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R E L E A S E

Information and Privacy Commissioner and Languages Commissioner to appear before Standing Committees in November

IQALUIT, Nunavut (October 31, 2000) - The Legislative Assembly passed motions today referring the first annual reports of the Information and Privacy Commissioner of Nunavut and the Languages Commissioner of Nunavut to the Standing Committee on Government Operations and Services and the Standing Committee on Culture, Education and Health for review and comment. The appearances will be open to the public and media to observe.

Elaine Keenan-Bengts, the Information and Privacy Commissioner of Nunavut, and Eva Arreak, the Languages Commissioner of Nunavut, are independent officers of the Legislative Assembly. Their first annual reports were tabled in the House last week.

"We look forward to the opportunity to discuss their annual reports and recommendations in a public forum," said Donald Havioyak, MLA for Kugluktuk and Member of the Standing Committee on Culture, Education and Health.

The motions direct the Standing Committees to report their findings to the Legislative Assembly. "I expect that we'll bring forward some solid recommendations at the next Session for the Government to formally respond to," said Hunter Tootoo, MLA for Iqaluit Centre and Member of the Standing Committee on Government Operations and Services.

A detailed schedule of appearances will be made available in November.

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