

Inuit Tapiriit Kanatami
Board of Directors Meeting



Date: March 23, 2020
Location: Teleconference

BY EMAIL:

Resolution #: B20-03-01
Resolution Title: COVID-19 Economic Response Plan Inuit Allocations

WHEREAS the World Health Organization has declared the rapidly spreading COVID-19 as a pandemic;

WHEREAS due to geographic isolation and inequities in social determinants of health, the ITK Board is deeply concerned that Inuit will be disproportionately impacted by COVID-19;

WHEREAS COVID-19 is also already affecting Inuit and Inuit organizations, exacerbating challenges in relation to poverty, food security, education, employment, transportation, and Inuit business sustainability, among others;

WHEREAS the Government of Canada announced a \$305M Indigenous Community Support Fund as part of Canada’s COVID-19 Economic Response Plan; and,

WHEREAS \$45M of this Plan will be allocated to Inuit and is intended to support Inuit across Canada;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the funding flow directly from the Government of Canada to each of the four Inuit regions;

AND THAT, in accordance with the general regional allocation funding formula agreed to by the Board of Directors in December 2019, \$5,850,000 be provided to the Inuvialuit Regional Corporation, \$22,545,000 be provided to Nunavut Tunngavik Incorporated, \$11,250,000 be provided to Makivik Corporation, and \$5,355,000 be provided to the Nunatsiavut Government;

AND THAT the funds provided to each land claim region will be used to support their respective beneficiaries throughout Canada, including outside Inuit Nunangat;

AND THAT the ITK Board strongly encourages the Government of Canada to flow funding as soon as possible given the urgency of the pandemic.

Carried Unanimously.