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## **Standing Committee tables review of Auditor General's First Report to the Legislative Assembly of Nunavut**

**IQALUIT, Nunavut (March 5, 2002)** - The Standing Committee on Government Operations and Services today tabled its Report on the Review of the 2001 Report of the Auditor General of Canada to the Legislative Assembly of Nunavut

The Auditor General of Canada audits the financial statements of the Government of Nunavut, as well as those of the Government of Canada, the NWT and the Yukon. Her annual report to the Legislative Assembly raises management issues that are noted during audits. The Auditor General appeared before the Standing Committee at a public meeting held on February 5, 2002. Government of Nunavut witnesses also appeared to respond to Members' questions and concerns regarding issues raised by the Auditor General.

The Members of the Standing Committee are Hunter Tootoo, David Iqaqrialu, James Arvaluk, Enoki Irqittuq and Rebekah Williams.

"We have reached another milestone in our work towards ensuring sound financial management and solid accountability in government," said Hunter Tootoo, MLA for Iqaluit Centre and Chair of the Standing Committee. "Members of the Standing Committee were pleased to have the opportunity to raise a wide range of concerns with the Auditor General and Government of Nunavut officials, and these are reflected in our report."

The Standing Committee has presented seventeen recommendations in its report. Under the Rules of the Legislative Assembly, the Government of Nunavut is required to provide a comprehensive response within 120 days.

"The issues raised in these reports have a real impact on our communities," said David Iqaqrialu. "Good management of our scarce dollars is critical to ensuring that we meet the needs of constituents."

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