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R E L E A S E

**MLA for Netsilik Resigns from the Legislative Assembly;
Nunavut Leadership Forum to Convene**

IQALUIT, Nunavut (November 9, 2015) - Jeannie Ugyuk, Member of the Legislative Assembly for Netsilik, has declared her decision to resign her seat as a Member of the Legislative Assembly of Nunavut, effective 5:00pm today.

Pursuant to the *Legislative Assembly and Executive Council Act*, Ms. Ugyuk formally informed Speaker Qulaut of her decision by way of correspondence.

Ms. Ugyuk said, “In light of Saturday’s deliberations of the Nunavut Leadership Forum, I have determined that the needs of my constituents in Taloyoak and Kugaaruk would be best served by affording them the opportunity to elect a new Member to serve in the Legislative Assembly.”

Section 38 of the *Nunavut Elections Act* provides that a by-election must be held “as soon as reasonably practicable and not later than six months after a seat becomes vacant.”

Consequently, the Nunavut Leadership Forum will convene at 7:00pm (EST) on Monday, November 9, 2015, in the Chamber of the Legislative Assembly. The proceedings of the Nunavut Leadership Forum will be televised live across Nunavut on local community cable stations and direct-to-home satellite service on the Bell (channel 513) and Shaw (channel 289 – classic / channel 489 – new lineup) networks. Residents of Iqaluit may also listen to the live radio broadcast of the proceedings on the following FM channels: 92.5 (floor language), 94.7 (Inuktitut), 102.1 (English) and 96.9 (Inuinnaqtun).

The public is invited to observe the proceedings of the Nunavut Leadership Forum from the Visitors’ Gallery of the Legislative Assembly. The official transcript of the proceedings will be posted to the Legislative Assembly’s website.

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