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Premier Taptuna announces senior management appointment

IQALUIT, Nunavut (July 3, 2015) – Premier Peter Taptuna today announced that effective September 21, 2015, the Nunavut Department of Justice will welcome Yvonne Niego as their new assistant deputy minister.

“Ms. Niego will be an invaluable asset to the Department of Justice,” said Premier Taptuna. “Her experience within our community and Nunavut’s justice system will make an impressive contribution to the senior management team. She brings knowledge, skills and abilities that complement the vision of justice within our territory.”

Originally from Baker Lake, Ms. Niego is the first Inuk woman to complete the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) depot training academy, as well as the first to be promoted to the rank of sergeant in the RCMP. She has more than two decades of active RCMP service in a variety of roles, from frontline general duty policing to territorial community policing programs.

Most recently, Ms. Niego is the media specialist responsible for the RCMP “V” division’s territory-wide communications, as well as part of the RCMP crisis negotiation team and the head of the RCMP Drug Awareness Program.

Earlier this year, Ms. Niego was awarded the 2015 Outstanding Community Service Award by the International Association of Women Police, an organization with members from over 60 countries.

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