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### **Auditor's Response to Government's Release of Unaudited Financial Statements**

(Toronto) The Office of the Auditor General is disappointed that the government decided to release the Consolidated Financial Statements for the Province of Ontario without the Auditor's opinion, the Auditor General of Ontario said today.

"This is the first time in the history of Ontario that the statements have been released without the audit opinion," Bonnie Lysyk said.

"As late as 10:30 a.m. this morning, we were still in discussions over an accounting issue that we brought to the government's attention in June of this year," Lysyk added.

Lysyk concluded, "We continue to work toward finalizing the opinion on the Consolidated Financial Statements for the Province of Ontario for the year ended March 31, 2016."

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