

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OTTAWA, Thursday, May 13, 2021 (4)

[English]

Pursuant to the order of the Senate of March 30, 2021, the Standing Senate Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade met this day by videoconference at 11:30 a.m. [ET], the chair, the Honourable Peter M. Boehm, presiding. This meeting is considered to have taken place in the parliamentary precinct.

Members of the committee present by videoconference: The Honourable Senators Black (Alberta), Boehm, Coyle, Deacon (Ontario), Dean, Greene, Harder, P.C., Housakos, Ngo, Ravalia and Saint-Germain (11).

Participating in the meeting: Chantal Cardinal, Procedural Clerk, Committees Directorate; Brian Hermon, Analyst, Parliamentary Information and Research Services, Library of Parliament.

Also present: The official reporters of the Senate.

Pursuant to the order of reference adopted by the Senate on Tuesday, May 4, 2021, the committee began its examination of the subject matter of those elements contained in Divisions 6 and 20 of Part 4 of Bill C-30, An Act to implement certain provisions of the budget tabled in Parliament on April 19, 2021 and other measures.

WITNESSES (by videoconference):

Department of Finance Canada:

Justin Brown, Acting Director General, Financial Crimes and Security Division, Financial Sector Policy Branch;

Marie-Hélène Cantin, Senior Economist, International Trade Policy Division, International Trade and Finance Branch;

Gabriel Ngo, Senior Advisor, Financial Crimes and Security Division, Financial Sector Policy Branch.

Global Affairs Canada:

Cory Anderson, Director, Sanctions Policy and Operations Coordination Division;

Neelu Shanker, Deputy Director, Operations, Sanctions Policy and Operations Coordination Division;

Raahool Watchmaker, Deputy Director & Senior Counsel, Trade Remedy Law, Trade Law Bureau (JLT);

John Layton, Executive Director, Trade Remedies Division.

The chair made a statement.

Mr. Brown and Ms. Cantin each made a statement and, together with Mr. Anderson and Mr. Layton, answered questions.

At 12:01 p.m., it was agreed that, for the duration of the session, one staff member designated by each member of the committee, or by any senator replaced on the committee for a specific meeting, be allowed access to in camera meetings held by videoconference.

At 12:02 p.m., the committee adjourned to the call of the chair.

ATTEST:

Gaëtane Lemay

Clerk of the committee