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Keeping to his promise for a smaller, but with a more gender and regionally representative cabinet, Prime Minister Justin Trudeau revealed his 31 member cabinet at a public ceremony at Rideau Hall in Ottawa this morning.

Building off a platform of change and commitment to better the lives of middle class Canadians, the cabinet looks more diverse and younger than previous cabinets, but also still showcases some long-serving veterans with decades of experience around the cabinet table and in the House of Commons. In addition, the Prime Minister does have the advantage of having some strong talent and solid resumes to lean on, even amongst the newer members of the caucus and now cabinet.

The cabinet has strong representation from every province and key regions, including all provinces and the territories.

More interesting are some of the changes made to the ministry itself, including some changes to traditional portfolios, which reflect the new themes the Liberal government have been elected on. The Industry portfolio is rebranded to the Innovation, Science and Economic Development Ministry, and there is a notable absence of Junior Ministers or Ministers of State. The portfolio reserved for multicultural affairs has also been dissolved.

Steady, experienced hands: The Vets

The Prime Minister did retain some of the veteran members of the Liberal caucus with previous cabinet experience for some of the more difficult portfolios.

Ralph Goodale as Public Safety Minister suggests having a minister with close to three decades of experience in the House of Commons and almost a decade in senior cabinet posts in previous Martin and Chretien Liberal governments, including as Finance Minister under Prime Minister Martin. While most of his cabinet background was in large economic portfolios like Finance, Agriculture and Natural Resources, Goodale's skills as a communicator and as a competent cabinet minister during the 9-11 terror attacks and the early stages of the Afghan War will make him a solid performer in the portfolio. Goodale is also the lone Liberal MP elected in Saskatchewan.

Stephane Dion as Foreign Affairs Minister suggests a nod to history; former Progressive Conservative Leader and Prime Minister Joe Clark served as Prime Minister Brian Mulroney's Foreign Affairs Minister after being elected and then defeated in the 1979 and 1980 federal elections by Pierre Trudeau. While a somewhat similar pattern with Dion's rise as Liberal leader in 2006 and then defeat by the second Conservative minority government in 2008, Dion bears the scars of this difficult period for the party, but also the experience of being a long serving Minister of Environment and Minister of Intergovernmental Affairs from the key Liberal stronghold of Montreal in Quebec.

Carolyn Bennett as Aboriginal Affairs Minister again stresses the importance of this portfolio to the Prime Minister. Bennett, a medical doctor and professor from metro Toronto, was constantly on her feet in the House of Commons pushing for a national inquiry into Missing and Aboriginal Affairs.

John McCallum has a long background as an economist, including serving as Royal Bank's Chief Economist and a Professor of Economics and Dean at McGill Unviersity in Montreal. McCallum served as the Defence Minister and Revenue Minister under previous Liberal governments and most recently as the critic for Citizenship and Immigration. His policy knowledge of the file and cabinet experience may help him sort out the difficult task of fulfilling the Prime Minister's commitment to settle 25,000 Syrian refugees by years' end. Finally, while not having cabinet experience, **Domenic LeBlanc** is known close long-time friend of the Prime Minister, and son of former Governor-General Romeo LeBlanc. LeBlanc has been tapped as Leader of the Government in the House of Commons, which suggests his experience as an MP going back to 2000, as well as being part of the close circle of advisors to the Prime Minister mean his political advice and skills as a communicator will be key, particularly for Question Period.

In addition, senior Ministers from the Atlantic region are also veterans: **Scott Brison** will be President of the Treasury Board, a former Progressive Conservative MP who joined the Liberal Party in 2003 and served as Public Works minister in the Martin minority government, has been the long standing finance critic in the House for the Liberal Party and a known strong fiscal conservative; **Judy Foote** served as a provincial Liberal cabinet minister in Newfoundland and Labrador before being elected to the House of Commons in the 2008 election and served as Liberal Whip, she will now be Minister of Public Services; and long-time Prince Edward Island MP **Lawrence MacAulay** will serve as Agriculture Minister, and is PEI's longest serving MP, being elected in 1988, and a former Minister of Labour and Solicitor General.

Fresh faces, bold approaches, big resumes: Rookies with Senior Portfolios

Despite being rookie MPs, there are several key portfolios that have been filled by star Liberal candidates with fairly impressive resumes and strong credentials.

Minister of Finance **Bill Morneau** will be the main driver of Trudeau's plans for a more expansive government role in the economy beyond stimulus spending, including a focus on income inequality. Among Morneau's first tasks will be to deliver on campaign promises, such as increasing infrastructure spending by \$60 billion over the next decade, as well as preparing and delivering a budget in early 2016. Another priority is lowering the tax rate for people earning between \$44,701 and \$89,401 a year to 20.5 per cent from 22 per cent and enhancing child-benefit payments. Morneau has described himself as "not a deeply partisan person" and cites Trudeau's concern over income inequality as being a major reason for being drawn to the Liberals.

Minister of International Trade Chrystia Freeland, a Rhodes scholar and regular guest on CNN's Global Public Square,

comes to the position with a number of close relationships in the international business community - among them Lawrence Summers, the one-time president of President Barack Obama's National Economic Council. Having served as Trade critic since January 2014, Freeland comes to the role with the publication of the Trans-Pacific Partnership text expected soon, and the ratification of the Canada-EU trade agreement likely to begin in early 2016.

Minister of Innovation, Science and Economic Development. **Navdeep Bains** has been active in a variety of community organizations, as a board member for the Mississauga Food Bank, having worked with the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation and the Guru Gobind Singh Children's Foundation, as well as having served as an Ontario board member with the Heart and Stroke Foundation. When Bains was elected for the first time in 2004 he was the youngest Liberal MP in Parliament, at 26.

Minister of Justice Jody Wilson-Raybould's appointment as Canada's attorney general, as well as Trudeau's campaign promises of investing in rebuilding a new relationship with Canada's indigenous people, both signal that the Liberal government intends to redefine its relationship with First Nations and aboriginal people. Given the amount of new legislation Trudeau has promised to introduce, as well as committing to reverse some legislation introduced by the Conservatives, Wilson-Raybould will have to hit the ground running.

Wilson-Raybould is a member of the We Wai Kai Nation, and one of eight aboriginal members of the Liberal caucus. In fact, Wilson-Raybould uses her Kwak'wala name Puglass as her Twitter handle, which means "woman born to noble people".

Minister of Health **Jane Philpott**'s first, and arguably most difficult task, will be to participate in the negotiations for a new Health Accord, which establishes the dollar amounts of annual health transfers and the conditions Ottawa has attached to those amounts for the provinces. Ottawa currently transfers \$34-billion annually to the provinces, a figure that has been rising 6 per cent annually for a decade, but that will fall to 3 per cent in 2016.

Aside from health transfers, the most pressing health-related issue for the federal government is the right-to-die legislation, which needs to be drafted before February 6, 2016, which is a year after the Supreme Court struck down Criminal Code provisions related to assisted suicide. While this is primarily an issue for the Justice Minister, Philpott will undoubtedly be drawn into the debate.

Minster of Families, Children and Social Development Jean-Yves Duclos is one of two Liberal MPs elected from the greater Quebec City area. His appointment to cabinet suggests that the new government is serious about rebuilding the Liberal Party as a political option in the Quebec City region, where they have largely been shut out in past elections.

Duclos like others in his cabinet is also presiding over a newly created portfolio. During the election the Liberal Party committed to alleviating child poverty and reducing incoming inequality to help middle class families. Duclos will likely utilize his experience as a noted economist to focus on these issues.

First time MP and Minister of Environment and Climate Change **Catherine McKenna** is considered by many to be a rising star in the Liberal caucus. She successfully beat NDP candidate and former MP Paul Dewar in a tight election.

Her appointment as Minister of Environment and Climate Change with the United Nations Climate Change Conference less than a month away suggests that Prime Minister Trudeau and his team have faith in her abilities to deliver on such an important and large file.

As a decorated member of the Canadian Armed Forces **Harjit Sajjan**'s appointment to Minister of Defense makes sense. In the coming weeks Sajjan will likely attend the upcoming G20 and the Halifax International Security Forum.

A former litigation lawyer and managing partner of a well-known public relations firm Minister of Canadian Heritage **Melanie Joly** is hard working and someone to watch in the new Trudeau government. In addition to running for Mayor of Montreal, Joly is the first Quebec woman recognized with the Arnold Edinborough Award, which commends young professional volunteerism in the arts. She is also the author of Changer les règles de jeu (Changing the Rules of the Game).

Aside from her work, Joly is a good family friend of the Prime Minister and served as an organizer during his leadership campaign.

While new to federal politics, Minister of Employment, Workforce Development and Labour **MaryAnn Mihychuk**'s experience as a provincial cabinet minister in Manitoba will serve her well. The newly created Employment, Workforce Development and Labour is likely to be an extensive portfolio. The Liberal Party focused on job numbers and the economic decline during the election. Mihychuk will be in large part focused on increasing employment and economic output.

Minister Profiles:

Bill Morneau Minister of Finance

MP: Toronto Centre

Mr. Morneau is an accomplished business leader who most recently ran Morneau Shepell which is one of Canada's largest HR companies. He studied retirement issues as a member of the Ontario government's Pension Advisory Council and in 2012, and was appointed as Pension Investment Advisor to Ontario's Minister of Finance. Mr. Morneau holds a BA from Western University, an MSc from the London School of Economics and an MBA from INSEAD.

Stephane Dion

Minister of Foreign Affairs MP: Saint-Laurent

Mr. Dion has been a Member of Parliament since 1996 and has served as Minsters under both Prime Minister Chretien and Prime Minister Martin. Mr. Dion served as the 11th leader of the Liberal Party of Canada. Mr. Dion graduated from Université Laval with a B.A. in 1977 and an M.A. in 1979, both in political science. In 1986 he received his doctorate in sociology from the Institut d'études politiques in Paris.

Harjit Sajjan

Minister of Defense MP: Vancouver South

Mr. Saijan is a Lieutenant-Colonel in the Canadian Armed Forces and a combat veteran. He has deployed to Bosnia-Herzegovina and served three separate deployments to Kandahar, Afghanistan. Most recently he served as a detective with the Vancouver Police.

Catherine McKenna

Minister of the Environment and Climate Change MP: Ottawa Centre

Mrs. McKenna is the former Executive Director of the Banff Forum and was the co-founder of Canadian Lawyers Abroad. Mrs. McKenna served as an International Trade Lawyer and as a legal advisor to the UN.

Jane Philpott

Minster of Health MP: Markham-Stouffville

Dr. Jane Philpott is a family physician and served as the Chief of the Department of Family Medicine at Markham Stouffville Hospital and as an Assistant Professor at the University of Toronto's Department of Family and Community Medicine. In 2004, she founded Give a Day to World AIDS, which has raised over \$4 million to help those affected by HIV/AIDS in Africa.

Jody Wilson Raybault

Minster of Justice and Attorney General MP: Vancouver Granville

Jody Wilson-Raybould is a lawyer, advocate, and leader among British Columbia's First Nations. As Regional Chief of the BC Assembly of First Nations, Jody brings extensive experience in law, public service, and First Nations governance to the Liberal team.

After being called to the Bar in 2000, Jody began her legal career working as a provincial crown prosecutor in Vancouver. She later served as an advisor at the BC Treaty Commission, a body established to oversee treaty negotiations between First Nations and the Crown. In 2004, Jody was elected as Commissioner by the Chiefs of the First Nations Summit.

Amarjeet Sohi

Minister of Infrastructure and Communities MP: Edmonton Mill Woods

First elected in 2007, Amarjeet Sohi is a two-term Edmonton City Councilor and represented Edmonton on the Canadian Urban Transit Association, and is a strong advocate for Light Rail Transit. Mr. Sohi also took a leadership role to create the Police Chief's Indo-Canadian Liaison Committee, the Punjabi Cultural Association, and the Punjabi Arts Association.

John McCallum

Minister of Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship MP: Markham -Thornhill

John McCallum was first elected to the House of Commons in November 2000. He was re-elected in 2004, 2006 and 2008. Mr. McCallum currently serves as the Critic for Citizenship and Immigration, Multiculturalism, Seniors. Before entering politics, Mr. McCallum was senior vice-president and chief economist of the Royal Bank of Canada.

Marc Garneau

Minister of Transport MP: Notre-Dame-de-Grâce-Westmount

First elected in 2008, Marc has served in various critic roles, most recently as the critic for foreign affairs. Mr. Garneau served in the Canadian armed forces in the Navy and was the first Canadian Astronaut to fly in space in 1984. In August 2003, Mr, Garneau was made a Companion of the Order of Canada, Canada's highest civilian honour.

Chrystia Freeland

Minister of International Trade MP: University-Rosedale

Mrs. Freeland is a former journalist who worked for the Washington Post, the Economist, the Globe and Mail, and the Financial Times before entering politics in 2013. Mrs. Freeland wrote the infamous book "Plutocrats: The Rise of the New Global Super-Rich and the Fall of Everyone Else" and is seen as a key driver behind Mr. Trudeau's economic policy.

Scott Brison

President of the Treasury Board MP: Kings-Hants

First elected I 1997, Mr. Brison has served in many capacities including as Minister of Public Works and Government Services in 2004 making him the youngest member of Prime Minster Martin's Cabinet. Prior to entering politics Mr. Brison worked as an entrepreneur and investment banker. He has served as Vice-President of a Canadian investment bank and currently serves as Chairman of SeaFort Capital Inc., a Canadian private equity firm.

Jean-Yves Duclos

Minster of Families, Children and Social Development MP: Quebec

Jean-Yves Duclos was the Director of the Department of Economics and a tenured professor at the Université Laval. As a well-published author, conference speaker, and renowned economics expert, he is often asked to comment on current events in Quebec and Canada. Jean-Yves earned his Bachelor's degree in Economics (First-Class Honours) from the University of Alberta, and his Master's and Doctoral degrees in Economics from the London School of Economics and Political Science.

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Ralph Goodale

Minister of Public Safety MP: Regina-Wascana

First elected to the House of Commons at the age of 24 Mr. Goodale went on to lead the provincial Saskatchewan Liberal party before returning to the House of Commons in 1993. Mr. Goodale served as Canada's Finance Minster and most recently as the deputy leader of the Liberal party.

Patricia Hajdu

Minister of Status of Women MP: Thunder Bay-Superior North

Mrs. Hajdu was the Executive Director at Shelter House and previously, Patty served as Chairperson for the Drug Awareness Committee of Thunder Bay. She was formerly on the Board of Directors for Alphacourt Mental Health Services and the Ontario Literacy Coalition. Patty has had a variety of her written work published, including several Chronicle Journal op-eds on the issue of homelessness.

Melanie Joly

Minister of Heritage and Official Languages MP: Ahuntsic-Cartierville

A lawyer by training, Madame Joly worked at two major law firms in Montréal before making the leap into communications, as a managing partner of the Montréal office of the international communications firm Cohn & Wolfe. The founder of the party Le Vrai Changement pour Montréal, Madame Joly ran for mayor of Montréal in 2013. Largely unknown by the public, she successfully led an innovative campaign that elected eight councillors and garnered 26.5% of the votes.

Navdeep Bains

Minister of Innovation, Science and Economic Development MP: Mississauga-Malton

Navdeep Bains is a distinguished visiting professor at Ryerson University - Ted Rogers School of Management and holds an MBA with a specialization in Finance. As a Certified Management Accountant, he has worked several years in accounting and financial analysis for the Ford Motor Company of Canada. Having served in the House of Commons form 2004-2011, Mr. Bains served as the Parliamentary Secretary to the Prime Minister.

Dominic Leblanc

Government House Leader MP: Beausejour

First elected in 2000, LeBlanc held a number of critic portfolios and has served on a number of standing committees in Parliament and was Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of National Defence as well as Chair of the Atlantic Caucus. He also served as Parliamentary Secretary to the House Leader, Deputy Government Whip and in 2012, was named Liberal House Leader. LeBlanc holds a BA from the University of Ontario, a Bachelor of Laws from the University of New Brunswick and a Masters of Law from Harvard. Prior to being elected, he was a Barrister and Solicitor with Clark Drummie in Shediac and Moncton New Brunswick and served as Special Advisor to Prime Minister Jean Chrétien.

Carolyn Bennett

Minister of Indigenous and Northern Affairs MP: St Paul's

First elected in 1997, Bennet served as Minister of State for Public Health through the SARS outbreak. She has served as critic for a number of portfolios, on a number of parliamentary committees and as the Chair of the National Liberal Women's caucus. Prior to being elected, Bennette was a family physician in Toronto. She founded Bedford Medical Associates, served as President of the Medical Staff Association at Women's College Hospital and was an Assistant Professor in the Family and Community Medicine Department at the University of Toronto.

Kent Hehr

Minister of Veterans Affairs and Associate Minister of Defense MP: Calgary Centre

Born and raised in Calgary, Hehr was left paralyzed in 1991 after being hit by a drive-by shooter while riding in a friend's car. He went on to receive a Bachelor of Canadian Studies and Bachelor of Law from the University of Calgary. He then practiced law at Fraser Milner Casgrain and went on to become an MLA in the Alberta Legislature where he was shadow minister to a number of different portfolios.

Judy Foote

Minister of Public Service and Procurement MP: Bonavista-Burin-Trinity

First elected in 2008, Foote served as the Liberal Whip after having served as Deputy House Leader of the Liberals in Opposition. Prior to running for office, she was an MLA in Newfoundland and Labrador for 11 years where she served as Minister of Development and Rural Renewal, Minister of Industry, Trade and Technology, and Minister of Education. Prior to running for office, Foote got a Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Education at Memorial University in Newfoundland and an Honours Diploma in Radio Broadcast from Lambton College in Sarnia, Ontario

Lawrence MacAulay

Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food MP: Cardigan

First elected in 1988, McCauley was fisheries critic and in 1993, was appointed Secretary of State for Veterans Affairs. He went on to serve as Secretary of State for ACOA, Minister of Labour, and Solicitor General of Canada until 2002 when he resigned and sat as a backbench MP. Prior to running for office, McCauley was a potato and dairy farmer.

Hunter Tootoo

Minister of Fisheries, Oceans, and the Canadian Coast Guard MP: Nunavut

Tootoo was elected MLA for Iqaluit Centre in 1999 and went on to serve as Speaker of the Nunavut Legislative Assembly, Minister Responsible for the Nunavut Housing Corporation, Homelessness, the Qulliq Energy Corporation, and Minister of Education. Prior to running for office, he worked in public service for the Hamlet of Arviat, the Department of Economic Development and Transportation, and the Northwest Territories Housing Corporation in Iqaluit. Tootoo was co-founder of the Iqaluit branch of Arctic Insurance Brokers Ltd. prior working as a public servant.

Diane Lebouthillier

Minister of National Revenue MP: Gaspésie-Îles-de-la-Madeleine

Lebouthillier was elected warden for the Regional County Municipality of Rocher Percé in 2010. Prior to serving in local politics, she worked at the Rocher Percé Health and Social Services Centre and for a former Gaspé MNA, Georges Mamelonet. Lebouthillier has a Bachelor's degree in Social Work from the Université de Moncton.

Maryam Monsef

Minister of Democratic Reform MP: Peterborough-Kawartha

Monsef travelled to Peterborough 20 years ago with her family after fleeing the Taliban. She went on to earn a Bachelor of Science from Trent University and work with immigrants at the New Canadians Centre. Monsef co-founded the Red Pashmina Campaign which raises money for women and girls in Afghanistan, sits on a number of community boards and is a public speaker. She represented Peterborough at the United Nations Commission on the Status of Women in New York City.

MaryAnn Mihychuk

Minister of Employment, Workforce Development and Labour MP: Kildonan-St. Paul

First elected to the Manitoba Legislature in 1995, Mihychuk served as NDP Minister of Industry, Trade, and Mines and as Minister of Intergovernmental Affairs. She later became a Liberal. Mihychuk has a Bachelor of Science from the University of Winnipeg and a Master's in Geology from Brock University. She was a geoscientist prior to entering politics and founded Women in Mining Canada and recently served as President of Women in Mining Manitoba.

James Carr

Minister of Natural Resources MP: Winnipeg South Centre

First elected to the Manitoba Legislature in 1988, Carr was deputy leader of the Liberal party and critic for a number of portfolios. After leaving politics, he went on to become CEO of the Business Council of Manitoba where he worked with people in business to develop public policy. He was involved with the Canadian Energy Strategy and travelled internationally with Manitoba business missions. He has a number of boards in the arts and business communities including the Canadian Club of Winnipeg and the Manitoba Arts Council. Prior to his work in politics, Carr was an oboist and trustee with the Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra and a reporter with the Winnipeg Free Press and CBC Radio.

Marie-Claude Bibeau

Minister of International Development and La Francophonie MP: Compton-Stanstead

Born and raised Sherbrooke, Bibeau first worked for the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA) in Ottawa, Montréal, Morocco and Benin, Africa. She has co-owned Camping de Compton, tourism business for the last 15 years and has served as the Executive Director of the Sherbrooke Museum of Nature and Science.Bibeau sat on the board of Commerce Sherbrooke, Destination Sherbrooke, Animation Centre-ville and Société des musées québécois. She holds a Bachelor Economis and Diploma in Environmental Management from Université de Sherbrooke. Kirsty Duncan Minister of Science MP: Etobicoke North

First elected in 2008, Duncan worked as an academic for most of her Career. She studied Geography and Anthropology at the University of Toronto and earned a Ph.D. in geography from University of Edinburgh in Scotland. Duncan then went on to teach meteorology, climatology, and climate change at the University of Windsor. Duncan began public speaking on the subject of epidemics and then taught corporate social responsibility at the University of Toronto's Rotman School of Management. In 2008, Duncan published a second book, Environment and Health: Protecting our Common Future. She was an adjunct professor teaching medical geography at the University of Toronto and global environmental processes at Royal Roads University, and served on the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change.

Carla Qualtrough

Minster of Sport and Persons with Disabilities MP: Delta

Visually impaired since birth, Qualtrough is a lawyer and Paralympian. She has practiced human rights law federally and provincially and chaired the BC Minister's Council on Employment and Accessibility, and was an adjudicator with the Workers' Compensation Appeals Tribunal. Qualtrough has been President of the Canadian Paralympic Committee and Chair of the Sport Dispute Resolution Centre of Canada. She has served on the Board of the Canadian Centre for Ethics in Sport and as an athlete, won three Paralympic and four World Championship medals. Qualtrough has degrees in Political Science from the University of Ottawa and Law from the University of Victoria and was awarded the Queen's Diamond Jubilee Medal in 2012.

Bardish Chaggar

Minister of Small Business and Tourism MP: Waterloo

Prior to running for office, Chagger worked as a Special Projects Coordinator at the Kitchener-Waterloo Multicultural Centre, helping new Canadians transition into community life. She has worked with other agencies on an annual Global Skills Conference to link foreign-trained professionals with their professions in Canada and to help immigrants find employment. Chagger was also Executive Assistant to Kitchener-Waterloo

Member of Parliament the Hon. Andrew Telegdi and has served as a board member with the Workforce Planning Council of Waterloo Wellington Dufferin and volunteered with Interfaith Grand River, the Heart and Stroke Foundation, and the Waterloo Rotary Club. She has a Bachelor of Science from the University of Waterloo and is the recipient of the Waterloo Region Record "40 under 40" award.

Cabinet Committees:

The new Liberal Government has changed the structure and mandate of the traditional cabinet committee system, which is responsible for the lion's share of government decision making.

Most importantly, the Cabinet Committee on Agenda and Results, which has been renamed from the former "Planning and Priorities", appears to be the "inner cabinet", or the primary cabinet committee which is responsible for the government's long term agenda and political priorities. Chaired by Prime Minister Trudeau, it traditionally features the Prime Minister's most reliable advisors and capable ministers, and draws heavily on experience from outside and inside government. Veteran politicians on it include Public Safety Minister Ralph Goodale, Government House Leader Dominic LeBlanc, Economic Development Minister Navdeep Bains and Public Works Minister Judy Foote, but also new MPs who have significant experience and abilities, such as Bill Morneau, Harjit Sajjan, and Jean-Yves Duclos.

In addition, it has been noted in the Privy Council Document that outlines the cabinet committees that the President of the Treasury Board, Scott Brison, and Minister of Finance Bill Morneau, are ex officio members of every cabinet committee, indicating the ability of the Prime Minister to include them on key decisions made at the other cabinet committees.

The only other committee chaired by the Prime Minister is the Intelligence Cabinet Committee on and Emergency Management, a new committee. This committee will meet as required to consider intelligence reports and priorities, but also is designed to manage responses to public emergencies and national security incidents. Notably, its members include several members of the Agenda and Results Committee, such as Goodale, Jody Wilson-Raybould, Dominic Leblanc and Judy Foote and Defence Minister Harjit Sajjan, but also key security portfolios like Foreign Affairs Minister Stephane Dion, and Health Minister Jane Philpott, who has experience working in Africa on numerous health crises and epidemics. Again, a clear indication

the Prime Minister looks to take national security very seriously in chairing the committee himself and making it a personal priority for himself.

Other new cabinet committees include the Committee on Diversity and Inclusion, chaired by John McCallum, which has a mandate to consider issues about the social fabric of Canada and the promotion of Canadian pluralism, and strengthen ties to aboriginal Canadians and improve the economic performance of immigrants and promote multiculturalism. A new committee chaired by a senior minister like John McCallum suggests a new priority placed on these issues for the government.

The remainder of the Cabinet Committees are serving largely the same functions as previous, but do feature new names for those committees, as an example the Economic Affairs committee is now called the Committee on Inclusive Growth, Opportunities and Innovation; and the old Foreign Affairs committee becomes the Committee on Canada in the World and Public Security. Other traditional committees like Treasury Board and Operations (now called Parliamentary Affairs) are chaired by key players in the cabinet, notably Scott Brison as President of the Treasury Board, and Dominic LeBlanc as Government House Leader.

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