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Housing Issues Discussed with Québec-Government Representatives

January 29, 2018 – Kuujuaq, Québec – Chairperson of the Kativik Regional Government (KRG), Jennifer Munick, KRG Executive Committee member and Mayor of the Northern Village of Kuujuaq, Tunu Napartuk, and President of the Kativik Municipal Housing Bureau (KMHB), Sammy Duncan, met in Kuujuaq yesterday afternoon with the Minister responsible for Consumer Protection and for Housing, Lise Thériault, the Minister responsible for Native Affairs, Geoffrey Kelley, and the MNA for Ungava, Jean Boucher. Housing issues were discussed, including mainly the Home Ownership and Renovation Program.

The Québec representatives were reminded that reactivation of the Home Ownership and Renovation Program was a condition of regional approval of the interim rent scale that took effect in July 2017. Action is needed on the part of the government to make available adequate funding in the short term and, in the medium term, to push ahead with important improvements to the Program to make homeownership more accessible to Nunavimmiut who can afford and are looking for alternatives to social housing. Increased home ownership is one avenue for mitigating the region's housing shortage.

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