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MR. KIERON TESTART  
MLA, KAM LAKE

**Oral Question 894-18(2): North Slave Correctional Complex Security Concerns**

On September 27, 2017, in the Legislative Assembly, you requested that I provide information as to when the project for security improvements to the yard at the North Slave Correctional Complex will be issued for tender and when the work is expected to be completed.

The Department of Infrastructure (Infrastructure) manages capital projects on behalf of the Department of Justice. I can advise that Infrastructure issued the tender for the security improvements on Friday September 29, 2017 and it closed on October 19, 2017. The Department of Infrastructure advised there was one proponent that responded to the tender request and they are currently in contract negotiations to finalize contract terms. It is currently expected that this work will be completed by the early to mid-winter.

In the interim, due to the risks associated with the gap in the facilities physical security, inmate access to the yard will continue to be restricted. As committed, I will ensure all members are kept apprised of information on this project as I receive it.

Thank you.

Louis Sebert  
Minister of Justice

c. Mr. Tim Mercer, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

Mr. Martin Goldney, Deputy Minister, Justice

Mr. David Hastings, Legislative Coordinator