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Pending Expedition Permit D-26-91764 – SITUATION REPort (SITREP) no. 02, Sunday 10 May 2026

This SITREP covers the period May 03 - May 10, 2026 (inclusive). Second SITREP for 2026 season.

Movement of personnel:

05 May Bo Vinther (DK), Thomas Schenk (CH), Anders Kalf-Hansen (DK), Sverrir Hilmarsson (IS), Sepp Kipfstuhl (DE), Jonathan Richard Adams (UK), and Carlos Andrés Ortiz Barrios (CO) from Copenhagen to Kangerlussuaq by Air Greenland.

07 May Jørgen Peder Steffensen (DK), Bo Vinther (DK), Thomas Schenk (CH), Anders Kalf-Hansen (DK), Sverrir Hilmarsson (IS), Sepp Kipfstuhl (DE), Jonathan Richard Adams (UK), and Carlos Andrés Ortiz Barrios (CO) from Kangerlussuaq to GRIP by NY Air National Guard to Summit station, and from Summit station to GRIP by snowmobiles.

Movement of cargo:

07 May AWB: 631-98022046. CPH-JHS-SFJ-2 by RAL+AG, 224 kg, last 3 cll, drill and log. Equipment.

07 May AWB: 631-98023004. CPH-JHS-SFJ-4 by RAL+AG, 52 kg, 1 cll, PB spares and logistical equipment.

07 May 2 snow machines/skidoos, 4 sledges & logistical/survival equipment (3550 lbs) from Kangerlussuaq to GRIP by NY US Air National Guard to Summit station, and from Summit station to GRIP by the snowmobiles.

GRIP camp activities:

At 15.35L on Thursday May 7 the camp opening team of 8, arrived in GRIP camp after a 2 hour snowmobile trip from Summit Station (The team landed at Summit Station 12.12L). At GRIP the 35kW generator was up and running within an hour of arriving, and using a webasto as well as the stove for heating, the dome had plus degrees on all floors before bedtime. Also, a Pistenbully was operational and the tomatoes pulled into camp. Internet and phone lines were also opened up before dinner time.

Friday May 8 camp opening activities proceeded with the main generator being pulled to camp, and connected to the main dome by the end of the day. In addition, the 2nd and 3rd Pistenbully as well as the Caterpillar were moved from their overwintering positions, and grooming of the skiway was initiated. Saturday May 9 skiway grooming continued, with skiway, apron and taxiways all getting a first groom, and a second grooming session being initiated. The dome was connected to the waste heat line of the main generator for central heating, and cooks and main snow melters were moved to the dome. Drift snow inside the mechanics garage was also removed during the day.

Sunday May 10 the melters were connected to the dome water systems, and the dishwasher was temporarily repaired. Furthermore, markers on the apron were raised, and the 0camp was secured for an upcoming storm.

GRIP camp phone numbers:

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Drilling:

No drilling activities yet.

Science:

No science activities yet.

GRIP Camp Population: 8.**Weather at GRIP:**

Weather for the snowmobile trip from Summit Camp to GRIP, Thursday, was almost ideal with 10kts westerly winds (i.e. in our backs) good contrast and temperatures of -20C. This weather persisted throughout the afternoon and evening. Friday intermittent snowfall and some sunny spells, temps -21C to -17C and wind picking up to 18kts towards the end of the day. During the weekend temperature were increasing from to -20C to -11C. Sunny Saturday, with increasing cloudiness and some intermittent snowfall Sunday. Wind 4-14kts turning from west to south Saturday, and then to north and picking up to 20kts by midnight Sunday.

Kangerlussuaq activities:

Monday, May 4, the FOMs made the final preparations before the arrival of the first team. Tuesday, May 5, the put-in team arrived to Kangerlussuaq and in the evening; the team attended a talk by Jørgen Peder at the community house together with many local participants, SAR helicopter and military personnel. The talk was a great success. Wednesday May 6, the FOMs and the team prepared for the planned flight to Summit station and the snowmobile journey from there to GRIP in close collaboration with the very helpful cargo team from the 109th. Tasks included service of snowmobiles and preparing them for transport, cleaning and preparing the Nansen sledges for transport, defrosted a frozen container from Copenhagen, prepared medicine and food supplies, and tested communication and safety equipment.

Thursday, May 7, the team departed as planned with the 109th; the FOM informed the Greenlandic authorities and followed the team from the FOM office, and picked up the last cargo that had arrived from Denmark. Friday, May 8, to Sunday, May 10, the FOM got up to date on office work, and started to prepare for the next team arriving on Tuesday, and the first flight to GRIP planned later in the week. Finally the two young Greenlandic mechanics coming in from Sisimuit, started servicing our cars one by one

Weather in Kangerlussuaq/SFJ:

Mostly sunny and clear, except from a bit of rain on Wednesday. Saturday colder and windier with rain during the night, followed by a grey, cold, windy and wet Sunday. No snow, but wet ground around the warehouse due to melting snow from the weekend. Temperatures between -1°C and 10°C. Mosquito situation: None.

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