlife Board (2).

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WHEREAS: Nativak HTO submitted a request for additional polar bear tags from their Baffin Bay population credits; WHEREAS: Nativak HTO requested to utilize 10 male credits from Baffin Bay Population; WHEREAS: Government of Nunavut Polar Bear lab has indicated Nativak has sufficient Baffin Bay populations male credits; THEREFORE be it resolved that "OWB Board support Nativak HTO to receive 10 extra polar bear tags from their accumulated credits" Moved: Joshua Kango Seconded: Apiusie Apak In Favor 10 Against _____ Abstained: I Conflict - Harry Passed X Defeated Resolution # QWB Nov-16-005 Date: November 7, 2016

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Qikiqtaaluk Wildlife Board

March 29, 2017

Daniel Shewchuk Chairman Nunavut Wildlife Management Board Iqaluit, Nu

Re: Letter of Support for Polar Bear Credit Utilization

Qikiqtaaluk Wildlife Board (QWB) Executive received a request from Hall Beach HTA to utilize their polar bear credits for the 2016-2017 harvest season. Upon review by QWB Executive during their conference call in December 2016, which included information provided by DoE's Polar Bear Technician, the following decisions have been made;

Qikiqtaaluk Wildlife Board decision was to support Hall Beach HTA's request to obtain additional 6 polar bear tags from their Gulf of Boothia credits

If you have any questions please feel free to contact our QWB staff; Jason Mikki, Regional Coordinator – 928-8430, email: nqwb@niws.ca

Sincerely,

James Qillaq, Chairman Qikiqtaaluk Wildlife Board



24 October 2016

James Qillaq Chairman Qikiqtaaluk Wildlife Board Nunavut Inuit Wildlife Secretariat Hall Beach, Nunavut XOA 0K0

RE: REQUEST FROM NATTIVAK HUNTERS AND TRAPPERS ORGANIZATION TO DRAW TEN MALE POLAR BEAR CREDITS FROM THE BAFFIN BAY POLAR BEAR SUBPOPULATION TO BE USED IN THE 2016/2017 POLAR BEAR HARVEST SEASON

Dear Chairman Qillaq,

According to the letters and motion papers forwarded to the Polar Bear Harvest Lab on September 28, 2016, we are now aware that Nattivak HTO would like to utilize 10 male polar bear credits to be used during the 2016/2017 polar bear harvest season. It is the responsibility of the Polar Bear Harvest Lab to keep track of credits and historical harvest data. This letter is intended to provide you with current credit information for Nattivak HTO (with respect to the Baffin Bay polar bear subpopulation) and a brief summary of past harvest years.

Nattivak HTO currently has 51.19 male and 0 female polar bear credits available, which are sufficient to cover the request.

During the 2015/2016 harvest season Nattivak HTO harvested 18 bears with a sex ratio of 11 males and 7 females. This was 6 bears above the 2015/2016 TAH of 12 (7 males: 5 females). Seven defence of life or property kills (4 of which were female) were responsible for the overharvest. A second year of reduced TAH will follow in 2016/2017 with an allocation of 14 bears (9 males: 5 females).

In the 2014/2015 season, Nattivak HTO harvested under the full base allocation of 22 bears (15 males: 7 females). Although the total was under harvested by 2 bears, the total allowable harvest of females was exceeded by 4; all of which were regular hunts. This overharvest resulted in the reduction observed in 2015/2016.



In 2013/2014, Nattivak HTO harvested all 22 of the allocated 22 bears; under harvesting 2 females and utilizing 2 male credits at season's end.

If you require any additional information to aid your decision, please do not hesitate to contact myself (867 934 2184) or Markus Dyck (Polar Bear Biologist II 867 934 2181). Thank you and we look forward to hearing your decision on this matter.

Sincerely,

Mike Harte - Polar Bear Harvest Technician

CC: Executive Director, QWB, Jason Mikki
Chairperson, Nattivak HTO, Harry Alookie
Manager, Wildlife Research, Department of Environment L. Orman
Wildlife Biologist, Nunavut Wildlife Management Board, E. Keenan
Polar Bear Biologist II, Department of Environment, M. Dyck

Director, Wildlife, Department of Environment, D. Gissing



6 December 2016

J. Qillaq Chairman Qikiqtaaluk Wildlife Board (QWB) PO BOX 478 Iqaluit NU X0A 0H0

RE: REQUEST FROM HALL BEACH HTA TO DRAW SIX POLAR BEAR CREDITS FROM THE GULF OF BOOTHIA POLAR BEAR SUBPOPULATION TO BE USED IN THE 2016/2017 POLAR BEAR HARVEST SEASON

Dear Chairman Qillaq,

According to the letters and motion papers received by the Polar Bear Harvest Lab on November 23, 2016, we are now aware that Hall Beach HTA would like to utilize 4 male polar bear credits and 2 female polar bear credits, to be used during the 2016/2017 polar bear harvest season. It is the responsibility of the Polar Bear Harvest Lab to keep track of credits and historical harvest data. This letter is intended to provide you with current credit information for Hall Beach HTA (with respect to the Gulf of Boothia polar bear subpopulation) and a brief summary of past harvest years.

Hall Beach HTA currently has 4 male and 2 female polar bear credits available, which are sufficient to cover the request.

During the 2015/2016 harvest season Hall Beach HTA drew both one male and one female polar bear credit. This increased the TAH to 6 (4 male, 2 female) from 4 (3 male, 1 female). These credits remained unused with only 1 male and 1 female harvested. 3 male credits and 1 female credit were retained.

In the 2014/2015 season, Hall Beach HTA drew one male credit, increasing the TAH from 4 (3 male, 1 female) to 5 (4 male, 1 female). Only 2 males were harvested. Three male credits and 1 female credit were retained.

In 2013/2014, Hall Beach HTA drew two male credits and one female, increasing the TAH from 4 (3 male, 1 female) to 7 (5 male, 2 female). Four males and two females were harvested. One male credit was retained.



If you require any additional information to aid your decision please do not hesitate to contact myself (867 934 2184) or Markus Dyck (Polar Bear Biologist II 867 934 2181). Thank you and we look forward to hearing your decision on this matter.

Sincerely,

Mike Harte - Polar Bear Harvest Technician

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June 13, 2017

Daniel Shewchuk Acting Chairperson Nunavut Wildlife Management Board Box 1379 Iqaluit, NU X0A 0H0

RE: Polar bear credit requests from Hall Beach Hunters and Trappers Association and Nattivak (Qikiqtarjuaq) Hunters and Trappers Organization

Dear Mr. Shewchuk;

Thank you for your letter dated April 22, 2017 regarding the Nunavut Wildlife Management Board (NWMB) decision related to the use of polar bear credits by the Hall Beach Hunters and Trappers Association and Nattivak Hunters and Trappers Organization.

I hereby accept the NWMB decision to approve the credit request of ten (10) male polar bear credits for the 2016-2017 harvest season from the Baffin Bay sub-population. I will instruct my staff to implement the change and distribute additional tags to the Nattivak Hunters and Trappers Organization immediately.

I also hereby accept the NWMB decision to approve the credit request of four (4) male polar bear credits and two (2) female polar bear credits for the 2016-2017 harvest season from the Gulf of Boothia sub-population. I will instruct my staff to implement the change and distribute additional tags to the Hall Beach Hunters and Trappers Organization immediately.

The Department of Environment is aware that Nattivak Hunters and Trappers Organization (Qikiqtarjuaq) has seen Total Allowable Harvest reductions in past years



due to overharvest of female bears. My staff will provide information to Nattivak Hunters and Trappers Organization on the consequences of female overharvest, as the requested credits are male-only.

Sincerely,

Hon. Joe Savikataaq

Minister of Environment

Cc: James Qillaq - Chairperson, Qikiqtaaluq Wildlife Board

Chairperson, Hall Beach HTA, M. Naullaq Chairperson, Nattivak HTO, Harry Alookie



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