# NUNAVUT WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT BOARD

# **MINUTES: CONFERENCE CALL No. 29**

#### FRIDAY, 4 APRIL 1997

# **Participants:**

Ben Kovic Chairperson
David Aglukark Member
Kevin McCormick Member
David Igutsaq Member
Malachi Arreak Member

Jim Noble Executive Director
Michael d'Eça NWMB Legal Advisor

#### Not Available:

Gordon Koshinsky Member (with cause)
Meeka Mike Member (with cause)
Harry Flaherty Member (with cause)
Joannie Ikkidluak Member (with cause)

#### 1. Call to Order

The Chairperson, Ben Kovic, convened the Conference Call at 2:00 p.m.

## 2. Agenda

Jim Noble advised that the only item of agenda was the dispute with DIAND about the Contribution Agreement for 1997/98.

#### 3. Contribution Agreement with DIAND

Jim Noble provided an overview of concerns and negotiations with DIAND regarding the DIAND/NWMB Contribution Agreement for 1997/98. He noted that DIAND was proposing numerous changes to the Agreement vis-à-vis the previous year. Some of the proposed changes appear contrary to the Nunavut Land Claims Agreement.

Michael d'Eça reviewed his briefing note with the Board, citing those provisions of the Contribution Agreement as proposed by DIAND that were in dispute. Michael also provided a list of recommendations for the consideration of the Board.

After considering various options, the Board decided to write to NTI:

- Explaining the NWMB's concerns about the Contribution Agreement as proposed by DIAND, and seeking NTI support.
- Requesting that NTI write a strong letter to the Minister of DIAND outlining historical, legal and operational issues regarding this dispute.
- Requesting NTI to seek immediate interim financing for the NWMB, until the dispute can be resolved.
- Calling for speedy resolution to the matter.

It was also decided to copy the letter to the Member of Parliament for Nunavut. (Resolution 98 -001)

4.	Adjournment
The	e Conference Call was adjourned at 3:50 p.m.
Miı	nutes Approved by:

Date

Chairperson

## NUNAVUT WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT BOARD

**RESOLUTIONS:** CONFERENCE CALL No. 29

### 04 April 1997

#### Resolution 98-001

Resolved that the NWMB not sign the Contribution Agreement for 1997/98 as brought forward by DIAND; and,

That Nunavut Tunngavik Inc. (NTI) be formally briefed on this dispute; and,

That NTI be requested to write to the Minister of DIAND outlining the historical, legal and operational issues of this funding arrangement/agreement and requesting interim financing for the NWMB until the matter is resolved; and,

That a copy of the letter to NTI be sent to the Member of Parliament, Jack Anawak.

Moved by: Kevin McCormick Seconded by: Malachi Arreak

Carried Date: 04 April 1997