

News Release

Staff Change in the Office of the Premier

IQALUIT, Nunavut (March 18, 2004) – The Principal Secretary to Premier Paul Okalik has resigned from his duties in order to pursue a graduate degree in public administration.

Kirt Ejesiak has accepted an offer to attend the Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University in Cambridge, Massachusetts. Ejesiak will be enrolled in the Master of Public Administration program.

"I have appreciated the opportunity to work alongside Premier Okalik and take to heart his advice that Inuit need to pursue training opportunities to take on leadership roles within our government," said Ejesiak.

With a background in business and public service Ejesiak was approached about the educational opportunity last year and is taking advantage of the changes underway in government to announce his decision.

"I would like to thank Mr. Ejesiak for assisting this office in the final year of our first mandate and in ensuring a smooth transition to our new priorities," said Premier Okalik.

No replacement for the position of Principal Secretary is being announced at this time.

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