

VERDICT OF CORONER'S JURY

AS A RESULT OF AN INQUEST INTO THE DEATH OF HELD ON March 12th and 13th , 2012 AT Iquluit IN NUNAVUT

THE JURORS HAVE CONSIDERED THE EVIDENCE AND MAKE THE FOLLOWING

DETERMINATIONS:

- 1. IDENTITY OF DECEASED: Adamee Nutaralak
- 2. DATE AND TIME OF DEATH: December 09, 2009 between 6am-8am
- 2. PLACE OF DEATH: Old RCMP Building, Cell #9
- 3. CAUSE OF DEATH: Acute Ethanol Intoxication
- 4. MANNER OF DEATH: Accidental
- 5. CIRCUMSTANCES UNDER WHICH DEATH OCCURRED: Adamee Nutaralak was arrested mid day December 08, 2009 in the Northmart area under the liquor act. He was released later that day. At 12:30am, early morning, on December 09th, 2009 the RCMP received a call that advising Adamee was intoxicated and uttering threats to his common law spouse at 660. RCMP responded to the call, Adamee was arrested again and placed in the drunk tank, cell #9, Old RCMP Building. The guard heard Adamee snoring throughout the night and made a visual check every 15 minutes until approx. 7am. Adamee was found unresponsive at 8:17am. Sergeant determined that Adamee was dead. The ambulance was called and responded with minutes and worked to revive Adamee. It was later discovered that in the short time that Adamee was released from prison he chugged a large portion of a 60oz bottle of Vodka.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF JURY: (SEE ATTACHED)

DATED AT <u>IQALUIT</u> ON March 13th 2012.

NAMES OF ALL JURORS:

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RECOMMENDATIONS OF JURY:

- RCMP shall obtain an external review of their policies and procedures regarding the assessment of intoxicated individuals and how they are monitored within the cells.
- 2) RCMP Officers should be provided a device, such as a breathalyzer, to determine an individual's blood alcohol level. This would assist in determining if an individual should go to the cell or hospital, reducing the liability of RCMP Officers and the risk for prisoners.
- 3) The Guards should check immates for verbal responsiveness every hour. The guard should record this in the log. If the guard is unable to receive a verbal response from an immate an officer should be notified immediately.

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