



# News Release

## Cabinet Responsibilities Realigned

**IQALUIT, Nunavut (June 6, 2005)** – Premier Paul Okalik has realigned several responsibilities among cabinet ministers in order to draw on individual strengths and advance the consensus government's priorities expressed in the Pinasuaqtavut mandate.

“The Nunavut cabinet has created a strong foundation during the first 16 months of the government's mandate and now is a good time to have the cabinet refocus its skills. These changes to cabinet responsibilities reflect our commitment to building a responsive cabinet to the benefit of all,” said Okalik.

Minister David Simailak will bring his business acumen, managerial experience as well as his experience as Minister of Economic Development and Transportation to the Department of Finance.

Minister Leona Aglukkaq will use the experience gained while serving as Minister of Finance and apply this insight into providing leadership at the Department of Health and Social Services.

Minister Levinia Brown will have the opportunity to bring her municipal leadership experience gained from serving as both Mayor and Deputy Mayor in Rankin Inlet to the office of Minister of Community and Government Services.

Minister Peter Kilabuk will bring his parliamentary and cabinet experience gained over two terms in office to the role of House Leader and Minister of Economic Development and Transportation.

Minister Olayuk Akesuk will add responsibility for the Nunavut Housing Corporation to his existing portfolios of Environment and the Worker's Compensation Board.

Minister Louis Tapardjuk and Minister Edward Picco will continue serving in their current capacities.

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