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Standing Committee Announces Plans for Fall 2015 Televised Hearings

IQALUIT, Nunavut (June 9, 2015) - The Legislative Assembly's Standing Committee on Oversight of Government Operations and Public Accounts today announced its plans for televised hearings to be held in the fall of 2015.

From September 21-29, 2015, the Nunavut Development Corporation, the Nunavut Business Credit Corporation, the *Inuit Qaujimajatuqangit Katimajiit* and the Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner of Nunavut will appear before the Standing Committee to present their most current annual reports and business plans. The Office of the Languages Commissioner of Nunavut and the *Inuit Uqausinginnik Taiguusiliuqtiit* will appear before the Standing Committee from November 23-27, 2015.

"The Government of Nunavut's 2015-2016 budget includes approximately \$7.5 million in funding for these entities," said Committee Chairperson George Hickes, MLA for Iqaluit-Tasiluk. "The standing committee's upcoming hearings will constitute the first time that a number of these entities have been asked to account to elected MLAs in a public manner for their expenditures, activities and initiatives."

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.

A detailed broadcast schedule for the hearings will be released in early September of 2015.

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