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Minister Sandy Lee
Department of Health and Social Services
Government of the NWT
Yellowknife, NT

Re: Allisdair Leishman

Dear Minister Lee,

The purpose of this letter is to lend support to DFN member Margaret Leishman in her efforts to have her son Allisdair Leishman receive the continued care that he requires at the Halvar Johnson Center.

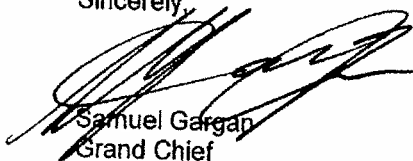
The information that we have received indicates that Allisdair will be release months earlier than anticipated from the Halvar Johnson Center. With the level of care provided at the Halvar Johnson Center we concur with Margaret that this is the best placement for Allisdair Leishman.

Considering the nature of the events that led to Allisdair' condition we do not feel that a placement at Stanton is appropriate at this time and that full consideration be given to continued care at the Halvar Johnson Center.

Further to this matter there is the issue of the request for a full inquiry and investigation into the events of November 4, 2009. To ensure unbiased and independent opinions it is critical that Stanton Health Authority is not conducting its own investigation. Please provide an update as to the status of this process and investigation.

I look forward to a timely response.

Sincerely,



Samuel Gagan
Grand Chief
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c.c Margaret Leishman