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Porcupine Caribou Harvest Plan

I am writing to clarify the intent of the Government of the Northwest Territories regarding the May 14, 2009, letter from myself and Yukon Premier Fentie to the Porcupine Caribou Management Board.

The expectation from the Government of the Northwest Territories (GNWT) was that every effort would be made by all parties to have a Harvest Management Plan delivered to and reviewed by the Porcupine Caribou Management Board by the end of June 2009. Only if this cannot be completed would the GNWT consider the development of interim measures for conservation purposes. The GNWT has not set a timeline for when such measures would be completed nor have any interim measures been developed for consideration. To do so, the GNWT would follow processes laid out in NWT land claim agreements and work collaboratively with wildlife co-management boards as has been the practice.

I hope this clarifies matters for all members on the Board.

Sincerely,

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- c. Premier Dennis Fentie, Yukon Government
Mr. Frank Pokiak, Inuvialuit Game Council
Mr. Larry Carpenter, Chair, Wildlife Management Advisory Council (NT)
Mr. Richard Nerysoo, President, Gwich'in Tribal Council
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