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Standing Committee Announces Schedule of Televised Hearings

IQALUIT, Nunavut (**September 7, 2016**) - The Legislative Assembly's Standing Committee on Public Accounts, Independent Officers and Other Entities today announced the schedule for its upcoming televised hearings on the most recent annual reports of the Information and Privacy Commissioner and the Representative for Children and Youth. Both positions serve as independent officers of the Legislative Assembly.

The Information and Privacy Commissioner will appear before the standing committee from 1:30pm-5:00pm on Tuesday, September 13, 2016. Senior officials of the Government of Nunavut will appear before the standing committee from 09:00am-12:00pm on Wednesday, September 14, 2016.

"Our televised hearings on the Information and Privacy Commissioner's annual reports provide an important opportunity for elected Members of the Legislative Assembly to evaluate the extent to which the government has acted on her recommendations and those made by the standing committee itself," said Committee Chairperson Pat Angnakak, MLA for Iqaluit-Niaqunnguu. "This year's hearing will also allow the standing committee to address related issues concerning the transparency of the government's operations, including the reporting and disclosure practices of the Nunavut Business Credit Corporation."

The Representative for Children and Youth will appear before the standing committee from 09:00am-12:00pm and from 1:30pm-5:00pm on Thursday, September 15, 2016.

"The Representative for Children and Youth's upcoming televised appearance before the standing committee will mark her first such appearance since taking office," said Chairperson Angnakak. "Recognizing that her office's enabling legislation is now almost fully in force, our televised hearing on her first-ever annual report to the Legislative Assembly will allow for a productive exchange concerning her office's roles, responsibilities and priorities."

The standing committee's hearings will take place in the Chamber of the Legislative Assembly and will be open for the public to observe. The hearings will be televised 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.

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