



## News Release

### Inuit Employment within Government Increases to 50 per cent

**Iqaluit, Nunavut (October 1, 2007)** – The recently released report, “Towards a Representative Public Service” shows the Government of Nunavut (GN) has achieved a milestone in Inuit employment. As of March 31, 2007 the Government of Nunavut achieved 50 per cent Inuit employment.

“Our government is committed to achieving a representative level of Inuit employment,” said Human Resources Minister Louis Tapardjuk. “We continue to work hard in recruiting and retaining Inuit in the public sector and the achievement of 50 per cent Inuit employment is a clear demonstration of that commitment”.

In building a public service that is representative of the population of Nunavut, the GN monitors employment of Inuit beneficiaries within the government and its agencies, boards, and corporations on a continual basis. As part of the implementation of the Inuit Employment Plan, the GN publishes a report called “Towards a Representative Public Service” on a quarterly basis.

The report is a statistical analysis of how many Inuit beneficiaries have been hired within each department of the GN, its agencies, boards, and corporations. The statistics are available by regions, by community, by department, and by occupational categories. Inuit employment rates within the GN have risen from 44 per cent in 1999 to the current level of 50 per cent.

As of March 31, 2007 there are 3687 positions of which 2962 positions (80 per cent) are filled; of these filled positions 1492 positions (50 per cent) are occupied by beneficiaries.

The report is available online at [www.gov.nu.ca](http://www.gov.nu.ca) or by calling Department of Human Resources, Inuit Employment Planning division at (867) 975- 6272.

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