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Oral Question 730-19(2): Flood Recovery

This letter is in follow up to the Oral Question you raised in the Legislative Assembly on May 31, 2021, regarding flood recovery efforts.

As Minister Chinna stated in her initial response to the Legislative Assembly, the primary focus of recovery efforts is to assess damaged structures to better understand the extent of repairs that may be required.

In the immediate aftermath of the flood, the GNWT arranged for temporary accommodation for those residents who could not return to their homes; some of these arrangements are still in place. The GNWT also provided lanterns, food hampers, cots, and other supplies at the request of communities.

Most recently, the GNWT established the Emergency Disaster Assistance Advance Program, to provide immediate assistance to community governments, residents and small businesses to help them respond to the recent disaster events due to the 2021 spring flooding.

We are aware of how difficult this time is for people, and, in addition to the information on the GNWT website, MACA and other GNWT departments are working hard to provide additional information, advice and support.

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