



IQALUIT, Nunavut (November 19, 2008) – Premier Eva Aariak has announced the portfolios for her cabinet ministers. The assignments recognize the strengths, skills, and backgrounds of each of the seven MLAs chosen by their colleagues to serve on Executive Council.

The cabinet assignments also reflect Premier Aariak's commitment to be inclusive of all regions of Nunavut. Aariak concluded by saying "Despite the downturn in the world economy, our new cabinet will work to ensure economic prosperity and empower self-reliance for Nunavummiut. I am truly looking forward to getting down to work with my cabinet colleagues on setting priorities and on managing the operations of government, and ultimately reconvening with all Members of the Assembly to discuss our mandate for the coming years".

Cabinet portfolios will undergo some changes after the selection of an eighth cabinet minister, which is expected in early 2009. Members of the Legislative Assembly decided that the last cabinet position would be filled only after the Akulliḡ constituency had elected its MLA.

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