### TO EGRIP STEERING COMMITTEE MEMBERS, DANISH AND GREENLANDIC AUTHORITIES.

PROJECT EGRIP (C-16-5) – SITuation REPort (SITREP) no.03, Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2016.

This SITREP covers the period 2<sup>nd</sup> May–8<sup>th</sup> May, 2016 (inclusive).

### Movement of personnel:

**2<sup>nd</sup> May** Malte Winther (DK) and Christian Bovet (DK) from Copenhagen (CPH) to Kangerlussuaq (SFJ)

by Air Greenland

**3<sup>rd</sup> May** Malte Winther (DK) and Christian Bovet (DK) from Kangerlussuag SFJ to EGRIP Camp by 109<sup>th</sup>

Sune Olander Rasmussen (DK) and Hans Christian Steen-Larsen (DK) from EGRIP to SFJ by

109<sup>th</sup>

5<sup>th</sup> May Sune Olander Rasmussen (DK) and Hans Christian Steen-Larsen (DK) from Kangerlussuaq

(SFJ) to Copenhagen (CPH) by air Greenland

# Movement of cargo:

**2<sup>nd</sup> May** From Copenhagen (CPH) to Kangerlussuaq (SFJ) by air Greenland:

6 ice core boxes (Todd Sowers)

**3<sup>rd</sup> May** From Kangerlussuaq(SFJ) to EGRIP Camp by 109<sup>th</sup>:

15500 lbs air force pallet goods and 6129 L fuel: Weatherports, plywood, Nettles boxes, HC scientific equipment, food (2137 kg), electrical cables, Lindab ventilation pipes, 10 beams

From CPH to Kanger with air Greenland:

Ice core box 6341 (Todd Sowers)

**5<sup>th</sup> May** From Kangerlussuag SFJ to Scotia, New York by 109<sup>th</sup>:

6 ice core boxes (Todd Sowers)

#### Camp activities:

The water systems have been mounted and camp is now fully functioning with running water and central heating. The drain pipes under the main dome have been totally rebuilt. A total of 4 weatherports are up. The stitching in several weatherport covers is getting weak. We have made repairs with an awl and ordered a tarp sewing machine. We have laid cables to both garages, as well as on the NE side of camp to the weatherports. Three weatherports have been outfitted with bunk beds, and one is reserved for food. All four have power and heating. The paths and position of the cable has been photo documented.

During the week there have been repairs and maintenances on several machines: The main fuel pump, both Flexmobils and snow blowers. There have been a few small incidents with the main generator; but it is now running fine. On Thursday the new snow blower was mounted on PistenBully 2 and it is working fine.

The entire camp area has been cleaned up, cargo has been sorted and organized and the snow surface has been groomed to flatness. Work has begun to build a carpenters workshop.

Saturday, the future underground facilities were surveyed and marked and Sunday the excavation of the trenches began.

## **Science activities:**

Unfortunately main components of the water vapour sampling system did not arrive in time for setting the system up in this flight period. The equipment has now arrived, and in the near future it will be set up. A

snow and atmospheric sensor station has been set up. German phase sensitive radar tests, snow sampling programs and firn density programs are in progress.

**EGRIP Camp Population**: 10 people

#### **EGRIP** iridium numbers:

+8816 777 37835 (Camp, primary number)

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#### Weather at EGRIP:

Temperatures between –33 C and –22 C, wind; calm -4-10 knots mainly from W and SW. No precipitation. The Greenlandic high has been predominant for the weather conditions over the EGRIP area. The pressure system generated dry and stable conditions.

## **Kangerlussuaq activities:**

First part of the week was busy and the load for the 3<sup>rd</sup> May flight, was not ready until late on 2<sup>nd</sup> May. The two persons going to EGRIP helped us. On 3<sup>rd</sup> May, they were exchanged with two from camp. After the last flight of this period, we had a calm week. After 5<sup>th</sup> May all EGRIPpers were gone from Kangerlussuaq except the two FOMs. We received ice core boxes, on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>, which were sent on to Scotia on the 5<sup>th</sup>. On the 2<sup>nd</sup> May we had a photographer (Kirstine Jacobsen) from Videnskab.dk, who took video of Malte Winther and Christian Bovet packing their field gear and getting into the 109<sup>th</sup>. She also interviewed Helle Kjær about the EGRIP project.

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Weather in Kangerlussuaq/SFJ: Changing weather with between 7-15 degrees at noon.

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