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## Speaker of the Legislative Assembly Invites Expressions of Interest for Acting Languages Commissioner

**IQALUIT, Nunavut (November 7, 2007)** – The Honourable Peter Kilabuk, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly and Chair of the Management and Services Board, today invited Nunavummiut who may be interested in serving as Acting Languages Commissioner to contact the Office of the Legislative Assembly.

The Languages Commissioner of Nunavut, Mr. Johnny Kusugak, has announced his resignation from the office, effective December 13, 2007.

Under the *Official Languages Act*, the Management and Services Board of the Legislative Assembly may recommend the appointment of an Acting Languages Commissioner when the office is vacant.

Speaker Kilabuk said, "In consultation with the Members of the Standing Committee *Ajauqtiit*, the Board has determined that an Acting Languages Commissioner should be appointed to ensure continuity of service until such time as the Legislative Assembly concludes its consideration of the proposed new *Official Languages Act* and *Inuit Language Protection Act*. I anticipate that the Standing Committee will then undertake a merit-based selection process for the next Languages Commissioner."

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