



## VERDICT OF CORONER'S JURY

AS A RESULT OF AN INQUEST INTO THE DEATH OF SOLOMON UYARASUK

HELD ON NOVEMBER 24, 2014, NOVEMBER 25, 2014, NOVEMBER 26, 2014, NOVEMBER 27, 2014, NOVEMBER 28, 2014 . AT THE HAMLET OF IGLOOLIK IN NUNAVUT

THE JURORS HAVE CONSIDERED THE EVIDENCE AND MAKE THE FOLLOWING

### DETERMINATIONS:

1. IDENTITY OF DECEASED: SOLOMON UYARASUK
2. DATE AND TIME OF DEATH: SEPTEMBER 23, 2012 AROUND 6:30 A.M.
3. PLACE OF DEATH: RCMP DETACHMENT IN CELL #1
4. CAUSE OF DEATH: ASPHIXIATED HANGING
5. MANNER OF DEATH: MAJORITY VOTE UNDETERMINED
6. CIRCUMSTANCES UNDER WHICH DEATH OCCURRED: DISTURBANCE CALL TO 402C, SOLOMON AND THE OTHER OCCUPANT OF THE RESIDENCE WERE INTOXICATED AND SOLOMON WAS EVENTUALLY ARRESTED FOR ASSAULTING THE OTHER OCCUPANT AND SOLOMON WAS TAKEN TO THE RCMP DETACHMENT TO CELL #1 WHERE HE WAS LATER FOUND HANGING WITH A BELT AROUND HIS NECK.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF JURY: ( SEE ATTACHED)

DATED AT IGLOOLIK, NUNAVUT ON NOVEMBER 28, 2014.

NAMES OF ALL JURORS:

SIGNATURES OF ALL JURORS:

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### RECOMMENDATIONS OF JURY:

- 1) Never leave a prisoner unattended.
- 2) We recommend that RCMP immediately take steps to install video surveillance cameras in all RCMP vehicles, detachments, cells and on RCMP officers on duty in Nunavut and maintain a data base and electronically store the images record.
- 3) We recommend that GN medical staff adhere to the Policy of seeing injured patients in the custody of the RCMP only in designated health centre or hospital in Nunavut.
- 4) Implement the use of IQ principals training to all RCMP staff in Nunavut
- 5) That the RCMP be issued with a service knife to the officer in uniform in ALL NUNAVUT detachment.
- 6) That the RCMP officer be provided orientation of Detachment and fill out check list of cell keys and emergency contact list, first aid kits.
- 7) That the RCMP detachments be inspected regularly of ALL Nunavut Detachment and insure deficiencies be fixed in a timely manner.
- 8) That the RCMP acquire hook knives in all RCMP cell block area.
- 9) Reopen the investigation to fill in the missing information.

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CORONER NUNAVUT