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Standing Committee Announces Schedule of Televised Hearings

IQALUIT, Nunavut (March 26, 2019) - The Legislative Assembly's Standing Committee on Oversight of Government Operations and Public Accounts will hold televised hearings from April 9-11, 2019, on the most recent annual reports of the Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner and the Office of the Representative for Children and Youth. Both positions serve as independent officers of the Legislative Assembly.

The Representative for Children and Youth's appearance before the standing committee begins at 09:00am on Tuesday, April 9, 2019. Her most recent annual report can be downloaded from the following locations: [https://assembly.nu.ca/sites/default/files/TD-70-5\(2\)-EN-RCYO-2017-2018-Annual-Report.pdf](https://assembly.nu.ca/sites/default/files/TD-70-5(2)-EN-RCYO-2017-2018-Annual-Report.pdf) and http://rcynu.ca/sites/rcynu.ca/files/RCYO%202017-2018%20Annual%20Report_EN.pdf. Senior officials from the Government of Nunavut's Department of Family Services, Department of Health, Department of Education and Department of Justice will also appear at the televised hearing.

"The standing committee's televised hearing will provide an important opportunity to examine the extent to which the activities and expenditures of the Office have had a measurable impact on the well-being of Nunavut's children and youth," said Committee Chairperson John Main, MLA for Arviat North-Whale Cove. "Members will also consider how the operations and priorities of key government departments have taken into account the work of the Office."

The Information and Privacy Commissioner's appearance before the standing committee begins at 1:30pm on Wednesday, April 10, 2019. The Office's most recent annual report can be downloaded from the following locations: [https://assembly.nu.ca/sites/default/files/TD-66-5\(2\)-EN-IPC-Annual-Report-2017-18.pdf](https://assembly.nu.ca/sites/default/files/TD-66-5(2)-EN-IPC-Annual-Report-2017-18.pdf) and <https://atipp-nu.ca/documents/annual-reports/download-info/annual-report-2017-2018/>. Senior officials from the Government of Nunavut's Department of Executive and Intergovernmental Affairs and Department of Health will also appear at the televised hearing.

“Important amendments to the *Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act* were passed by the Legislative Assembly within the past two years,” said Mr. Main. “The standing committee’s upcoming televised hearing will consider a number of issues, including what actions the government has taken in response to recommendations made by the Information and Privacy Commissioner in her annual reports.”

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