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Catherine Carry  
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Dear Ms. Carry,

**Re: "Sanavallianiq Isumagijaujunut – Building for Dreams"**

For some years now the Archives Council of Nunavut (ACN) has been very concerned with state of preservation of archival materials within Nunavut. There has been particular concern for film and video footage held in different facilities which is so important to the preservation of Inuit history and culture, a society known for its use of oral and visual methods of passing on knowledge from one generation to the next.

During a tour of IBC's current film and video storage facility, ACN members were extremely concerned to view such an amazing collection of valuable information open to rapid deterioration. We know that IBC staff do their very best at this time with what is available to them but without a proper facility, migration of film to more modern carriers, controlled humidity, fire safe containers and proper documentation, much of this information could soon be lost for ever.

The Archives Council of Nunavut is in full support of the campaign by the Inuit Broadcasting Corporation to build a New Media Arts Centre and especially one housing a dedicated area for Inuit Film and Video Archives. It is of utmost importance to Nunavut as a Territory and the preservation of Inuit knowledge that this Media Preservation Centre is

built and in operation as soon as possible. Nunavut deserves to be known world wide and a modern, well run media facility is one of the best ways to promote the territories past and future. Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Philippa Ootoowak". The signature is written in a cursive style and is underlined with a single horizontal line.

Philippa Ootoowak, Vice-President, Archives Council of Nunavut

cc. Renee Krucas, President, ACN