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MLAs announce date and format of Nunavut Leadership Forum

IQALUIT, Nunavut (November 14, 2017) - The Legislative Assembly's Caucus today announced the date and format for the 2017 Nunavut Leadership Forum. The Forum consists of all MLAs.

The Forum will be held in the Chamber of the Legislative Assembly, beginning at 10:00am (EST) on Friday, November 17, 2017. The proceedings will be open to the public to observe from the Visitors' Gallery. The proceedings will be televised live across the territory 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.

The selection of the Speaker, Premier and members of the Executive Council (Cabinet) will be made by secret ballot. The first item of business will be the election of the Speaker. The Speaker-Elect will preside over the proceedings of the Forum.

The second item of business will be the election of the Premier. Each nominated candidate will be permitted to deliver a formal speech. MLAs not standing for the position of Premier will be permitted to ask questions of candidates. Detailed procedures concerning the selection process will be issued at the beginning of the Forum's proceedings.

Caucus has agreed that Cabinet will consist of 8 members (Premier and 7 Ministers). The *Legislative Assembly and Executive Council Act* provides that the Premier has the prerogative to assign Ministerial portfolios.

The swearing-in ceremony for Members of the 5th Legislative Assembly will take place at 10:00am (EST) on Tuesday, November 21, 2017, in the Chamber of the Legislative Assembly. Formal motions to confirm the appointments of the Speaker, Premier and Cabinet will be made on the first sitting day of the 5th Legislative Assembly, which will take place on Tuesday, November 21, 2017, at 1:30pm (EST).

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