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# Memorandum

**To:** Yukon First Nations

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**From:** Regional Chief Kluane Adamek

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**Date:** October 26, 2021

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**RE:** Appointment of Federal Cabinet

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This morning, Prime Minister Justin Trudeau and the federal cabinet were sworn into government following the September 21, 2021 election.

This memorandum provides some highlights from today's Cabinet appointments, with a full list of cabinet members attached at the end.

## General Comments

While a smaller number of Cabinet Ministers re-appointed, this new Cabinet looks quite different than the Cabinet in place when the writ was called in August.

Through this Cabinet, the Prime Minister continued his commitment to gender parity and regional representation across Canada. This Cabinet also reflects largely younger members of the Liberal caucus.

Throughout the election campaign, the Liberals platform included several key priorities, including:

- recovering Canada's economy coming out of the pandemic,
- universal/\$10 per day child care,
- stronger environmental protection,
- continuing to work towards reconciliation,
- more affordable housing, and
- vaccine mandates for international and domestic travel.

## Highlights from Federal Cabinet Appointments

The following section outlines some highlights from today's federal Cabinet appointment.

### Indigenous Services & Crown Indigenous Relations

Former Indigenous Services minister Marc Miller moves to Minister of Crown-Indigenous Relations, while former Health Minister Patty Hadju has been appointed the new Minister of Indigenous Services.

## **Environment and Climate Change & Natural Resources & Fisheries**

Minister Jonathan Wilkinson, former Minister of Environment, has become the Natural Resources Minister. Steven Guilbeault, former Minister of Canadian Heritage, has moved into the Environment and Climate Change role. Minister Guilbeault is a former environmental activist and has long expressed interest in this role. This may reflect the increased importance of environment and climate action for this Liberal government.

Following the defeat of former Minister Bernadette Jordan, Joyce Murray has been appointed Minister of Fisheries, Oceans and Coastguard.

## **Health**

As previously noted, Minister Patty Hadju has been moved to Indigenous Services and the Health portfolio has been split into two areas. Minister of Health is now Jean Yves Duclos, highly respected and trusted within the Liberal government. The second health portfolio will focus on mental health and addictions. Carolyn Bennett, former Minister of Crown-Indigenous Relations, will now lead this new portfolio as the Associate Minister of Health, Mental Health and Addictions.

## **Foreign Affairs & Defence**

Minister Harjit Sajjan was not re-appointed as Minister of Defence and moves to Minister of International Development and Minister responsible for the Pacific Economic Development Agency of Canada. Minister of Defence is now Anita Anand – former Minister of Public Services and Procurement – only the second woman to be appointed Minister of Defence. Minister Anand, in her former role, oversaw the procurement and rollout of the COVID-19 vaccines.

Marc Garneau was not re-appointed as Foreign Affairs Minister, and this role is being taken over by Mélanie Joly – former Minister of Economic Development and Official Languages.

## **Justice & Public Safety**

Minister David Lametti has been re-appointed as Minister of Justice and Attorney General, while former Minister of Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship – Marco Mendicino – has been appointed Minister of Public Safety.

## **Ministers Re-appointed**

Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Finance, Chrystia Freeland, has been reappointed to both of these roles. Particularly in her role as Finance Minister, Minister Freeland will have a strong part to play in the government's efforts to recover economically from the pandemic.

Minister Dan Vandal continues his role as Minister of Northern Affairs, Minister responsible for Prairies Economic Development Canada, and Minister Responsible for the Canadian Northern Economic Development Agency.

Dominic LeBlanc was re-appointed as Minister of Intergovernmental Affairs, Infrastructure and Communities, while Mary Ng (Minister for Small Business) and Francois Phillip Champagne (Minister of Innovation, Science and Industry) were both reappointed as well.

## Full List of Federal Cabinet – October 26, 2021

<b><u>Cabinet Position</u></b>	<b><u>Minister</u></b>
Prime Minister of Canada	Right Honourable Justin Trudeau
Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Finance	Honourable Chrystia Freeland
Minister of Veterans Affairs and Associate Minister of National Defence	Honourable Lawrence MacAulay
Minister of Mental Health and Addictions and Associate Minister of Health	Honourable Carolyn Bennett
Minister of Intergovernmental Affairs, Infrastructure and Communities	Honourable Dominic LeBlanc
Minister of Health	Honourable Jean-Yves Duclos
Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food	Honourable Marie-Claude Bibeau
Minister of Foreign Affairs	Honourable Mélanie Joly
Minister of National Revenue	Honourable Diane LeBouthillier
Minister of International Development and Minister responsible for the Pacific Economic Development Agency of Canada	Honourable Harjit S. Sajjan
Minister of Employment, Workforce Development and Disability Inclusion	Honourable Carla Qualtrough
Minister of Indigenous Services and Minister responsible for the Federal Economic Development Agency for Northern Ontario	Honourable Patty Hajdu
Minister of Innovation, Science and Industry	Honourable François-Philippe Champagne
Minister of Families, Children and Social Development	Honourable Karina Gould
Minister of Housing and Diversity and Inclusion	Honourable Ahmed Hussen
Minister of Official Languages and Minister responsible for the Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency	Honourable Ginette Petitpas Taylor
Minister of Labour	Honourable Seamus O'Regan Jr.
Minister of Canadian Heritage and Quebec Lieutenant	Honourable Pablo Rodriguez
President of the Queen's Privy Council for Canada and Minister of Emergency Preparedness	Honourable Bill Blair

Minister of International Trade, Export Promotion, Small Business and Economic Development	Honourable Mary Ng
Minister of Public Services and Procurement	Honourable Filomena Tassi
Minister of Natural Resources	Honourable Jonathan Wilkinson
Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada	Honourable David Lametti
Minister of Fisheries, Oceans and the Canadian Coast Guard	Honourable Joyce Murray
Minister of National Defence	Honourable Anita Anand
President of the Treasury Board	Honourable Mona Fortier
Minister of Environment and Climate Change	Honourable Steven Guilbeault
Minister of Public Safety	Honourable Marco E. L. Mendicino
Minister of Crown-Indigenous Relations	Honourable Marc Miller
The Minister of Northern Affairs, Minister responsible for Prairies Economic Development Canada and Minister responsible for the Canadian Northern Economic Development Agency	Honourable Dan Vandal
Minister of Transport	Honourable Omar Alghabra
Minister of Tourism and Associate Minister of Finance	Honourable Randy Boissonnault
Minister of Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship	Honourable Sean Fraser
Leader of the Government in the House of Commons	Honourable Mark Holland
Minister of Rural Economic Development	Honourable Gudie Hutchings
Minister for Women and Gender Equality and Youth	Honourable Marci Ien
Minister responsible for the Federal Economic Development Agency for Southern Ontario	Honourable Helena Jaczek
Minister of Seniors	Honourable Kamal Khara
Minister of Sport and Minister responsible for the Economic Development Agency of Canada for the Regions of Quebec	Honourable Pascale St-Onge