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I juni 2007 deltog jeg i et møde i den lille by, Uummannaq, i det nordvestlige Grønland. Jeg var som embedsmand i Grønlands Hjemmestyre ledsager til landsstyremedlemmet på området.

Formålet med rejsen var et besøg i den nærtliggende lukkede zinkmine Maamorilik og deltagelse i et borgermøde, hvor lokalbefolkningen skulle orienteres om mulig genåbning af minen. I fællesskab skulle vi vurdere, hvordan planlægningen skulle foregå for at skabe lokal beskæftigelse og inddragelse af lokale virksomheder.

Flyveturen fra Nuuk var temmelig omstændelig. Først med fly til atlantlufthavnen Kangerlussuaq. Dernæst med fly til Ilulissat. Efter en større forsinkelse fløj vi videre til den lille bygd Qaarsut. Qaarsut er hjemsted

for lufthavnen for Uummannaq. Byen Uummannaq ligger på en mindre ø, hvor der ikke er plads til en lufthavn.

Den afsluttende flyvetur til Uummannaq foregik i en lille helikopter.

Uummannaq er en fantastisk pittoresk by. Under besøget var der dejligt sommervejr, og byens mangefarvede huse og den smukke fjord lignede et landskab som hentet ud af et eventyr. Fjorden omkring byen er hjemsted for en koloni af stormfuglen mallebuk. Den smukke fugl pryder da også byvåbnet for Uummannaq.

Uummannaq fjeldet knejser over byen. Fjeldet er byens vartegn. Ordet Uummannaq betyder ”hjerteformet fjeld”.

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In June 2007, I attended a meeting in the small town of Uummannaq in north-western Greenland. As an official in the Greenland Home rule, I attended the minister.

The purpose of the trip was a visit to the nearby then closed zinc mine Maamorilik and participation in a public meeting, where the local population got information about the possible reopening of the mine. Together, we should assess how planning should be carried out to create as much local employment and involvement of local businesses as possible.

The flight from Nuuk was quite complicated. First by plane to the Atlantic airport Kangerlussuaq. Then by plane to Ilulissat. After a major delay, we flew on to the small village of Qaarsut. Qaarsut is home to the airport for Uummannaq. The town of Uummannaq is

located on a smaller island, where there is no room for an airport.

The final flight to Uummannaq took place in a small helicopter.

Uummannaq is a stunningly picturesque town. During the visit, there was lovely summer weather, and the multi-coloured houses of the town and the beautiful fjord looked like something out of a fairy tale. The fjord around the town is home to a colony of the seabird fulmar. The beautiful bird also adorns the town arms of Uummannaq.

The Uummannaq mountain towers up above the town. The mountain is the landmark of the town. The word Uummannaq means “heart-shaped mountain”.



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