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QCGN looks forward to working with new, familiar faces in cabinet after Friday shuffle

MONTREAL, DECEMBER 20, 2024 – The Quebec Community Groups Network is pleased to see Quebec voices at the federal cabinet table. They are familiar with the issues that touch our Official Language Minority Community and our community's everyday lives.

Rachel Bendayan (Outremont), the new minister responsible for Official Languages (as well as the associate minister of Public Safety) is intimately familiar with the language issues that impact the vitality of English-speaking communities in Quebec. As a Montrealer serving neighbourhoods like Outremont, Mile End and Côte des Neiges, she understands the many ways in which language and identity intersect in our communities across Quebec.

Minister **Steven MacKinnon (Gatineau)**, who adds the Employment and Workforce Development portfolio to his Labour responsibilities, and **Élisabeth Brière (Sherbrooke)** as the Minister of National Revenue, both bring an important Quebec perspective to pressing issues in the lives of every Canadian.

We are pleased to see Minister **Ginette Petitpas Taylor (Moncton-Riverview-Dieppe)** move to President of the Treasury Board. QCGN recently met with Mme Petitpas Taylor, in her role as Official Languages Minister, with whom we are eager to continue working closely on Official language issues that now fall under Treasury Board's oversight.

The Quebec Community Groups Network (www.qcgn.ca) is a not-for-profit organization bringing together English-language community organizations and individuals across Quebec. Its mission is to identify, explore, and address strategic issues affecting the development and vitality of English-speaking Quebec and to encourage dialogue and collaboration.

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