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**YUULU?IL?ATH? GOVERNMENT UPDATE ON COVID-19:  
FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR CITIZENS AGES 18 AND UP**

Good afternoon citizens,

On Friday, March 27, 2020, the Yuutu?it?ath Government legislature enacted our 65th Act – the Emergency Preparedness Act, which will allow the government to drawdown emergency measures as we navigate these uncertain times.

I pray that we all get through this and support our neighbours, friends, and family from a safe distance. The toll on people is real. We have all come a long way in our journey as First Nations and are resilient from our experiences of the past.

There is concern from citizens within Hitacu that there might be transfer of the virus if it does show up here from people that are not taking this seriously and acting as taxi to our citizens. People have to be aware of the potential risks with this kind of behaviour and limit the people in your vehicle to people that are from the same household in order to stop possible transfer of this virus!

The executive will consider our options on what we can do to limit outside exposure, which could limit access to the community by essential traffic only such as work, doctors appointment, groceries, and delivery from the local Co-op.

The executive approved a financial support for citizens who are age 18 and over in the amount of \$200 per citizen to immediately support them through the effects we are all feeling from the COVID-19 pandemic. Citizens are encouraged to fill out the attached form and email it to [communications@ufn.ca](mailto:communications@ufn.ca). You will be required to provide your banking information in order to receive the \$200 transfer.

I would like to acknowledge the citizens within hitacu that are taking this virus seriously and respect the two-metre distancing as well as the citizens that have taken the initiative to attend the gate and patrol hitacu 24 hours a day.

As we move forward things may change which may require further restrictions on travel depending on the spread of the virus. It is important for people to respect the two-metre distancing measure and respect the comfort zone of others. The anxiety that has set in for some people is real and should not become a joke. Let's all be bigger than this and give support by becoming the support shoulder remotely that someone needs to get through this.