

News Release

Finance Minister disappointed with outcome of teachers' contract vote

IQALUIT, Nunavut (January 23, 2000) –Finance Minister Kelvin Ng says he's disappointed with the Federation of Nunavut Teachers' vote to reject the contract put forward by the Government of Nunavut and FNT bargaining committee.

"I am disappointed that the Federation of Nunavut Teachers' membership has voted down the contract that the Government of Nunavut and the FNT bargaining committee had agreed to on November 21," Minister Ng said. "However, our government does respect the democratic process."

Minister Ng said he is encouraged that the FNT is willing to return to the bargaining table at the earliest available opportunity to try to resolve any outstanding issues.

"Reaching an agreement is obviously in the best interest of Nunavut students," Minister Ng added.

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