

**Consideration in Committee of the Whole of Bills and Other Matters  
Capital Budget—Dept. of Industry, Tourism and Investment  
Northern Frontiers Visitors Centre**

**September 26, 2017**

**MS. GREEN:** Thank you, Mr. Chair. Mr. Chair, I would like to ask a couple of questions about the Northern Frontier Visitors Centre. Given the fact that the Northern Frontier Visitors Association is planning to stop operations at the end of this month, I am wondering who is going to assume ownership of the Northern Frontier Visitors Centre. Thank you.

**CHAIRPERSON (Mr. Simpson):** Thank you, Ms. Green. Minister.

**HON. WALLY SCHUMANN:** Thank you, Mr. Chair. The Northern Frontier Visitors Centre has asked about returning this asset back to the Government of Northwest Territories, and they are in discussions with the Department of Infrastructure on it. Thank you, Mr. Chair.

**CHAIRPERSON (Mr. Simpson):** Thank you, Minister. Ms. Green.

**MS. GREEN:** Thank you, Mr. Chair. Would there be any exchange of money? Would the government be buying the centre from the Northern Frontier Visitors Association, or would it be a deal for a dollar? Thank you.

**CHAIRPERSON (Mr. Simpson):** Thank you, Ms. Green. Minister.

**HON. WALLY SCHUMANN:** Thank you, Mr. Chair. I do not believe there will be an exchange of money, but I can look into the details and get back to the Member on that. Thank you, Mr. Chair.

**CHAIRPERSON (Mr. Simpson):** Thank you, Minister. Ms. Green.

**MS. GREEN:** Thank you, Mr. Chair. Once the GNWT assumes ownership of the building, what do they plan to do with it? Thank you.

**CHAIRPERSON (Mr. Simpson):** Thank you, Ms. Green. Minister.

**HON. WALLY SCHUMANN:** Thank you, Mr. Chair. The Department of Infrastructure will be doing an assessment of that building once it comes back into our possession and see what opportunities lie, if it has to be abated and disassembled and gotten rid of, or if there is a possibility of maybe taking a part of the building off and repatriating it in some other manner. Thank you, Mr. Chair.

**CHAIRPERSON (Mr. Simpson):** Thank you, Minister. Ms. Green.

**MS. GREEN:** Thank you, Mr. Chair. Could the Minister provide some timing around when the assessment will take place and when a decision will be made to either tear it down or salvage it? Thank you.

**CHAIRPERSON (Mr. Simpson):** Thank you, Ms. Green. Minister.

**HON. WALLY SCHUMANN:** Thank you, Mr. Chair. I will have to get back to the department and get that information for the Member. Thank you, Mr. Chair.

**CHAIRPERSON (Mr. Simpson):** Thank you, Minister. Ms. Green, anything further?

**MS. GREEN:** I just would like to point out that, in its current form, it is an eyesore. The sooner a decision can be made about what to do with it, I think, the better.