



## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OTTAWA, Wednesday, October 30, 2024

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[English]

Pursuant to the order of the Senate of December 9, 2021, the Standing Committee on Audit and Oversight met this day in room B30, Senate of Canada Building and with videoconference, at 12:33 p.m. ET, the chair, the Honourable Marty Klyne, presiding.

*Members of the committee present:* The Honourable Senators Deacon (*Nova Scotia*), Klyne, Wells (*Newfoundland and Labrador*) and Yussuff (4).

*External members of the committee present:* Robert Plamondon (1).

*External members of the committee present by videoconference:* Hélène F. Fortin (1).

*In attendance:* Stéphanie van Beek, Procedural Clerk, and Brigitte Martineau, Administrative Assistant, Committees Directorate; André Léonard, Lindsay McGlashan and Rosemonde Samedy, analysts, Library of Parliament; Amipal Manchanda, Chief Audit Executive, and Linda Anglin, Senior Advisor, Office of the Chief Audit Executive.

Pursuant to rule 12-7(4), the committee continued its consideration of the Senate's internal and external audits and related matters.

*WITNESSES:*

*Ernst & Young LLP:*

Suzanne Gignac, Partner, Assurance Services;

Niguel Givogue, Senior Manager, Assurance Services.

*Senate of Canada:*

Pierre Lanctôt, Chief Financial Officer, Finance and Procurement Directorate;

Nathalie Charpentier, Comptroller and Deputy Chief Financial Officer, Finance and Procurement Directorate.

Suzanne Gignac made a statement and, together with Niguel Givogue, answered questions.

At 12:56 p.m., the committee suspended.

At 12:57 p.m., pursuant to rule 12-16(1)(d), the committee resumed in camera to discuss a draft agenda (future business).

At 1:22 p.m., the committee suspended and Pierre Lanctôt, Nathalie Charpentier and all staff were excused from the meeting.

At 1:23 p.m., the committee resumed.

At 1:32 p.m., the committee suspended.

At 1:34 p.m., the committee resumed and staff were invited to rejoin the meeting.

The committee reviewed the 2023-24 audited financial statements and audit results report.

At 1:49 p.m., Pierre Lanctôt, Nathalie Charpentier and Linda Anglin were invited to join the meeting.

At 2:25 p.m., Pierre Lanctôt and Nathalie Charpentier were excused from the meeting.

Pursuant to rule 12-16(1)(d), the committee met in camera to discuss a draft report.

It was agreed that the draft report be adopted in principle, taking into account today's discussions.

At 2:34 p.m., the committee adjourned to the call of the chair.

*ATTEST:*

Jodi Turner

*Clerk of the Committee*