



## **Return to Written Question**

**Asked by: John Main, MLA**

**Asked of: Hon. Paul Quassa, MLA  
Premier**

**Number: 010-5(2)**

**Date: April 10, 2018**

**Subject: 2018 Northern Lights Conference and Trade Show**

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### **Question:**

- 1) With respect to the 2018 Northern Lights Conference and Trade Show that was the subject of Minister's Statement 4 – 5(1):
  - a. Which members of the Executive Council, within the meaning of section 60 of the *Legislative Assembly and Executive Council Act*, attended the 2018 Northern Lights Conference and Trade Show in an official capacity on behalf of the Government of Nunavut?

Members of the Executive Council within the meaning of section 60 of the *Legislative Assembly and Executive Council Act* who attended the 2018 Northern Lights Conference and Trade Show included:

- Premier Paul Quassa
- Joe Savikataaq, Deputy Premier/ Min. Family Services
- Pat Angnakak, Min. Health
- David Joanase, Min. Education
- David Akeeagok, Min. Finance
- Lorne Kusugak, Min. CGS
- Jeannie Ehaloak, Min. Justice
- Elisapee Sheutiapik, Min. ED&T and Environment

- b. Which members of the Nunavut Public Service, within the meaning of section 2 of the *Public Service Act*, attended the 2018 Northern Lights Conference and Trade Show in an official capacity on behalf of the Government of Nunavut?

Members of the Nunavut Public Service, within the meaning of section 2 of the *Public Service Act*, who attended the 2018 Northern Lights Conference and Trade Show included:

- Virginia Mearns, Assoc. DM, EIA
- Aurian Stark, Assist. DM, EIA
- Anna Fowler, Director Intergovernmental Relations, EIA
- Tracy Kyak, Intergovernmental Affairs Advisor, EIA
- Elaine Lloyd, Circumpolar Affairs Advisor, EIA
- Cate MacLeod, Director Communications, EIA
- Seporah Medwig, Communications Officers, EIA
- Jonah Oolayou, Office Manager, EIA
- Jeff Chown, DM Finance
- Dan Carlson, ADM Finance
- Jo-Ann Falkiner, Director Corporate Policy, Finance
- Janet Hodder, Director, Staffing, Finance
- Maureen Dickenson, Manager Recruitment and Staffing, Finance
- Vikki Hainnu, Senior Policy Analyst – HR, Finance
- Louise Flaherty, DM CH
- Alex Stubbing, Director CH
- Krista Zawadski, Curator of Inuit Art, CH
- Colleen Stockley, DM Health
- Lori Kimball, DM, CGS
- Paul Mulak, Director, Capital Projects, CGS
- Mark McCulloch, Sr. Manager Procurement, CGS
- Eiryn Devereaux, ADM, CGS
- Holly Cooper, HR Manager, CGS
- Timothy Brown, Director Community Infrastructure, CGS
- William Westwell, Sr. Manager Municipal Planning, CGS
- Dean Wells, CCIO, CGS
- Martin Joy, Director ICT, CGS
- Natasha Campbell, IT Business Operations Coordinator, CGS
- Bonnie Tsang, Divisional Administrative Assistant Coordinator, CGS
- Samantha Gardener, Acting Supervisor Call Centre, CGS
- Nicholas Blachford, Media and Graphic Design Officer, CGS
- Jean Francois Bouchard, Project Manager, CGS
- Wayne Gregory, Regional Informatics Service Manager, CGS
- Pujjuut Kusugak, DM, Education

- Janelle Kennedy, Acting Director, Fisheries and Sealing, ENV
- Rowenda Masoka, Climate Change Public Awareness Specialist, ENV
- Rita Kisa, Sponsorship, ENV

- c. Which persons, within the meaning of Schedule A and Schedule B of the *Public Service Act*, attended the 2018 Northern Lights Conference and Trade Show in an official capacity on behalf of the Government of Nunavut?

Persons, within the meaning of Schedule A and Schedule B of the *Public Service Act*, who attended the 2018 Northern Lights Conference and Trade Show were:

- Jeela Palluq-Cloutier, Executive Director IUT, CH
- Solomon Awa, Manager for Language Marketing IUT, CH
- Karliin Aariak, Terminiologist/Researcher IUT
- Stephen Hooey, COO, NHC
- Jukeepa Hainnu, President Piqqusilirivvik, NAC
- Shari Gearhead, Manager, Curriculum Development, NAC

- d. Which ministerial staff, within the meaning of subsection 2(4) of the *Public Service Act*, attended the 2018 Northern Lights Conference and Trade Show in an official capacity on behalf of the Government of Nunavut?

Ministerial staff, within the meaning of subsection 2(4) of the *Public Service Act*, who attended the 2018 Northern Lights Conference and Trade Show on behalf of the Government of Nunavut were:

- Joe Kunuk, Principal Secretary
- Richard Paton, Executive Assistant
- Hillary Casey, Press Secretary
- Ronald Elliott, EA to Min. Savikataaq
- Matthew Bowler, EA to Min. Angnakak
- Rebecca Mearns, EA to Min. Joanasiq
- Teresa Hughes, EA to Min. Akeeagok
- Michael Courtney, EA to Min. Kusugak
- Nicole Camphaug, EA to Min. Ehaloak
- Steven Baillie, EA to Min. Sheutiapik

- e. Which other persons attended the 2018 Northern Lights Conference and Trade Show in an official capacity on behalf of the Government of Nunavut?

Other persons who attended the 2018 Northern Lights Conference and Trade Show in an official capacity on behalf of the Government of Nunavut were:

- Nellie Kusugak, Commissioner of Nunavut

- f. Which other persons attended the 2018 Northern Lights Conference and Trade Show as an official partner to persons referenced in questions 1(a), (b), (c), (d), and (e)?

Other persons who attended the 2018 Northern Lights Conference and Trade Show as an official partner to person referenced in questions 1 (a), (b), (c), (d), and (e) were:

- Elisapee Quassa, Spouse of Premier

- g. With respect to each person referred to in questions 1(a), (b), (c), (d), (e), and (f), what expenditures were incurred in relation to their attendance at the 2018 Northern Lights Conference and Trade Show in each of the following categories:

- I. Airfare and/or aircraft charter expenses;
- II. Accommodation expenses;
- III. Per diems and other personal allowances;
- IV. Registration fees; and
- V. Other expenses?

With respect to each person referred to in questions 1(a), (b), (c), (d), (e), and (f), the following expenditures were incurred in relation to their attendance at the 2018 Northern Lights Conference and Trade Show in each of the following categories:

- I. Airfare and/or aircraft charter expenses;  
\$137,236.51
- II. Accommodation expenses;  
\$61,318.74
- III. Per diems and other personal allowances;  
\$32,683.89
- IV. Registration fees; and  
\$66,253.30 (Conference and Trade Show, Gala, Luncheon fees)
- V. Other expenses?  
\$87,554.25

- h. With respect to each person referenced in question 1(a), what was his or her official event participation schedule in relation to the 2018 Northern Lights Conference and Trade Show?

Official participation of each person referenced in questions 1(a) was:

**Premier Paul Quassa:**

Jan 31, 2018

- Northern Lights Opening Luncheon
- NTI Article 23 Panel with Federal Minister Carolyn Bennett, NTI President Aluki Kotierk
- Arctic Inspiration Ceremony

February 1, 2018

- Bilateral Meeting with NT Premier Bob McLeod
- Meeting with KivIA with Min. Sheutiapik
- Northern Mining Development Conference Session
- Premier Quassa Keynote Luncheon
- Recognition in the Parliamentary Gallery
- Bilateral Meeting with Carolyn Bennett
- QC Hospitality event

February 2, 2018

- Bilateral meeting with Greenland Minister Suka Frederiksen
- Meeting with Pikialasorsuaq Commission with Eva Aariak and Okalik Egeesik
- Northern Mining Development Conference Session
- Northern Premiers Luncheon with Premier McLeod and Premier Silver
- Arts and Cultural Pavillion and Trade Show
- Nunavut Night in Ottawa – Host

February 3, 2018

- Premier Team breakfast and briefing with Departmental Officials
- Leaders of the Northern American Arctic – Private meeting with Premier McLeod, Premier Silver, Min. Frederiksen, Lieutenant Governor Mallot
- Education and Training Workforce Development for Indigenous Communities Conference Session
- Luncheon with Keynote Speaker Premier Ball
- Northern Lights Gala

February 5, 2018

- Bilateral meeting with ITK President Natan Obed
- Yukon days Reception with Premier McLeod and Premier Silver

**Joe Savikataaq**

February 1, 2018

- CGS met with KIA officials
- Remainder of week was spent on one off meetings while attending sessions, panel discussion or the tradeshow itself

## **Pat Angnakak**

### January 31, 2018

- Afternoon met with Minister, EA and Executive Director (Judy Plourde) of OSHNI (Case management for health care in Ottawa). Also met with case managers and clerk, interpreters at OSHNI

### February 1, 2018

- Met with Pauktuutit Women of Canada
- Luncheon with Premier Quassa as Guest Speaker
- Meeting with Federal Minister Philpott and staff

### February 2, 2018

- Attended sessions at the Trade Show in the morning – Northern Food Security, Mining Development
- Met with Health Canada officials (GN Dept. officials joined by teleconference)
- Nunavut Night

## **David Joanasie**

### January 31, 2018

- Luncheon – Keynote Min. Carolyn Bennett
- NTI/FED/NU Special Panel Meetings on Parliament Hill Commonwealth Room
- Pan Discussion with NTI President Aluki Kotierk, Min. Bennett, Premier Quassa

### February 1, 2018

- Premiers Keynote during the Northern Lights Luncheon
- Meeting with Vice President of the Canadian Museum of Nature and tour of NU Collections stored at CMN (with DM of Culture and Heritage)

### February 2, 2018

- Breakfast – Keynote speaker Natan Obed, President of ITK
- Meeting with President of ITK Natan Obed and DM of Education, Pujjuut Kusugak
- Joined DM of Nunavut Culture and Heritage in meeting with Directors from Parks Canada, Archaeology & History Branch and Director of Indigenous Relations and Regulatory Affairs from the Office of the Minister of Environment
- Visit to NS – Presentation to students and attended the announcement of the NS Student Residence
- Makigiaqta Inuit Training Corp. workshop at the Northern Lights Conference

### February 3, 2018

- Conference Session – Education & Training, Workforce Development for Indigenous Communities

**David Akeagok** (dates not provided)

- Meeting with Federal Minister of Finance, Bill Morneau, for introductory meeting as well as to discuss various issues including carbon tax.
- Meeting with Auditor General, Mike Ferguson, for introductory meeting
- Joint meeting with Health and several Inuit Org officials to discuss partnerships on elders care

**Lorne Kusugak** (dates not provided)

- Meetings with KivIA and President of Agnico Eagle
- Spent time with CGS staff at Trade Show
- Meeting with business entities operating in Nunavut
- 3 meetings requested with Fed colleagues (infrastructure, local government, CMHC) – not held due to scheduling conflicts

**Jeannie Ehaloak**

January 31, 2018

- Arctic Inspiration Prize Awards Ceremony

February 1, 2018

- Luncheon with keynote speech by Premier Quassa

February 2, 2018 (confirm date – either Feb 2 or 3)

- Luncheon with keynote speech by Senator Charlie Watt

February 3, 2018

- Gala Dinner and Closing Ceremonies

**Elisapee Sheutiapik**

January 30, 2018

- Meetings with CanNor, SSI Micro, ISED, Northwestel, Telesat, NRG, Xplornet
- FPT Transportation Meeting
- Meeting with DM of Natural Resources

January 31, 2018

- Meetings with Agnico Eagle Mines, Global Affairs, Ccore-NL
- Meet and greet with NL Delegates, Nvision Insight and Nunavut Sivuniksavut

February 1, 2018

- Meetings with KIA, Nvision

February 2, 2018

- Meetings with ISED, Winnipeg Art Gallery, Kivalliq based CEDO's, NWT and NU Chamber of Mines
- Nunavut Night

- i. What specific sponsorship activities, expenditures, grants, and contributions did the Government of Nunavut undertake and/or provide in relation to the 2018 Northern Lights Conference and Trade Show?

Specific sponsorship activities, expenditures, grants and contributions that the Government of Nunavut undertook and/or provided in relation to the 2018 Northern Lights Conference and Trade show included:

The Dept. of EDT approved the recommended contribution of \$166,650 to Baffin Regional Chamber of Commerce (BRCC) through the Strategic Investment Program (SIP), eligible under SIP (NEFF) Schedule B. EDT also provided \$25,000 in sponsorship to BRCC for the Northern Lights Conference and Trade Show.

- j. What were the total aggregate expenditures, including in-kind contributions and/or donations, incurred by the Government of Nunavut in relation to the 2018 Northern Lights Conference and Trade Show?

The total aggregate expenditures, including in-kind contributions and/or donations, incurred by the Government of Nunavut in relation to the 2018 Northern Lights Conference and Trade Show were \$385,046.69.

- k. What contributions, including in-kind contributions, did the Government of Nunavut receive from third parties in relation to its participation in the 2018 Northern Lights Conference and Trade Show?

The Government of Nunavut did not receive contributions, including in-kind contributions, from third parties in relation to its participation in the 2018 Northern Lights Conference and Trade Show.