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Bridget Larocque Executive Director Gwich'in Council International P.O. Box 3106 Inuvik, NWT X0E 0T0

Dear Ms. Larocque,

Thank you for your invitation to the Young Leader's Summit on Northern Climate Change. I appreciate your invitation but unfortunately, due to my summer schedule I am unable to accept your gracious offer.

Nunavut has embarked on several projects in an attempt to meet the challenges posed by climate change. We have been developing an adaptation strategy to prepare communities for what might happen in the future. This involves a broad spectrum of study from the social sciences to engineering to wildlife management.

Nunavut will do what it can to contribute to Canada's efforts to deal with possible climate change and reduce our environmental footprint,

I extend my best wishes for a successful and productive meeting.

Sincerely,

Eva Aariak

Premier of Nunavut

cc: Hon. Daniel Shewchuk, Minister of Environment,

