


Statutory Declaration

I,  Puvirnituk
(Name, first name, address, birth date)

I do solemnly declare that

Q 1 : What services do you want to speak about ?

R 1 : I want to talk about the correctional officers, the police and the security guards.

In the Amos detention, the younger correctional agents don't respect the Inuit inmates as much as the older ones. They don't give us board games, video games, weights, like the other sectors have. They treat us differently. In the Inuit sector there are less and less activities. It is the same here in St-Jerome.

Q 2 : Do you feel discriminated ?

R 2 : Sometimes ! They call us Took took or « Les hostis de Took took » They say things like, « They don't need money, why are they trying to go to school? » We just want to pass the time and do activities. It is stressful being cooped up all day in the same wing. We want to go out and do activities.


They also give us (Inuits) second-hand material and give the new stuff to other sectors (non inuit).

The Inuit commissioners and the Makivik school board send money for the inmates for material (TV, washing machines, cooking stuff) and activities (games, video games, etc.) and we don't know where the money goes. The guards give the new stuff to other sectors and in our wing we have no games or video games.

Besides, we always do recycling of the pop cans but even if we asked and sent many memos for games, we never got them in our wing. Since you came here the last time, we have seen a difference, they have given us board games (Yatzee, Chess, scrabble).

Q 3 : 

Declarer signature _____

Declared before me,  _____

at VD. on 2018-04-10

R 3 :

Concerning the 6 detention cells in PUV, there are no radios or TV, they never clean them, they are very dirty, the toilet bowls are black. In the showers there is only cold water and we have one shower a week or just before leaving, on your last day. Often the water faucets don't work in the cells.

There is one guard who is bad, I think he is racist. His name is Abdel, he is a teacher in PUV. He doesn't give us anything to drink. Often we are told that Inuit people are all drunks, they laugh about us and sometimes I feel humiliated. For a long time I thought that those behaviours were normal, but it is not normal.

Q 4 : Do you wish to testify to the commission ?

R 4 : I don't mind. You could talk for me because I don't know where I will be at that time.

Content of the present statutory declaration reread to [redacted] who's confirming us that its contents completely correspond to what he has told us on the 4th of December 2017.

x 
Enquêteur

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Déclarant