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Kitikmeot and Kivalliq Stakeholders to Share Views with Special Committee

IQALUIT, Nunavut (February 4, 2002) - The Legislative Assembly of Nunavut's Special Committee to Review the Official Languages Act will host stakeholder roundtable meetings on Friday, February 8, in Cambridge Bay and Tuesday, February 12, in Rankin Inlet.

"We must ensure that voices from across Nunavut are heard and considered so that we really understand the challenges and implications of developing made-in-Nunavut language legislation," said Special Committee Chair Rebekah Uqi Williams.

During its January roundtable meeting in Iqaluit, the Special Committee consulted with Qikiqtani organizations, including the Nunavut Social Development Council, the Inuit Qaujimajatuqangit Task Force, the Inuit Heritage trust and the Office of the Languages Commissioner of Nunavut.

The meeting in Cambridge Bay will begin at 8:30 a.m. in the Kitikmeot Inuit Association Boardroom. The Rankin Inlet meeting will begin at 8:30 a.m. in the Siniktarvik Hotel boardroom. The public is invited to observe both meetings.

The Special Committee was formed in February of 2001 to examine the administration and implementation of the Official Languages Act; the effectiveness of its provisions; the achievement of its objectives; and to generate recommendations relating to language legislation and policy that will address identified needs.

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