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GN and NTI achieve another milestone in cooperation through signing of new Partnership Declaration

Cambridge Bay, Nunavut (March 25, 2022) – Today, Nunavut Premier P.J. Akeeagok and Nunavut Tunngavik Inc. (NTI) President Aluki Kotierk signed a declaration to formalize the working relationship between the Government of Nunavut (GN) and NTI through the creation of the Nunavut Partnership Committee.

“I am pleased to take another step towards our ongoing efforts to strengthen the Government of Nunavut’s working relations with NTI,” says Premier Akeeagok. “This partnership declaration follows this week’s release of the Katujjiluta Mandate, which was developed in collaboration with Nunavut’s Inuit Organizations. I know that working together, we have the joint resolve and resources to tackle Nunavut’s historic inequities and to make our territory a better place for all Nunavummiut.”

Building on the Katujjiqatigiinniq Protocol, the creation of the Nunavut Partnership Committee (NPC) is an important step toward advancing shared interests for Inuit and Nunavummiut through collaborative action.

“The *Nunavut Agreement* created Nunavut as a place for Inuit economic, social and cultural well-being,” says Aluki Kotierk, President of NTI. “This declaration will see us working towards this vision with determination and coordination. We are better and will achieve more together.”

The overarching goal of this partnership is to foster Inuit prosperity. It will do so by identifying solutions, providing guidance, and addressing challenges. It is structured to ensure success through a unified approach that is based on partnership and accountability.

The GN and NTI have previously collaborated on the Clyde River Protocol in 1999, Iqqaanaijaqatigiit in 2004, Aajiiqatigiinniq in 2011, and the Katujjiqatigiinniq Protocol in 2020 to ensure positive working relationships between both parties.

The Nunavut Partnership Declaration is available online at www.tunngavik.com.

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