



## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OTTAWA, Tuesday, May 11, 2021

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[English]

Pursuant to the order of the Senate of March 30, 2021, the Standing Senate Committee on National Finance met this day by videoconference at 2:32 p.m. [ET], the chair, the Honourable Percy Mockler, presiding. This meeting is considered to have taken place in the parliamentary precinct.

*Members of the committee present by videoconference:* The Honourable Senators Boehm, Dagenais, Deacon (Ontario), Duncan, Forest, Galvez, Klyne, Loffreda, Marshall, Mockler, Richards and Smith (12).

*Other senator present by videoconference:* The Honourable Senator Moncion (1).

*In attendance:* Vincent Labrosse, Procedural Clerk, Committees Directorate; Sylvain Fleury and Shaowei Pu, Analysts, 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 continued its examination of the subject matter of all 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:*

Suzanne Kennedy, Acting Director General, Federal-Provincial Relations Division, Federal-Provincial Relations and Policy Branch;

Omar Rajabali, Director General, Social Policy Division, Federal-Provincial Relations and Policy Branch;

Sam Millar, Director General, Corporate Finance, Natural Resources and Environment, Economic Development and Corporate Finance Branch;

Yannick Mondy, Director, Trade and Tariff Policy, International Trade Policy Division, International Trade and Finance Branch.

*Infrastructure Canada:*

Nathalie Lechasseur, Director General, Programs Integration.

*Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada:*

Andre Arbour, Acting Director General, Telecommunications and Internet Policy Branch;

James Nicholson, Director, Broadband Policy and Regulatory Frameworks;

Steve Watton, Manager, Policy, Canada Small Business Financing Program.

*Canada Border Services Agency:*

Goran Vragovic, Director General, CARM.

*Employment and Social Development Canada:*

Benoit Cadieux, Director, Skills & Employment Branch;

Atiq Rahman, Assistant Deputy Minister, Learning Branch.

Messrs. Rajabali, Millar, Arbour, Watton, Vragovic and Rahman, Ms. Kennedy and Ms. Lechasseur answered questions.

At 4:03 p.m., the committee adjourned to the call of the chair.

*ATTEST:*

Maxime Fortin

*Clerk of the Committee*