



REPORT RESPECTING BENEFITS PAID

TO MINISTERS

UNDER THE

MINISTERIAL BENEFITS POLICIES

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING

31 MARCH 2020

The Legislative Assembly and Executive Council Act, S.Nu. 2002, c.5,

36. (2) Annual report by Premier

The Premier shall, during each fiscal year, cause a report to be laid before the Legislative Assembly

(a) setting out any policies made under subsection 33.1 (2) in the previous fiscal year; and

(b) showing the amounts paid pursuant to a policy made under subsection 33.1(2), by way of allowance, expense or benefit during the previous fiscal year to each person who have been a member of the Executive Council during that Fiscal year.

No policies were made under subsection 33.1 (2) in fiscal year 2019-2020.

Section 3.2 (1) of the Ministerial Benefits Policy, Reimbursement for Costs of Temporary Accommodation in Iqaluit (6) provides:

“Ministers who continue to maintain a primary residence in a community other than Iqaluit (including Apex) during the period of their appointment to Cabinet as affirmed by the completion of the Declaration of Residency form, are eligible to claim reimbursement for costs incurred as a result of maintaining a residence in Iqaluit. These include the costs of rent, heat, electricity and utilities for the temporary accommodation that they occupy in Iqaluit, less the rent, if any, received from their primary residence.”

The following benefits were paid under this policy in the fiscal year ending 31 March 2020:

Member	Total Benefits Paid 2019-20	Total Benefits Paid 2018-19
Hon. Paul Quassa	N/A	\$30,127.22
Hon. Joe Savikataaq	\$65,438.40	\$73,231.14
Hon. Patterk Netser	\$57,352.46	\$23,567.52
Hon. Jeannie Ehaloak	\$38,911.81	\$38,100.00
Hon. Lorne Kusugak	\$67,319.85	\$66,756.17
Hon. Elisapee Sheutiapik	N/A	N/A
Hon. George Hickers	N/A	N/A
Hon. David Joanasi	N/A	N/A
Hon. David Akeagok	N/A	N/A
TOTAL	\$229,022.52	\$231,782.05

Section 5.4 (1) of the Ministerial Benefits Policy, Home Travel (10) provides that:

“Ministers who represent a non-Iqaluit constituency, and relocate to Iqaluit, may claim Home Travel Expenses for themselves, their spouse and dependent children for personal trips between their electoral district and Iqaluit.”

Member	Total Benefits Paid 2019-20	Total Benefits Paid 2018-19
Hon. Joe Savikataaq	\$28,812.11	\$28,904.06
Hon. Patterk Netser	\$36,792.79	\$42,004.29
Hon. Jeannie Ehaloak	\$6,531.71	\$26,337.26
Hon. Lorne Kusugak	\$45,152.67	\$43,815.75
Hon. Elisapee Sheutiapik	N/A	N/A
Hon. George Hicke	N/A	N/A
Hon. David Joanase	N/A	N/A
Hon. David Akeeagok	N/A	N/A
TOTAL	\$117,289.28	\$141,061.36

Breakdown of Ministers home travel for fiscal year April 1, 2019 – March 31, 2020

Member	Home Travel	Total	Dependents	Total
	# of trips		travel	
			# of trips	
Hon. Joe Savikataaq	8	\$16,556.91	6	\$12,255.20
Hon. Lorne Kusugak	9	\$18,337.84	13	\$26,814.83
Hon. Patterk Netser	11	\$20,912.34	10	\$15,880.45
Hon. Jeannie Ehaloak	5	\$6,531.71	0	\$0

Section 2.3 (2) of the Ministerial Benefits Policy, Reimbursement for Costs of Establishing, Maintaining and Dissolving Blind Trusts (22) provides that:

“Ministers may be reimbursed for reasonable fees and disbursements incurred in establishing, maintaining and dissolving blind trusts determined to be necessary by the Integrity Commissioner. Spouses and dependent children may not claim reimbursement.”

No Ministers have entered into a blind trust arrangement in 2019/20 Fiscal Year.

Ministerial Benefits for Employer Paid Benefits, provided Ministers with:

Employer's share of Public Service Health Care Plan, Long-Term Disability and Public Service Management Insurance Plan paid in the fiscal year ending 31 March 2020 totaled:

Member	Total Premiums Paid by the GN 2019-20	Total Premiums Paid by the GN 2018-19
Hon. Joe Savikataaq	N/A*	N/A*
Hon. Patterk Netser	N/A*	N/A*
Hon. Jeannie Ehaloak	N/A*	N/A*
Hon. Lorne Kusugak	N/A*	N/A*
Hon. Elisapee Sheutiapik	N/A*	N/A*
Hon. George Hickes	N/A*	N/A*
Hon. David Joanasi	N/A*	N/A*
Hon. David Akeeagok	N/A*	N/A*
TOTAL	N/A*	Total Premiums Paid by the GN 2019-20

*Employer paid benefits are now paid within the Legislative Assembly budget

Section 5.3 (2) of the Ministerial Benefits Policy, Spousal Travel (11) provides that Ministers:

“Upon prior approval of the Premier, Ministers may invite their spouse to travel with them at government expense on scheduled flights provided the purpose of such travel meets the following criteria:

- a. Attendance by the Minister is required or expected in the usual performance of his/her Executive or portfolio responsibilities; and
- b. Protocol dictates that a spouse accompanies the Minister.”

Member	Total Benefits Paid 2019-20	Total Benefits Paid 2018-19
Hon. Paul Quassa	N/A	N/A
Hon. Joe Savikataaq	N/A	N/A
Hon. Patterk Netser	N/A	N/A
Hon. Jeannie Ehaloak	N/A	N/A
Hon. Lorne Kusugak	N/A	N/A

Hon. Elisapee Sheutiapik	N/A	N/A
Hon. George Hickers	N/A	N/A
Hon. David Joanase	N/A	N/A
Hon. David Akeeagok	N/A	N/A
Total	\$0	\$0

Ministerial Entertainment Allowance (13) payments were made in the following amounts for the year ending 31 March 2020:

Member	Total Benefits Paid 2019-20	Total Benefits Paid 2018-19
Hon. Paul Quassa	N/A	\$1,500.00
Hon. Joe Savikataaq	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
Hon. David Akeeagok	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
Hon. Jeannie Ehaloak	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
Hon. George Hickers	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
Hon. David Joanase	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
Hon. Lorne Kusugak	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
Hon. Patterk Netser	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
Hon. Elisapee Sheutiapik	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
TOTAL	\$12,000.00	\$13,500.00