

LAND CLAIMS AGREEMENTS COALITION: MEMBER PROFILE

Government / Organization Name	Nunatsiavut Government
Head of Government / Organization	Jim Lyall, President
Description	<p>The Labrador Inuit Land Claim has been a long time in coming. Filed in 1977, negotiations toward its settlement began in 1988. After almost 13 years of hard work and discussion, the Labrador Inuit signed an Agreement-in-Principle with the Federal and Provincial Governments in June 2001. Ratification of the final agreement began in 2003. The agreement was finally placed before the Labrador Inuit on May 26, 2004 and the people voted overwhelmingly in support of the document.</p> <p>On December 1, 2005 the LILCA and the Labrador Inuit Constitution came into effect at the first Assembly of the Nunatsiavut Transitional Government, held in Nain, Labrador. The Agreement is protected as a treaty under the Canadian Constitution.</p> <p>The LILCA defines the relationship between the Labrador Inuit and their ancestral lands, in northern Labrador and north eastern Québec. It sets out details of land ownership, resource sharing, and self-government, and has paved the way for what has become the Nunatsiavut Government.</p>
Treaty / Land Claim Agreement	Labrador Inuit Land Claims Agreement
Signatories to the Agreement	Nunatsiavut Government, Government of Newfoundland & Labrador and the Government of Canada
Key Dates	December 1, 2005
Brief description of the region covered by claim	Northern Labrador
Total Land Area	Labrador Inuit Settlement Area (includes special land use rights) – 72,500 km ² land area and 48,690 km ² of sea Labrador Inuit Lands (owned by Nunatsiavut) - 15,800 km ²
# of Beneficiaries	Approximately 6500
Aboriginal group within the Land Claims Areas	Inuit
Aboriginal Languages Spoken	Inuktitut
Links to text of claim	http://www.ainc-inac.gc.ca/pr/agr/labi/index_e.html (<i>link to this</i>)
Links to claim	www.nunatsiavut.com

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