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TO:

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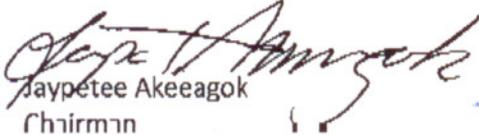
The Iviq Hunters and Trappers Organization (HTO) in Grise Fiord would like to request permission to be allowed to harvest musk ox within the current exclusion zone that surrounds Grise Fiord. We are aware that the proposed musk ox management plan will be eliminating the Total Allowable Harvest and season, as well as eliminating the exclusion zone that is currently around Grise Fiord. The Iviq HTO has expressed its support of this new musk ox management plan.

The Iviq HTO is wants to manage the musk ox population around Grise Fiord, and does not want to have unlimited harvest within the current exclusion zone. At our next annual general meeting we will be looking at developing bylaws to create self-imposed quotas to manage the population of musk ox in the current exclusion zone.

Over the past week we have had a herd of muskoxen near town, and have started to become a potential safety concern to both people and property. We think it would be more beneficial to have the community be able to harvest them rather than treat them as a problem.

We look forward to your reply.

Thank you for your consideration,


Jaypetee Akeeagok
Chairman
Iviq Hunter and Trappers Organization