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Students from Nunavik, Canada and around the world embark onto Arctic Expedition from Kuujjuaq Nunavik

August 6, 2010 Kuujjuaq, Quebec- Students on Ice Expeditions (SOI) and Makivik Corporation are delighted to announce and launch of the Arctic Expedition where eight Nunavik youth who have been selected from a pool of applications from across the region.

The students who are aged from 14 to 19 will embark on a 2 week journey exploring northern Nunavik and the eastern Baffin Island of Nunavut. Before they board the ship a day event is planned beginning at the Kuujjuaq Katittavik Town Hall where there will be an inaugural launch with speakers, cultural entertainment followed by a BBQ and a town tour.

This award winning organization, SOI, now in its 10th year of operation offers international, Canadian and Nunavik students unique educational expeditions to the Arctic and Antarctic. The goal is to provide students, educators and scientists inspiring educational opportunities at the ends of the Earth and, in doing so, help foster a new understanding and respect for the planet.

Makivik Corporation and it's subsidiary First Air who have been in partnership with SOI since 2007 is proud to introduce the eight youth from Nunavik who are sponsored for this expedition; Vicky Uqittuk of Kangiqsujaq, Jimmy Angatuk & Daniel Cain Annahatak of Tasiujaq, Larissa Annahatak, Eva Saunders & Eva Angatuk from Kuujjuaq and Tamusi Kenuajuaq of Puvirnituaq. Hannah Tooktoo of Kuujjuaq, will also be joining them, she is sponsored by the International Polar Year (IPY). They will go on board Cruise North's vessel *Lyubov Orlova* with 71 other students.

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