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**THE QUEBEC'S MINISTER OF PUBLIC SAFETY
AND THE COMMISSIONER OF THE NEW YORK CITY
DEPARTMENT OF INVESTIGATION MET TODAY**

Québec, January 14, 2011. – The Quebec's Minister of Public Safety, Robert Dutil, and Commissioner of the New York City Department of Investigation, Rose Gill Hearn, met today to discuss initiatives for fighting corruption in public institutions.

DOI Commissioner Rose Gill Hearn said: "DOI was pleased to accept this invitation from the Ministère de la Sécurité publique du Québec to share information about the New York City Department of Investigation's operations and legal authority, its effective corruption-fighting methods, and its unique role within municipal government. DOI has a vibrant national and international outreach program and today's visit is a part of that and a follow-up to Quebec's visit to our offices last year. Assisting government officials to enhance their anti-corruption work is also an opportunity for DOI to learn about best practices from other law enforcement and integrity agencies."

Last year, a contingent from the Ministère de la Sécurité publique traveled to New York to promote sharing of knowledge and expertise pertaining to fighting malfeasance and corruption. This endeavor fits into longstanding collaboration between the Ministère de la Sécurité publique, the City of New York, and the State of New York, in particular with respect to internal security and criminal investigations.

"The New York City Department of Investigation is an international leader in the area of fighting corruption. Ms. Gill Hearn's visit is part of a process aimed at establishing a standing anti-corruption unit in Québec," stated Minister Dutil.

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